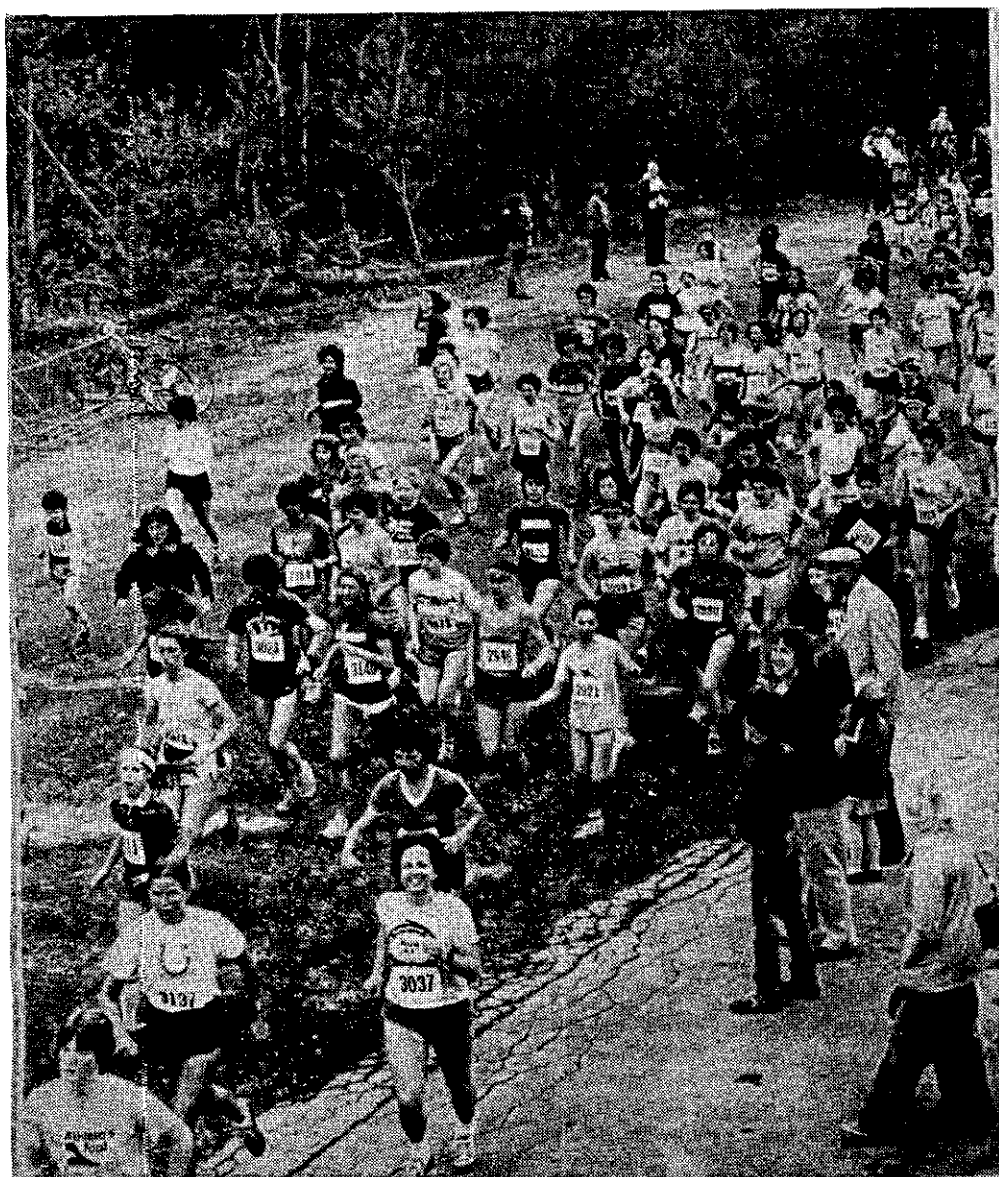


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The Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club's annual Mother's Day race for women and girls drew a crowd at the start of the 3.5-mile event from Slingerlands Elementary School Sunday. Inna Stockman of East Greenbush and Union College won in 21 minutes 44 seconds.

Tom Howes

Drug threat warning issued

The principal of at least one area school is warning parents to be alert for a new way of peddling dangerous hallucinogenic drugs such as LSD in the form of a tattoo transfer called "Blue Stars."

But Bethlehem police detectives, who keep tabs on drug traffic in the area, say no such devices have come to their attention. It would be highly unlikely for Blue Stars to be in circulation in Bethlehem without their knowledge, they say.

The warning issued by Slingerlands Principal David Murphy, is similar to the one that has been circulated in the other Capital District school districts in the last year. It has received widespread attention because of concern that the tattoo

transfers could fall into the hands of young children, who would ingest them unknowingly.

"Our goal is not to scare but to alert all parents and students to the possibilities mentioned in this letter," wrote Murphy. "Please discuss this with your child."

The Blue Stars, the size of a pencil eraser, are impregnated with the drug, which could be ingested either through the mouth or through the skin, the letter says. Also available may be brightly-colored paper tabs with cartoon characters. "The stamps are packed in a red cardboard box with a picture of Mickey Mouse on top. They are on five-inch square sheets with 100 perforated half-inch stamps per sheet," says the letter.

Man dies in tanker collision

A Glenmont man died instantly Thursday night when his car ran head-on into a fully-loaded gasoline tank truck on Rt. 144 just south of Corning Hill. The truck driver was uninjured and the tank was untouched by the collision, according to Bethlehem police.

But police say they are continuing their investigation into the cause of the accident that killed Robert M. Hoffman, of Rt. 144. The truck driver, Carl G. Schweigert, of 2 Crosby Court, Albany, said the Hoffman car, driving south, was completely in the north-bound lane and appeared to be picking up speed when the collision occurred. Schweigert said he tried to avoid the accident by swerving into the south-bound lane. His story was supported by a witness, police said. Hoffman was due to be married in several weeks, according to police.

Giving birth: new choices for mothers

By Caroline Terenzini

Lin Mullenneaux of Delmar had her first child in a hospital, with the "regular three-day stay." Her second child also was born in a hospital, but mother and child checked out four hours later.

Her third child was born at home. "A lot of people don't want to have full responsibility for their own birth," she said. "It's a heavy thing. I certainly wouldn't say that everybody should have a home birth."

Nor would a lot of other people. But alternatives to the standard hospital birth are available, and are likely to become more common

as more and more women become aware that they do have choices in how they bring a child into the world.

There is, of course, no agreement on the right place to give birth: one woman may find peace of mind in being in a hospital, another may find the only place she can be comfortable giving birth is at home. For still others, a home-like birthing room or birthing center may be the best choice. It depends on a woman's expectations and priorities.

Similarly, there is no consensus on what is safe. Advocates of home birth say doctors and hospitals have exaggerated the dangers in childbirth, while the majority of medical professionals say they can't predict what will happen during a birth or what degree or kind of medical intervention may be needed.

"... how fine it felt to sit in front of the fire with my husband and Mom, right after the birth, our daughter snug in her crib..."

At the same time, for many women the birth of a child has ceased to be an ordeal and has become an experience to be confronted and shaped and shared. A Delmar woman who had that experience — at home — recalls "how fine it felt to sit in front of the fire with my husband and Mom, right after the birth, our daughter snug in her crib, and admire our new son, and ravenously eat the soup and sandwiches my Mom had made us, and sit in my kitchen and call my friends and stay up with my Mom 'til 2 a.m. talking and laughing and washing sheets! And taking a shower right after the baby's birth. And my daughter finding her new brother in our bed the next morning. Just a fantastic experience which made us all feel so good for days later!"

The home birth experience may not always be so positive, acknowledges this



woman, who has medical training (and who wished not to be identified). "Women are so conditioned to be afraid; they've been conditioned to think something is going to go wrong," she said.

"Pregnancy is not a disease, but it takes a very special person and philosophy to have a home birth. You have to want it badly."

Once solely a woman's province, birth was drawn into the realm of doctors and hospitals as medical advances promised less pain and more safety. For some women, though, the medical intervention got in the way of a safe and comfortable birth.

The home-birth movement sprang up in part in reaction to medical intervention, particularly the procedures that had become routine in hospitals — the routine shave, enema, intravenous hookup, fetal monitor, drugs, last-minute switch to a delivery room, bright lights, tiled walls, gleaming instruments, masked attendants, feet in stirrups, arms restrained.

Thanks to the pioneer women who said no to all that — or even some of it, hospitals have gradually gotten the message: it's okay to have the father present for the delivery — he knows what to expect and he won't faint; it's okay to let the mother labor without drugs — she has learned to concentrate on something other than the pain; it's okay to vary the routine, to let the participants have some say in the matter.

When there was no choice, there were no decisions to be made. Now with medical knowledge, equipment, drugs and techniques that weren't available 50, 30 or even 5 years ago, the plethora of possibilities add the responsibility of having to choose. And the choice is not just where you give birth, but (once that is settled) how. Drugs, positions, attendants and monitors are all issues which can be settled in advance, even in the hospital.

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Alternative births

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One mother who was able to make her own choices is Donna Crisafulli of South Bethlehem. She attended a home birth last summer and wanted home birth herself. But her husband said "flat out no way," so she began to explore her alternatives.

"I really shopped around for a doctor. I couldn't get doctors to agree to conditions I wanted."

Finally she talked with Dr. William Hennessey of Troy and found him "more than willing" to listen to her.

She drew up a "contract" specifying that she would have two birthing attendants, no fetal monitoring equipment and no intravenous hookup, among other things. She also planned to bring a birthing stool, which the nurses had never seen.

She sent a copy of the "contract" to the hospital, and also went over it with her pediatrician. "I wanted it in writing so residents (at the hospital) would know we had discussed it with the doctor. The response was good from both the hospital and the doctors," she said.

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She went over her "contract" beforehand with Marilyn Phelan, nursing supervisor at St. Peter's, who "said what the hospital could do, where compromise was needed, and pointed out where there might be a problem."

As it turned out, the birth did not go as expected, and Donna Crisafulli never got to use the wedge-shaped birthing stool that a friend had made. "The thing that was crucial was to know that I could use it," she said. "The hospital people were so willing to learn. We felt we were respected."

There is no shortage of information on how and where to have a baby. And the information concerns not just the birth process but, increasingly, the mother's options. Even so, the range of opinions among professionals illustrates the importance of making up one's own mind:

• Diane Balog of East Greenbush, an R.N. who teaches childbirth courses: "All places of birth should be the parents' choice. My teaching is intended to help them have the best experience they can."

She said about half her students go to a hospital for delivery, about a quarter use a birthing center in Pittsfield, Mass., and the rest opt for home birth.

• Dr. Hennessey of Troy: "When you look into home births, and really start questioning people who have had them: 'Was there fear?...there tends to be.'"

Dr. Hennessey and his associate, Dr. Anthony Levatino, are planning a birthing center because "right now there is a social need for birthing centers. Women turning to home birth are possibly endangering the child's life. Birthing centers may be the answer."

• Mary Leue, co-coordinator of the Family Life Center in Albany: "I don't think home birth is a sensible way to approach childbirth." The Family Life Center also plans to open a birthing center, modeled on the Manhattan Maternity Association center in New York City, which uses midwives. The center would provide a setting in which a family could be present to provide support to the laboring mother, she said.

But she stressed that a birthing center is not the appropriate place for every birth either. "We would have to screen patients carefully."

• Birthing centers "can work out very well," acknowledged Dr. Margaret Craven, a Delmar obstetrician and mother of two. "Many are set up in a good way, and near a hospital."

"If everything would be nice, home birth would be fine. Sometimes problems can be predicted, sometimes not. Sometimes we just do our best in a bad situation," she said.

"I think the thing that's good is we're offering people more options."

• Marilyn Phelan, nursing supervisor at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany: "Childbirth education now makes a tremendous difference in the way people handle their labor. Rarely do people come in screaming any more. You're dealing now with a population that can understand what's happening with their bodies."

Concerning home birth, she said: "Ninety-five percent of the time everything will be fine. It's a decision they have to make themselves: Can they live with the results if they're in the five percent of births that don't go smoothly?"

"The purpose (of home birth) is to get away from instruments, technicalities, impersonality; they can still do that in a hospital."

Among the alternatives, childbirth at home has generated the most controversy, with its advocates feeling

Home birth information

The National Association of Parents and Professionals for Safe Alternatives in Childbirth (NAPSAC) says pregnancy and childbirth "are unique in health care in that they are natural functions, not products of disease . . . the health care community should (serve) not only the physical safety of mother and baby, but also the inseparable and important psychological needs and desires of parents."

At the same time, "individuals need to assume more personal responsibility in the choices involving their lives," the organization emphasizes. To help, NAPSAC publishes booklets and a newsletter, offers consulting services, and maintains a Directory of Alternative Birth Services. NAPSAC's address is P.O. Box 267, Marble Hill, Mo. 63764.

Some organizations offering information about home birth are: Association for Childbirth at Home, 16705 Monte Cristo, Cerritos, Calif. 90701; Home Oriented Maternity Experience, 511 New York Ave., Takoma Park, Washington, D.C. 20012, and Informed Homebirth, Box 788, Boulder, Colo. 80306.

Locally, the Family Life Center is located at 20 Elm St. in Albany, 465-0241. Diane Balog of East Greenbush, who offers classes and counseling on childbirth, can be reached at 477-7057.

perhaps "outside the law." In fact, New York law, while it stipulates that only physicians and certified nurse-midwives may assist at a birth, does not stipulate that they must do so in a hospital. The difficulty is that few such professionals will attend home births, the majority believing that medical backup in a hospital provides the greatest safety to mother and child.

Nurse-midwives are registered nurses who have taken graduate training in midwifery. Ella Cinkota at the Health Dept.'s Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, said nurse-midwives have to be approved by the Health Dept. and must be certified by a professional organization to practice midwifery. Public health law stipulates that only certified nurse-midwives and physicians may practice midwifery, she said. A spokesperson for the state Health Dept., Division of Health Manpower, said there are "just under 190" nurse-midwives statewide who have state approval.

"There are no rules for lay midwives," Ella Cinkota said. "They are not recognized to practice legally."

