

# THE SPOTLIGHT

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BETHLEHEM

## Board gets waste plan

A consultant has recommended that Bethlehem get out of the garbage pickup business and into ANSWERS as quickly as possible.

Since the town landfill is filling up at an alarming rate the town board is likely to heed that advice, delivered by Standard Engineering Corp. of Albany last week. Because of problems encountered by the state in bringing its new refuse-fired steam plant on line, Albany is still landfilling a major portion of the solid waste delivered to the ANSWERS shredding plant on Rapp Rd. That has forced the city to drastically raise landfill fees and that, in turn, has meant more private haulers using other landfills — including Bethlehem's.

"We have a couple of years left, and that's about it," said Supervisor Tom Corrigan Friday. Corrigan said he will ask the town board at its meeting Wednesday (tonight) to consider an ordinance limiting outside dumping at the landfill, although the rest of the Standard report probably won't be taken up until the June 9 meeting.

Despite the problems with the ANSWERS project, Corrigan is not worried that Bethlehem will have to find a place for its garbage. "They've told us they will take us," he said.

Standard Engineering, which has been studying the town's solid waste situation for better than a year, is also recommending that Bethlehem ask Albany for permission to deliver waste to the ANSWERS plant in collector trucks, rather than the larger transfer vehicles, until the town can build its transfer station. The city's current policy does not allow communities such as Bethlehem and New Scotland to use the smaller vehicles to make deliveries.

The transfer station, which will cost an estimated \$888,000 (minus a \$350,000 federal grant), would be cheaper than building a new landfill and would reduce town costs for hauling to the ANSWERS plant, according to a report by Standard in February. That report lists eight possible locations for a transfer station, with the most likely on Delaware Ave. west of the high school, on Rt. 85 near Blue Cross/Blue Shield and on the Cherry Ave. Extension near McCormack Rd., but the new report makes no recommendation on a final choice.

The report does take a stand on an equally controversial issue — the question of who should collect solid waste in the town. The recommendation there is to discontinue town garbage collection

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### Subscription Price Change

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## St. Thomas: most patriotic by a long shot

When more than 125 students from some 20 schools enter a competition, chances of the top three winners coming from one school are umpteen hundred thousand to one.

Odds to the contrary, that's what's happening this week when Congressman Sam Stratton presents awards to three Bethlehem residents who won first, second and third prizes in an essay contest for Capital District public, private and parochial school 8th graders sponsored by the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, Albany.

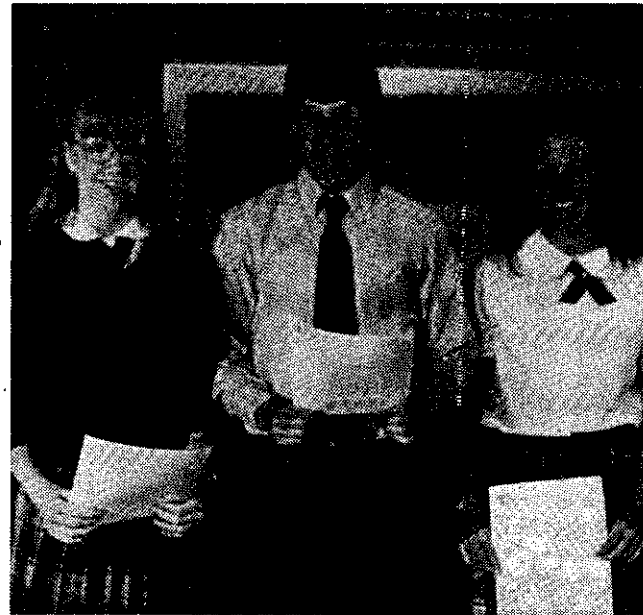
The awards in a ceremony Sunday at the Albany VA Hospital will go to three students at St. Thomas School, Delmar. The top prize, a \$100 bond, was won by Jamie Thorp of Glenmont. Second was Kay Lynn Ronanski of Delmar, a \$75 bond, and third was Michele Sullivan of Delmar, a \$50 bond.

In addition, Jamie will be presented with an American flag that flew over the U.S. Capitol for a day recently at the request of Rep. Stratton. The flag will be presented to the school.

The contest called for an essay of approximately 500 words on the subject, "One Nation Under God." At St. Thomas the contest so intrigued Mrs. Jane Thorp, eighth grade teacher, that she gave the title as a classroom assignment, and picked the 10 best to be entered in the area competition.

When a freak but devastating snowfall in early April closed the school for two days just before the contest deadline, Mrs. Thorp had second thoughts as to whether to brave the storm. But she decided to see it through, drove through the drifts to all 10 houses, and personally delivered the essays to Albany.

A panel of five judges, reading entries from which the



Kay Lynn Ronanski, Jamie Thorp and Michele Sullivan scored an unprecedented sweep for St. Thomas School in the K. of C.'s regional essay contest for eighth graders.

*Spotlight* names had been removed, narrowed the field to 15 finalists before selecting the three winners. Not until the names were matched to the essays was it discovered that the three winners came from the same school.

Judges were Col. James Crowley, SUNYA; Mrs. Janet E. Burns, Algonquin Middle School; Mrs. Kathy Butler, St. Pius X School; Mrs. Judith K. Rothstein, Guilderland Central School District, and Emerson R. Gallup, Knights of Columbus.

## Delmar gets gypsy moth spray

Aerial spraying for gypsy moths took place last weekend not only in New Scotland and Coeymans, as announced recently by county health officials, but also in Delmar.

The Delmar spraying was arranged and paid for by a group of residents of the Lyons Ave. area, who are concerned about the tall oaks behind their properties toward Murray Ave. The spraying — unannounced except to those participating — brought vigorous objections from one resident of nearby Paxwood Rd., who said many other people were affected.

"Our concern is environmental, too," said William J. Schoonmaker, a Lyons Ave. resident. "The gypsy moths were destroying a beautiful area." The trees are too tall to be effectively covered by ground sprays, and have already been defoliated two years running, he said.

"This would have been the third year, and that is usually considered fatal," said Schoonmaker.

The spraying was arranged by the Lyons Ave. Onion Soup and Marching Club, Inc., a neighborhood group that has been active since 1952, Schoonmaker, an Albany lawyer, said. The group had circulated information on aerial spraying earlier this spring, but accepted as participants only property owners adjacent to each other or across the street from each other in order to keep the spraying area concentrated, he said.

The spraying was done by Duflo Aerial Spray Co., the same outfit that sprayed for the Albany County Health Department in the rural sections of New Scotland and Coeymans Friday evening and Saturday, Schoonmaker said.

County officials said the rain Sunday will not affect the oil-based spray. Officials in the state Department of Environmental Conservation said Monday no permit is required for private spraying.

Mrs. Nancy Windmueller of Paxwood Rd., which is about five blocks away from Lyons, said she had tried to convince spraying proponents of the hazards involved in the use of the

pesticide Sevin. She said she was told the spraying Saturday came without warning and could have affected children and pregnant women who were outside at the time.

Schoonmaker said aerial spraying does not drift further than ground spraying, which is performed routinely in many parts of Delmar.



Fun was the order of the day at the Glenmont Elementary School Carnival. Ira Bloom delighted his daughter, Rebecca, and her friend, Adam Sinuc, with cotton candy concoctions. On the cover: parent and occasional clown Neil McGaughan got many a laugh from young admirers.

Tom Howes

## Correction

It is May 19 edition, *The Spotlight* incorrectly stated that two 14-year-old girls were charged by Bethlehem police with criminal impersonation and that one of them was also charged with driving without a license and operating an uninsured vehicle as a result of an accident on Ellsworth Ave. May 16. According to police, the youths would have faced those charges had they been 16 or older. Under state law, charges involving juveniles are usually referred to family court, where the disposition is kept confidential.

# Garbage plan

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and leave all future collections to private haulers.

As it stands now, the town Highway Department collects garbage (no other waste) from only about 2,000 of the 8,700 residences in the town at a cost of about \$140,000 per year, so the recommendation to discontinue that service was expected. Nevertheless, the Standard report labels this a "sensitive issue" and recommends that the town board prepare the public carefully for the change.

The February report had outlined several alternatives for collection services, from having the Highway Department take over to dividing up the town into districts and taking bids on each

district. But the new report recommends the simplest alternative — letting the haulers contract directly with homeowners, as they do now. This should be done "unless the public indicates a strong desire for the town to assume the service," the report says.

Current fees for private pickup range from \$75 to \$90 per household. In addition, the town would have to come up with some way to cover the cost of running the transfer station and paying Albany's ANSWERS tipping fees. The Standard report discusses the use of property taxes and a fee system for haulers as options, but makes no specific recommendation.

## Threatening vehicles

Two cases of harassment by vehicle — one by motorcycle and the other by Cadillac — are under investigation by Bethlehem police.

Bethlehem Central bus driver Charles Groesbeck reported that two motorcycles followed his bus Wednesday afternoon from the high school to the middle school and then along Rt. 32 into New Scotland as far as Tarrytown Rd. The drivers, who were not identified, made a number of reckless maneuvers as they followed the bus, Groesbeck said.

Also on Wednesday, an Albany resident driving south on Rt. 85 found he was being followed closely by a second car, a Cadillac that speeded up and began bumping his car. David Freedman told police he managed to bring his car to a halt near Blessing Rd. Then, he said, the driver of the Cadillac got out and started hitting him and attempted to push him off a bridge. A passerby saw the altercation, honked his horn and chased the assailant off.

## Arrested for burglary

Kirk D. Shirey, 18, of 12 Coventry Rd., Glenmont, was arrested by Bethlehem police Friday on a third degree burglary warrant in connection with a May 10 burglary. After arraignment before Town Justice Roger Fritts, Shirey was remanded to Albany County Jail pending a May 25 date in town court.

## Recycling hours

Bethlehem Highway Superintendent Martin J. Cross Jr. has reminded residents of new operating hours for the town's recycling center at 119 Adams Street, Delmar (behind the Spotlight building). The center is closed on Sunday and Monday.

Residents of the town can bring clean bottles, with metal parts and labels removed; clean, flattened cans; and newspapers, tied in manageable bundles, to the center for recycling.

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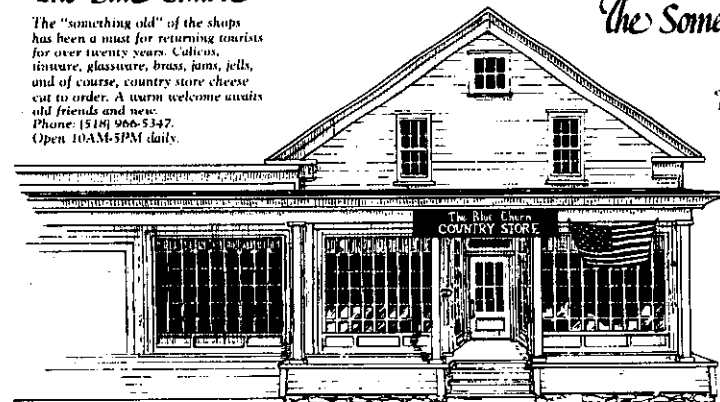


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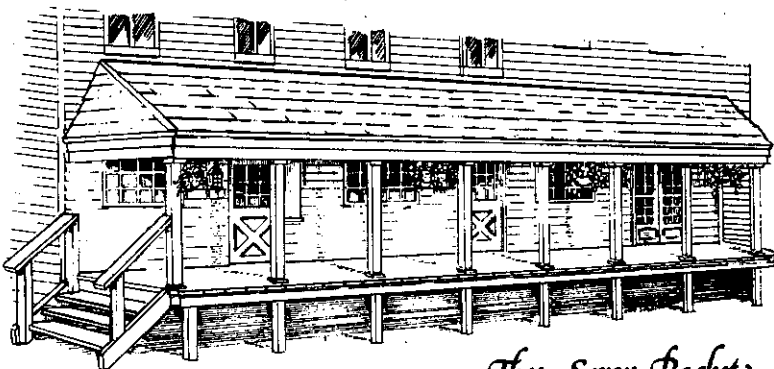
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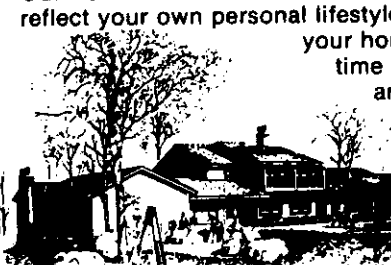
The Bear Trap is an unusual name for an antique shop, and this is an unusually attractive shop. The emphasis is on country things — quilts, furniture, early baskets, and folk art — but you'll also find a large variety of toys, paintings, wicker, and charming accessories of all sorts. The shop is open from 10AM-5PM. It's closed on Mondays.



