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The freeze: anatomy of a compromise

By Tom McPheeters

The meeting had been going about 20 minutes, and there were more than 200 persons in the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, nearly all of them supporters of the nuclear freeze resolution presented to the town board two weeks ago.

Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan explained that at 8 p.m. — about 10 minutes away — the board would have to break to hold a legally required public hearing on another matter. Was there anybody else who had not spoken two weeks ago who wished to speak now?

When one spoke up, Corrigan announced that "we (the board) have a resolution that we have a consensus on."

Before the stunned crowd could react, it appeared that the board was prepared to vote by 8 p.m. on both resolutions — the original freeze resolution that had no chance of passing, and Corrigan's alternative, which at that point no one except the board had heard.

"The board has listened to everyone who has come here," said the supervisor. "We have a right to think for ourselves."

But nearly two and a half hours later, the board and the freeze activists had come up with a compromise that had both sides talking in civics books terms. Both got enough of what they wanted to call it a victory — the freeze group had a resolution that they can say puts Bethlehem in the mainstream of the movement against the international nuclear arms race, and the Republican town board had a statement they did not see as undermining the Reagan Administration.

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How did the two sides move from confrontation to compromise?

Part of the answer lies in a set of tactical miscalculations.

The freeze proponents had known for a week that Corrigan was working on an alternative to their resolution, and they had lobbied all of the board members enough to know their basic positions on the freeze issue. What they didn't appear to realize was how set the board — and especially Corrigan, who a year ago had



Radio and television reporters record Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan as he reads his nuclear freeze resolution. Tom Howes

been out voted 4-1 on the fluoridation issue — was on a "consensus" that all five could live with.

Corrigan, for his part, had not expected the meeting to move so swiftly. "I expected some people to speak in opposition," he said later. "I guess they got cold feet."

Consequently, at 7:50 p.m., Corrigan had time to kill and no way to fill it except to get down to the vote. The result was a very angry group of citizens who suspected they were being frozen out.

The board didn't get to a vote because it was interrupted by Linda Burtis, one of the Bethlehem freeze movement organizers.

"You're going to vote without feedback or discussion from the community?" she asked. Mrs. Burtis continued to ask questions about Corrigan's resolution, and finally he read it to the crowd. By that time it was after 8 p.m., and a recess was called while the board went upstairs to listen to comments on zoning.

In the meantime, Town Clerk Marion Camp distributed copies of the Corrigan resolution, and the freeze supporters

found that it wasn't quite as hawkish as they had feared.

Forty minutes later, the board was back and so were the freeze backers. "We've been working hard during the recess to come up with something we can live with and you can live with," said William Schoonmaker. The key, he said, was to retain the word "immediate" — we are asking that it stop now because

nothing more is needed. We can both wipe one another out."

But for Councilman Robert Hendrick, an "immediate" freeze smacked of "trying to set national policy . . . I think what is, really needed at this time is for all of us to support our administration in Washington."

"I don't think there are experts in this area," replied Rev. James Van Hoven, a Delmar resident who is pastor of the First Church in Albany and a leader of the Capital District freeze movement. He listed Reagan Administration policies on SALT II (against), the MX and Cruise missiles (for) and its budget increases for military spending. To prolonged applause, he said: "I, as a citizen of the Town of Bethlehem, would really have problems with my town council saying they endorse that."

But by this point both sides were talking compromise. The board agreed to take the changes proposed by the freeze supporters — reinserting the word "immediate" and softening some of the pro-Reagan language — and look at it during another recess.

Fifteen minutes later, Corrigan was back with version number three, which drew scattered applause as he read it.

"We're not as far apart as everybody said," said Pearl Mindell of Slingerlands.

Again the freeze supporters went to work on the word "immediate." Again, they got nowhere.

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A freeze for the county

The town board members are not the only Bethlehem officials involved in the nuclear freeze issue. County Legislator Edward Sargent has quietly introduced a freeze resolution to be placed on the legislators' June 7 meeting agenda.

The resolution is identical to the one proposed by freeze proponents to the Bethlehem Town Board, with the exception that it asks only that copies be sent to President Reagan, U.S. Sens. Alfonse D'Amato and Patrick Moynihan and Congressman Sam Stratton.

Sargent said last week he purposely kept a low profile in the Bethlehem freeze debate because of his position as chairman of the town planning board. He said he introduced the resolution out of "strong personal feelings" and does not consider it a partisan issue. And, he said, he has no idea how the resolution will be received by the Democratic-controlled legislature.