It is, however, legal for a physician to deliver a child at home. One in this area who has is Dr. George Wootan of Kingston, who attended home births for Lin Mullenneaux and Diane Balog, among others locally. The state Health Dept., however, in November had suspended Dr. Wootan's license to practice medicine on the grounds of 11 alleged "deficiencies" relating to home births he has attended. (The Appellate Division of State Supreme Court struck down the suspension on the grounds that the health commissioner exceeded his authority in barring Dr. Wootan from practicing all medicine because the charges concerned only the obstetrical practice.)

The charges include "failure to

properly diagnose and treat" such conditions as postpartum hemorrhage and fetal asphyxiation. They also allege Dr. Wootan required a patient in labor to travel to the home of another patient he was attending, and that he undertook home delivery of older, high-risk women.

"I would have loved to have my babies at home, but as a nurse I'm so aware of what can go wrong."

"It is important for people to understand," said Linda Milstrey of the state Health Dept., "that the issue is not home birth, but deficiencies in that practice."

Because of legal and ethical constraints, the medical profession has been largely silent on the Wootan case. Until the specific charges are dealt with, it would appear almost impossible for the layman to sort out the facts. What is clear is that Dr. Wootan was the only doctor in a large area willing to take home births, and that he had many critics inside the medical profession even before the Health Department leveled its charges.

"Doctors doing home deliveries now are not trained obstetricians-gynecologists. They don't recognize problems as quickly," says Dr. Hennessey of Troy.

But Dr. Wootan has strong defenders in this area, and they don't buy the Health Department's disclaimer.

"I talked to him about the stories," recalls Lin Mullenneaux. "What he told me made me feel it was OK to go ahead. I really appreciated how much credit he gave us for being intelligent."

Adds Phoebe Kerness of Delmar: "His track record is just as good as any other doctor's." And Diane Balog: "The babies

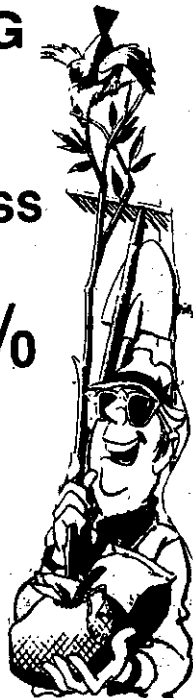
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Leaves collected from Bethlehem yards three years ago have now become "sweet" garden mulch. Townspeople came to the town highway garage Saturday for a free supply. Among them were Dr. and Mrs. Weisheit and Jim Harrington, Selkirk resident caught by the camera taking a break from filling their containers. *Tom Howes*

that die in hospitals — we never see statistics on those OBs in attendance."

What about hospital births?

St. Peter's Marilyn Phelan notes that the hospital has made many changes in birth procedures "because the consumer has asked for it." Husbands are now routinely in the delivery room, even for Caesarian births, whereas 10 years ago they were not. Now the baby can be with the mother in the delivery room, instead of being whisked away to the nursery.

If people prefer some other procedure, as did Donna Crisafulli, "we ask that they come in for a pre-delivery interview," she said.

Alex Milmo of Delmar, who is an RN, chose to have her third child in the birthing room at St. Peter's Hospital. "I would have loved to have my babies at home, but as a nurse I'm so aware of what can go wrong. You just can't get good backup here.

"I wasn't willing to take the risk for myself. But I think there should be an option. The medical profession shouldn't be telling us there's risk and so they won't do it," she said.

"Having babies in a hospital can be a negative experience for some people."

For example, when her first child was born, she wasn't allowed to have her from the nursery once "because the nurse was too busy to get her ready."

Another mother told of laboring for hours virtually alone because a TV set was tuned to the World Series in another room.

And Gail Moon of Delmar, recalling the birth of her first child, said, "We were by and large neglected, I would say. We had a nurse, but it just seemed like forever until a resident came in.

"We could have used more advice. We feel the delivery (which culminated in an

emergency Caesarian section) is responsible in large part for" neurological damage that is suspected in their child.

The risks in birth do not disappear in a hospital. The most sophisticated devices cannot compensate for human judgement.

Phoebe Kerness of Delmar, who had her fifth child at a home, said the birth "was so much safer because it was so much better attended (than in a hospital). I had constant attention. At a hospital, the nurses flit in and out."

The safety that hospitals are looked to provide may mean IV tubes and needles, fetal monitoring devices, drugs to speed up labor or even Caesarian section — intervention that many home birth advocates find appalling.

Dr. Craven of Delmar, asked about the rate of surgical delivery, said, "We're constantly learning and refining things. It is very unusual to deliver breeches vaginally any more — there's tremendous risk in breech birth. Also, there's more herpes infections (which can be transmitted to the baby if it passes through the

Polls open tonight

If you're reading this newspaper on Wednesday, there's still time to vote in the annual school elections in the Bethlehem and Voorheesville school districts.

In Bethlehem, the polls will be open at the Middle School in Delmar until 9 p.m. In Voorheesville, voting hours are 2 to 9:30 p.m. at Voorheesville High School.

On the ballot are proposed budgets for the school system and public library in each system.

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Birthing centers offer an alternative, a compromise, with some of the comforts of home and some of the emergency capabilities of hospitals.

"Such a center has been a personal interest and desire of mine," Dr. Hennessey said. "It would be oriented toward a family birth," with the whole family there, if that's what they wanted. "We want to try to keep birth a relatively natural process."

Mothers would stay at the center about 12 hours after the birth, he said, so both mother and child could be watched for any complications. Plus the center would have the ability to take a patient to the hospital, if need be. Dr. Hennessey said they would "initially work with physicians, then possibly nurse-midwives. I'm not opposed to nurse-midwives at all."

Ruth Rice of Delmar, who had two children in Switzerland, found Swiss expectations far different from those in this country. "The physician there doesn't offer drugs — you either have natural birth or a Caesarian section; there's no middle ground, no drugged birth."

She had four midwives with her, plus the physician and her husband, who was expected by the medical personnel to be there, she said. "You sort of feel like you're in a community." The Swiss use birthing rooms only, she added, no delivery rooms. And while a 10-day hospital stay is routine in a normal birth

there, other children are welcome in the mother's room at any time, even overnight.

Her third child was born at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, where the experience "took away any pleasure if there is pleasure — in childbirth," she said, with the mandatory procedures and last-minute switch from a labor room to a delivery room.

"What you want out of a birth" is what matters, Phoebe Kerness said. "I did not want to be separated from my baby at all — not one minute. There's no reason why anybody should not consider a home birth. But people have to do their homework; you need a lot of self-education."

Diane Balog agrees. Of her first delivery, in a hospital, she said, "I thought it was the same experience everybody had. I felt isolated from my baby. Afterward, I started reading to see what I had missed."

With a subsequent pregnancy, she explored alternatives to the hospital: "I had never considered home birth before, and had hundreds of questions — Is it safe?" She decided "it wasn't quite as dangerous as doctors make it out to be," and had the child at home, with Dr. Wootan attending.

She continued: "My grandmother, who is 90, is amazed that home birth is an issue. She had all her babies at home and attended deliveries of friends. If there was a problem, they sent for a doctor. Nobody was frightened about it."

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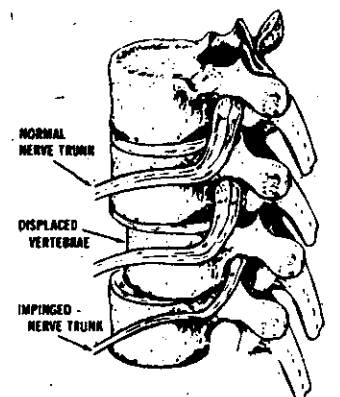
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Board bows on Zautner case

The Bethlehem Planning Board has voted to follow the directive of the State Supreme Court and grant developer G. William Zautner permission to construct two duplexes on property he owns off Elsmere Ave. and adjacent to the Bethlehem Cemetery, Elsmere.

The board, which originally ignored the advice of its legal counsel in denying Zautner permission for the proposed subdivision, at its meeting last Tuesday night decided not to appeal the decision to a higher court. Board member Marcia Nelson voted against the motion to follow the court order, board member Hyman Kramer abstained from the vote and T.E. Mulligan was not present.

The board voted unanimously, however, to grant its approval to the fifth section of the Skycrest subdivision off Elm Ave. in Delmar, with the recommendation that the town board look at the possibility of extending University Ave., a part of the development, after the completion of 10 housing units in the fourth section of the planned residential district.

Residents of the area had complained at a Jan. 5 public hearing about excessive traffic and limited access to and from Elm Ave. Planning Board Chairman Edward Sargent noted last Tuesday night that the town board could direct changes in the development at any time.

Gas station proposed for Glenmont corner

A proposal for a new Cumberland Farms store and gas station on the northwest corner of Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Rd. in Glenmont is being considered by the Bethlehem Planning Board.

The project, proposed by VSH Realty, Inc., calls for a fuel storage tank with 24,000 gallon capacity. The developer needs a variance because the Bethlehem Preschool is 500 feet away. The planning board set a public hearing for June 2 at 8 p.m.

In other business, the board set other public hearings, held three hearings and reviewed two previous hearings.

Kenneth F. Hartman, 9 Jordan Blvd., Delmar, seeks a variance from the rear yard provision of the zoning ordinance for the construction of an addition to his house. The hearing will be held May 19 at 8:30 p.m.

After reviewing two previous public hearings, the board unofficially granted Verne Kenney, 11 Jordan Blvd., Delmar, a variance so that he could construct a rear porch.

But Robert DeSarbo, 12 Patroon Pl., Glenmont, was unofficially denied a variance that would permit construction

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of a garage addition at his premises. Board members said the addition would be too close to the property line.

At the three hearings held last Wednesday, no one spoke in opposition:

- William and Adrienne Jones, 107 Thorndale Rd., Slingerlands, requested a variance from the zoning ordinance that would allow them to keep a pony on their property during the summer months.

- William and Dorothy Whan, 400 Delaware Ave., Delmar, came before the board seeking variances from the width-of-lot, side yard and density provisions of the zoning ordinance so that they could add an addition to their home.

- Paul Seiden, 36 Gladwish Rd., Elsmere, sought a variance from the percentage-of-lot-occupancy provision of the zoning ordinance so that he might construct an addition to his home to be used as a family room.

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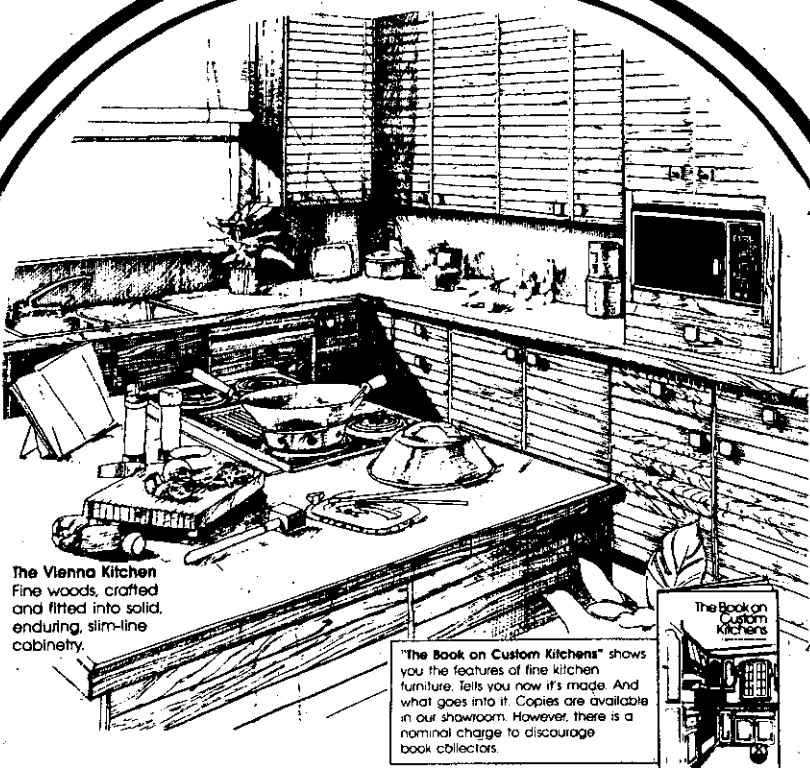
On Sunday, May 16, the celebration will be continued by the Mahigian String Quartet, which will give a free concert beginning at 2 p.m. The first half of the program will be geared for children, who may ask the performers questions, while the rest will be highlighted by a performance of the Handel-Halvorsen

"Passacaglia." All of the members of the quartet are performers for the Albany Symphony Orchestra and have played together for 10 years. They are Leo Mahigian and Janet Rowe, violinists; Harriet Thomas, violist, and Nancy Winn, cellist.

A reception, hosted by the Delmar Progress Club, will follow the concert.

Show on visiting nurses

The Visiting Nurse Association of Albany, Inc., will present its newly-developed colored slide show entitled, "Nursing . . . and More" to the Delmar Chapter of the A.A.R.P. on Tuesday, May 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Delmar First Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave.



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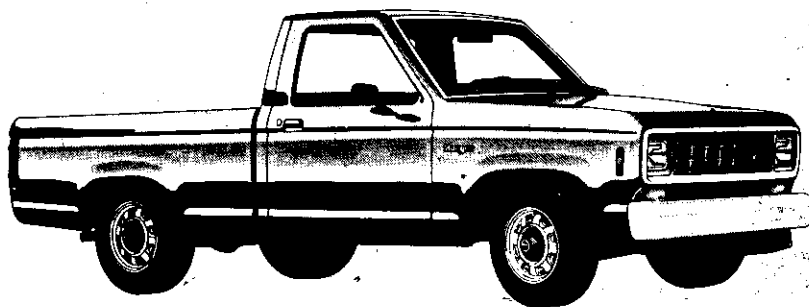
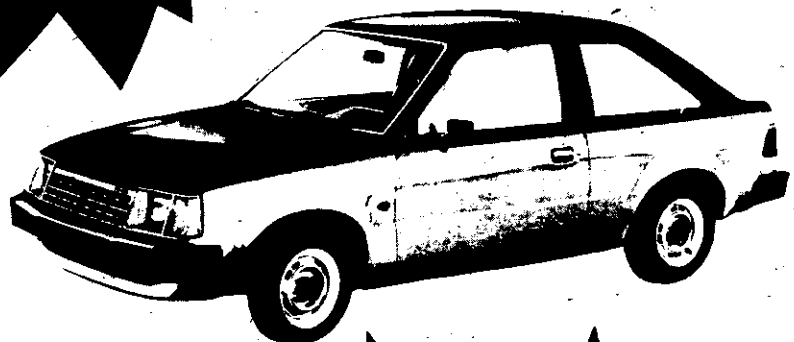
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The "Thinking Reed," Bethlehem Central High School's only student-generated creative writing publication, has finally perished. It is to be replaced by a new magazine, the "Phoenix," which appeared briefly several years ago as a rival to the "Reed."