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Tom Howes

## New road proposed for old subdivision

By Vincent Potenza

The Bethlehem Planning Board at its meeting last Tuesday night heard an informal discussion for a proposed subdivision that would require making a roadway through two lots of an already-existing subdivision.

The proposed Normans Gate subdivision would contain 37 lots to be located off Euclid Ave. in Elsmere in an area zoned AA Residential. The two lots, on Euclid Ave., are part of a subdivision that was submitted in the late 1930s and are owned by the developer.

Martin Barr, an attorney whose property abuts one of the lots that the Van Euclid Co. wishes to use as access to the new development, stated at the meeting that the proposed plan would "do violence" to an already approved subdivision.

Planning board Chairman Edward Sargent expressed concern that approval of the plan might set a precedent, and board attorney Earl Jones concurred inasmuch as thought the owners of property adjacent to what had always been planned as more residential housing have "some sort of vested right." There was also some discussion as to whether the proposed development could even be considered by the board because, technically, it has no access as yet.

But an attorney for Van Euclid produced letters from Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz stating that the town board usually doesn't consider roadways until the planning board has seen where the roadway will go.

And since the entire presentation was

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billed as "pre-preliminary" and no action could be taken by the board anyway, all legal questions were deferred pending formal application for a hearing by the developer.

In other business, the board considered a site plan for a duplex on Rt. 396 in Beckers Corners submitted by Agnes Rendert. The plan was approved.

### Dike work at park

The U.S. Corps of Engineers will repair the sagging dike along the Hudson River at Bethlehem's Henry Hudson Park off Rt. 144 at Cedar Hill.

According to Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan, corps officials have informed the town that the work, which can only be done at low tide, "may disrupt some activities along the riverfront." The job is to be started as soon as possible and should be finished this year.

### Mosquito spraying

The Town of Bethlehem is again offering a spraying program for the control of mosquito larvae. Residents who wish parts of their properties to be sprayed must make a written request to the highway superintendent, Bethlehem Highway Garage, Elm Avenue East, Selkirk, 12158. A separate request must be made each time the resident wishes an area sprayed.

## Everybody loves a parade

People who love a parade will love this weekend. There will be Memorial Day parades in Voorheesville Saturday and Delmar Monday.

The Voorheesville observance also features the village's 7th annual 15-kilometer running race and field-day races for young children.

Both communities will commemorate the occasion with memorial services, in Voorheesville at the village park, in Delmar at Bethlehem Cemetery, Kenwood and Elsmere Aves.

The village parade steps off at 10 a.m. Saturday from the Voorheesville Elementary School and will wind up at the American Legion post. Children's races are scheduled for 11 a.m. and the marathon at 12:30 p.m.

The Delmar parade starts from the Blanchard Post, American Legion, on Poplar Dr., Elsmere, at 10:45 a.m. Monday, pauses at the cemetery for a brief service, and continues on Kenwood Ave., Adams Pl., Adams St. and Delaware Ave. to the memorial mini-park at the D&H overpass.

### Tour of solar homes

A solar energy tour, featuring a new passive/active home, three sunspaces and a solar heated pool, is set for Saturday, June 5. Sponsored by Albany County Cooperative Extension, the tour features homes in South Bethlehem, New Scotland and Slingerlands.

Susan Aulisi, president of the Eastern New York Solar Energy Society, will serve as tour guide and answer questions on the various solar features and energy-saving devices. The tour will visit the passive-active new solar home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cannuteson of South Bethlehem, the New Scotland home of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Rissacher, and view a porch retrofit on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Shaffer in Slingerlands.

The tour bus will leave from Executive

Park, Stuyvesant Plaza at 9 a.m. Cost is \$7.50. For information or to register, contact Diane Snyder Ptak 765-2874, at Albany County Cooperative Extension.

### No objections to variances

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals held two public hearings last Wednesday night, both requests for variances from the percentage-of-lot-occupancy provisions of the zoning ordinance.

Kenneth Hartman of 9 Jordan Blvd., Delmar, sought to construct an addition to his house.

Peter and Dickie Schiff, 21 Forest Rd., Delmar, also sought to build an addition to their home.

No one spoke in opposition to either proposal.

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# Group skeptical of town plan

By Caroline Terenzini

The Slingerlands Homeowners' Association apparently is underwhelmed by the town's proposed commercial site plan review ordinance, which is on the Bethlehem Town Board's agenda for a public hearing tonight (Wednesday).

Thirty homeowners, meeting at the town hall Thursday, were in agreement that the proposal "is a very, very very small step."

Edward Kleinke, consultant to the town planning board, outlined the proposed ordinance for the group. It calls for planning board review for all new commercial construction, for major additions or alterations to commercial buildings, and for any commercial building activity adjacent to an historic site or district.

The ordinance isn't enough for the Slingerlands homeowners, who are upset over recent demolition of the old Saunders house on property owned by Anthony Pizzitola and his wife and brother, and by reports that Pizzitola plans a shopping center on the site at the Toll Gate intersection.

Frank Webb, association representative on a town committee named to frame regulations to implement the ordinance, said the proposed ordinance "is beginning. It's not all we want."

Quizzed on how effective the ordinance might be in preventing "offensive" development, Kleinke said, "Some of it is



Robert Keyes, outgoing president of the Slingerlands Homeowners Assn., makes a point as Bob Knighton, incoming vice president, listens. Tom Howes

going to depend on how much the Town Board will stand behind it."

Association members agreed their best route would be to attend the town board hearing and let the councilors know that while they support the proposed measure, they want something stronger.

Members also heard from Robert Knighton that discussion with attorneys had determined that efforts to obtain rezoning of the Pizzitola property would be futile. Knighton also said he plans to

file a request with the town under the Freedom of Information Act to obtain copies of any correspondence relating to the Pizzitola property.

Town officials said later, however, that the homeowners are welcome to file on the Pizzitola property but that they have received no correspondence relating to the owner's development plans.

Webb reported that an application for designation of the Slingerland burial

ground near the property as an historic site should "be at the point next week at which a Type I environmental impact statement would be necessary" before development of any adjacent property, specifically Pizzitola's property.

Also at the meeting, MaryLou Stracke was elected to succeed Robert Keyes as president of the homeowners. Knighton was named vice president.

## Freeze, round two

Nuclear freeze resolutions come in different shapes and sizes, and are sometimes tailored to different ideological purposes. In the Capital District, municipalities as diverse as Troy and Guilderland have passed freeze resolutions — Troy's a terse 59 words calling for an immediate freeze on both sides and Guilderland's multi-paragraphed statement supporting the Reagan administration position.

Wednesday (tonight) the Bethlehem Town Board is expected to be confronted again by a large group of freeze supporters asking for passage of a resolution. As of Friday, according to Supervisor Tom Corrigan, the board had reached no consensus, with several councilmen still entertaining doubts as to whether the board should take a stand on a national issue.

One thing is likely — with a public hearing on the proposed commercial site plan review ordinance set for 7:30 p.m. and the nuclear freeze issue to follow that, the board is in for a long meeting.



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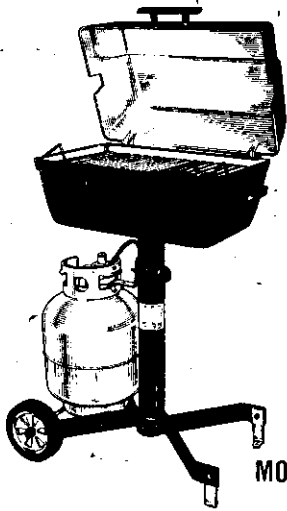
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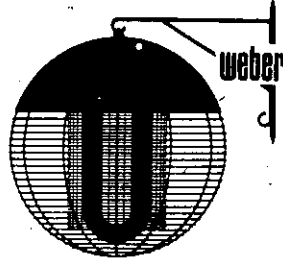
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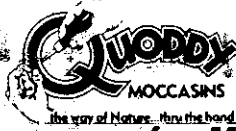
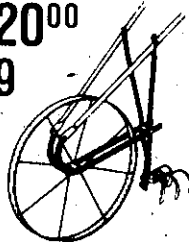
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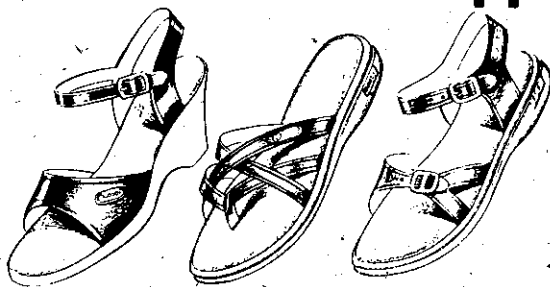
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# Challenge gets new selection plan

The Bethlehem Central School Board, which was concerned that the selection criteria for this year's Challenge program may have been too narrow, has a new set of criteria, and now the concern appears to be that there are too many factors involved.

The board last Wednesday decided to delay action on the new plan for identifying students for the Challenge program until its June 2 meeting, hoping for some clarification on legal procedures and some input from parents. The program for exceptional students, now winding up its first year, has been the most controversial and closely-watched issue before the board in the last year, but

no parents were present at the meeting last Wednesday.

The proposal by Assistant Superintendent J. Briggs McAndrews calls for using four methods to nominate students to the program: achievement tests, intelligence tests, teacher nominations and parent nominations. These four factors would be assigned different weights and the top 150 students selected for the program by a committee of educators and parents.

This year's program has 132 elementary students and one teacher, but the board added one Challenge position to the 1982-83 budget, and agreed that the program will extend now to the eighth grade level.

"Some of us were a little surprised last year to find that only the achievement tests were being used" to select students, noted Board President Bernard Harvith.

Administrators had explained then that the selection process was limited by time and personnel. Next year's procedure is considerably more complex, with teachers required to fill out a four-page nominating form and parents faced with a three-page form that requires them to draw on examples of their child's behavior to support the nomination.

"How do you intend to handle parents who nominate their own child?" asked Board Member Robert Zick.

"That's been the worry of people who have used this (nominating form)," said McAndrews. But experience has shown that fewer parents than expected do nominate their own children, and that most of them are realistic about their children's capabilities, he said. The

parent's assessment counts for between one seventh and one eighth of the total score, he said.

The new system also has an appeals process, which concerns some board members. McAndrews said this year he received four appeals directed to him by elementary school principals and a few more made directly from parents. He turned them all down, he said, because no formal appeals process was in place.

Board member Robert Ruslander said he wants the district's attorney, Roger Fritts, to take a look at the appeals process. And Harvith observed that the district is required by state law to maintain an extremely elaborate and costly appeals process for handicapped student placement, but is under no such constraints in terms of gifted students.

"Maybe we should get a little less legalistic process," he said.

## Scholastic honor

Penny L. Ellis of Delmar had been inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa chapter at Elmira College.

## Board members angry over editorial

Members of the Bethlehem Central School Board reacted last Wednesday with varying degrees of anger to an "Editor's View" column in the May 19 Spotlight reflecting on the low turnout for the passage of the school budget. The column was signed by Nat Boynton, contributing editor.

Board member Robert Zick started the discussion by asking if the board intended to make a response. "Something about that article rankles me to death," he said. "It's the most narrow-minded, stupid article I've ever seen."