The Memorial Day weekend was a mixed success, with Bethlehem's parade Monday a wet and speedy affair. Voorheesville had better luck Saturday. Highlight of the parade (on the cover) were dancers from Aerobic Patterns. At left, Voorheesville High School's



mascot, The Bird, cavorts for the crowd while at right high school Key Club members Mary Beth Paradise and Cheryl Biernacki served as clowns. After the parade it was time for field events, where Craig Gornier won the second grade race. Gary Zeiger



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The Town of Bethlehem Board of Assessment Review will meet from 9 a.m. to noon and from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium

Vehicle charges filed

Two North Bethlehem youths aged 16 and 17 have been ordered to appear in Bethlehem town court June 8 on charges of reckless driving in connection with an incident involving a Bethlehem school bus on May 19. Police said the youths were identified as the drivers of motor-

cycles that allegedly followed a bus from the Bethlehem Middle School to BCHS and then along Rt. 32 into New Scotland as far as Tarrytown Rd., making reckless maneuvers as they drove, according to police reports. The identifications were made as a result of an investigation by Officer James J. Corbett, police said.

Police in training

Members of the Bethlehem Police Department recently completed their yearly firearms training. All officers in the department are required to qualify yearly on the range, and also take classroom instruction. Included is a course conducted by the Albany County District Attorney's office on the use of deadly physical force.

Faces drug charge

A 14-year-old Bethlehem Central High School student was suspended for five days and faces Family Court action in Albany after he was caught in the boy's lavatory at BCHS with a quantity of marijuana and a marijuana pipe at 10:30 a.m. Friday, according to a Bethlehem police report. The youth, whose name was not released, faces a charge of unlawful possession of marijuana. Under an agreement with school officials, police take action only in cases involving a second or subsequent offense.

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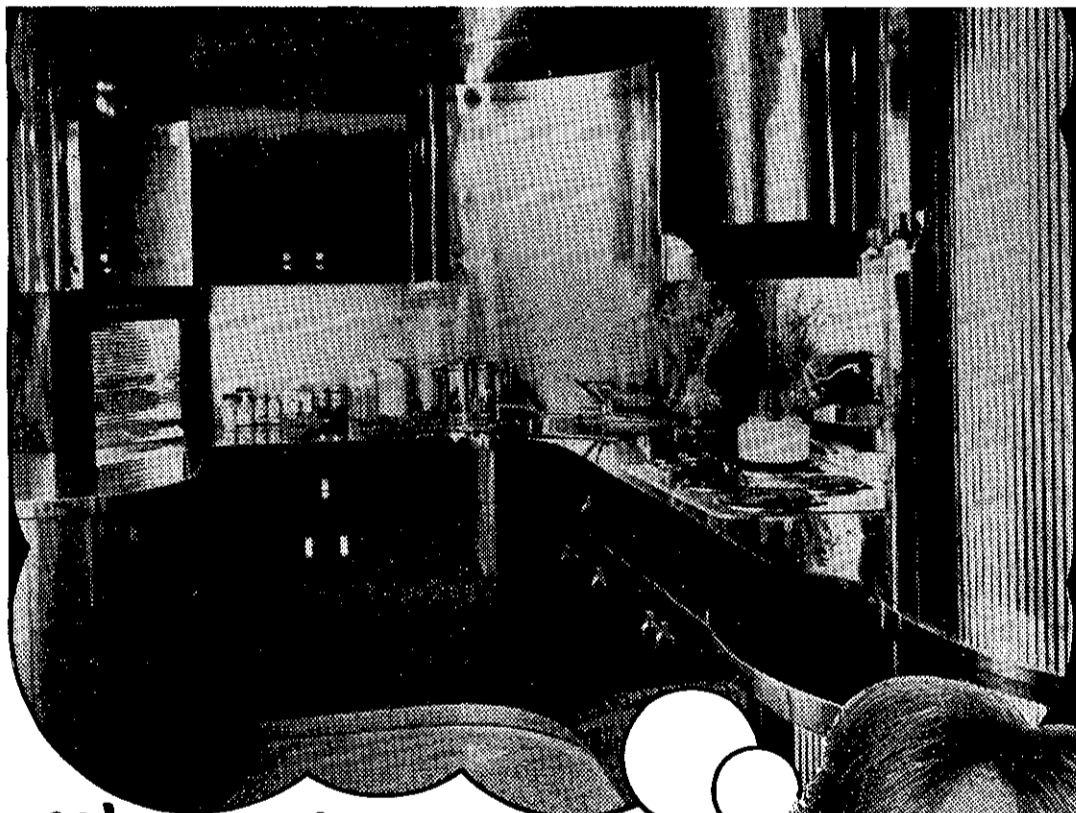
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"The board does not want to use the word immediate," said Corrigan flatly.