The "Reed" was the brainchild of English teacher Helen Adler, who founded it in answer to student Liz Hartley's question of why she should write when no one else would have the chance to read her work.

Published semiannually, the Creative Writing Club's "Reed" appeared in book and calendar form. Students' creative apathy and lack of faculty support led Mrs. Adler to surrender the monumental compilation task to newcomer English teachers Katherine Moore and Nancy Cummings. After producing a "Reed" calendar last winter, they laid the name to rest and plan to bring out the first "Phoenix" publication in mid-May.

"We're trying very hard to draw student attention. Signs just saying 'Phoenix' have been hung up in all the school corridors to catch the kids' attention," said Mrs. Cummings.

Under chief editors Laura Briggs and Heidi Lempert, a staff of about 10 is planning a recruitment program for next

year. Also slated are three editions of the "Phoenix" that will feature prose, poetry, cartoons, satire and opinion essays. Active on the staff are Becky Friedlander, Judy Suter, Peter Fabry and Andrea Cousins.

"I would hate to see a school of this caliber without a publication like the 'Phoenix' that can provide creative students with a place to have other people read their work," said Principal Charles Gunner.

The philosopher Blaise Pascal pronounced man to be "but a reed, the weakest things in nature, but he is a thinking reed." Hopefully, the 'Reed's' replacement will live up to its namesake, the Phoenix, which is an Egyptian mythological bird symbolizing birth, immortality, and new fire from old ashes — those of the "Thinking Reed."

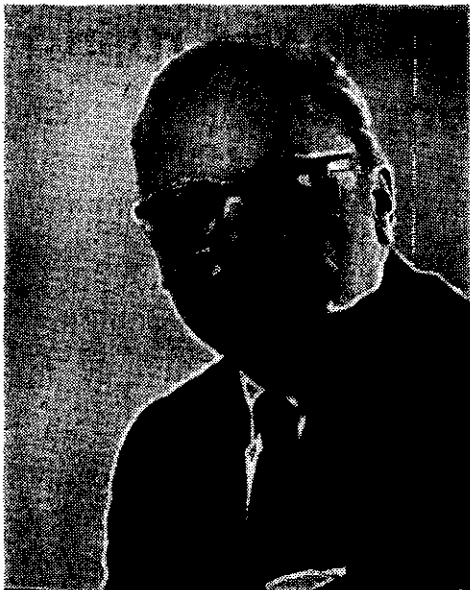
Julie Ann Sosa

Slingerlands group meets

Thursday, May 20, has been set by the Slingerlands Homeowners Association for its next meeting. The association will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Bethlehem Town Hall to discuss the commercial site plan review ordinance, post office alterations and elect new officers and one member to the board of directors.



Karen Burstein



Ewald Nyquist

Speakers set for Futures

Karen Burstein, Dr. Ewald Nyquist and Harold Williams are scheduled to speak at the fourth 'futures' symposium being sponsored by Bethlehem Central School District on Monday to provide the community with a forum to think about the 21st century. The program will be held at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium, 700 Delaware Ave.

Burstein, chairman and executive director of the New York State Consumer Protection Board, will speak on "Government: Of, By and For?"

Dr. Nyquist, former state commissioner of education, will address "Education — The New Curriculum."

Harold Williams of Delmar, director of community renewal for the Institute of Man and Science in Rensselaerville, will speak on "The Social Order: The Human Factor."

Gordon Molyneux, high school social studies teacher, will be the moderator for the program, and will invite comments and questions from the audience. The symposium is free and open to the public.

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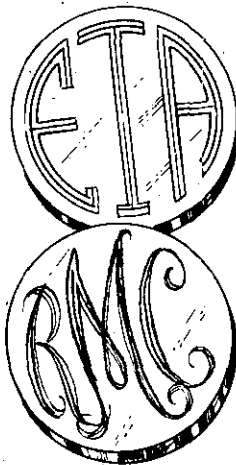
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Language ruling won't mean cuts

The Bethlehem Central school board apparently is committed to foreign language instruction in the sixth grade, and has authorized including that option in an annual letter to parents of current fifth graders, according to Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn.

Eliminating sixth grade foreign language instruction had been considered in the wake of a ruling by State Education Commissioner Gordon Ambach that sustained an appeal by Janet Baxter and Isabel Pickett, Middle School foreign language teachers, concerning their workload. Ambach directed the district to comply, as of the start of the 1982-83 school year, with the regulation requiring teacher assignments of no more than six classes of 150 pupils daily, unless a greater workload can be justified.

As of Monday, the board had made no decision on whether it will contest the ruling in State Supreme Court, or comply by adding staff or modifying the program.

The decision concerning the sixth grade language offering was made in executive (closed) session, Zinn said Friday.

Zinn also said the board had decided during an executive session following a regular meeting last Wednesday to "modify practice" to allow high school band members to be excused from performances in order to attend "a very close family wedding." Zinn stressed, "The policy remains the same."

At issue was a "contract" parents of band members are asked to sign at the beginning of the school year, guaranteeing their child will participate in certain performances, such as the Memorial Day parade. Unless excused, any band member who fails to perform may receive a lower grade or credit.

Winning words from sons and daughters

"I was so proud of my Mom . . ."

These heart-warming words were winners for Chris Puerto, 11, of Delmar in the Stuyvesant Plaza Merchants' Association Mother's Day essay contest. Chris, a fifth grader at Elsmere Elementary School, took third prize in his grade category for his recounting of how his mother stepped in for a missing softball player . . . and scored!

The run she scored was one of 14 for the winners and she got on first with a walk, but "I was so proud of my mom, the softball player," Chris wrote, "even through she complained through the whole next day."

"Mom the Life Saver" was how Kirsten Hassenfeld, 10, of Delmar titled her first-place essay in the grades three and four category. Her mother saved the day by arriving in the nick of time with needed supplies at a Hamagrael School carnival.

Kirsten, a fourth graer, wrote: "I couldn't get to sleep that night. I kept wondering what kids would do without those terrific problem-solving moms."

Alyse Gagliardi of Voorheesville wrote about her mother's laugh. "She laughs with joy," wrote the student at Albany's Academy of the Holy Names. "When she is really laughing hard, she will sometimes clap and laugh at the same time."

The three students were among 12 winners in the contest, which drew more than 800 entries.



Among Mother's Day essay contest winners posing with their mothers are, from left, Kristen Hassenfeld and Chris Puerto of Delmar and Alipe Gagliardi of Voorheesville.

It was pointed out that conflicts arise every year.

In other business, during the regular meeting, Zinn, in response to a question, said replacement teachers are terminated at the end of a school year and, while they may apply for any vacancy, they would not necessarily be put in the same spot if hired. "Vacancies are seen as districtwide, at the elementary level," Zinn said.

Caroline Terenzini

Before death occurs

The Albany Area Memorial Society will present an information program at the Bethlehem Public Library on Wednesday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m. The Society is a consumer-oriented, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the planning of events following death to achieve dignity, economy, peace of mind and service to others. Officers of the society will give information, answer

questions, hear comments, and provide an opportunity to join for those who wish.

Road improvement set

The State Dept. of Transportation (DOT) will open bids Thursday for 14 highway projects, including resurfacing 4.8 miles of Rt. 396 between Rt. 144 and County Rt. 101 with asphalt to a width of 120 feet.

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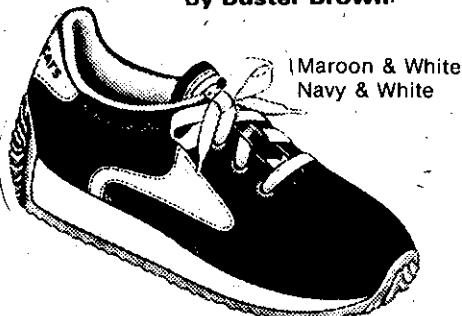
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Town hall under new management

The Town of Bethlehem celebrated Youth In Government Day, an Elks Club-sponsored annual event, on May 4. During the day, student senators from Bethlehem Central High School visited town hall and "replaced" town officials.

The students and their town hall counterparts were treated to a morning coffee break at McDonald's. Following a morning on the job, they adjourned to the Elks Club in Cedar Hill, where they joined a similar group of students and town officials from the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central High School and Town of Ravena, for lunch.

Town officials and the students who replaced them: Supervisor Thomas V. Corrigan, Tom Shaw; Councilman, Robert Hendrick, Kate Sipher; Town Clerk Marion T. Camp, Amy Weller; Receiver of Taxes Kenneth Hahn, Lisa Clark; Superintendent of Highways Martin J. Cross; Leann Stokoe; Assessor John F. Thompson, Nancy Berkowitz; Building Inspector John Flanagan, Katie Talmage; Comptroller Martin Smith, Everly Macario; Commissioner of Public Safety Ralph A. Tipple, Steve Gordon; Parks and Recreation Administrator Phil Maher, Ellen Yacobian; Department of Public Works, office, Paul Wagner, Lisa Apicelli; Department of Public Works, field, Gerry Day, Andy LaBarge; and Youth Employment Service Director Joan Perry, Alesia Harder.



Amy Weller, town clerk for a day, gets a briefing from Marion Camp.

Unsuccessful attempt

Someone broke into the Voorheesville American Legion post last Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning, but efforts to open the post's safe were unsuccessful and nothing was reported missing, according to Albany County Sheriff's deputies.

Car stolen

A Delmar resident who took his dog for a walk in the woods behind Bethlehem Central High School Monday morning returned to where he had parked his car off Elm Ave. to discover that it had been stolen. The man told Bethlehem police he had left the keys on the floor.

If Wednesday's mail doesn't include your **Spotlight**, call 439-4949

Lawsuit shift opposed

A new round of legal maneuvering has temporarily stalled the expected transfer of a citizen lawsuit against the Town of New Scotland direct to the Appellate Division.

Alan P. Joseph of New Salem, attorney for the New Scotland Town Civic Assn., Inc., said he is submitting a memo to Judge Con Cholakis of State Supreme Court opposing the shift to the Appellate Division calendar. Deadline for Joseph's memo is Friday, and a response must be made by May 21.

The association, an incorporated group of New Scotland residents, took the town to court last March in a move to overturn a town planning board decision to grant a special use permit to the New Scotland Elks Lodge to convert a vacant horse barn into a clubhouse. The board's action followed three public hearings that drew strong protests from property owners living in the vicinity of the site on a farm on Rt. 85 near Clipp Rd.

The area is zoned R-A (residential-agricultural) under the town's revised zoning ordinance adopted in January, 1981.

Joseph said he is filing the memo because he feels there are "substantive issues of law" that he says should be decided by the State Supreme Court.

He is contending that the planning board failed to consider the "general character of the neighborhood" and that

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the board "failed to follow its own procedures" in not obtaining final plans for the proposed lodge headquarters. Both steps are required by the zoning law, he said.

"I feel these are not technicalities, but they are protections built into the zoning ordinance, protections for the applicant and protections for the area under consideration," he added.

Town Attorney Frederick C. Riester, who will defend the suit under a new town law adopted last week, disagreed. "As a practical matter," he said, "the real question is whether the decision of the planning board is based on substantial evidence in the record, that is, is there factual support for the decision made by the board. That is a matter for the Appellate Division to rule on."

In order for the town board to retain Riester in the Elks litigation, it was necessary to enact special legislation. Accordingly, the board at its regular monthly meeting in town hall last Wednesday adopted Local Law No. 1 of 1982, which authorizes the board to pay the town attorney additional compensation for legal services beyond his normal duties as town attorney.

Delmar officers

Several officers in the Delmar Fire Department were omitted in last week's listing of new officers. They are George Ten Eyck, captain of the rescue squad; John Smith, rescue squad lieutenant; LeRoy Cooke, captain of the fire police; James Shanley, lieutenant of the fire police; Matthew Murray, quartermaster, and David Rice, assistant quartermaster.

Gypsy moth spraying plans set

Selected areas of New Scotland south of the Vly Reservoir will be sprayed with a pesticide to help eradicate the gypsy moth blight, but the date is uncertain.

Dr. John Lyons, Albany County health commissioner, told a small audience of town residents last week that his department would have little or no chance to give advance notice of the date for the aerial spraying.

That's because the spraying can be done only under certain weather conditions, the most important of which is wind — or lack of it. When the conditions are right, the pilot will take off, perhaps as early as 7 a.m., Lyons said.

A map of the areas scheduled to be sprayed is posted in the New Scotland town hall. Residents can help by placing bedsheets or other markers visible from the air to direct the pilot to areas to be sprayed. For information, call 445-7811.

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Voorheesville News Notes

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A ceremony to dedicate Voorheesville Elementary School's creative playground in memory of Anna Mae Jablonowski, former aide and playground supervisor will be held today, Wednesday, at 2 p.m. The construction of the playground came about over a three year period through the joint effort of staff and parent volunteers. With the addition of two trees, which will be planted during the ceremony, and a picnic table, the playground will be complete. Mrs. Jablonowski's family will be present.

The Parents Advisory Council for Title I-241 Reading Program will sponsor a book swap at the elementary school on May 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Books appropriate for children in grades K-6 may be brought to the A.V. Room or dropped off by adults. Students may bring in as many as they desire but only five may be swapped. Books will be arranged according to grade level. For information contact Gerri Burke, 765-2592.

The Voorheesville Area Ambulance Service Inc. serving the Voorheesville Central School District is appealing to its residents for financial support. In order to remain operational, this non-tax supported service must raise \$30,000 in contributions.

In 1981 alone, the ambulance squad, staffed entirely by qualified volunteers, responded to 248 calls requiring a total of more than 1,100 man hours. The average expense per call was \$50. Operational

expenses for the year totalled \$12,350. All services were granted free of charge. Volunteers will call for your contribution through May 19.