Marjory O'Brien agreed with Zick's assessment. "I think the worst part of it is

that it is totally unsubstantiated," she said. "Mr. Boynton didn't attend any budget meetings."

Board President Bernard Harvith objected to the use of the word "deterioration" to describe the Bethlehem Central educational product. "I think that based on any criterion you can use the quality of our product is extremely high," he said. To suggest otherwise, he said, is "unfair" to the students.

As to whether the board should formally respond to Boynton's viewpoint, Harvith said: "I think, frankly, the voters responded at the polls."

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### DAR chapter elects

Gansevoort chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, held its annual business meeting recently at Ten Broeck Mansion in Albany with Regent Mrs. Lester O'Neil, Jr. presiding. Mrs. Harry E. Veeder and Miss Marey Bailey reported on the 91st national DAR Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. as delegates. Mrs. John R. Hauf, formerly of Delmar and now residing in Albany, and Mrs. Raymond Carr of Delmar were elected directors for a two-year term; Mrs. Matthew Heim, Albany, was elected librarian to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Earle Romer, and Mrs. Roy A. Klages of Guelderland was elected as delegate to state conference in September. Alternates are Mrs. John S. Mackiewicz of Albany, Mrs. James R. Stratton of Delmar, Miss Marey Bailey of Albany and Mrs. Harry E. Veeder of Albany.

### Time to return textbooks

Private school students are reminded that they must return all books loaned to them by the Bethlehem Central School District within three days after their school closes, and not later than June 30. Books may be returned to school offices at 90 Adams Pl., Delmar between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Students will be billed for books loaned to them which are not returned. Call Mrs. Kass, 439-4921, with any questions.

### Reception for BC teachers

All friends and former students of Suzanne Carr and Edwina Hase are invited to attend the reception to honor the two retiring Bethlehem Central teachers on Thursday, June 3, at 7 p.m. in the Elsmere Elementary School cafeteria. For information about the evening, call Betsy Tobin at 439-5741.

### Ball parents named

Lynne and Dave Perry and Janet and Bud Rose have been named general chairmen of the 1982 after-the-ball activities at Bethlehem Central High School. Other committee chairmen helping to plan and supervise the annual event, which provides sports events and a pancake-sausage breakfast at the Elm Ave. town park for celebrants following the BCHS Senior Ball, are: Mary Ellen and Bill Weber, Diane and Jim Clyne, Priscilla and Bob Miller, Vera and Richard Propp, Nancy and Charles Mackey, Nancy and Ed McEwan, Pat and Fred Burdick, Rosemary and Mike Edwards, Pat and Hank Eckhardt and Norma and Dave Irvine.

### Howard presents lecture

Delmar resident William F. Howard, Manhattanville College class of '83, recently gave a lecture on "The Image of War: Romance and Reality, the Civil War Experience," at the college in Purchase.

The lecture program included slides of Civil War period art and photographs, as well as a display of original pieces from Howard's personal collection that portrays the public perceptions of the Civil War experience in both myth and reality. Howard, has lectured before many historical clubs and professional organizations throughout the Northeast and regularly contributes articles and book reviews to leading historical publications.

### Students honored

Roger Rosen of Bethlehem Central High School and Eileen Parker of Doane Stuart School are among 13 students in Albany County to be honored Thursday, May 27, for completing the 1982-83 county government intern program. The program is sponsored by the Albany County Cooperative Extension and the county legislature.

## Dean's List



Mohawk Valley Community College  
Cathy A. Brockley, Delmar; Jennifer J. Embler, Selkirk; Joseph J. Perry, Voorheesville.

Albany Academy — Robert Devine, Matthew Fleming and Eric Martin, all of Slingerlands; Quimby McCaskill, Stephen Stasiuk, Kevin Allen, Stein Amundsen and John-Erik Amundsen, all of Delmar; William Mosher, Voorheesville.

### Walk in the Pine Bush

The educational staff from Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will lead an interpretive walk in the Pine Bush on Tuesday, June 1, at 7 p.m. Participants will have an opportunity to see and discuss the plant life and wildlife of this unique area. The blue lupine flower and the Karner blue butterfly are two of the more unusual species that live in the Pine Bush.

Interested persons should meet at the intersection of Route 155 and Old State Road, just north of the Thruway bridge. Parking will be available on the grass on the east side of Route 155. For information call Five Rivers, 457-6092.

### On forum panel

Beatrice Cohen of Delmar has been named first vice chairman of the New York State Legislative Forum for 1982-83. Mrs. Cohen was one of three Forum board members who appeared on a half-hour TV program on WMHT-Channel 17 marking the Forum's 50th anniversary.

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## R-C-S budget shows tax hike

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School Board was presented with a \$9.45 million preliminary budget estimate at its meeting Monday, which would require a 4.3 percent tax increase in the Bethlehem portion of the district.

The preliminary figures, presented on a one-page sheet, are the product of several months' work by board committees. They could be honed further if the board accepts the administration proposal to cut \$75,000 by decreasing staff through attrition.

The budget is subject to a district-wide referendum by the voters on June 23. Last year's \$8.77 million budget passed

by a slim margin.

Thirty six percent of the district's tax levy is raised in the Town of Bethlehem, where the southern third of the town is in the R-C-S district. The current school tax rate is \$129.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, and the preliminary figures call for an increase of \$5.59 per \$1,000.

One factor affecting the budget projections is concern that this year's \$3.55 million in state aid will not be increased next year.

### Arts festival set

The fourth annual Arts Festival at Voorheesville High School will be held Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This year's festival will include displays and demonstrations in fine arts, manual arts, language arts and performing arts.

Students' project work in the areas of art, industrial arts, home economics, and photography will be exhibited. Music performances will be by seniors Jamie LeClair, Doug Bernhard, Doug Flint, Chris Merritt, Greg Howard, Wendy Knapp, Jill Lawrence and Courtney Brennan. The local Rock and Roll group Pillar will perform. Many of the school's stage band members will be performing dixieland music.

Seventh graders will present two plays



Bethlehem Lions Club President Pat Waters, center, hands \$500 donations to George TenEyck, Delmar Rescue Squad captain, and William Harding, president of the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service. Lions fund-raisers include the spring pancake breakfast and fall lightbulb sale.

Tom Howes

they have been working on under the direction of Jean Pupcheck. Jeff Clark will give a demonstration of the Geero-Roman wrestling that won him a national

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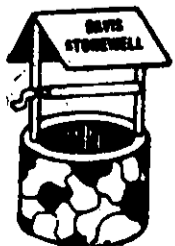
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The Voorheesville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor their 15th annual card party on Thursday, June 3, at the fire house beginning at 8 p.m. A donation of \$1.50 will be accepted at the door. Newly elected officers for the organization are President Donna Welker, Vice President Anne Meilinger, Secretary Peg Blackmer, Treasurer Evelyn Berger and Chaplain Julia Fields.

Voorheesville Elementary School students are traveling near and far on forthcoming field trips. On June 1 Music Director Cynthia McDermott will accompany the sixth grade chorus to the Teresian Nursing Home to entertain some of our senior citizens. All of the

kindergarten students will spend June 2 at Don Otterness' farm with teachers Geraldine Berglas and Anne Lennox. The Catskill Game Farm will be the scene of the trip for all the first grades on June 4. Teachers Linda Spina, MaryAnn Gregor, Judy Douglas and Pat Burnham will accompany the students. On June 7 and 9, third graders in Pat Thomas's, Sue Meade's and Gertrude Modell's classes will visit the Schenectady Museum and Freihofer Bakery.

On Thursday, June 3 at 7 p.m. in the Voorheesville Junior-Senior High School auditorium, Miss Jean Pupchek's seventh grade language arts students will present "The Uninvited Ghost," a one-act mystery, and "It's Cold In Them Thar Hills," a one-act hillbilly comedy. Both plays are written by LeRoma Greth. Student director of "The Uninvited Ghost" is Miss Tami Tetreault with a cast and crew consisting of David Arbour, Michele Batchelder, Krissy Bismett, Hillary Bissell, Karen Donato, Sandy Hawkins, Joe Jackson, Kevin Kelly, Dan McKenna, Jenny Ramsey, Wendy Rubin, Missy Beirnacki, Tim Burke, Chris Cappadozy, Sue Cripps, Frank Donnel-



Voorheesville Elementary students raised more than \$2,900 for the March of Dimes by reading nearly 200 books over the winter. Their efforts were recognized last week when Lynne Jonquieres of the March of Dimes, left, and Eric Beck, the poster child, paid a visit. With the visitors are Paul Jamason (31 books), Sarah Wilkes (30 books) and Mrs. Andrea Hampston, left, librarian. Top readers were Jennifer Appleby (50) and Eric Sullivan (43).

ly, Don Herbert, Keilia Hodgkinson, Ken Rafferty, Cindy Tanner, Ted Teuten, Rick Weismaier and Dawn Wright. Kevin McKennis is student director for "It's Cold." He is assisted by Sue Dunning. Among the cast and crew are Justin DeFazzio, Megan DePasquale, Lisa Fedele, Teresa Fernandez,

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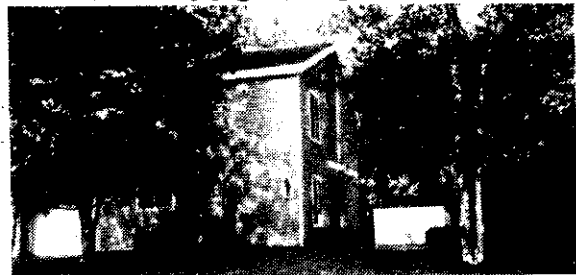
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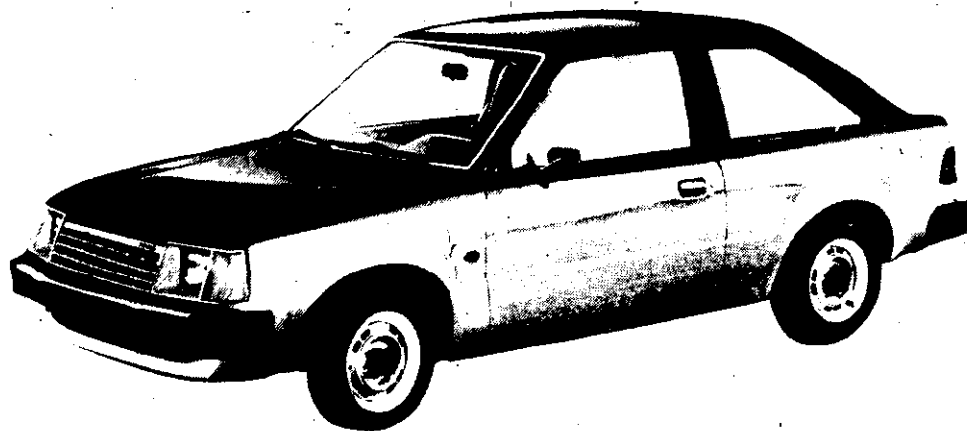
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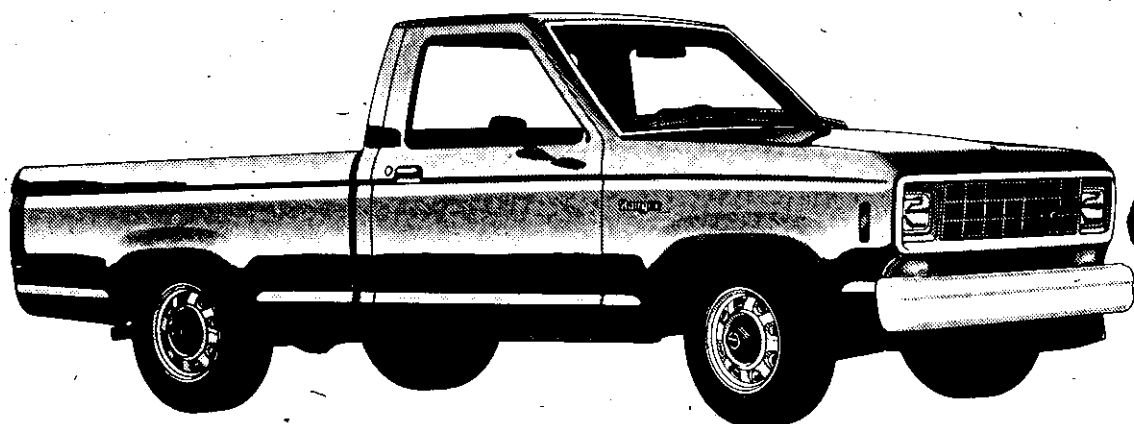


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## Town swim programs

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department has announced a special sign-up day for some of its most popular summer programs.