It was 10 p.m. and the mood was changing. "I think the board should be commended for a substantial degree of compromise," said Robert Alexander of Delmar. "I don't think the public press, and I don't think the folks in Washington, are going to miss the point if the word 'immediate' is not there."

The final vote was 5-0, and freeze organizers immediately announced that they would consider their next step at a meeting to be held June 10 at 8 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

Tipsy driver charged

A Selkirk man found in an apparently dazed condition near a wrecked car on the shoulder of Rt. 9W at 4:45 a.m. Friday has been charged with felony DWI, according to Bethlehem police. William H. McGowan, 27, of Pantages Mobile Trailer Court, was treated for injuries at Albany Medical Center after his car rammed a utility pole near Bender Lane. Police said a blood test administered at the hospital showed an alcohol content of .25. A second charge of driving while intoxicated within a five-year period is a felony in New York State.

Vandals sought

Bethlehem police have been given descriptions of four teenage youths suspected of pushing a car from a Kenwood Ave. driveway into the road, blocking traffic a few minutes after midnight Saturday night. Police said the owner of the car also reported that the glove compartment had been rifled and a light taken from the car and smashed on the sidewalk.

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How the freeze resolution evolved

In the space of three hours last Wednesday, the nuclear freeze resolutions before the Bethlehem Town Board changed five times. Here's how it went:

- The freeze proponents had presented their resolution at the May 5 meeting. It called for "an immediate mutual U.S./Soviet halt to the nuclear arms race and calls upon the U.S./Soviet to negotiate with the Soviet Union a permanent U.S./Soviet freeze on nuclear weapons as a necessary first step toward reduction in the nuclear arsenals of both nations." However, at Wednesday night's meeting, that resolution had already received one significant change: the sponsors were now calling for an "immediate mutual and verifiable" freeze — the first attempt to respond to town board concerns that a freeze would be one-sided.

- Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan's resolution, which he read just before the board broke for another hearing, was as follows: **RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem endorses the concept of a bilateral, verifiable U.S. - Soviet nuclear freeze with a view towards the reduction of nuclear weapons to be accomplished by our national leaders without jeopardizing our national security and the freedom

we cherish as Americans, be it further **RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem endorses the efforts of the President of the United States toward nuclear arms reduction.

- When the board returned, the freeze supporters proposed two changes to Corrigan's resolutions. The resolution would now read: "that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem endorses an immediate bilateral, verifiable U.S. - Soviet nuclear freeze with a view towards the reduction of nuclear weapons to be accomplished by our national leaders, and be it further resolved that the President of the United States toward nuclear arms reduction, to be thereafter accomplished."

- The final compromise, which came after a closed-door discussion by town board members, struck out the final resolution entirely, leaving this language:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem endorses a bilateral, verifiable U.S. - Soviet nuclear freeze with a view towards the reduction of nuclear weapons to be accomplished by our national leaders without jeopardizing our national security and the freedom we cherish as Americans.

Gamboling in the green

Bethlehem police are looking for a group of youths who had a beer party on the eighth green of the Colonial Acres golf course in Glenmont Friday night. The vandals pulled a bench from the ninth tee to the site, damaging the green, and removed flags and tee markers on the course, police said. There was no estimate of the cost to repair the green.

Bail for driver

A Bethlehem motorist charged with bumping the car in front of him several times on the Slingerlands Bypass has been charged with assault, third degree, and two counts of reckless endangerment.

Frank Muia, 44, of 112 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, was arrested Friday at his home by Sgt. Richard Vanderbilt of Bethlehem police and arraigned before Justice

Roger Fritts in Bethlehem town court. Muia was taken before Judge John Clyne in Albany County Court and released on \$5,000 bail.