The Voorheesville Neighborhood Girl Scouts Troop 291 will sponsor a Bake Sale and Car Wash from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Grand Union on Saturday, May 15. Price of a car wash will be \$1.50 and a van wash \$2. All proceeds raised will help finance a trip for the scouts to the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Over 50 families will participate in a "Salem Hills Garage Sale Day" on Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Individual garage sales will be held by homeowners. The Park Association will be responsible for advertising. Garage sale signs may be picked up from Candi Meeker or Diana Keller.

P.M. Magazine has come to Voorheesville again. Joanne Gage from the Albany County Co-operative Extension will inform the public of a relatively new service — Home Video Inventories. Used extensively for insurance purposes, a video concern such as Video Documentation Services, owned and operated by Voorheesville resident Marlene Ross, would tape a home from floor to ceiling. In the event of an insurance claim, referral to the tape could verify loss or damages. A home in Voorheesville was used in the taped two-minute segment which will air May 17.



Added to the town's tree population on Arbor Day were 100 white spruce trees which will grow for a few years in this special site at the Bethlehem Town Park before being transplanted. The trees are distributed by Key Bank, N.A., with the assistance of the Bethlehem Tree Planting Committee. From left, Marvin B. Elliott, manager of the bank's Delmar office, Dom DeCecco, chairman of the tree planting committee, and Philip Maher, the town's parks and recreation administrator.

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Suspect in burglary

Bethlehem police, working with state troopers, have arrested a 16-year-old Clarksville youth on a charge of burglary third degree in connection with the May 1 burglary of the Clarksville Super Market.

A state police spokesman said the case is still open and further arrests are possible.

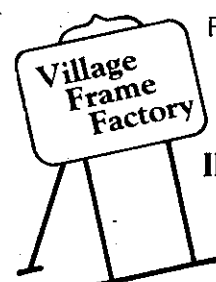
The youth was picked up by Bethlehem

police for petty larceny following an investigation into the theft of a cassette recorder from a car parked at the Delmar Gulf Station April 23. Further investigation by Bethlehem Officer Paul Roberts, Det. Colin Clark and State Police Investigator E.E. LaPlante led to the second arrest on the Clarksville charge. The youth's name was withheld pending possible youthful offender status.

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Celebrates 80 years of Progress

Delmar Progress Club will celebrate 80 years of service at a banquet and special program to be held Tuesday, May 18, at the United Methodist Church.

The Progress Club was founded in 1901 and incorporated as a Women's Federated Club in 1920. Today it is the largest federated club in New York State, having a membership of 320 women.

The club has been instrumental in many improvements in Bethlehem. It founded the first library in town, it was responsible for initiating street signs for the town, and it initiated the movement for town garbage collection. The purpose and activities of the club are civic, education and service oriented.

The banquet will feature an original variety program entitled "The Best Years of Your Life" enacted by 29 members of the club and five guests. The variety show will include music, dance and poetic narration from each decade of the century.

Mrs. Earl Hays will install the incoming officers: president, Mrs. William Blackmore; first vice president, Mrs. Neil C. Brown; second vice president, Mrs. Joseph Zimmerman; recording secretary, Mrs. George Carpenter; corresponding secretary, Mrs.



New officers of the Delmar Progress Club include, from left: seated, Mrs. Joseph Zimmerman, second vice president; Mrs. William Blackmore, president; Mrs. George Carpenter, secretary; Mrs. Neil Brown, first vice president; standing, Mrs. Douglas Hayward, treasurer; Mrs. Lewis Welch and Mrs. Kenneth Ford, directors.

James McSharry; treasurer, Mrs. Douglas Hayward; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Mrs. Kenneth Ford and Mrs. Lewis Welch have been elected to the board of directors for three year terms.

In scholastic society

Rebecca Furlong of Voorheesville, a graduate student at Russell Sage College, is to be inducted into Phi Kappa Phi, a scholastic society.



Kathleen Brown

Wins scholarship

Kathleen Brown, a senior at Bethlehem Central High School, is the winner of the 1982 Delmar Progress Club scholarship, according to an announcement by Mrs. Robert Morton, chairman of the club's scholarship committee.

Kathleen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil C. Brown, Jr., 111 Fernbank Ave., Delmar, plans to enroll in a pre-arranged program at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie. She is a member of the National Honor Society, winner of a National Honor Letter of Commendation, a member of the yearbook staff and the school Literary Magazine. She is a varsity field hockey player and coach of the bowling team.

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Withdrawal from the drug problem

A year and a half ago, Bethlehem's ears were pierced by murmurings of a drug problem amongst the local youth. Spurred by mutual concerns of school officials, police, clergy and parents, a group formed to address the issue and do something about it. When the echoes of those meetings subsided, the solitary result (so far) was an accepted invitation to open a local office by Project Equinox, a drug counseling center based in Albany that already had a few satellite offices in other Capital District communities.

The community-at-large in Bethlehem has for all intents and purposes withdrawn back into daily routines. School officials have continued to suspend students caught with drugs either in their locker or their bloodstream, to meet with the parents in hopes of motivating them toward professional help, and, if that fails and another drug episode occurs, calling in the police. In turn, the police have continued to respond to the calls from schools and are still apprehending intoxicated youth from behind super markets or stumbling down a Saturday night street, then connecting them with the department's Youth Bureau for informal guidance and help, and, when that doesn't work, booking them into Family Court and possibly Probation Office referral for stronger motivation to get help. The probation officer meets with them and, most likely, encourages them to start working with Project Equinox. Circle complete.

Could it be that the town doesn't have any more than 25 drug-involved persons?

Well, not quite. Something isn't working the way it was intended. Mostly it is the two drug counselors from Equinox assigned to cover the Bethlehem office who aren't working. Oh they are well prepared for their work, each with eight years experience and Masters degrees to boot. Both offer ultra-flexible hours in the inconspicuous office space set aside by the town for their mission. Both are well-connected with local school and police officials as well as other local service programs, like Hospitality House, and they each know their field.

Yet, between these two qualified and bonafide drug counselors from Project Equinox, since the Bethlehem office opened last year not even 25 clients have been served.

Family Matters

Norman G. Cohen



Could it be that the town doesn't have any more than 25 drug-involved persons? Perhaps others were seen by programs in Albany or by private therapists. Maybe not many people know about Equinox's program. Maybe they don't even know about the 434-6135 counseling center telephone number to get information about drugs and how to get help.

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I wanted some answers, so I asked some questions. I began at home with my sons and their friends many of whom had grown up in Delmar. Lo and behold, most of them had not heard of Project Equinox and those who had didn't know what it was about. Yet, when I asked them about drug use, they figured about 50 per cent of their peers used them, mainly marijuana. They didn't think there was much "hard stuff" around, like heroine, cocaine, LSD and amphetamines or "speed."

Then I spoke with a Bethlehem Police detective. He confirmed the observation of my sons and their friends. Despite some recent busts of cocaine dealers there is little more known drug abuse than "pot" in Bethlehem as far as the police can tell. And, like most other communities, alcohol abuse by young people is still far more common than any drug. Yet, he feels that the drug problem is still with us and hasn't been solved by merely bringing in Equinox. He wants to help not by making arrests so much as by preventing drug abuse and detecting it early enough to nip it in the bud. He believes the only way programs like Equinox can work is through concerned citizen participation, especially with the support and square-faced involvement by parents or drug abusers. Without it he

has seen many young people slip through the cracks and beat the system only to return to the problem with a false sense that they got away with it.

As I continue to ponder the drug problem, I still believe the real solution to be largely dependent on involvement between parents and children, between friends, and with support from police, schools, counseling centers and other community groups. Withdrawal from drugs is one thing, but withdrawal from a drug problem or, worse, from a drug abuser, is another. If a parent withdraws from a child after discovering a bag of marijuana in a drawer, then that child has even more reason to "medicate for feelings," a phrase often used by Project Equinox to convey one of the major reasons for drug use.

However, if parents approach their children and community leaders approach counseling and other service groups to discuss, question, confront, advise, listen, whatever just so long as it is involvement, not withdrawal, chances are that help will be sought, work will be shared, and the problem will be resolved.

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

Piano auditions set

National Guild of Piano Teachers auditions will be held May 14-18 at the Women's Club, Albany, with Bernard Kirshbaum of Flushing as adjudicator. Students from the Tri-Village area who will be participating include Michael Bailey, Hillary Bollam, Sean Greene, Rebecca Jones, Samantha Jones, Carrie Merrill, Lisa Ogawa, Lance Sprinkle and Lori Wood, students of Rhonda Ballou.

Also participating will be Jeffrey Ballou, Lisa Ballou, Caroline Wirth, Rob McEwan, Teresa Santillo, Courtney Macomber, Lisa Duffy, Beth Buyer, Bill Buyer, Patrick McSharry, Deneige Barlow, Meg Lierheimer, Kara Mackey and Marilyn Kirk, students of Norma Irvine.

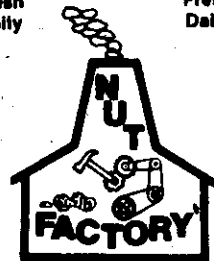
Architecture program

A slide-tape program on "The Architecture of Nassau and Schodack: A Closer Look" will be shown at the May 20 meeting of the Bethlehem Historical Association in the Cedar Hill School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Road, Selkirk. Produced by the Historical Society of Esquatak, the historical society for the Town of Nassau and Schodack, the show deals with the unique early architectural heritage in these townships as well as later building developments.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. with election of officers and an end-of-the-year report by retiring president, Peter Christoph.

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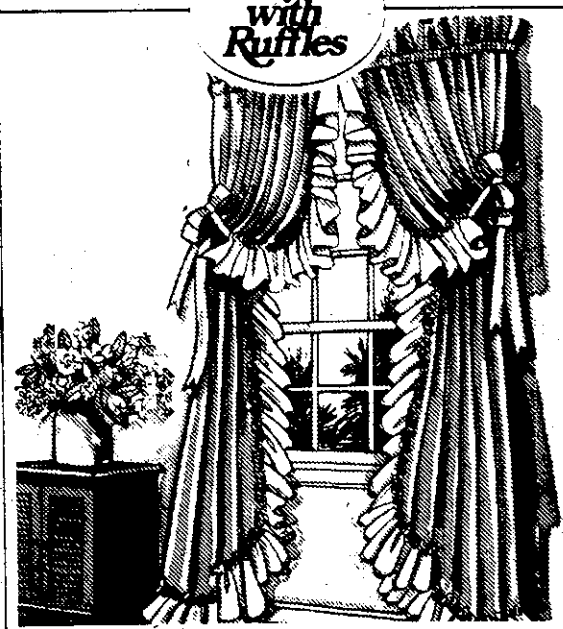
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Village of Voorheesville, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board, second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Food Pantry, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area, Bethlehem Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, call 767-2243, 436-8289 or 767-9140 (after 5 p.m.)

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.

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.

Birch Country Garden Club, with discussion about collecting and arranging seaweed, at home of Mrs. Joseph Leese, 96 Mosher Rd., Delmar, 11 a.m.

Wildlife Care Program, second session of 4-part series to teach children 7 and older about how to care for their pets, Bethlehem Public Library, 4-5 p.m. To register, 439-9314.

Election Day Bake Sale, sponsored by Bethlehem Central Middle School Parent-Faculty Organization, at the middle school, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233 Ladies Auxiliary meets second Wednesday of each month at the lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary meets second Thursday of each month 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 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.

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

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

Bethlehem Senior Citizens book discussion group, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting with speaker John Flanagan, town building inspector, Starlite Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, noon.

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 Raf-fensperger speaking, County Resources Development Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 9 a.m. Information, 765-3635.

Q.U.I.L.T., with discussion and demonstration of "Seminole and Strip Quilting," Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.

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

SATURDAY, MAY 15

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

Junior Prom, Bethlehem Central High School, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

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.

Car Wash and Bake Sale, sponsored by Voorheesville Girl Scout Troop 291, \$1.50 for cars and \$2 for vans, Voorheesville Grand Union, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Campus Life Workathon, to clean up Henry Hudson Park and paint benches in Delmar area, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Children's Shows, "The Actor as Storyteller" and "Sincerely Mime," performed by Christopher Holder, Bethlehem Public Library, 11 a.m. for preschool-grade 3; 2 p.m. for 4th-6th graders. Free.

Salem Hills Garage Sale Day, over 50 families planning garage sales 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Cystic Fibrosis Bike-a-thon, two-mile course open to children and adults, to leave Selkirk firehouse No. 1 at 1 p.m. Registration, noon. Information, 767-9587.

Free Concert by Mahigian String Quartet, first half for children and second featuring "Passacaglia," with reception to follow, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m.

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 Burstein, 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.

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

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

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

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.

Hamagrael Orientation meeting for parents of fifth grade students concerning move to middle school, Hamagrael School, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Book Discussion Group, reviewing John Kennedy Toole's "A Confederacy of Dunces," Bethlehem Public Library adult lounge, 7:30 p.m.

Blood Pressure Screening Clinic, sponsored by Red Cross and American Heart Assn., Bethlehem Town Hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 7-9 p.m. Free.

AARP meeting, with annual election of officers and presentation by Visiting Nurse Assn., First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

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

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 Bradwell of First Church in Albany, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 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 Pond" (Ernest Thompson's comedy about a couple confronting old age), Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Albany, May 12-15, 8 p.m., May 16, 2:30 p.m.

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

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

"Frankenstein," Capital Repertory Company, The Market Theater, 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 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 14 and 15, dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations, 462-382.

MUSIC

Flutist Norman Thibodeau in concert, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, May 14, 8 p.m.

Mendelssohn club spring concert, Chancellors Hall, State Education Building, Albany, May 14, 8 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra with pianist Emanuel Ax (Berlioz, Rachmaninoff and Schuman), Palace Theater, Albany, May 15, 8:30 p.m.

Double Bassist Paul Erhard in SUNYA Faculty Recital Series,

Double Bassist Paul Erhard in SUNYA Faculty Recital Series, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, May 16, 7 p.m.

Monday Musical Club in final concert of season, with Ruth and Mark Baumbach, St. Paul's Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany, May 16, 2:30 p.m.