Residents of the town who wish their children to participate in Tiny Tot Swim, Springboard Diving and learn-to-swim programs may pre-register for these programs from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 2, at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

Class size in each of these popular programs is limited and classes will be filled on a first-come-first served basis.

All three programs will be held for three two-week sessions: Session I will run June 28 through July 9, Session II from July 12 through July 23, Session III from July 26 through August 6.

The Learn-To-Swim program is open to children age seven and older. Classes will be held for various ability levels, from beginner through advanced. There is no fee.

The Tiny Tot Swim program is open for children aged four, five and six only. There is a limit of 30 participants per class and the fee is \$17.

Springboard diving will be offered to children who are able to dive off a springboard and swim at least 20 yards. Advanced divers will meet at 9 a.m., and beginners will meet at either 9:40 or 10:20 a.m. There is a limit of seven students per class and the fee is \$10.

Pre-registration for any unfilled spaces in these three programs can be made in person or by telephone at the Elm Avenue Park Office, beginning at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, June 3.

## Babe Ruth openers

Voorheesville Babe Ruth baseball league will launch a new season Tuesday, June 1, with four teams, down from seven last year. Three teams from Berne-Knox have switched to the Schoharie league.

The Voorheesville circuit's new format will enable league officials to accelerate the season and have each team play more often in a shorter schedule, according to Bill Hotaling, league president. Each team will play three times a week, twilight games Tuesdays and Thursdays, and morning games Saturdays.

The league, which is composed of boys 13-15, will play at the New Scotland Town Park and Voorheesville High School. The teams and their sponsors are St. Matthew's Giants, Rod and Gun Twins, Spotlight Red Sox and Kiwanis Cubs. Each team will have 13 to 14 players.

## Computerized honor

Lauren L. Smith of Delmar, a senior majoring in computer science and mathematics at State University at Oswego, received the Outstanding Senior Award in Computer Science at a recent honors convocation.

# Area Events & Occasions

Events in Nearby Areas

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

**"Rocky,"** starring Sylvester Stallone and Talia Shire, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 2 p.m. Free.

**Architectural History Talk,** "City Beneath the Streets," discussion of archaeological excavations in city, Gaspar's Quackenbush House, Quackenbush and Broadway sts., Albany, 8:30 p.m. Free.

**Jazz Singing with Fats Jefferson,** Empire State Plaza concourse's south gallery, performance from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Senior Citizens Ball,** celebrating silver anniversary, Empire State Plaza convention center, 7:30-11 p.m. Tickets available from most Senior Citizen Centers.

**Home Buyers Seminar and School,** to teach steps in purchasing a home, directed by building, banking and legal professionals, Best Western Thruway House, Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Free. Information, 438-4467.

### THURSDAY, MAY 27

**Women's Republican Club** (Albany County), garden party-meeting followed by buffet dinner, to plan 1982 campaign, membership tea and two conferences; at home of Mrs. E. Kearns, 8th Ave., Watervliet, 6 p.m.

### SATURDAY, MAY 29

**Wide-Row Planting Class,** discussing seed preparation, planting, thinning and harvesting, Garden Way Living Center, 102nd St. and 9th Ave., Troy, 1 p.m. Free.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 1

**Japanese Architecture Lecture** with Russell Sage professor Marjorie Semerad discussing ancient and contemporary buildings in Orient, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

**P.A.C.C.T. (Parents and Cardiac Children Together)** support group, to meet first Tuesday of each month to provide mutual support for those about to have open heart surgery, Colonie Town Library, Albany-Shaker Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 459-5880. Free.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

**4-H Fashion Revue,** with 4-H members from Bethlehem's Super Seven and Voorheesville's Vikings and Lucky-4-Leaves modeling garments they have made, Farnsworth Middle School, Guilderland, 7:30 p.m. Open to public.

**Troy Record Newspapers Tour,** cost \$4 for adults and \$2 for children, to leave Broadway and Fifth Ave., Troy, at 1 p.m. Reservations, Hudson-Mohawk Industrial Gateway, 274-5267.

**Epilepsy Association,** election of officers, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett sts., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-8085.

**"Picturesque" Style Lecture,** first of five-part lecture series on Wednesdays sponsored by Capital District Humanities Program, with art historian Charlotte Turoff discussing role of picturesque style, \$35 cost per lecture, Empire State Plaza Tower Building, noon-2 p.m. Registration, 457-3907.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 4

**Western Square Dance,** by Altamont Station Squares, former Guilderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, Western Ave., 8-11 p.m.

**National Bottle Museum Open House,** 20 Church Ave., Ballston Spa, 8 p.m.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 5

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# Focus On Faith

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We'll be moving soon. So it's time to pull out and sort things once again. It's time to pack some things for rummage sales, or to take to "camp", or even to throw away, so there will be less to unpack in our new home.

The other day I was going over old Christmas cards. I enjoyed remembering friends and reading the joyous messages they had sent. I was especially moved by the greeting: "May the joy and peace of the Christmas Season be yours throughout the coming year."

I thought how quickly we forget the wishes and blessings we received just a few months ago. Indeed how hard it is to keep the Christmas Spirit alive past the first week of January.

But here we are in May and I'm beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! I suppose it began with reading (and saving) many of the lovely cards. But the feeling grew when I stood with 10,000 women the other day, applauding Dr. Helen Caldecott after she had said in a speech to us: "The nuclear threat is the

ultimate religious issue. Our responsibility to God is to continue this creation."

The Christmas feeling grows when I read of the declarations by leaders of many, many religious groups calling for a nuclear freeze and a reduction of armaments. It increases as I hear of students, congregations and groups all over our state and land expressing concern for future life on this planet and for an end to the arms race. It deepens as I see large numbers eager to plan and participate in a Festival for Peace.

"Peace on earth, good will to all," the angels sang that first Noel. Me thinks I hear ancient song repeated now!

On the eve of the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament, religious people must pray long and hard and must have faith that God will lead us to control the madness of violence and to learn to share the goodness of His world in friendship.



Rev. Luther Patton and wife, Ruth, enjoy a light moment at their retirement dinner Sunday at the Community United Methodist Church, Slingerlands. Tom Howes

The song of peace is being sung. Won't you join it and live it?

P.S.:

Everyone is invited to join in celebrating the hope for peace on earth at the area-wide ecumenical Festival for Peace on Sunday, June 6, at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, from 3 to 6 p.m.

The theme is: "Rainbow in the Storm, Faith Alternatives to the Arms Race". Featured speaker at 5 p.m. will be Rev. William Sloane Coffin of New York. Special guests will be Lutheran Bishop Edward Perry and United Methodist Bishop Roy Nichols. There will be musical groups, children's activities, a puppeteer and juggler, booths and banners.

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## Lutheran early bird steps down

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Then he would check the church and parish house, turning up the heat if it was too-chilly, or opening the windows for fresh air in warm weather. To help get ready for the 10:30 worship service, he would set up a ladder, climb to the display boards to change the hymn numbers.

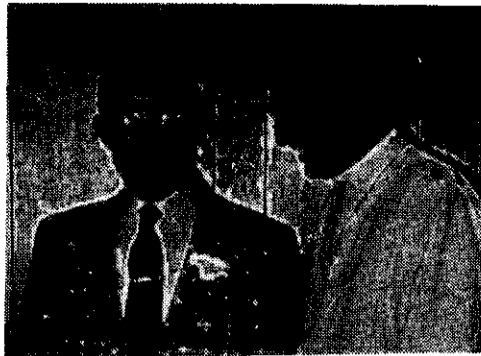
After that, it was easy: fold and insert the worship bulletins, check with the pastor and lay assistants for last-minute changes in the Order of Service, brief the four ushers he had trained and scheduled, and light the candles on the altar.

This winter Frank decided to step down as head usher at the church on Elm Ave. Delmar, and "let somebody else have a whack at being the early-bird organizer on Sunday mornings."

In gratitude, his fellow parishioners recently presented him with a plaque. Delicately carved on the back of the plaque is the inscription, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant . . ."

Frank assumed the position on May 29, 1955. During the intervening years, he kept a log of Bible study, worship and communion attendance, noting the day's weather as an important factor. Following the service, at Frank's direction, the ushers picked up and set the sanctuary straight.

Frank Markus also managed to find time to serve as vice president (1957),



Frank Markus with Rev. Warren Winterhoff, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

president (1958), member of the Board of Parish Fellowship (1977-1980), chief cook and bottle washer on occasions too numerous to mention, and is a cherished friend to many.

Frank spent his childhood in Unionville. He married his wife, Ann (now deceased), on Oct. 12, 1935. They immediately took up residence in a new home at 79 Cherry Ave., Delmar, where Frank still lives. The Elsmere Meat Market on Delaware Avenue (present site of Courtside) was Frank's business enterprise from July 1, 1937, to July 1, 1970 when he retired. Frank has two sons, Frank Jr. and Richard as well as 5 grandchildren all of whom still live in the vicinity of Delmar.

### Strawberries galore

The seedy strawberry will be celebrated at a strawberry festival sponsored by the Slingerlands Fire Department on Sunday, June 6, from 1 to 7 p.m. at firehouse #1 on New Scotland Road. Tickets, priced at \$1 will be available at the door.

## All Around The Garden

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Container gardening has become increasingly popular with apartment dwellers and homeowners as well. Gardeners with limited space can enjoy the delights and satisfactions of a vegetable garden within reach of the kitchen. The pots, tubs and baskets of vegetables can be decorative as well as productive.

For a jump on the season, buy small vegetable plants and transplant them into your own containers, selecting varieties that have been bred specifically for container gardening. Each year new varieties are introduced.

When choosing your plants, look for green, healthy foliage and protect them from excess heat, cold and sun on the trip home. Fill your containers with a commercial potting mix rather than garden soil. Garden soil often provides poor drainage and may harbor insects, disease and weeds. Water the young plants thoroughly and protect them from direct sun for the first day or two. Outdoor containers need lots of water — check them daily and fertilize with a commercial 5-10-5 fertilizer according to the manufacturer's recommendations. These plants will need lots of sun, plenty of water, and good drainage.

Numerous vegetables are easily adapted to container gardening. Plant early varieties and those developed especially for containers whenever possible. The seed of many can be sown directly into their final containers. Some of these are

kale, garlic, beans, peas, carrots and cucumbers. Radishes, spring onions, lettuce and spinach are also easy to grow from seed; just sow directly into pots or window boxes. Sow several types and plant the seed at weekly intervals for continuous harvest. Thin the seedlings when they are still small. To sow garlic, plant the cloves one inch deep in early spring.

Runner beans, peas and cucumbers will require staking. Hanging baskets are ideal containers for dwarf cucumbers, peas and cherry tomatoes. Even carrots can be grown in containers, but choose deep boxes and a variety that is stump-rooted.

Many herbs are successful in hanging baskets or containers, and are easily brought indoors when the weather turns cold. Among the herbs that are worthwhile are chives, basil, bay, marjoram, thyme, mint, parsley and sage.

Tomatoes, peppers, onions, lettuce, cabbage and eggplant are usually available as small plants from garden centers. Purchasing small, vigorous plants allows you an extra early start on the season and increased yield. Tomatoes can be planted in tubs or hanging baskets. The smaller types, cherry or patio tomatoes, work especially well in containers. Almost any pepper can be grown in containers. The smaller, hot peppers work especially well and make attractive planters.