According to Bethlehem police reports, an Albany motorist reported that the driver of a Cadillac was following closely and began bumping his car as the two

vehicles were southbound on Rt. 85 on May 19. In his complaint, David Freedman told police that he was able to pull to a stop near Blessing Rd. and that the driver of the Cadillac started to hit him and attempted to push him off a bridge. A passing motorist saw the altercation, honked his horn and chased the assailant off, the police report said.



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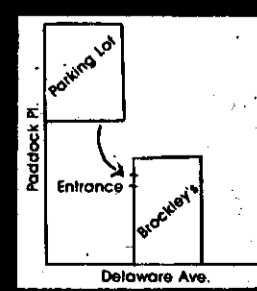
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Zoning review gets widespread support

The Bethlehem Town Board had not intended to pass its commercial site plan review ordinance last Wednesday night. But long after the 50 people who showed up for a public hearing on the ordinance had departed, the board decided there was no sense in holding up legislation that nobody was against.

The fact that that had not been the case earlier in the evening as the board picked its way through the landmines of the nuclear freeze issue may have contributed to the board's eagerness to go on record for something relatively uncontroversial.

Site plan review had not always been that way, and comments at the hearing indicated that the issue of how much control the town should exercise over commercial development is likely to come up again.

Most of the supporters were from Slingerlands, where the development of the Pizzitola property at the Toll Gate intersection is the major concern. The ordinance takes care of Slingerlands by requiring site plan review for commercial sites adjacent to historic districts — the Slingerland Family Burial ground, the town's only historic district, is right next to the Pizzitola property.

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"Actually," said Robert Keyes, the outgoing president of the Slingerlands Homeowners Association, "commercial site plan review is a much broader issue. We're already 15 years behind the times on Delaware Ave."

As originally drafted by the town planning board, the ordinance would have required most activity in the commercially zoned property along Delaware Ave. to go through site plan review. But the town board, responding to objections raised by businessmen, limited the ordinance to new construction or additions of 50 percent or more.

Peter Merrill, vice president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber supports the ordinance "as it specifically reads now."

The chamber, together with the homeowner's group and town officials, had representatives on a task force that wrote guidelines for the planning board to follow.



Assemblyman Larry Lane, right, was one of the first to get the new Tri-Village Directory and revised map from Howard Gmelch, directory general manager. Volunteers will start distributing 5,900 copies of the directory and map on Thursday.

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Later in the evening, several town board members remarked that the new ordinance is really aimed at Rt. 9W, expected to be the next area for major commercial development.

In other business, the board:

- Discussed legislation giving Highway Superintendent Martin Cross the power to set dumping fees at the town landfill, which Supervisor Tom Corrigan said is rapidly being filled by out-of-town residents and commercial haulers. Because of the steep fee increases at the Albany landfill, "the commercials are looking all over — any place they can get in." The ordinance will be considered for passage at the June 9 meeting, and at that time the board will also hear a report from its consultant on solid waste removal in the town.

- Agreed to lift sprinkling restrictions at its next meeting. The current odd-even system for watering lawns is to be replaced by an outright ban for all sprinkling only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The old system is still in effect until the new ordinance is passed June 9 and then published.

- Approved the purchase of a new respiratory air system for the Elsmere Fire District from Holter Associates, Inc., the low bidder, for \$12,295. The

system is to be used by all of the fire districts in the town.


- Learned that the state has given the town permission to let contracts for pumping stations and force mains in North Bethlehem to Anjo Construction. The company's low bid on the pumping stations was \$658,978, and on the force mains \$619,699. Also last week, the town sold \$5.5 million in one-year bond anticipation notes to Marine Midland Bank, the lowest of seven bidders, at a 8.61 percent interest rate.

- Approved the purchase of a new three-wheel truck for the Parks and Recreation Department. Councilman John Geurtze voted against the award, saying he doesn't think the department needs the extra vehicle.

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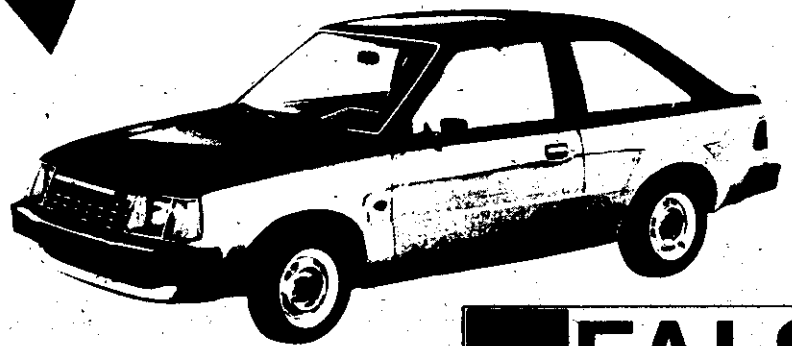
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Cuts cushion R-C-S tax hike