Students of Leonard Kastle present their compositions for voice and piano, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, May 16, 3 p.m.

Cranberry Lake (oldtime and jugband music), presented by Old Songs, St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, May 17, 8 p.m.

ART

Geometry and Magic, photo essay on the work of Louise Nevelson by Diana MacKown, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, May 13-30.

I Love New York — The Art of Promotion (posters, many by Milton Glaser, and television ads on the state promotional theme), State Museum, Empire State Plaza, through Sept. 6.

Manhattan Observed: 14 photographers look at New York, 1972-81, State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, opens May 15.

Found in New York's North Country: the folk art of a region, Albany Institute of History and Art, May 18-June 3.

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"Corrections on Canvas," the annual show by state prisoners, continues at the Legislative Office Building, Empire State Plaza, through May 19. Correctional Services Commissioner Thomas Coughlin III, left, and State Sen. Ralph Marino view some of the pieces on exhibit.

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

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

Planning for Death, program on cremation, burial and funeral pre-planning, "Before Death Occurs," sponsored by Albany Memorial Society, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-6471. Free.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Kenneth Hartman, Jordan Blvd., Delmar, for a variance to permit construction of addition at premises, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Peter and Dickie Schiff, Forest Rd., Delmar, for a variance to permit construction of an addition at premises, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Booster Club, for parents of BC sports players, Bethlehem High School room 46, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233 meets first and third Wednesdays of the month at the lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk.

Animal Care Program, third session of four-part series for children 7 and older about endangered species, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m. To register, 439-9314.

THURSDAY, MAY 20

American Legion Luncheons for members, guests and applicants for membership, Post Rooms, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Thursday, noon.

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

Spring Concert, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Student Vocal Concert, by junior and senior high students, Voorheesville High School.

Slingerlands Homeowners Assn., to include discussion and election of officers, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Bloodmobile Visit, Bethlehem Central High School gym, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Nassau-Schodack Architecture Program, slide-tape program at next meeting of Bethlehem Historical Assn., including election of officers, Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 8 p.m.

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Lecture, with St. Peter's Hospital physicians and SIDS representatives answering public's questions, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Audubon Society, members' night, with slide presentations and election of officers, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Bible Film, "The Living Word," with Billy Graham narration, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Free.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

Tailgate Sale, featuring antiques, crafts, baked goods and more, Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 767-9919.

Glenmont PTA Carnival, with games, raffles, merry-go-round, bake sale and more, Glenmont Elementary School, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Wetland Wildlife Program, walking tour investigation of pond and wetland wildlife, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., 9:30 a.m. Free.

TUESDAY, MAY 25

Guest Evangelist Preacher, Rev. Arthur Gay to visit Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 11 a.m.

Spring Concert, Hamagrael Elementary School, 8 p.m.

High School PFO meeting, at Bethlehem Central High at 7:30 p.m.

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

Book Swap, Voorheesville Elementary School AV room, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club literature group's annual picnic and rap session, at home of Harriet Chetney, 12 Reid Place, Delmar, noon. Information, call 439-5118.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

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

Glenmont Spring Concert, Glenmont Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Grade 8 Orientation Tour, for students and their parents, at Bethlehem Central High School, 8 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board to consider zoning ordinance to include site plan approval for commercial uses, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Area Events & Occasions

Events in Nearby Areas

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, Matita 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.

Northern Ireland Discussion, combined meeting of Irish Northern Aid and Irish Prisoners of War Committee to discuss Irish Field Day on Sept. 12, Schenectady Hibernian Hall, 7 p.m. Open to public.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

American Assn. of University Women cross cultural patchwork study group, with pot luck luncheon, at home of Terry Kusama, 31 Iris Lane, Albany, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Information, 482-3839.

Albany Symphony Concert, with speaker Peter Kermani, president of Symphony, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., noon - 1 p.m.

Art Talk, "From Caves to Salons: Animal Art From Cro-Magnon to Audubon," illustrated talk by Dr. Edgar Reilly, editor and illustrator, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Gateway Tour, deBeer and Son Baseballs, 1 p.m. Reservations, 274-5267.

Household Pest Control meeting, with Cornell University entomologist and other experts discussing home control of mice and insects, John Howe Library, Broad and Schuyler Sts., Albany, 7 p.m. Free.

International Interdependence Panel, sponsored by Albany YWCA, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7-9 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

St. Peter's Alcoholism Rehabilitation Center Dinner, celebrating 10th anniversary. Americana Hotel, Albany-Shaker Rd., Colonie, 7 p.m. Reservations, SPARC at 454-1356.

Earthquake Torn Italy Discussion, concerning the Rome Conservation Program dealing with quake problem, Rensselaer County Historical Society Annex, 57 Second St., Troy, 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

Western Square Dance, sponsored by Altamont Station Squares, former Guiderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, 8-11 p.m.

Grecian Festival, to continue through weekend, featuring folk dances, gourmet food shop, souvenirs, artwork, pastry and dining room from Greek tradition, 440 Whitehall Rd., Albany.

Rain or Shine Book Sale, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Saturday Night Movie, "Old Boyfriends," starring Talia Shire, Junior College of Albany campus center, room 224, 8 p.m. Free.

American Assn. of University Women Eastern Area Inter-branch Council, with local Peggy Belden speaking on investments, Sheraton Airport Inn, Wolf Rd., brunch beginning at 9:30 a.m. Information, 462-3758.

Chinese Movie, "Suzhou," on the modern Chinese village, with discussion by film's maker, entrance \$2.50, Institute of Man and Science, Rensselaerville, 8 p.m.

Neuromuscular Disease Presentation, with seminar led by area physicians, including demonstrations of orthopedic equipment, registration \$1, RPI Communications Center, Troy, 1-4 p.m. Information, 459-2500.

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

Emma Willard Spring Carnival, with singing telegrams, candy, rummage and plant sale, balloons and offd, Emma Willard School, Troy, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Healing Family Relationships Workshop, sponsored by Diocesan Society, Catholic Central High School, 8 a.m. registration. Information, 463-0288.

International Gourmet Festival, "Festival of Nations," with ethnic booths featuring costumes, food, dancing and singing and acting from other countries, Schenectady Museum grounds, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Admission, \$1.50 for adults and \$.50 for children.

Grape and Blueberry Growing Class, Garden Way Living Center, 102nd St. Troy, 1 p.m. Free.

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Hope House Garage Sale and Flea Market, Siena College, Rt. 9, Loudonville, 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Rental space, \$15. Information, 438-4467.

British Car Meet, display of individually owned British sports and classical cars, Empire State Plaza, State St. side, 10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Birding Trip to Tivoli Lakes, from Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 8:30 a.m. Information and reservations, 449-3380.

Mended Hearts Brunch, with guest speaker Dr. Eric Foster, Americana Inn, 650 Albany-Shaker Rd., Colonie, 11:30 a.m. Information, 459-5880.

RCS Community CROP Walk, fundraising walkathon to earn money for Church World Service, to leave United Grace Methodist Church, Hillcrest Dr., Ravena, 1 p.m.

Nature Conservancy Field Trip, identifying wildflowers, ferns and other plants, Barberville Falls Preserve, Poestenkill, 2-4:30 p.m. Information, 377-1453.

C.O.M.E.T.S. Dance, with band "The Blue Chips," entrance \$2 for members and \$3 for public, Polish American Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., 7-11 p.m. Information, 861-5590.

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

Expectant Parents' Night, to meet hospital staff and tour labor and delivery suites, St. Peter's Hospital cafeteria, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-1515.

Jewish Community Tribute Dinner, to honor volunteers helping in Senior Adult Dept., Albany Jewish Community Center. Information, 438-6651.

Business Workshop, "Small Business Start-Up and Survival," with speakers from govt. agencies, colleges and banks speaking, Sheraton Airport Inn, Wolf Rd., Colonie, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Registration, 765-3635.


TUESDAY, MAY 18

Hematologist Speaks at Lupus Meeting, Dr. Richard Propp to lecture on "Lupus and Blood Problems," Calvary United Methodist Church, Belle Ave., Latham, 7:30 p.m. Open to public.

Inside Brideshead Lecture, discussing the architecture of John Van Brugh, designer of Brideshead Revisited's Castle Howard, Schenectady Public Library, Liberty and Clinton Sts., 8:30 p.m.

Nature Conservancy Field Trip, to Christman Sanctuary near Duanesburg, leaving from Two Guys parking lot, Schenectady, 9:30 a.m. Information, 377-1453.

Career Planning Workshop, discussing how job seekers can find employment other than through want ads, final session for two part series, Albany YWCA, 28 Colvin Ave., 7-9:15 p.m. Information, 438-6608.



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Happiness may be the key to longevity. According to recent medical research, the physical health of men ages 48-53, who were "poorly adjusted" deteriorated more than twice as quickly as those rated "well adjusted". A person's attitude toward life may have a significant impact upon whether one is around to enjoy it.

Some investigations of altruism indicate that when people feel joyful they are usually willing to help others. When something pleasant has happened to an individual, that person is then willing to give to others without limit. Apparently personal happiness has ramifications which extend beyond the self to society.

These studies make one pause. If people were happier, perhaps nations would be less prone to make war and more willing to take the risks necessary for peace. If individuals felt more joy, perhaps they would be likely to hug their children, kiss their spouses, laugh at life, and shrug off insignificant problems. Short of an artificially-induced blissful stupor, how might we become happier?

We all know people whose facial features exhibit a graceful glow that warms those who come in contact with them. We have all seen individuals whose presence transforms a gathering. Many of us wish that we could magically change identities to become someone who is truly a "beautiful person." Unfortunately, such transformations do not come about by magic nor do they occur overnight. Such a personal state will arise if we carefully cultivate certain qualities. Happiness can be encouraged by parents in children through regular doses of love. The gift of concern for others may be developed by repetitive examples of deeds of kindness.

Involvement in a close-knit community (like a synagogue or church) can inculcate a sense of belonging and sharing that might help one to overcome feelings of loneliness. Ritualized opportunities to express anger can help people to overcome their repressed rage. The articulation of a belief in the ongoing value of life may aid one to enjoy and accept all stages of life. Hope for a world transformed for the better, and a determination to do one's part to develop such a kingdom, enable a person to feel that each of his decisions and deeds matter.

Sports enthusiasts are familiar with "game plans." They direct a team's efforts to emerge victorious from a contest. If we wish to be a bit happier, we should articulate a "life plan" to help us concentrate our energies so that we steadily advance toward our goal. It is not "passages" through life that are desirable, but an orientation, a direction, a path for life that is needed. A sincere investigation of your own religious tradition may help you to develop the inner spiritual joy that is a precondition to genuine happiness.

Rev. Gay returns

Reverend Arthur E. Gay, Jr., president of the National Association of Evangelicals, will be guest preacher at the Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Avenue, on Sunday, May 23, at 11 a.m. Reverend Gay is a former pastor of the Community Church and is presently preaching at the South Park Church in Park Ridge, Illinois.



Take our word for it — the Bielling residence at 188 Rowland Ave., Delmar, was a riot of color during the Tulip Festival last week. The house was judged best in the county. *Spotlight*

Walk against hunger

The RCS Community will hold its annual CROP Walk this Sunday beginning at 1:30 p.m. from the United Grace Methodist Church, Hillcrest Drive, Ravana. Walkers participating will walk seven miles for CROP, the name given to local community efforts at hunger education and fundraising for Church World Service, the relief and development agency of more than 30 Protestant and Orthodox denominations in the United States.

Over 90 cents of each dollar collected for CROP will go to programs overseas and here in the United States. This year 25 percent of the money collected will be distributed to food pantries in the RCS area, the Joseph F. Girzone Senior Citizen Nutrition Center in Ravana and the RCS Children's Center.

Interested persons should contact their recruiter in their church or organization.

Bible film shown

The Bible film "The Living Word" will be shown Friday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Avenue, Delmar. The movie, which features narration by Billy Graham and Cliff Barrows, weaves together Scripture passages and great works of religious art and music.

Spring star watch

An evening starwatch will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, on Wednesday, May 26, at 8:30 p.m. Co-sponsored by the Albany Area Amateur Astronomers, the program will feature both telescopic and naked eye observation of planets, spring constellations and deep sky objects. Participants should dress warmly and bring binoculars if possible. In case of inclement weather, an indoor program is planned. For information, call the center at 457-6092.

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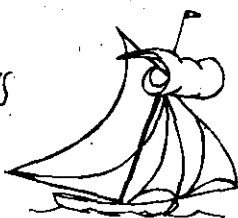


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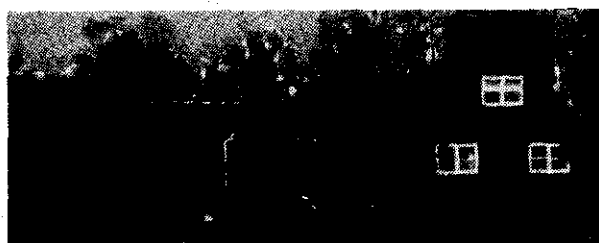
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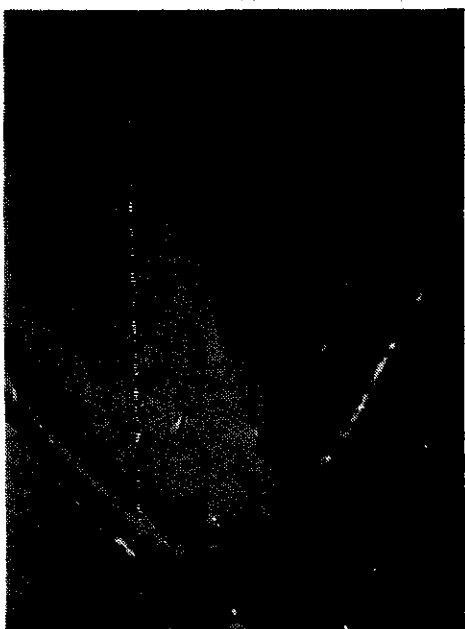
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Tent caterpillars can be controlled

Large numbers of tent caterpillars were apparent last summer. They may be back again this summer, but there are steps you can take to help reduce their numbers and protect valuable ornamental trees.

The favorite hosts of the Eastern tent caterpillar are cherry and apple trees. They will also feed on other deciduous trees if the favored hosts are not available.