This year, potato transplants grown from seed will be available from garden centers for the first time. Buy these transplants or seed potato tubers. Plant one transplant or one tuber with a maximum of three eyes in a large pot. Don't place more than one plant in a pot, or your yield will be greatly reduced. Protect these plants from frost in the spring and early fall.

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# Making insurance work for you

If there are only two basic kinds of life insurance, why is it you could spend a lifetime trying to find the best one to buy?

Perhaps it's because the policies are drawn with so many clauses, additions and options that it's almost impossible to figure them out. "And that appears to be exactly what the insurance industry wants," says author Andrew Tobias, who studied the industry for two years while writing "The Invisible Bankers" (Linden Press/\$15.00).

"There are three sides to every story (and insurance policy) and the industry representatives would like to explain them all," says Tobias. "Sooner or later, you will get bored and restless and buy a high-priced policy."

But it doesn't have to be that way -- or does it? Since insurance sales usually drop off considerable during a recession, now might be a good time to do a little study on insurance and how it fits your needs.

One good source for information is Tobias' book, which is one of the first to give a clear and accurate look inside the industry.

**If you need a calculator to figure out a policy, it may not be right for you.**

The two kinds of insurance are term and whole life. Term is pure insurance. All you are paying for each year is the insurance company's promise to pay an agreed-upon amount of money to a beneficiary if you die. Since your chances of dying go up as you get older, the annual premium goes up each year.

Whole life insurance is two things -- term insurance plus a savings plan. The premium starts out higher but remains

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the same year after year. This is because you "overpay" in the early years with the extra money going into a savings plan. Then in later years when the cost of insurance goes up your savings subsidize the premiums.

Therefore, whole-life isn't a good deal for anyone who fulfills the contract (dies) in the early years. That person has paid the higher early payments and never reaped the benefits of the subsidized "underpayments" of later years.

"And it isn't a good deal for the person who pays premiums for a long period either," he says "because the value of the insurance goes down as you get older."

One reason is that inflation makes the face amount of the policy less and less valuable. Another is that as your savings grow the amount of insurance protection you're buying shrinks. This company pays only the face amount of the policy -- not the face amount plus the accumulated savings."

But the biggest reason to avoid whole-life (and buy term), claims Tobias, is that whole life is too difficult to understand. "You would need a computer to figure it out and all you want is some protection," he says.

Whole life insurance sells for one price, but how much goes for insurance and how much for savings? "Assume the insurance portion is being provided at the lowest term insurance rates available and the rest goes to savings," says Tobias. "Each year the price of the insurance goes up so the savings portion falls."

That calculation alone makes it almost a full-time job trying to figure out how much the policy really costs, says Tobias.

"A family that has some money and a need for life insurance, doesn't need a complicated program. Just simple coverage," he says.

Who needs insurance? If you are single with no dependents, you probably need little or none, says Tobias. If you are wealthy, you have little need except to cover estate taxes. Perhaps the group with the most need is a young family. "So the people who need insurance protection the most -- young families -- need more than they can afford," he says.

**The thing to remember about life insurance is that all you want is some protection. However, it isn't always that easy.**

"For them the answer is simple -- buy as much renewable term insurance as inexpensively as possible to tide you over while your children are young and your income relatively low," says Tobias.

Not all members of the life insurance industry share that opinion. "You can't simply say the whole life insurance is too tough to understand so it should be ignored," says Robert Waldron of the American Council on Life Insurance.

"Instead you should learn more about it so you can make an intelligent decision."

"The other flaw is that Tobias is 34, and like many young people he doesn't realize there can be a real need for insurance in old age," says Waldron. "Eight out of 10 people live to 65. The odds are a wife will outlive her husband by seven years. Where will she get the money to survive if the couple's investments turn sour? Or an emergency expense shrinks the nest egg? Those are things to think about when you consider insurance."

## Directory coming out

The Tri-Village Directory, that indispensable compendium of names, addresses, phone numbers, advertisers and cross references for the Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands area, will be distributed in its 51st edition in early June.

The "snoop book," as it is commonly called, is published by the First Methodist Church of Delmar, with Howard Gmelch serving his second year as manager. For the first time this year, Newsgraphics of Delmar, publishers of *The Spotlight*, served as advertising agent. Donation is \$5.

## At White House parley

Dr. Joseph F. Zimmerman of Delmar, a professor of political science at the Graduate School of Public Affairs of the State University at Albany, recently participated by invitation in a small roundtable on federalism at the White House.

The roundtable involved a report on federal-state-local relations during the first 16 months of the Reagan Presidency, a review of the present state and substance of the President's federalism initiative, and input by invited participants. In addition, Professor Zimmerman was requested to provide suggestions relative to the future research agenda of the United States Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

## Rotary inducts 2

Lawrence Kelly, administrator of the Railroad YMCA, Selkirk, and Richard Thomas, administrator of the Good Samaritan Home, Delmar, were inducted by the Delmar Rotary Club at the April 20 meeting.

# Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

May 29, 1957

Girl Scout Troop 68 has presented the Delmar Reformed Church with a dogwood tree in appreciation for the use of the church recreation room for their weekly meetings. When planted, the tree wasn't quite as tall as the scouts posing for a *Spotlight* photo.

Feature film at the Delmar Theater for the holiday weekend is "Funny Face" starring Audrey Hepburn and Fred Astaire.

May 31, 1962

Mrs. Robert Kellum was installed as president of the Delmar Progress Club at the annual meeting at the Delmar Public Library. Other officers are Mrs. Robert Selkirk, first vice president; Mrs. Alfred Davies, second vice president; Mrs. Donald French, recording secretary; Mrs. David Schwartz, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Claude White, treasurer.

June 1, 1967

It seemed to many that Nick Ippolito had always been a Four Corners landmark in Delmar, and always would be, but after 46 years of cutting meat and selling groceries to housewives of the Tri-Villages, he has laid down his cleaver and knives for a well deserved retirement. Abe Handler, who has been associated with Nick for the last 22 years, has taken over operation of the store.

Cynthia Sutter, Thomas Byron, Maureen O'Hara and Patricia Holm have been elected to the new slate of officers of the St. Thomas Senior Youth Group.

David Blessing and Sally Clayton were crowned king and queen of Bethlehem Central's 1967 junior prom.

June 1, 1972

Laurie Vaughn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thurman Vaughn of Glenmont, will represent Nathaniel Blanchard Post No. 1040, American Legion Auxiliary, at Empire Girls State to be held at SUNY-Albany.

The Citizens Valor Award, presented annually by the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association, was presented to Robert Burns of Elm Ave. The incident began when off-duty Patrolman Alex Catello noticed a truck parked in a driveway off Elm Ave. When he questioned a man approaching from the house nearby, he was roughed up in a scuffle and the man ran into adjacent woods, where he was joined by another. Catello summoned other off-duty policemen and began combing the wooded area after it had been determined that the house had been burglarized. Ten hours later Burns stepped out of his house with a shotgun held on one of the suspects. Burns made a citizen's arrest at gunpoint and turned the man over to police. The second man also was caught. When asked if the gun was loaded, Burns said: "Nah, I don't have any shells for it."

June 2, 1977

A 49-year-old engineer-businessman whose parents were "hard-line Republicans" a generation ago has emerged as the Democratic candidate for supervisor to oppose Thomas V. Corrigan in the November election. Although there will be no formal designation until the Democratic caucus in August, Edward B. Stringham, 4 Wexford Dr., has already started his campaign.

## Attends conference

Raymond LaMoy of Tebbutt's Sons Funeral Home, Delmar, recently attended the annual conference of the International Order of the Golden Rule, in Phoenix, Ariz. The organization of funeral directors has approximately 1,100 members worldwide.



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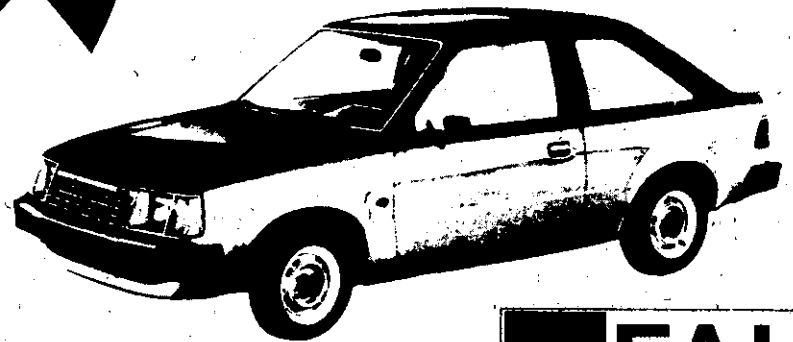


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**Married at St. Thomas**

Miss Julianne Marie McCarty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCarty of Derwood, Md., was married on May 15 to Richard William Bone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Bone of Delmar. The

ceremony took place at the church of St. Thomas the Apostle with Rev. Robert Powhida officiating.

The bride, a chemist, graduated from East Tennessee State University. The bridegroom graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Chemical Engineering. Both are employed at Nuclear Fuel Service in Erwin, Tenn.

Following a week in Bermuda, the couple will be residing in Johnson City, Tenn.

**To be wed in August**

Mr. and Mrs. Alan C. Hoffman, 49 Winne Road, Delmar, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alice Elizabeth, to Paul Joseph Parker, Vadney Road, Delmar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn G. Parker, 113 Cherry Avenue, Delmar.

A wedding day of August 28 at Bethlehem Community Church, Delmar,

has been planned.

Miss Hoffman, a Maria College graduate, has been attending the College of Saint Rose and will resume her studies in the fall. Her fiance is employed at Brockley's Delmar Tavern.

**Married in Florida**

James H. Carnahan, formerly of 10 Wiggand Drive, Glenmont, and Miss Bertha Hood of Arcola, Ill., were married in Fort Lucie, Fla., May 8.

The double-ring candlelight ceremony was performed by Rev. David Gerber at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gerber, formerly of Glenmont.

Mrs. Sharon Lee Gerber and Miss Debbie Gerber were bridesmaids at the ceremony.

Mrs. Carnahan retired from her position as a dental assistant in Arcola, Ill. and has spent the past three summers

working at Roehome, an Amish attraction near Arcola.

Mr. Carnahan retired last year as manager of the American Red Cross service center in Kissimmee, Fla., and spent 17 years as director of safety programs for the Albany Division of the American Red Cross.

The couple will spend the summer directing wilderness canoe trips in the Adirondack mountains from the home of Mr. Carnahan's daughter, Mrs. Ellen Corcoran, 707 Sacandaga Road, Scotia, and will return to their home in Kissimmee in the fall.

**Church supper slated**

The Jerusalem Reformed Church in Feura Bush will be serving up its annual strawberry supper on Saturday, May 29. Servings are scheduled to begin at 4:30, 5:30, and 6:30 p.m. For reservations, call 439-2046 or, if there is no answer, 439-1878.

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# Surviving in the supermarket

Take away the modern trappings, the machines, the concrete structures and the neon glitter and you can still recognize the ancient hunter from virgin forests stalking among us, within us.

The early family found sustenance by foraging and hunting. Each adult member learned to identify the edible products processed by nature and to develop skill in pursuing, capturing and harvesting them. The knowledge of animal and vegetable prey of primitive society was accumulated and passed on to the young who in turn added to it and enriched their successors that much more.

*If you can assume a basic instinct for survival within all people . . . then I contend that observations of modern shopping make perfectly rational evolutionary sense.*

Our 1980's survival technology is by no means separate from that chain of experience, but rather the most current accumulation of it. If you can assume a basic instinct for survival within all people, that is, the need for food (organic sustenance), clothing (protection from the elements) and shelter (safety from danger while at rest), then I contend that observations of modern shopping make perfectly rational evolutionary sense.

At any given moment in any given territory across the land, the Shopper/Hunter storms into the arena of the hunt astride a 3,000 pound charger stalking the first catch of the day — a parking space. Members of other family groups and tribes have also arrived for the hunt and the competition for the bounty of the land pervades the scene.