By Mike Mooney

Taxpayers in South Bethlehem, Feura Bush and Selkirk could see a 3.3 percent rise in their school tax rate — from \$129.14 per \$1,000 of assessed property to \$133.41 per \$1,000 — under the terms of a new \$9.49 million budget adopted by the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education last Wednesday. The budget is subject to a vote by school district residents in a June 23 election.

Also on the election ballot, Robert Selkirk of Route 144 in Selkirk will seek another three-year term on the school board. Voters will decide between Selkirk and Diane Dunn of Ravena. Two more Ravena residents — incumbent Robert Van Attan and Wayne Fuhrman — will vie for a second position on the board.

In Bethlehem, where 36 percent of the R-C-S school tax levy is raised, the owners of a \$60,000 home would get a school tax bill that costs them about \$35 more, a rise from \$1,044 in 1981-82 to

\$1,079 in the 1982-83 school year, under the terms of the budget proposal.

In other R-C-S School District municipalities the tax bill on a comparable \$60,000 home would be the same, but the tax rates would be different because each locality assesses property at a different fraction of market value: New Scotland, where the 8.05 percent fraction of full value in assessments represents another substantial drop this year, would see a large rate rise, from \$197.60 to \$223.37 per \$1,000 of assessed value; Coeymans and Ravena, from \$159.92 to \$160.14 per \$1,000; and New Baltimore, from \$127.31 to \$134.40 per \$1,000.

Dr. Milton Chodack, district superintendent, said the school board was able to keep the proposed tax increase fairly low — lower than last year's increase which passed by 12 votes — in spite of two recent blows to the school district's finances:

- The district will lose about \$90,000 per year for the next three years, money it must pay back to the owners of the Fonda Del Sol apartment complex in Ravena as a result of a successful lawsuit challenging the assessment and back tax bills on that property.

- And Chodack reported that, though the district is expected to get some additional state aid for the next school year, it will come too late to be reflected

in the terms of the budget vote, thus making for a budget funded with a higher proportion of local property taxes and a smaller proportion of state aid derived from sales and income tax.

The district had expected to get an additional \$400,000 in state aid as the state legislature proposed, but Gov. Hugh Carey vetoed the increase and the legislature decided not to override. However, Chodack said he was told last week that the district would probably get about \$200,000 in additional state aid in the state's supplemental budget.

Chodack said the board had hoped it could include the price of seven new vehicles in its proposed budget — part of a three-year plan to refurbish its badly deteriorating bus fleet with 18 new buses and wagons — but found the effect of the proposed spending on the tax rate unacceptable.

He said the board settled for buying four vehicles, less than it needs to meet the district's replacement schedule. The district must contract for busing services because it does not own enough buses to meet its mandate, he said. A referendum for new buses was defeated last year.

Chodack said the board also affected savings in existing programs to keep the budget lower:

- Eliminating one secretary's job that is currently being filled by a temporary appointee and reassigning the duties of that job to others.

- Eliminating a job in the district's maintenance department, held by a man who plans to retire at the end of the school year.

- Eliminating the summer work schedules of some of the district's maintenance workers.

- Whittling down its proposed expenditures for supplies and for a prescription drug plan benefitting employees.

Before settling on the \$9.49 million plan at its meeting last Wednesday, the school board looked at a larger \$9.54 million plan that would have involved no cuts in staffing, and the board looked at an even larger \$9.72 million proposal that would have enabled the purchase of more buses.

4-H in fashion

Albany County's 4-H Fashion Revue will feature local 4-H members modelling garments they designed themselves on Wednesday, June 2, at the Farnsworth Middle School in Guelderland. Beginning at 7:30 p.m., members from Voorheesville's Vikings and Lucky-4-Leaves as well as Bethlehem's Super Seven will display their modelling talents.

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A special liturgy for graduating seniors will be celebrated at St. Matthew's Church on Sunday, June 13, at 10 a.m. Dr. Brennan Hill will deliver the homily. All seniors, their families and friends are invited to attend. A reception will follow.