There is one generation of this insect each year. During early spring, you may be able to see the eggs hatch and the hungry young caterpillars begin to spin the silken tents in branch crotches. These tents or nests are often conspicuous during June as you drive down a highway or visit a neglected orchard site.



The caterpillars feed for about six weeks and may defoliate completely the host tree. Usually this will not kill the tree, but can weaken it and make way for secondary insects or pathogens. Some defoliated trees will put out a second spurt of growth later in the summer.

The fully grown caterpillars wander from the nests and search for a place to spin a cocoon. Often they choose fence posts, the sides of buildings, or under loose bark on trees. The cocoons are white or yellowish-white and about one inch long.

All Around The Garden

Albany County Cooperative Extension



In June or July, the adult moths emerge, and after mating, the females deposit masses of eggs in bands around the twigs. These remain on the tree and do not hatch until the following April or May.

Controlling these insects should be done before the nests become very noticeable. In winter, twigs with egg masses may be cut off the tree and burned.

When the young caterpillars hatch, a spray of the insecticide methoxychlor, carbaryl, or Bacillus thuringiensis should be used. Apply spray to the nests before they are three inches in diameter, and cover about one foot of the surrounding branches or trunk as well. It's usually too late to do much when the caterpillars are wandering up the side of a house looking for a place to pupate.

There are several different reasons to grow and enjoy herbs. They can be groundcovers, landscape ornamentals, edging or companion plants, and of course, additions to cooking. Herbs are also ideal as plants in containers. They can be grown in pots close to the kitchen so the cook can harvest them easily.

Some of the annual herbs are anise, borage, cress, dill, marjoram, nasturtium and basil. The biennial herbs include caraway and parsley. There are many perennial herbs, among them are chives, mints, oregano, sage and thyme.

None of the herbs are difficult to grow. They do require a sunny location and seem to do best in a dry, loose, well-drained soil. However, they will grow in any type soil. They require very little fertilizer; too much produces poor flavor and fragrance. Most of the annual herbs can be grown from seed. Small herb plants are available at most area garden stores.

Fresh leaves may be picked as soon as

the plant has enough foliage to maintain growth. To ensure good oil content, pick leaves or seeds after dew has disappeared, but before sun becomes too hot.

Drying herbs is not difficult. Wash dirty leaves and seed heads in cold water; drain thoroughly. Tie whole stems very tightly in small bunches and hang in paper bags in a well-ventilated place. Holes may be cut in bags to insure good air circulation. Seed heads can be dried by hanging in paper bags. When partially dry, rub gently to remove dirt and hulls. Spread clean seed in thin layers of clean cloth or paper until thoroughly dry.

Herbs can also be frozen. Harvest, wash thoroughly, blanch in boiling water for fifty seconds, cool quickly in ice water, package and freeze. Washed dill, chives and basil can be frozen without blanching.

Glass or dark containers with tight covers are ideal for storing dried herbs. Store leaves whole or crumbled. Check containers after several days for moisture; if noticed, remove herbs and dry again.

Teens lend a hand

A group of Bethlehem Central students in Campus Life, a local high school club program, will hold a work-a-thon from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday to clean up Henry Hudson Park on Bethlehem's riverfront, and to paint park benches in the Delmar area. Teenagers involved are signing up sponsors to help raise funds for Campus Life projects and to finance a trip to an Eastern Region Campus Life conference for 1,200 students at Ocean City, N.J., June 27-July 2.

BCHS students working toward the Ocean City conference include Ev and

Harry Townsend, Larry and Karen Markessinis, Jeanne Rankin, Dan Barrett, Carolyn Cross, Kathy McAllister, Amy Mills, Tammy Van Alphen, George Syrett, Dave Drautz, Jay Nelson and John Futia.

Attention campers

The Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council is currently accepting applications from girls for its day camp, Is-Sho-Da, in East Greenbush, and its resident camp, Little Notch, near Lake George. Non-scouts as well as scouts are welcome.

Is-Sho-Da is open to all girls entering grades two through six. The day camp offers instruction in painting, dramatics, swimming, boating, simple gymnastics, nature study, canoeing, music, dance and basic camp skills. One two-week session, ending with the August 16 sessions.

Girls entering grades two through 12 may attend Little Notch for sessions six, eight, ten or twelve days. The basic fee is \$12 per day at Little Notch. There are Discoverer and Worlds to Explore units for beginning Brownie and Junior campers. Bus transportation is available.

To register contact the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council at 439-4936.

Wetlands at 5 Rivers

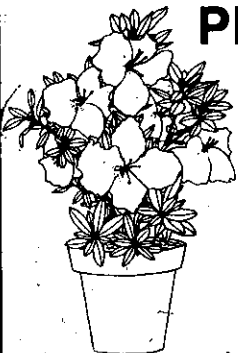
An outdoor investigation of the wetland worlds of beaver and muskrat is scheduled at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar for Saturday, May 22, at 9:30 a.m. A walking tour featuring pond and marsh inhabitants will focus on the importance of wetlands for wildlife and for man. The two-hour program is open to the public and free of charge. In case of inclement weather, an indoor program is scheduled.

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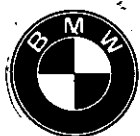
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If you regularly invest in the stock market, you too may be lured. But remember, this isn't a game for beginners.

Foreign markets have their bad times, too. Last year, the Tokyo and Hong Kong exchanges slumped more than 14

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percent. Australia's market plummeted by 22 percent. During that same time, Wall Street was down only 9.5 percent.

Although they get little publicity here, most developed countries operate stock exchanges. They have their own cycles of prosperity and hard times — just as the U.S. markets do. But these cycles don't necessarily run in sync with business cycles in the U.S.

As a result, everyday there are good investment opportunities somewhere in the world. So when the U.S. market is in a slump, you don't have to wait for better times. You can shift your cash into another market.

Buying stock in a foreign company is easier than you may think. Suppose you believe that a certain Japanese computer company has a bright future and want to invest.

The most efficient and practical way is through American Depository Receipts (ADRs), which are offered by brokerage

houses. A stock broker orders your stock, but instead of having the stock certificate sent around the world to you, the broker has it deposited in an overseas branch of an American bank. You are issued an ADR, a receipt proving you own the shares.

The bank collects and forwards your dividends, handles the paperwork for income tax purposes, sells your shares on the foreign exchange when you request it and sends you the proceeds (minus its fee and standard brokerage commissions).

Unless you are fluent in foreign languages and well-versed in the exchange rate, ADRs are the only practical way to invest in an overseas market. It means getting a receipt in English (the stock certificate in this case would be in Japanese), and quoted in dollars (as opposed to yen).

The real obstacles to international investing are finding accurate research on individual companies and accepting the risk. Today, almost all major brokerage houses staff international research departments and many specialize in specific countries. But you have to contend with the risk yourself.

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When you invest in U.S. stocks, you are risking the chance the market, and your stock, will drop in price. With overseas markets, you are taking two chances, that the market will drop and that the strength of the foreign currency will fall. If the currency weakens, you could lose money. Or if the foreign currency becomes stronger you could make a profit.

Assume \$1 equals 250 yen on the day you invest in Japanese stock through an ADR. If the value of the yen later falls so that 260 yen equal \$1, then your ADR has cost you a dollar but the stock is worth only 96 cents.

On the other hand, if the dollar becomes weaker — so 240 yen equals a dollar — your ADR would be worth \$1 but the stock would be worth \$1.04.

While it is possible to make money based on exchange rate changes, it is also very difficult.

The reason is that professional traders, known as arbitrageurs, are constantly at work trying to take advantage of currency changes.

For example, if the exchange rate makes an ADR more valuable than the actual stock it represents, an arbitrageur will sell ADRs (for \$1) and buy the actual stock (for 96 cents) and make a small profit (3 cents on a share).

However, the heavy selling of ADRs would lower their price. An investor trying to sell an ADR might only get 97 cents for it.

The disadvantage of investing in international markets through ADRs is that in most cases you limit yourself to a few stocks on a single exchange. One bad market year could wipe out your investment. The answer might be to invest through a mutual fund.

A fund is run by a professional manager, backed by a research staff, and spread investments among several markets. You can get a list of funds by writing the Investment Company Institute, 1775 K Street, NW Washington, D.C.

Opens private practice

Eunice Spindler of Delmar, a speech pathologist, has opened a private practice in communications disorders.

Mrs. Spindler has been employed as a therapist with the North Colonie School district. She organized the Speech departments, and provided therapy for many years at both Parsons Child Development Center and Kenwood Child Development Center. While at Kenwood she also served as intake coordinator for Kenwood's program for handicapped pre schoolers.

She holds the certificate of clinical competence in speech, is a member of The American Speech and Hearing Association, and is licensed in hearing pathology in the State of New York. She is a member of the New York State Speech and Hearing Association, the Capital Area Speech and Hearing Association, and the National Autistic Society.

Mrs. Spindler will be working out of her home at 30 Longwood Dr.

Chamber to hear Flanigan

John Flanigan, Bethlehem's building inspector, will discuss the town's proposed commercial site plan review ordinance at Thursday's meeting of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. The meeting, which begins at noon, is at the Starlite Restaurant in Glenmont.

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BC's prom is Saturday

On Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Bethlehem Central High School dining hall will be filled with the music of Crosstown Traffic. This is the evening of the junior prom.

Tickets at \$12 a couple will be sold through Saturday in the student foyer for the formal affair. Boys are required to wear coat and tie or tux and girls must wear a long dress.

The dance will also feature the crowning of the prom king and queen, nominated by the junior class.

Leslie Horn is chairman of the dance committee and Marc Futia, president of the junior class, is also helping prepare for the big night.

A car wash recently held by the juniors raised \$200 to defray the cost of the prom.

The high cost of tuxes, dresses, dinner and flowers will keep some students sitting in front of the TV Saturday night, but for many the mixture of fun and elegance is what it's all about.

Felice Zoota

Check your mailbox

Now that the snowplows have been put away, the postal service is urging postal patrons — and especially those on rural routes, city curblines and highways — to turn their attention to repairing and improving their mailboxes during mailbox improvement week May 17-21.

Noting that rural carriers alone serve more than 15 million boxes daily, the Delmar, Slingerlands and Feura Bush postmasters said a damaged or improperly placed box will make it more difficult for rural carriers to do their jobs. Some boxes may only need painting, the postmasters said, but others may need to be replaced. Rural customers must erect mailboxes that have been approved for use on rural routes. Customers with questions should check with their local postmaster.

Geurtze-Burton

Mr. and Mrs. John Geurtze of Glenmont have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gretchen Joan, to Richard Charles Burton, son of Mrs. Grace Garling and the late Richard Burton of Wells.

The prospective bride is self-employed. Her fiancé is employed by the Town of Bethlehem Water Dept. An October wedding is planned.

Flea market items wanted

The Town of Coeymans Neighborhood Improvement Association is requesting donations of trash and treasures — flea market items for its craft fair and flea market.

The association will accept any items and pick ups or drop offs can be arranged by calling Josephine Datri at 756-8607 or Mary Whelan at 756-8676. The fair will be held on Saturday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Coeymans Civic Center, rain or shine. Booths are still available; call 756-8819.

OES event slated

Grand Matron Eleanor L. Taylor and Grand Patron S. Richard Stickney of the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, New York, will make a social visit to Onesquethaw Chapter No. 818 on Wednesday, May 19, at 8 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Presiding will be Patricia and Gerald Irwin, matron and patron of the Onesquethaw chapter. Chairmen are R. Lee Yeomans and Kathryn VanZandt.

Elks donate TV sets

Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233' of Selkirk recently presented two color TV sets to the Veterans Administration Hospital in Albany. Joseph Pomakoy heads the lodge.

Twenty two members of the lodge have donated \$100 or more to the Elks National Foundation. During the past year, the foundation distributed more than \$2 million in the form of scholarships, education grants and charitable grants.

Births



St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Edward Matthew, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Laird, Jr., Delmar, March 21.

Boy, Joshua, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Rivera, Glenmont, April 19.

Girl, Jenna, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grant, Selkirk, April 21.

Boy, Gabriel, to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pollock, Slingerlands, April 21.

Girl, Katherine, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick K. Clausen, Delmar, April 22.

Girl, Chelsea, to Mr. and Mrs. Terrence K. Ryan, Delmar, April 23.

Boy, Jason, to Mr. and Mrs. Nando Chatterjee, Selkirk, April 24.

Girl, April, to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Seyboth, Feura Bush, April 24.

Boy, Joseph, to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Shorr, Slingerlands, April 24.

Girl, Jessica, to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Snyder, Feura Bush, April 25.

Girl, Brooke, to Ms. Barbara Plotzker, Elmsere, April 26.

Boy, Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Shaffer, Slingerlands, April 26.

Boy, Jayson, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brewer, Delmar, April 29.

Albany Medical Center

Girl, Addie Rebecca, to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Abrams, Slingerlands, April 15.

Girl, Kathryn Mary, to Dr. and Mrs. William Brodine, Delmar, April 19.

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Boy, Brendon Bailey, to Mr. and Mrs. Rex B. Grimes, Mexico, N.Y., April 23. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, Delmar.

Looking at seaweed

The Birch Country Garden Club will be examining seaweed at its next meeting on Wednesday, May 12, at 11 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Joseph Leese on 96 Mosher Rd., Delmar. "Treasures from the Sea" will be discussed by Margaret Brady, who will also explain collecting, drying and arranging seaweed.

On the cover:

School festivities offered fun for all Saturday. At Slingerlands, Jennifer Crisafulli, 9, top left, had her face painted in a Pac-Man motif. At Elmsere, a large crowd (lower photo) included happy youngsters (top right) imitating pogo sticks on the Moon Walk setup.

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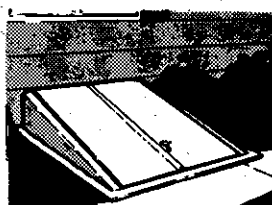
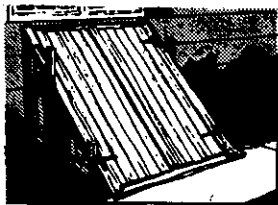
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BC netters produce in the clutch

Hero of the Week in Bethlehem Central tennis was Andy Saidel. A sophomore playing his first year on the varsity, Saidel pulled out the No. 4 singles match in a barnburner to win the deciding point in a 5-4 squeaker over Shenendehowa.