## Family Matters

Norman G. Cohen



The animal skin sack and reed basket have been replaced by the metal cart which serves the same purpose. Jungle paths and cross-country trails are now called "aisles" each with its own flora and fauna. The trek ranges from the garden oasis of fruits and vegetables to the sterile stretches of cleaning products and paper supplies. Sounds of this safari might be the din of scavengers circling and swooping around the raw meat case or the silence of the arctic tundra-like frozen food aisle. The catch might be bountiful as in the heartland of breads and cereals or it might be futile as in the defoliated wastelands of the out-of-stock sale items shelves.

Everywhere the Shopper/Hunter thrust and parry with grasping limbs, lunging and sidestepping from one hunting ground to the next. Now and then they withdraw into blinds or caves, behing display racks to take stock of their catch and plan their next foray.

As the hunt nears its conclusion, the eyes of the Shopper/Hunters begin to redden, their smiles take on a snarly appearance. Steps quicken as they approach the ultimate drama of the hunt, the final kill, the last encounter to claim the spoils of victory and drag them back to the home camp — the battle with the Checkout Beast.

With much of their energy already spent, the Shopper/Hunters stealthily edge toward that modern dragon, the cash register, in full acceptance of the fact of today's life the beast must be slain or they will return home empty-handed. They wince at its glaring eyes flashing numbered eyeballs as it glowers over their harvest. Periodically its ravenous mouth

opens and its darting tongue springs out menacingly.

It is at that moment when the skills of generations of hunters must deliver the Shopper Hunter from the scourge of the super market beast. Yet, to quell the monster and pass safely through the narrow straits of checkout, the Shopper Hunter does not have such weapons as knives or spears or guns. The only armaments to be drawn are cash and credit.

Thus the Shopper Hunter assumes the square-shouldered upright stance of the toreador as the cash register dragon's mouth opens. Carefully, the Shopper Hunter's hand reaches into a back pocket or handbag and deliberately bares the weapon for all to see. The dragon tenses and grows quiet anticipating the thrust of legal tender into its orifice.

*It is at that moment when the skills of generations of hunters must deliver the Shopper/Hunter from the scourge of the supermarket beast.*

The purchase power of the Shopper Hunter overcomes the dragon of the super market, but only momentarily, for the voracious beast revives quickly to challenge and threaten the next Shopper Hunter who dare enter its territory.

Our hunting grounds are different from those of our precursors. Perhaps, however, genetic memories of the hunt are being preserved through activities we now refer to as "recreation." Yet, our pursuit of game lacks the central element of need which drove our forerunners into field and stream to provide for the family

group. Our modern bread is won indirectly. We toil at comaratively unexciting and mundane tasks without survival risks or the challenge of the hunt. However, those routine activities arm us with cash and credit, the most powerful weapons in today's arsenal: Laden with money belts instead of cartridge belts we attack the world's resources to gather and collect them, to stalk and capture them; and to carry them back to our furnished lairs where we and our families consume them for survival. And most of us bring our children on the hunt so they can learn, too.

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

## Clarksville dance

Jeff Spencer's Band will play into the night at the "Apple Blossom Swing" dance to be held on Friday, June 4, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Clarksville firehouse. Sponsored by the Onesthew Fire Company Unit 4, the dance is open to those ages 18 and older. Tickets will be priced at \$6 in advance, but will also be available for \$7 at the door.

## Flapjack time

The Bethlehem Sportsman's Club asks everyone to come and get 'em while they're hot at the club's annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, June 6, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets, which will be available at the door, will cost \$3.75 for adults and \$2.50 for children. The club is located on Dunbar Hollow Rd. in Clarksville.

## Bloodmobile visits

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit the Bethlehem Town Hall on Monday, June 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Walk-in donors between the ages of 17 and 66 are welcome. Babysitting is provided. Appointments may be made by calling 439-4955.

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# Blackbirds can't find those holes

One of baseball's oldest axioms, coined in the knickerbocker era before the turn of the century, is "hit 'em where they ain't." That mossy cliché came back to haunt the Voorheesville varsity during the course of dropping their last four games of the season.

The Blackbirds were hitting the ball, but right at somebody. As a result, they got only three hits in a 6-2 loss to Ravena Tuesday, were held to one hit at Albany Academy Wednesday, and were victims of a no-hitter by Watervliet in the finale Friday.

A double by Dave Haaf was the only Blackbird bingle off Mark Verstandig, an all-around athlete from Delmar who pitched for Academy in a 5-0 game shortened to five innings by rain. Paul Cantlin, a junior lefthander, pitched the first four frames for the Birds, and Haaf finished.

Watervliet's John Clemente would have had a perfect game except for two errors in pitching the no-hitter at Voorheesville Friday. He did not issue a walk, and the Blackbirds, having trouble connecting with his southpaw sliders, hit only one ball to the outfield.

Bruce Martell pitched a good game for Voorheesville, and was trailing by only 2-0 until he tired in the seventh and wound up 5-0.

The week began with a 9-8 loss at Mechanicville to a team that had beaten the Birds, 21-4, in the first round. Dickie Lennon knocked in four runs with three hits, and Jim Meacham, who pitched an eight-hitter, was thrown out at the plate trying for the tying run with one out in the seventh.

The boys would rather talk about that game than the others. Voorheesville unloaded a four-run blast in the second on a walk, two errors, a sacrifice and three hits. Lennon's single up the middle delivered the first two runs and Meacham followed with a double to right center.

Mechanicville struck back for three in the bottom half and went ahead with four in the fourth. A walk to Eric Sickinger, a Chris Hogan single and Lennon's single narrowed the gap to 7-5, but it was 9-5 when the Blackbirds came up for their last turn in the seventh.

Martell opened with a double and moved up when Cantlin was safe on an error. Lennon singled for one run, and Cantlin scored when Mechanicville gummed up Meacham's ground. Steve Richardson was awarded first base on the catcher's interference, cramming the corners with one away. Haaf singled to right, driving in Lennon, but Meacham was cut down at the plate on a close call. A pop-up ended the game with two on.

Lennon pitched the Ravena game and was 1-1 when the visitors nicked him for

## BASEBALL

two runs in the sixth on two walks, a passed ball and a two-out infield bobble. Meacham accounted for the first tally with a long home run, and Haaf doubled in the other.

Lennon's misfortunes in that game were typical of a frustrating season for the junior righthander. His five-hitter with nine strikeouts against a good Ravena team left his record at 0-7, but that doesn't tell the story. "He pitched well all year," said his coach, Bob Crandall. "He was the victim of some horrendous fielding. He had a fine game against Ravena, and earlier he lost a nine-inning 3-2 game against Schalmont, a five-hitter."

The most encouraging thing about the Blackbirds' season, which ended 3-13 in the league, 3-14 overall, is that the team loses only one player to graduation. Presumably a veteran team in 1983, with its pitching intact, will make waves in the Colonial Council.

### Sauer to address banquet

Richard "Doc" Sauer, head coach of SUNYA's basketball team, will highlight an all-sports banquet to be held on Wednesday, June 2, to recognize outstanding Voorheesville student-athletes. A buffet style dinner, supplied by Mike Michele's Railroad Junction, will begin at 6 p.m., with the awards ceremony to follow at 7:15 p.m. in the Voorheesville High School gymnasium.

Tickets for the buffet are \$5.25 and are available at the high school. The awards presentation, however, is free and open to the community.

Also addressing the group will be David Cady, Voorheesville athletic director, and the head coaches of the school's sports programs. All athletes excelling in sports will be recognized, while senior athletes outstanding in their specialties will receive a special award.

### Village race Monday

Entries for the 7th annual Voorheesville running race are being received by Herbert Reilly, Jr., 22 Voorheesville Ave. (765-3633). The 15-kilometer (9.3 miles) race starts and ends at the Voorheesville American Legion post, and follows a loop course that includes two miles through an apple orchard.

The race and a shorter 2-mile (3.2 kilometers) event will start at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. The races are sponsored by the Legion, New Scotland Kiwanis, C.A. Bouton High School Key Club and the New Scotland Elks Lodge.



Bethlehem's new varsity football coach, John Sodergren, second from right, got solid support from the Bethlehem Central Football Boosters at last week's meeting. From left, BCHS Principal Charles Gunner, Supt. Lawrence Zinn, Sodergren and Tom Döbert of the Boosters. *R.H. Davis*

## BC has Shenendehowa's number

If Bethlehem Central's baseball team played all its games against Shenendehowa, BC would be leading the league.

The Eagles, whose only victory in their first 15 games was against the Plainsmen, did it again last week in the role of a spoiler. Rained out Wednesday after a 15-7 setback at Guilderland Monday, Coach Art Ritchko took his hopefuls to Clifton Park Thursday for a welcome by Shenendehowa, which desperately needed a win to make the Sectionals.

They didn't get it. Bethlehem won by 4-3 in eight innings as Jim McGuiness pitched a six-hitter and went 3-for-3 at the plate, driving in two runs with a double and two singles.

The Slingerlands rightie got valuable help from Stu Allaway, who delivered the winning run in the top of the eighth, and Ed Radzysinski, who preserved the win by getting the Plainsmen 1-2-3 in the bottom half on three grounders.

Shenendehowa took a 2-0 lead in the fourth on only one hit, but the Eagles

came up with three in the fifth. Tom Duffy's single and Chris Sheridan's double put runners on second and third. Warren Sunderland poked a hit to left for one run, and McGuiness doubled for two more, all with nobody out.

The home team tied in the seventh on two hits. Chris Congemi opened the eighth with a hit to left, moved up on Tom Dexter's bunt and sprinted home when Allaway lined a single to center.

The rest of the week should be skipped over lightly. On Friday, with league-leading Mohonasen in town, the Eagles were ahead by 4-2 after five with Radzysinski on the slab, but in the sixth the roof caved in. Six hits, a walk and an error yielded six runs and the visitors went on to a 10-5 triumph.

Saturday it was Shaker's turn on the friendly turf in Delmar. The 10-2 score left BC at 2-16, with mercy in sight: two more games this week and the long season is over.

## BC softball season ends at 7-7

One victory and two defeats have closed the book on Bethlehem Central's 1982 softball season at seven-and-seven, moving Coach Bob Salamone to observe that "this is the best 7-and-7 team I ever coached."

Continued Salamone: "We lost a lot of close games, including two to Niskayuna by one run, and if it hadn't been for a few bad innings in a couple of other games, we would be right up near the top."

Last week's lone triumph came at the expense of Shenendehowa, which brought praise from the coach for Katie Cooper's fine pitching. "When you beat a team like that — they're 10-4 and we beat them twice — and a pitcher goes the whole route, you've done something."

The pitcher in that one was Katie Cooper, a senior who was stingy with hits

and walks and came off with a 7-5 victory. That win, however, was sandwiched between a 7-6 setback administered by Niskayuna Monday and an 8-7 heartbreaker at Saratoga in the finale Saturday.

The Eagles took the lead twice against Saratoga, 3-2 after five, and 7-6 going into the last of the seventh. The home team got four in the sixth to lead by 6-3, but Bethlehem assaulted the ball in the seventh and scored four runs on some solid slugging, but the slender margin melted on some close plays in the home half.

*On the cover:* BC pitcher Katie Cooper delivers a spinner in a 7-5 win over Shenendehowa in Suburban Council softball. *Tom Howes*

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# Sectionals a challenge

Team Sectionals occupy center stage in scholastic tennis this week, then it's on to the individual Sectionals.

This week's action at Albany State gives Bethlehem Central another shot at their chief tormentors in the Class A draw. Niskayuna and Shaker, co-champions of the Suburban Council, also have a score to settle in the evenly matched shootout: Shaker beat Niskayuna, Niskayuna beat Shenendehowa, Shenendehowa beat Shaker in the regular season. BC lost to Niskayuna and Shaker, and edged Shenendehowa and another challenger, Burnt Hills.