The annual all-sports banquet will be held at the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School gymnasium Wednesday, June 2, beginning at 6 p.m. The athletic awards program is scheduled to begin at 7:15. Richard "Doc" Sauer, head basketball coach at the State University of New York at Albany, will be key note speaker. David Cady, Voorheesville Athletic Director, will also speak, as well as the individual head coaches of the school's sports programs. Outstanding athletes for each sport will be presented an award. In addition outstanding senior athletes will be presented a special pen and pencil set in recognition of their participation and achievement. Price of the "Super Supper" buffet, supplied by Mike Michele's Railroad Junction, is \$5.25. Tickets may be purchased at noon at the high school, from the main office, or from the office of the athletic director. The awards program is free. Parents and members of the community are encouraged to attend.

Gertrude Modell's third graders recently visited the Capitol in downtown Albany. Because they have been studying environmental science, the class timed its visit to coincide with environmental

hearings led by Maurice Hinchey. After a tour of both the assembly and the senate chambers, Assemblyman Larry Lane explained government and law and how it applies to social studies, health and science — all courses studied by the third graders. Chaperones for the trip were Patricia Greene, Linda Taylor and Linda Murphy.

The senior high awards program for grades 10-12 at the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School in Voorheesville will be held Thursday, June 10, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Refreshments will follow. Advisor Marty Dwore announced that the program had been changed from its school hours schedule to an evening program to allow more parents to attend. Parents of students receiving awards will be notified by Principal O. Peter Griffin. Among the awards and scholarships scheduled to be presented are: The Harriet Frohlich Scholarship, the John R. Larabee Award, the Janis Lee Delehanty Memorial Scholarship, the Matt Farrell Memorial Award, and the Diana Joy and Clay John Conklin Memorial Award. Academic honors to be presented include the Senior of the Year Award; the Voorheesville Teacher Association Awards, the Valedictory and Salutatory prizes, among many others. Student coordinators for the ceremony are: Cheryl Biernacki, Mary Zongrone and Mary Beth Paradise. The awards ceremony for grades 9, 7 and 8 will be held on Monday, June 15 during school hours.

Ruth Mendel, a Delmar resident, will succeed Carol Biernacki as public relations director for the Voorheesville school district. Mrs. Mendel, a lifetime member of the Delmar PTA, will assume the post on July 1. Mrs. Biernacki is completing a Masters degree in Teacher Education and Social Studies and hopes to secure a position in this field.

On May 5, forty Voorheesville Junior and Senior High School students participated in the first Colonial Council Home Economics Fair held at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. Ribbon winners were Ninth graders Margaret Galvin and Lynn Biagiante for chocolate mousse, eighth graders David Symula for a bathrobe and Mark Gillenwaters for a decorative pillow; Valerie Tuckett for second year needlework and Kim Gray grade eleven for first year needlework. Laura Grenfeld won third place for apple pie. Home Economics teacher Helen Shange coordinated student participation for the fair. Each participating student received a certificate of participation indicating their level of achievement. Twenty-five gold certificates were awarded for outstanding work, twenty-four blue certificates were awarded for excellent work and four for good work. Competition was held on three levels: junior high, first course senior high and two or more senior high courses.

Spring preschool story hours will end at the Voorheesville Public Library on Thursday, June 10, and resume for the summer on Thursday, July 8. During the summer months, Story Hour will be held only at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday mornings. On Monday, June 14, at 10:30 a.m., Storyteller Mary Murphy will be at the Voorheesville Public Library to present a special program of stories for younger children. Children of all ages are invited to come and enjoy this talented storyteller.

Village gets postmaster

John E. Follo, Jr. has been appointed postmaster of Voorheesville.

Follos now postmaster of West Sand Lake, was selected on merit by a Regional Management Selection Board and appointed by the Postmaster General. The appointment is not subject to Senate confirmation.

Follos has 15 years of postal service. He began his career in 1967 as a clerk in the Syracuse Post Office and transferred as a clerk to Albany in 1969. In 1974 he was appointed postmaster in West Sand Lake. In that capacity he received outstanding merit ratings for his workmanship and was presented a special achievement award for maintaining his composure and successfully saving the office records from fire in December, 1980. During his tenure at West Sand Lake he also served as Officer-in-Charge at Voorheesville.

Follos attended high school in Lake Placid. He is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, is married and has three children. His wife, Lillian, teaches at the Jack and Jill Nursery School in Wynantskill.