The tense victory kept alive BC's chances of tying Shaker and Niskayuna for the Suburban Council lead going into the all-important Tuesday match this week against the Bison. Shaker needed the win to clinch the league title, Bethlehem needed it to tie.

The match was being played as this week's paper went to press.

Last Monday's struggle against Shenendehowa was knotted at four matches apiece and it was getting late when the heroics came. The only players on the courts were Saidel and Ben Bengston, who were locked in a tense struggle with one set apiece. The third set went to 6-all and the tiebreaker went to 3-all before Saidel escaped with the last two points.

Saidel's win gave the Eagles four of the six singles, and was critical because Bethlehem had won only one of the three doubles. Rosen-Bush took the No. 3 doubles in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1.

Singles winners were Mike Cole, Charlie Marden, Tim Talmage and Saidel. Talmage's 6-3, 6-1 breeze kept him undefeated.

The Eagles finished the week at 7-1 in the Council, 8-1 overall, going into the Shaker match. Playing without John Bobeck at No. 6, Bethlehem won over Saratoga, 7-2, and Guilderland, 6-3.

More Reed heroics

Dave Reed, the former Albany Academy baseball star from Delmar, had another banner week on the 9-3 Ithaca College junior varsity. He went 3-for-4 against Onondaga Community College and 3-for-5 against Corning Community College.



Eager players in the under-8 division swarm around the ball in a typical Saturday scrum in the Bethlehem Soccer Club's intra-club program. More than 300 players on 28 age-division teams have started the club's fifth season on the BCHS fields. The program Saturday mornings will run through June 26. Tom Howes

Doubles win lifts Blackbirds

A 4-3 win over Mechanicville has given Voorheesville Central's varsity tennis team a solid lock on second place in the Colonial Council behind undefeated Albany Academy.

The Blackbirds' second victory over Mechanicville, both by a single point, was especially pleasing to Coach Phil Ackerman. Playing without Kevin Seim, Voorheesville was down 3-1 after four singles, but Brian McKenna, playing No. 5 for the first time, came through in a three-setter, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

The decisive match, however, was the No. 2 doubles. Ed Volkwein and Pete Zeh had tied up the match at 3-all with a strong finish, 6-7, 6-0, 6-1, in the first doubles, and it was up to Dave Carver and Peter TenEyck in the second doubles, facing the two players who had

beaten them in their respective singles. Carver and TenEyck came through by 7-5, 6-1.

Ackerman's patient work with his doubles players paid off. "Doubles is a different game than singles," he said. "Our overheads and volleys came through for us."

That was Monday. On Wednesday, the Blackbirds clicked for a 5-2 win over Cohoes, and on Friday they ran into the Albany Academy grinder. The Cadets, who have too many guns for the rest of the league, again swept the Blackbirds by 7-0.

The league schedule winds up this week with Lansingburgh at Voorheesville Monday and trips to Ravena today (Wednesday) and Watervliet Friday. The Colonial Council tournament starts next Wednesday.

Spotlight SPORTS

Maureen in form

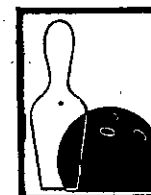
Maureen Walsh had a four-hitter and fanned nine in pitching the Bethlehem Central softball team to a 3-2 win over Shenendehowa, getting out of a jam in the final frame.

Her strong performance, however, was one of the few bright spots of the past week. The Shenendehowa victory was sandwiched between a 7-1 loss at Columbia and a 15-6 thumping at the hands of Saratoga.

Bethlehem had a 3-1 lead when Shenendehowa put runners on second and third with nobody out in the seventh at Clifton Park last Wednesday. With the tying run in scoring position, Walsh struck out the batter. A passed ball let one runner score and advanced the potential tying run to third, but Robyn Hickey, BC catcher, picked off the runner with a snap throw to sub third sacker Sue Schwarz. A walk and a steal posed a new threat, but Walsh bore down and struck out the next batter to save the game.

Hickey contributed a triple to the cause, and Mary Nyilis had two hits in three trips.

Against Saratoga, the Eagles surrendered 10 runs in the first inning and couldn't catch up.



Star Bowlers

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

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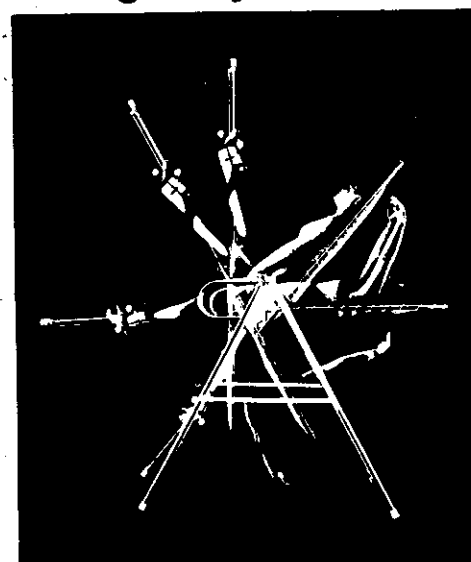
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Baserunners but no runs

Just when Bethlehem Central's bedraggled Eagles start to get some good pitching and an adequate defense, there's nobody around to knock in the runs.

Take last week as an example of Coach Art Ritchko's frustration. On Monday BC got enough men on base to start a new league, but lost to Saratoga, 5-2. On Wednesday there was another crowd on the basepaths, but at the plate it was Population Zero and a 2-0 shutout by Shaker.

The Shaker setback was enough to drive Ritchko to the top of the Dunn Memorial Bridge. "We hit the ball quite well, but they made some terrific catches," he lamented. "We had a lot of people on base, but we couldn't drive them in. We haven't been hitting the ball, but when you do hit it it doesn't do you any good, it's kind of frustrating. It seemed like they were always making shoestrings and running catches."

For Ritchko, dean of the Suburban Council's baseball faculty, that was the longest speech of the season, but he still had some more words — kind ones for his pitchers. Against Saratoga, Jim McGuinness was roughed up in the early innings, but, says Ritchko, "he did a terrific job holding them." Against Shaker, Corson Maley started and was stingy with the hits, but the Bison pushed over two runs in the first three innings and hung on. Ed Radzynski spun two scoreless frames in relief.

A Saturday game with Voorheesville was called off when both coaches had trouble getting their lineups together, either because it was Mother's Day weekend, or just spring.

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Clarksville 6, Knox 5
New Scotland 21, Beth. Community 13

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Clarksville 2 0	Wynan'kill 0 1
Glenmont 2 0	Bethany 0 2
Presbyterian 2 0	Beth Comm 0 2
New Scot 1 0	Methodist 0 2
Del Reform 1 1	Voorville 0 2
Knox 1 1	

Tastes of victory brighten BC track

By Julie Ann Sosa

Coach Greg Catalano summed up last week for Bethlehem Central's varsity track teams, "There were just so many personal bests. So far it was the best and biggest success of the season."

Coach Denise Minnear was just as excited, getting the girls' first win of the season, 80-65, over Scotia. Although Saratoga edged out BC, 87.5 to 69.5, in that same meet on Thursday. BC's varsity speedsters were on a scoring binge. Determined Laura Treadway outlunged rival Dawn Watkins to win the 100-meter dash at the finish line in 13.5, while Evelyn Carey surged to victory in both the 100 and 400-meter hurdles. Nonsense Terry Plunkett won the shot put and discus, and freshmen Christine Ainsworth and Jenny Warren took the 3,000 and 800-meter events respectively.

The boys' tri-team meet saw Scotia and Guilderland edge by BC. Bethlehem had only one first place finisher. Sophomore Pete Hammer stood alone on Tuesday with his first season win coming in the grueling two-mile run, where he finished in a time of 10:41. A personal best 11.5 time consoled Steve Meyers in the 100-meter dash.

The week's highlights came at the Schenectady Invitational meets, where the girls made more appearances in the winners' circle. But it was Catalano who was positively psyched afterwards. "We shot every gun we had. Times and even a record fell," he said.

All of the boys' eight points came from Bill Street's second-place 9:34.9 clocking in the 3,200-meter race, which shattered

BC's school record and Street's personal best by some seven seconds.

In Catalano's books, other Eagles at the meet also deserved medals for their accomplishments. Two miler Hammer smashed his 10:41 best by over 25 seconds, while junior Jim Ross returned from a week of sick leave to lower his best time in the 800 to 2:13. Paul Montanus laid claim to be one of Section 2's top freshmen by finishing the mile in 4:45.

But the BC gals can boast a Schenectady Invitational gold medalist. Donna Schulz hustled to an 8:15.3 first place in the 1,500-meter walk, as the closest walker came puffing home three seconds behind. Plunkett hurled the discus 105 feet for a third place, while Ainsworth pushed her tiny frame to a third in the 3,000-meters in 11:08.8. Carey kept a hand in the winnings while waiting for May 29's pentathlon qualifying meet by getting a fifth in the 100 hurdles.

Boys and girls pooled efforts against 15 other teams on Saturday at the Niskayuna Co-Ed meet, where the fairer sex brought home BC's only bacon. The girls earned 7.5 points as sophomore Marisa Weaver soared 16 feet-3 inches to a second place and Ainsworth finished fifth in the two mile race. Veteran Watkins' sixth place in the 100-meter dash won no points, but the 400 relay team scored by tying for fifth with Colonie.

Although the guys came away point-less, junior Matt Roberts lowered his personal best in the open 400-meters three times last week, to 55.7, while the mile relay team's best time dropped to 3:48.

Bobbled bunts boggle Blackbirds

One of baseball's most strategic maneuvers — the bunt — has become a sensitive subject at Voorheesville Central High School.

For Coach Bob Crandall's varsity this season, the bunt has brought a double whammy. The Blackbirds could have won several games with a well executed bunt when needed, and last week they fell apart when the opposition started laying down bunts.

For the Blackbirds, last week was one to forget. They lost all four games with lackluster hitting and a porous defense, not counting the bungled bunts.

The week started with Ravena exploiting the bunt bugaboo for a 4-1 victory Monday. Dickie Lennon pitched

well for Voorheesville, but five errors in the second inning, including three booted bunts, cost the game.

In the sixth, the Blackbirds tried a squeeze with runners on second and third, but the attempted bunt was popped to the pitcher and was turned into a double play.

Cohoes came to Voorheesville Wednesday with Alan White, an overpowering pitcher, in fine form. White gave up only one hit, a triple by Jim Meacham, and the Blackbirds committed five errors in a 10-1 setback.

On Thursday CBA beat the Blackbirds, 9-1. "It wasn't a bad ball game," Crandall told his friends later. "We had a 2-0 lead in the second inning, but it didn't

last long in the face of another five errors."

Friday's 3-2 loss to Schalmont was another heartbreaker. Schalmont had a 2-0 bulge after two. The Blackbirds pulled even in the third when Chris Hogan singled, Lennon doubled him home, and Lennon scored on a dropped fly.

Schalmont regained the lead with a run in the third, but the Blackbirds loaded the bases in the seventh with one out. Crandall again called for a squeeze; this time the bunt went straight back to the pitcher for a game-ending double play.

Lennon again hurled a good game, scattering eight hits.

BC boosters meet

The Bethlehem Booster Club has scheduled its next meeting for Wednesday, May 19, at the Bethlehem Central High School's room 46. Parents of BC sports players are urged to attend.

Plans will be made for a middle school clinic in June that will be designed for grade 4 boys. Tentative plans will also be developed concerning a fall dinner-dance, return of the bonfire pep rally, a pep band, and some new half-time activities.

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This year the Heldeberg Workshop is conducting 18 one and two-day short courses between May 15 and May 22. Most classes will be at the Workshop land in Voorheesville, at the foot of the Heldeberg escarpment, although some will be held in Delmar and Colonie.

Courses to choose from are Sprang for Spring, Go Fly a Kite, Building with Logs, Belt Loom, Iroquois Culture, Fly Fishing Anyone?, Geology of the Heldebergs, Spelunking, Nature Safari, and Warm Fuzzies, Creepy Crawlies and Other Fun Creatures.

Also included are drawing and sketching, archery, gardening with wildflowers, insect worlds, birds of a feather, archeology and preschool classes.

Courses are open to different age groups, and registration fees range from



Tim Cornell of Delmar paints a card-board-silhouette in one of the Heldeberg Workshop's 18 courses offered in the spring program on May 15 and May 22. For information, 482-9121.

\$2 to \$15. Some classes also have a materials fee.

The Heldeberg Workshop, a non-

profit educational group, is chartered by the state Board of Regents. Spring classes are a sampler of the more than 35 two-week courses offered every summer by the Workshop. For information on summer courses, write The Heldeberg Workshop, Voorheesville, 12186, or call Mike Nardacci at 482-9121.

Quilting demonstration set

Sue Gillespie and Charlotte Reinhardt will demonstrate "Seminole and Strip Quilting" at the next meeting of Q.U.I.L.T. (Quilters United In Learning Together). The group will meet on Friday, at 10 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. Q.U.I.L.T. members should also bring their bus fare for the June quilt exposition to the meeting.

Attends AARP meeting

Daniel Maffeo of Delmar, state director for the American Association of Retired Persons, recently participated in a leadership meeting sponsored by the association in Gettysburg, Pa. Maffeo, a volunteer, helps to coordinate activities of 150 AARP chapters in the state.

Vox Pop

Vox Pop is open to all readers for letters in good taste on matters of public interest. Letters longer than 300 words are subject to abridgement, and all letters should be double-spaced and typed if possible. Letters must be signed and include phone numbers; names will be withheld on request. Deadline is the Friday before publication.

Abuse of trust

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was astounded that the Bethlehem School Board would take such blatant advantage of its own publication to make such a strong plea for a yes vote on the school budget. *Central Highlights* is funded by the taxpayers of the district, and John Clyne, who has maintained that the budget is extravagant, was not given the opportunity to present his reasons for opposing the budget.

For the school board to use public money for soliciting a yea vote is

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 19, 1982 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Peter and Dickie Schiff, 21 Forest Rd., Delmar, New York for a Variance under Article VIII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy, of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit construction of an addition at premises, 21 Forest Rd., Delmar, Town of Bethlehem.