In Class C Voorheesville faces an uphill battle despite its strong second-place finish in the Colonial Council. The Blackbirds, who lost only to Albany Academy (twice in the league) and Middleburg (split home-and-home matches), will be in rough company. The Blackbirds won't have to worry about the Cadets, who will be playing in Class B, but that's small consolation. The Class C draw has Maple Hill (Castleton), a perennial tennis power among the smaller schools, and Lake George as well as Middleburg.

Two Voorheesville and one Bethlehem doubles combos have qualified for the Section 2 individual tournament next week. Voorheesville Coach Phil Ackerman invested his talent in the doubles draw in the Colonial Council tourney last week, using his top four players in pairs rather than in the singles. Ed Volkwein and Pete Zeh, the No. 1 tandem, made the doubles final, defeating Academy's No. 2 pair, 0-6, 6-4, 6-3. Voorheesville's No. 2 combo, Kevin Seim-Dave Carver, lost in the semifinals to Academy's No. 1 tandem, 6-1, 6-2, but all four semifinalists qualified for the Sectionals.

Bethlehem Coach Julie Wendth paired two singles players, Charlie Marden and Tim Talmage, in the Suburban Council tourney. They lost to Phil Evatt-Jim Parker of Niskayuna in the finals, but qualified for next week's Section 2 eliminations.

Alex Macario, Bethlehem's top singles player, was defeated in the semifinals by Tom Schmitz of Scotia, 6-3, 6-2, but all four semifinalists qualify for next week's draw.

### On track team

Charles Casey, son of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Casey, 6 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville, is a member of the 1982 Hartwick College track team. A sophomore, he is participating in his second season with the Warriors, and is also a member of the cross country team.

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

# Swim club builds on successes

Leaders of the Voorheesville Athletic Social Community Organization (VASCO) are hoping the success of several of its members in recent state championship meets will bring out young swimmers as the summer program gets under way.

Registration for the community recreational program is being held this week at the Voorheesville High School pool, 6 to 9 p.m., but late comers can still sign up when practices start in earnest next week. Sessions for beginners and advanced swimmers will be held each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

"The majority of our swimmers are in the middle groups, boys and girls 11 to 14, but we're trying to encourage the 8-and-under group to start the program," said Gary Washburn, in his second year as VASCO president. "The kids get good coaching as well as have a good time. It's a competitive swim program, not fun and games in the water. There's work involved, but it's definitely worthwhile — the muscle buildup and physical benefits are phenomenal."

Dirk Applegate of Voorheesville and the Renshaw brothers of Guilderland, who got their start in the program, have become top swimmers in Section 2 scholastic competition and have won medals at the state championships in Syracuse. The club has also produced such competitors as Chris Martin, an up-and-coming backstroker on the Voorheesville-Guilderland merged team, and Eddie Hampston and Dan McAssey, who swam on the team during the past season as eighth graders.

VASCO swimmers in the summer program will host

several meets with visiting teams in the Voorheesville pool, and will compete in three or four meets in other pools. They will have dual meets against the Delmar Dolphins, Jewish Community Center, Troy Swim School and the Uncle Sam Swimming Club of Troy among others.

Head coach is Joe Shore, a former Albany State University varsity swimmer. Assisting is Jeff Kennedy, also an ex-SUNYA star.

Last year the local program enrolled 30 swimmers, up from 19 the year before, and Washburn is hoping for 40 or more this summer, especially from grades 2-6. "The high school team needs swimmers, and our program is where they get them," he said. "We're looking for anyone who has basic swimming skills. They do not have to be swimmers if they have a desire to learn. It's a healthy and rewarding program."

The fees are nominal considering the scope of the program, \$35 for one child, \$60 for two and \$75 for three in a family. Washburn, a materials control manager at Simmons Fasteners Corp., Menands, and a resident of the village for seven years, has three children swimming regularly, ages 11, 9 and 8. There's also a one-year-old baby Washburn says "isn't quite old enough."

VASCO also runs a winter season in the same pool, also with competitive meets. "We feel we have a lot of talent in the community that can be developed," he says.

The program started about 12 years ago and has had its ups and downs. School officials have given full support, notably Peter Griffin, high school principal, and Dave Cady, athletic director. Ron Pearse, an early booster, and Bob Hampston, past president, continue to be active.

## Personal bests a consolation for BC

By Julie Ann Sosa

If personal best time setting determined which Section 2 track team should win the laurels, then Bethlehem Central's efforts would be well rewarded. The Eagles' sorry showings in last week's Suburban Council Championships and Class A Sectionals were brightened only by individual heroics in slicing seconds off times and adding inches to distances.

Tuesday's council crown contest saw BC playing dead in the team standings with only two points. These were turned in by Bill Street with his fifth place finish in the 3,200 meters in a lagging 9:57.5 time. Undocumented in the standings was the mile relay's new best time of 3:45.8, made possible by a speedy 54.5 leg turned in by Tung Cai, as well as the 400 relay's new best of 46.6.

Friday's Class A Sectionals saw BC defeat five of 18 teams, thanks again to Street whose eight points came from his second place in the 3,200 meters, this time in a more representative 9:37.5. Sophomore Pete Hammer competed in the seeded 3,200 also and dropped six seconds from his best time to finish in 10:09, while the 400 relay team lowered its best to 46.5.

Tuesday, the girls finished in eighth place with 24 points at the Suburban Council Championships. Donna Schulz lost her hold on the 1,500 meter walk when a Niskayuna girl crossed the finish

### TRACK

line less than a second ahead of her. The 400 relay team tied for second, while Marisa Weaver tied for third in her speciality, the long jump, with a 15 foot-10 inch leap. The sophomore's season best 16 foot-3 inch jump won her a ticket to the state qualifiers this week.

The girls' 400 relay team of Laura Treadway, Patty Rogers, Meg Manion

and Dawn Watkins placed third in 53.2 at the Class A Sectional Meet, this time ahead of the other Suburban Council teams.

Evelyn Carey, eliminated from the State Meet but preparing for the Empire State Games, made an encouraging reappearance following her foot injury by running in the two mile relay team with Jenny Warren, Christine Ainsworth, and Laura Koban. They turned in a time in their unseeded heat that lifted them to a sixth place finish. Schulz walked to a sixth also.

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 LINDA KLEINKE,  
 Respondents

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 Albany, NY 12207  
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(May 26)

STATE OF NEW YORK  
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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM and BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT,  
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CPM	3	1	O. Corning	3	2
Man. Han.	2	2	K-Mart	2	2
Big 'M'	1	2	Applebee	1	2
Handy Andy	0	4	Cen Datsun	1	3
Ties		Starwood, Big 'M'			

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Spotlight	4	1	Convenient	4	2
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Main Care	0	5	Pr. Green.	2	4

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Keystone	5	1	Paper Mill	6	0
Stewart's	4	1	Del. Honda	3	2
Del. Ans.	3	2	Buenau's	3	3
20/20 Opt.	1	5	Gen. Elec.	1	4
Main Care	0	4	Del Int Des	0	5

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American	W	L	National	W	L
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4 Cor Lunch	0	2	Prof. Auto	0	4

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 Glenmont 9, Clarksville 8  
 Wynantskill 13, Albany 4

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Presbyterian	3 0	Wynan'kill	1 2
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 Standings May 23

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Riccardo	3	0	Betty Lent	2	1
Sportshoes	3	1	Spotlight	2	1
Brockley's	2	2	Buenau's	2	2
Eaton Breuel	1	3	BPW	1	2
Atlantic Cem	1	3	Denby's	1	1
Farm Fam.	1	3	Tri-Vil Drg	0	3
Del Lanes	1	3	Ties. Sportshoes, Eaton Breuel		

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Barbara Roark of Selkirk has won the \$300 grand prize in the Bethlehem Pop Warner league's drawing, and four other winners have \$50 grocery certificates at area Grand Union stores. At the Delmar store, the winner is the George F. Miller family of Delmar. At Glenmont, Waynette Engle of Selkirk is the winner. For Voorheesville, Lis Jones of Slingerlands gets \$50, and for the Ravena store the winner is John Anatriello of Selkirk.

**Ruth players drafted**

Bethlehem Babe Ruth teams have added 23 new players to their rosters as a result of the annual player draft following spring tryouts and a week of pre-season instruction clinics and a series of major league instructional baseball films.

New players selected for the 1982 season are:

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This notice is being served and published pursuant to and in compliance with § 502(B), Eminent Domain Procedure Law.  
 DATED: May 10, 1982  
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 Office and P.O. Address  
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 Albany, New York 12207  
 Telephone: (518) 465-1403

(May 26)

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Sewer District have petitioned the Supreme Court of the State of New York at a Special Term thereof to be held in and for the County of Albany, in the City of Albany, New York, in the Third Judicial District, on June 3, 1982 at 9:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard for an order for the acquisition of the following real property by the exercise of the power of eminent domain:

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Russell Road (County Route No. 204), thence running from said point of beginning in a general easterly direction, parallel to and 16.5 feet southerly from said center-line, 100 feet to the easterly line of lands of Frantsov; thence in a general southerly direction along the easterly line of lands of Frantsov, 22.5 feet, more or less, to a point lying distant 39 feet measured perpendicular to and southerly from the aforesaid center-line of pavement; thence in a general westerly direction parallel to and 39 feet southerly from center-line, 100 feet to the westerly line of lands of Frantsov; thence in a general northerly direction along said westerly line, 22.5 feet, more or less, to the point and place of beginning.

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### The county's phones

Editor, The Spotlight

I read with great interest County Legislator Sue Ann Ritchko's column in the *Spotlight* of May 19 regarding the county's selection of a telephone system. Apart from her obvious prejudices, she is also having trouble with the facts.

Mrs. Ritchko repeatedly states that the parent company of the low bidder "is owned by the Nippon Electric Company." According to papers filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Telecom Equipment Corporation is owned by a variety of companies and individuals including Britain's Rank Organization (21 percent), the New York residents who manage Telecom, primarily Stephen R. Cohen and Thomas J. Burger, (15.29 percent) as well as the Nippon Electric Company (with only 8.5 percent). The remaining 55 percent is publicly traded as an over the counter

stock. Thus less than one-tenth of the ownership is Japanese. The employees of the company, approximately 770, do pay taxes here just like the rest of us, and 40 percent of them are represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. I have been disappointed that in the noisy debate over whether or not to buy from a foreign company, no one seems interested in the fact that the company isn't foreign, but American!

The same Nippon Electric Company has also constructed a factory in Irving, Texas, to build telephone switching equipment. While a minor portion of the components are foreign, most components and all of the labor are American. American-owned Dynatel thus proposes to install U.S.-built equipment with American labor and to service it from their facilities at Washington Avenue in Albany.

Of course, if all things were equal, I'd still rather stay with New York Telephone. They're a good, reliable company, and the county pays them more than \$900,000 per year for their services. The problem is that government nowadays must re-examine every cent of its costs, and cut back wherever possible. This is the only way of continuing our record county property tax cuts — reduced in 1979, again in 1980, again in 1981, and again in 1982. All these easy cuts are gone; we are left with some very hard choices. I should further point out that any decision to own a system rather than continuing to rent one from New York

Telephone would still result in the county paying over \$630,000 per year to New York Telephone.

While I've heard Mrs. Ritchko expound on how the county should be run more like a business, she seems ignorant of how to accomplish this. For many years, area businesses have made substantial savings by buying their own telephone equipment. I have proposed to do the same thing here. Yet, mostly for political reasons, this proposal is not getting the support it deserves as a cost-cutting measure. Mrs. Ritchko admits to keeping "a very low profile on this matter," a wise political move when a special interest group is picketing the legislative session. Unfortunately, the average taxpayer, who stands to gain by reductions in county phone costs, is not so visibly represented.

I was aware of the County Legislature's decision to postpone action on the new system, and I did not object to it. This is a difficult decision and should not be rushed. I can understand why they might wish to meet with New York Telephone on the subject; as a matter of fact I met several times personally with New York Telephone executives.