Follos will head an office with seven employees and a weekly mail volume of approximately 24,000 pieces.

He succeeds Rowena D. Albert who relocated to Elizabethtown in December, 1981. In the interim Dorothy P. Carlic was Officer-in-Charge.

Flasher sought

State police say they are on the trail of a 20-year-old man who was seen twice last Wednesday exposing himself on the Feura Bush-Unionville Rd. (Rt. 308) in New Scotland. An arrest by the bureau of criminal investigation is imminent, a police spokesman said Monday.

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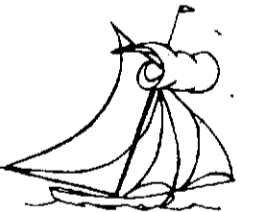


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Grange survives fire, prospers

Second of two parts

From its beginnings in 1874, the Bethlehem Grange prospered and grew and by 1900 adjoining land was purchased from Adam Winne so that the building could be enlarged on the east side. In 1905 more land was acquired from L. A. Winne so that additional sheds could be erected on the east side.

Members still came to meeting by horse and wagon. Storekeeper Henry Meyer bought his first car in 1918 but because of road conditions it was always put up for the winter. The roads were not plowed then as they are today — they drifted shut with blowing snow and in the spring and fall it was too muddy to drive on the highway, which consisted only of a dirt road. Sometimes the men would take the versatile bobsled and hook a land plow on the sides and use that to try to clear the road. The bobsled was used to draw logs out of the woods and also the farmer could put a large box on it and haul produce with it on the snow covered roadways.

Catastrophe struck on a cold New Years Day in 1920 when the potbellied stove overheated . . .

Catastrophe struck on a cold New Years Day in 1920 when the potbellied stove overheated and was the cause of a disastrous fire that destroyed the grange hall and its contents. Immediately after the fire the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem offered the use of its facility. This was in reciprocation since the church had used the grange hall when its building had been destroyed by fire a few years earlier.

In the spring of 1920 a meeting was held at the home of Howard Lasher Sr. at

Times Remembered

Allison Bennett



Beckers Corners, with the intent and decision made to rebuild the grange hall. Members cleaned out the old cellar hole and a new building arose on the old foundations, dedicated in 1921 practically debt free! It was paid for by insurance and subscriptions. This present building did not have a central heating system until the 1940's and kerosene lamps were used until about 1930.

The grange organization operates under a lodge format with four degrees to be taken in the local grange. The fifth, sixth and seventh are respectively, Pomona; Albany County grange, state and national. These larger meetings are held in various areas and many Bethlehem grangers have travelled to far places to take the more advanced degrees. One becomes a life member after 50 years of membership.

Three of the oldest living members of Bethlehem Grange are Mrs. Walter Smith of Selkirk, Mrs. Minnie Hunter of South Bethlehem and William Heath, founder of Heath's Dairy on Route 9W, Glenmont.

The grange is an agricultural association with social orientation. It is an organization to which the entire family can belong in that meetings are held concurrently for adults and children, who belong to the Junior Grange. Over the many years of its existence pleasurable events have been enjoyed by the families who journeyed from the surrounding farms to have fellowship with their brothers and sisters. It is not necessary to

be a farmer to belong to the grange — anyone who is in accord with its objectives is welcome to become a member.

In 1929 a Junior Grange was formed, with David Mead as Master. He later served for many years as Town of Bethlehem Highway Supervisor, as had his father before him. The grange continued to prosper and in 1935 another addition was added to the east side of the building, consisting of a stage with two dressing rooms upstairs. This was used for skits and lectures which involved quite a few people in the programs.

Downstairs a new and larger dining room was added. The ladies still concoct their delicious suppers on the big kitchen coal and wood range which roasts turkeys and other goodies. These suppers are conducted as a money-raising venture and are held once a month for the public. Their menus feature such mouthwatering items as fresh strawberry shortcake or a home-style turkey or ham dinner. Clambakes were once an annual affair that cost \$2.50. Unfortunately the cost of these crustaceans now has inhibited this activity in recent years. The members also conducted card parties and dances during the winter months, but these too have fallen victim to progress and television. Grangers have continued their interest in legislation that benefits farm and country



Posing at the 75th anniversary of the Bethlehem Grange were Mr. and Mrs. Harris Creble, Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Lasher and Edgar J. Osterhout, then the oldest members of the grange.