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

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on the 26th day of May, 1982 at 8:00 P.M. to consider amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Bethlehem by the following changes:

1. ARTICLE V-A A SITE PLAN APPROVAL TO BE DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:

ARTICLE V-A SITE PLAN APPROVAL

A Site Plan shall be submitted to the Planning Board for approval whenever it is proposed to:

1. Develop a lot, plot or parcel of land into one or more building sites for—
 - a. Two-family, three and four-family or multi-family dwellings, or
 - b. Commercial uses

(1) Exception: Commercial uses in an "AR" District.

NOTE: In the event that the proposed development consists of three or more lots, plots, or sites within a parcel or tract of land, the development may be considered by the Board to be a subdivision and, as such, may also be subject to all the provisions of the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of Bethlehem.

2. Alter or convert an existing building supporting a commercial use, to the extent of increasing the area devoted to commercial uses by more than fifty percent (50%).
 - a. Exception: (1) Non-Conforming uses (See Article XV);
 - (2) Commercial uses in an "AR" District.

LEGAL NOTICE

3. Make certain changes to an existing commercial use which is located adjacent to, or directly opposite (if separated by a street or highway other than a limited access highway), any historic site or historic district which has been so designated by the State of New York, or which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, or which is comprised of Town lands which have been designated as historic sites or districts by the Town. Such certain changes are—

- a. an increase of 50%, or less, in the area devoted to the commercial use, or
- b. a change in the ingress or egress serving such commercial use, or
- c. an increase in the parking area provided for such commercial use.

NOTE: The term "commercial use(s)", as it appears in this Article, refers to those non-residential uses listed herein as permitted uses in the "CCC", "CC", & "C" Districts, and applies to such uses in the "CCC", "CC", "C" Districts and also Rural Districts—Unzoned, but does not apply to such uses in Industrial Districts.

The Site Plan submitted to the Planning Board for approval shall be prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of such Board and shall show the arrangement, layout and design of the proposed use of the land shown on such plan. Elements to be included in such plan, where appropriate, are those relating to:

1. Parking
2. Means of Access
3. Screening
4. Signs
5. Landscaping
6. Architectural features
7. Location and Dimensions of Buildings
8. Utilities and facilities
9. Health, safety and the general welfare of the community.

The Planning Board shall review the Plan and consider the impact of the proposed use on adjacent land uses.

The Planning Board shall approve, approve with modifications or disapprove the plan not later than forty-five (45) days following the filing of the plan with such Board.

Building Permits for uses requiring Site Plan Approval by the Planning Board shall not be issued until such time as full approval of the Site Plan has been granted by such Board.

The provisions of this Article shall not apply to Planned Development Districts.

All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

MARION T. CAMP
Town Clerk
Dated: April 28, 1982
(May 12)

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME : COUNTY COURT OF ALBANY

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM for the Use and Benefit of the BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT
Petitioner-Condemnor
-against-
PETER KLEINKE and LINDA KLEINKE,
Respondents

NOTICE OF ACQUISITION
Index No. 2950-82

LEGAL NOTICE

TO THE NAMED RESPONDENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an order has been made by Hon. D. Vincent Cerrito, Justice of the Supreme Court, on April 16, 1982, granting the petition of the petitioner-condemnor herein vesting title to the permanent easement(s) described therein and that said order has been entered in the Albany County Clerk's Office on April 20, 1982 and further, pursuant to said order there has been filed together therewith a copy of the easement(s) describing the rights acquired, a description of the location of the easement(s) and a copy of the acquisition map.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the condemnees of such property shall, if they so desire, on or before July 1, 1982, file a written claim, demand or notice of appearance with the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem and with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Albany County, all pursuant to the provisions of Section 503, Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

This notice is being served and published pursuant to and in compliance with Section 502(B), Eminent Domain Procedure Law.
Dated: Albany, New York
May 3, 1982
JOSHUA J. EFFRON
Attorney for Petitioner-Condemnor
Office & P.O. Address
11 North Pearl Street
Albany, NY 12207
518-465-1403
(May 12)

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME : COUNTY COURT OF ALBANY

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM and BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT,
Petitioner-Condemnor
-against-
DAVID J. LINK, JR. and JANICE M. LINK,
Respondents

NOTICE OF ACQUISITION
Index No. 1942-82

TO THE NAMED RESPONDENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an order has been made by Hon. Con G. Cholakis, Justice of the Supreme Court, on April 28, 1982, granting the petition of the petitioner-condemnor herein vesting title to the permanent easement described therein and that said order has been entered in the Albany County Clerk's Office on May 3, 1982 and further, pursuant to said order, there has been filed together therewith a copy of the easement describing the rights acquired, a description of the location of the easement and a copy of the acquisition map.

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DATED: Albany, New York
May 3, 1982
JOSHUA J. EFFRON
Attorney for Petitioner-Condemnor
Office & P.O. Address
11 North Pearl Street
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STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME : COUNTY COURT OF ALBANY

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM and BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT,
Petitioner-Condemnor
-against-
ARTHUR S. CEAS and RENA A. CEAS,
Respondents

NOTICE OF ACQUISITION
Index No. 1945-82

TO THE NAMED RESPONDENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an order has been made by Hon. DeForest C. Pitt, Justice of the Supreme Court, on April 1, 1982, granting the petition of the petitioner-condemnor herein vesting title to the permanent easement described therein and that said order has been entered in the Albany County Clerk's Office on April 5, 1982 and further, pursuant to said order there has been filed together therewith a copy of the easement describing the rights acquired, a description of the location of the easement and a copy of the acquisition map.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the condemnees of such property shall, if they so desire, on or before July 1, 1982, file a written claim, demand or notice of appearance with the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem and with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Albany County, all pursuant to the provisions of Section 503, Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

This notice is being served and published pursuant to and in compliance with Section 502(B), Eminent Domain Procedure Law.
DATED: Albany, New York
April 30, 1982
JOSHUA J. EFFRON
Attorney for Petitioner-Condemnor
Office & P.O. Address
11 North Pearl Street
Albany, NY 12207
518-465-1403
(May 12)

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 12)

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arrogant. People who are planning to vote no on the budget will feel even more strongly antagonistic toward the school board when they see that their tax money is being used to promote an interest directly opposite to their own views.

I suggest that this abuse of public trust is unjustified.

John F. Dearstyne, Jr.
New Scotland

Journey through Africa

Editor, The Spotlight:

Madame Serge Palu, the former Margaret Woehrle of Delmar, presently resides in Ekona, Cameroon, Africa, with her husband who is a laboratory chemist at a rubber plantation at Buea, Africa.

Recently they journeyed to neighboring Chad where Mrs. Palu previously served with the United States Peace Corps. She gave a flavoring of living there now in a letter (April 7) to her parents who feel others may like to share it:

"We're safely back in Ekona and none the worse for wear. It took us 24 hours to get from Maroua (in northern Cameroon) to Kelo, Chad, by mini-bus and pick-up truck. We rode in the back of the pick-up, on bars of soap and sacks of flour, which didn't make a very comfortable bed when we stopped to sleep 25 km. from Kelo. In addition, we were absolutely covered with red dust! When we got to the Catholic mission in Kelo, we drank several bottles of water, showered and went to bed (at 10 a.m.). We got up for lunch, and then went back to bed for a siesta. By evening we were feeling human again.

"It was 100 degrees in the shade in Kelo, and the first two days, it was muggy as well. But one night it rained, and afterwards the relative humidity on the gauge was zero. The dry heat was not so unbearable."

"Monday we spent almost the entire day getting to Mondou. There's almost no traffic in Chad now, and we waited at the barrier in Kelo until 11:30 a.m. before a truck left town. We had seats in the cabin, so we didn't get too dusty, but it took 4 hours to travel the 100 km. to Moundou. We went directly to the Cotontchad factory to see Rhemadji, who was director of the factory in Kelo when I first arrived in 1977, and who is now assistant director for all the factories. He provided us with a room at the house, and took us out to supper at the Hotel des Chasses on the banks of the Logone River."

"I told Rhemadji that I wanted Serge to have a real Chadian meal, so at lunchtime he invited us to his house for millet "boule" with two sauces — one of dried (smoked) fish and okra, and the other of beef and sorrel leaves with mashed peanuts. Boule is ground millet, boiled to form a paste, and put in a calabash to form a "boule" or ball. In addition, we had grille d'carp. The meal was delicious. (Serge had a bit of tummy trouble starting on Wednesday night, and continuing for several days, but I had no reaction to the change in food, water or

climate. Perhaps I'm finally immune to Chadian diseases."

"Next Wednesday Rhemadji arranged transport for us back to Kelo in an air-conditioned car that was going to Bongor. Thursday we went from Kelo to Lere, Friday to Gerona where we emplaned for Douala (Cameroon). There we were invited to a big party Saturday night. Sunday morning we went to Likomba to play in a golf competition! (Margaret is secretary for the golf club there)."

From Douala the couple went to Kribi in southwest Cameroon where they first met in 1979 at an Atlantic Ocean beach resort.

Alexander Woehrle

Delmar

An unreported death

This letter is addressed to the unfortunate person who hit and killed my dog on Dumbarton Dr. during the early part of last week. I say unfortunate because this person lacked the compassion and pure consideration of reporting the accident.

I cannot give an exact date when my dog was hit, because he was missing for a few days, and this "unknown" person neglected even to inform either the dog warden, the police, or my family that the dog had been hit. I find it hard to believe that someone could hit a one hundred pound dog and not realize it.

It is true that my dog was not on a leash, and was therefore partially responsible for this accident. However, purposely neglecting to report the incident is, in my mind, a far worse crime than being without a leash. Having to wait three days to discover that my dog had been severely hit and killed, only prolonged the agony and heartache for myself and my family.

I write this letter, not for the purpose of sympathy, but rather in hopes that I might deter any further people from acting in such a cold and uncaring manner. It is too late for my dog, but maybe not for others. I loved him and will cherish the memories I have of him and forever, for that is all I have now.

Maribeth Gunner

Delmar

Our pleasure

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you very much for all the wonderful publicity you have given the events at our school this year. It is very much appreciated not only by the teachers involved with the events, but especially by the students who participated.

It is a pleasure to belong to a community with a local paper that is really interested in the people, young and old, which it serves.

Mrs. Gravlee and Mrs. Choppy
Teachers, St. Thomas

Delmar

Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

May 9, 1957

Delaware Plaza Merchants are planning a Bid-a-Billion Auction Sale as a climax of six weeks of "unusual bargains" celebrating the opening of Toy Fair. Shoppers will receive a \$10 play-money bill for each 10 cents spent on any Plaza purchases, and can use the "money" to bid on articles to be auctioned on the final day, June 15.

May 10, 1962

Elaine Bair of Slingerlands, a sophomore at Bethlehem Central High School, earned the highest score in the Capital District in physical fitness tests conducted at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School, and has qualified for the state finals at West Point.

May 11, 1967

Posing for publicity photos for the Delmar Presbyterian Church's eighth annual Country Fair are Mrs. Edward Babington, Mrs. Theodore Putney, Mrs. Peter Ellis, Mrs. Curtis Matterson and Mrs. Werner Jacobsen. Toddlers pictured with children's toys were little Melinda and Sarah Putney and Barbara Fraser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser.

Rick Manning, son of Mr. and Mrs.

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Albert A. Manning has been elected a member of the Wiffenpoofs, Yale University's famous informal singing group.

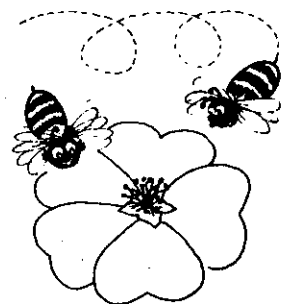
May 11, 1972

Officer Roger Contento has filed a suit in State Supreme Court to overturn the action by the Bethlehem Town Board in removing him from his job. The town board alleges that Contento violated a town ordinance requiring that police officers live within the geographical limits of the town. LeVere Fuller, editor of the Spotlight, points out in an editorial that Contento retained his legal address at his family's residence at 194 Hudson Ave. after his wife's mother offered to sell her family home to the young couple.

Five clarinet players were pictured rehearsing in a photo publicizing the BCHS Concert Band's annual exchange band concert tour. The musicians are Ed Coughtry, Jay Ugol, John Coffey, Marnie Kiley and Michael Clark.

May 12, 1977

The Voorheesville Central board of education was scheduled to adopt a 1977-78 school budget of \$3.5 million, up 2.5 percent from a year ago, for the May 24 election. The proposed budget includes a reduction of two and a half teaching positions. District voters soundly defeated the budget in 1976, forcing the board to adopt an austerity budget, but voters subsequently approved six of eight propositions in a re-vote.



Community Corner

Drama On Stage

A cast of 30 members of Act One, Bethlehem Central's student drama club, will present *Up the Down Staircase* Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at the BCHS auditorium. The students have worked hard and deserve support.

The play focuses on the interaction of teachers and pupils in a suburban New York high school. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. and tickets at \$2 (students \$1) can be purchased at the door.

It's good entertainment for the family.

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Anna Caswell

Lived in the New Scotland area since 1967 and has been active in Real Estate Sales since 1979. She looks forward to hearing from her New Scotland neighbors on anything dealing with sales, rentals or listings.



Bill Zautner

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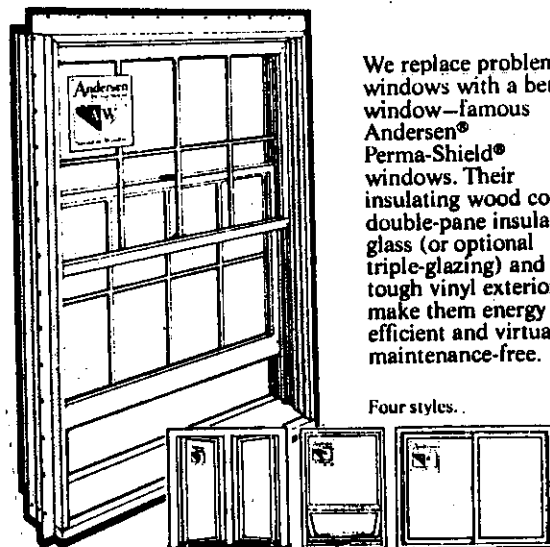
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