No amount of meeting, however, can change the financial side of the proposals we received. Over the next seven years, New York Telephone's proposal will cost \$1.2 million more than that of the lowest responsible bidder, American Dynatel. Even a subsequent "hybrid" proposal by New York Telephone, which would have the county buy telephones (from Dynatel) but rent the switching equipment, is more expensive than the original Dynatel proposal. We calculated that the county could have a larger, more efficient phone system and still reduce our equipment charges by 35 percent. This substantial savings would be returned to the tax payers and after seven years they would become even greater when the county took ownership.

Mrs. Ritchko is suspicious of our hired consultants, whom she erroneously believed we've hired on an annual retainer. The resolution passed by the Legislature calls for a one-time payment for this project only. Our projected savings every year are several times this one-time cost. I consider that money well-spent. For someone who "knows how business goes about studying a telephone system changeover" (her comment), she seems ignorant of how government must do the same. By law a competitive bid is required, requiring extensive specifications for bid, which is an expensive and time-consuming process. In addition, the consulting firm had to write these specifications to include as many potential bidders as possible, to ensure competition. We received proposals from five different companies, a very good response.

Again she is surprised that Dynatel was recommended; she shouldn't be, since Dynatel was the lowest responsible bidder!

As I stated earlier, this is not an easy decision. It is only made harder by those who spread rumors and false information. I have weighed the potential savings to all the taxpayers against my feelings for New York Telephone as a large area employer and taxpayer. I am ready to consider any new proposals the legislature may develop in the next few weeks. I

would only hope that Mrs. Ritchko could see her way clear to keeping a more open mind on the issue, especially once some of her misconceptions are cleared up. Naturally, we have backup information on all my comments if Mrs. Ritchko is willing to ask for them.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my side of the situation.

James J. Coyne  
Albany County Executive

### Freeze: the time is now

Editor, The Spotlight:

What difference will a Town of Bethlehem nuclear freeze resolution make? Many analysts agree that the freeze movement is the key to breaking into the insane arms race.

The current administration's latest proposal is to scrap our old weapons and build new ones costing us \$200 billion. We should reject this proposal as costly and dangerous, but for sure the military-industrial complex is lobbying for more nuclear weapons.

According to the March Louis Harris poll Americans support an agreement between the United States and Russia to ban production of any new nuclear weapons by 81 to 16 percent. This is precisely the resolution that is before the Town of Bethlehem. We must send the message to Washington every way we can, that a nuclear freeze makes sense.

"We have had our last chance. If we do not now devise some greater and more equitable system, Armageddon will be at our door." (Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Tokyo Bay, Japan, Sept. 2, 1945.) Please attend the town board meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall to show your support for this resolution.

William Lilley

Feura Bush


### The home birth alternative

One of the best investigative reporting jobs I've seen in any of our local newspapers was done by Caroline Terenzini in *The Spotlight* regarding the home birth issue. Both sides were represented quite fairly, as evidenced by the length of the article.

I would like to clarify two things, however. One, my name was mentioned as being an RN, which I am not. What I am is a certified childbirth educator in The Bradley Method of Husband Coached Childbirth. Since I am also the NYS coordinator of a group called The Alternative Birth Crisis Coalition, I probably have the most complete list of alternative birth practitioners, not only in the Capital District, but all over New York State.

Secondly, your boxed-in Home Birth Information was very complete except for the listing of the Family Life Center. Mary Leue, co-coordinator, stated in the article that she didn't think home birth was a sensible way to approach childbirth. Obviously, this group should not be contacted for support or information on home birth.

I'd like to address the comment made by Marilyn Phelan of St. Peter's Hospital who said that people can get away from instruments, technicalities and impersonality as well in a hospital as at home. Since the majority of people in my childbirth classes choose hospital deliver-



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ies that are managed by local obstetricians, it should interest your readers that not one person who delivered at St. Peter's or Albany Medical Center Hospital was able to forego the routine IV or not have the fetal monitor on for at least part of their labor, even though most couples requested otherwise. Not one mother assumed the squatting position for delivery. In addition, prenatal care, almost without exception, includes fetal hearts listened to with a dopstone and more than 95 percent of hospital-based mothers who start my classes have already been exposed to sonication through ultrasound technology, usually done to determine due dates.

While everyone deserves the right to choose the birth setting that they are most comfortable with, I might point out that if hospitalization for all deliveries became mandatory through law, that there would no longer be a reason or incentive for hospitals to change standard routines. This should be a frightening thought to every potential parent as it reeks of government control.

Thank you again for your article. I hope more couples will explore the possibility of home birth and will opt for this safe alternative.

Diane L. Balog

East Greenbush

### Budget volunteer

Editor, The Spotlight:

I voted for the first time since moving here — I voted No.

I was responding to our dismay that Drivers Education has such a low priority and the enrichment program is more important. I refused to sign the petition when a neighbor came to my door. I guess I should have made time to petition for Drivers Ed., something for everyone.

If you know of others who would like to form a committee to help stop the runaway school budget and get things on a reasonable level, please pass on my name. I will get involved.

Peggy Budzyna

Glenmont

### Why the budget passed

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was perplexed by Mr. Boynton's logic in his diatribe against the school board, school system and most of the Bethlehem populace.

He seems to hold our school board responsible for an alleged "decline in public education everywhere." Yet he refuses to recognize that maintaining a high caliber of education is precisely what the board has been struggling with in the budget process.

He speaks of an "alarming rate" of unemployment and cutbacks in services nationwide. Yet he apparently would have us contribute to that rate by cutting staff and services in our schools.

He refers to a "slide into mediocrity" in public education, but apparently has not been looking at children in our schools. Children in Bethlehem are mastering the basics (yes, even the "basic use and understanding of the English language"), as well as non-basics such as health, citizenship the workings of the physical and social world. They are also encouraged to be curious and creative, to solve problems, to develop self-reliance and responsibility. Our excellent staff and programs have resulted in bright capable youth of whom any community could be proud.

Because I formerly lived in Niskayuna, the school district Mr. Boynton seems to view as a good model for defeating school budgets, I would like to comment on an important difference in the districts. Niskayuna covers a large rambling geographic area with no center and little cohesiveness or feeling of community. I was pleasantly surprised when we moved to Delmar, expecting to find another bedroom suburb, to discover a community that has the spirit of a small town: neighbors who know and care about each other, all generations living and working together, supporting services for individuals and families, and concern for the town as a whole. If Mr. Boynton wonders

why we support our school budget, while Niskayuna manages to defeat theirs, it may be because of the community spirit, the sense of working together, that exists here.

In light of that spirit, I am dismayed at Mr. Boynton's attempt to make adversaries of the school board and personnel versus the rest of the town's people. We may disagree about specific programs and allocations, but to describe the board as "arrogant" and "enjoying a good laugh" at the taxpayers' expense is destructive and untrue. The board wants to accomplish what most of us want — a quality education for the town's children — and they worked long hours in many budget sessions attempting to make that education cost-effective.

Finally, I will admit that there is one point on which I agree with Mr. Boynton: more people should have voted, rather than simply assuming that the budget would pass.

Christine S. Devys

Delmar

*My comments reflected the observation of a 30-year resident who is as proud as anyone of a uniquely unified community with spirit, qualities and facilities unmatched by any Tri-Cities suburb. I also wrote as a longtime observer of the Bethlehem school board, parent of three children now in their 20s, and as a former chairman of the Bethlehem Central Citizens Budget Advisory Committee, now disbanded.*

*A thoughtful letter with a different view cannot be printed because the writer did not identify himself (or herself). We would like to print it if the writer will call the Spotlight.*

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### Creative 'busing'

Editor, The Spotlight:

In a day and age when negative criticism seems to run rampant, I feel it might be an appropriate time to use the "Vox Pop" column to express appreciation for affirmative programs for the Aging that prevail in Delmar.

During the 1960's, the Administration on Aging and the then U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare awarded federal matching grants in various states for the establishment of a Foster Grand-parent program. Older persons received remunerations for becoming a foster grand-parent on a one-to-one basis to institutionalized boys and girls.

In the Town of Bethlehem, we have a reverse program: a Foster Great Grand-child program implemented at the Good Samaritan Home; no federal or state funds. It is an educational outreach program of the fourth and fifth grade students at the Glenmont Elementary School. The students are "bused" to the home to extend their love, affection and friendship to the residents at the home. Some of the children may not have a great grand-parent, much less a grand-parent; so too, with our residents; some may not have a great grand-child or a grand-child! To observe the immediate response of the boys and girls and residents is worth a "thousand words." This is a very creative and positive "busing" concept.

Obviously this program could not succeed without the initiation, implementation, interest and energy of Sharon Dunham, the teacher, and the approval of the principal, Donald J. Robillard and the Bethlehem Central School Administration.

During Homes for the Aging Week of May 8 to 15, the large numbers of volunteers and relatives who visited the home added to the festivities for our residents. There were special programs. The boys and girls, volunteers and special musical groups don't just visit on special occasions; they visit and bring pleasantries during the whole year.

To all who visited The Good Samaritan Home during Homes for the Aging Week, my personal gratitude. Visit us (residents and staff) anytime.

Richard R. Thomas, Jr.

Administrator

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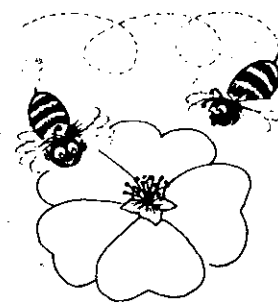
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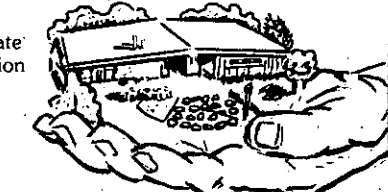
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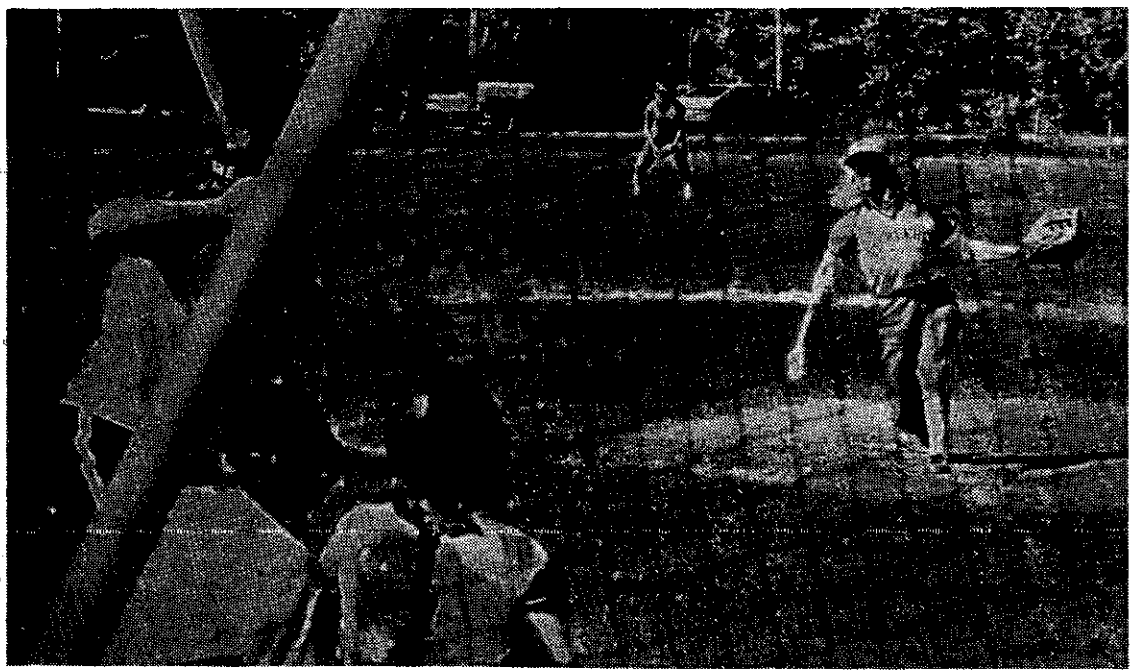
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