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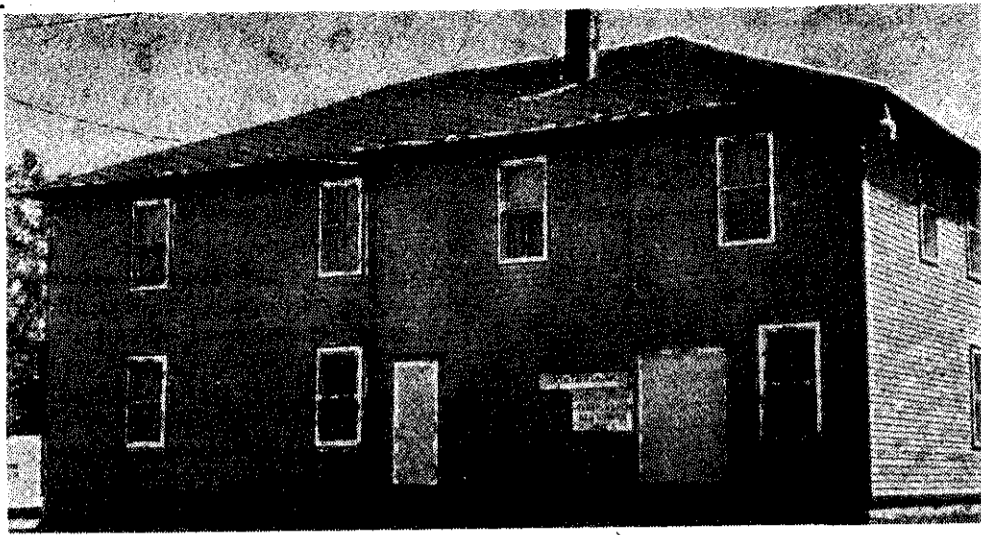
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people and the New York State Grange publishes a monthly paper for members.

Social concerns are addressed by the grange and in April of 1954 the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Association was formed as a community service project. An ambulance was purchased to serve the Selkirk-South, Bethlehem-Glenmont areas. Lack of finances and volunteers is causing this group to have some problems in recent days. Another sign of changing times occurred in 1963 when the old sheds that had been built so many years ago were taken down due to poor condition. In 1966 the grange store was discontinued and items of historical interest were donated to the Bethlehem Historical Association.

Since its inception the grange has contributed prize money and Grange members have exhibited their farm and home produce at the county fair in Altamont. Huge vegetables, beautiful fruit, canned pickles and preserves, exceptional needlework have all won red, white or blue ribbons for their exhibitors.

A special year-long program was held in 1974 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Bethlehem Grange. Events includ-

ed special exhibits, a strawberry and ice cream festival, clam steam, box social, and husking bee. Each Sunday during October of that year a quilting bee was conducted by grange members at the museum of Bethlehem Historical Association in Cedar Hill. A Town picnic complete with cake walk and Dutch auction was held at the town park and a country store sale was held at the grange hall, all capped by an anniversary dinner at the Bethlehem Elks Club in Cedar Hill.

The Bethlehem Grange is the oldest social and fraternal group still in continuous existence within the Town of Bethlehem, and plays a vital role in our rich agricultural heritage. Why not visit and enjoy one of their monthly dinners — you can find them listed in the *Spotlight* calendar.

Author's note: The Jurian Winne homestead as mentioned in the May 19 Spotlight article is no longer standing. The house described in the caption beneath his picture was the home of his brother, Adam Winne, and that house is still in use. Jurian Winne's home and farm were located where the railroad bridge crosses the tracks in the Conrail

yards at Jericho. His farm and home, along with others in that vicinity were destroyed when the Selkirk railroad yards were built in 1924 by the New York Central.

Giant flea market

A flea market and auction sponsored by Ravena's Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop 142 has been scheduled for the weekend of June 5 and 6 on Route 9W across from the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School.

Professional auctioneers will auction off up to 1,000 items for 15 percent of the sale price. Donations will be accepted, and pickup service will be available, so everyone is urged to clean out their cellars and attics.

Over 150 dealers are expected, and interested seller may rent space for \$15 for one day, or \$25 for both days. Interested persons should call Bob Mayo at 756-8486.

The rain dates for the event will be June 12 and 13.

Heartworm advice

Heartworm season is here, and area veterinarians recommend a blood test to determine whether or not your dog has the baby heartworms present in the bloodstream.

If none are found, a veterinarian can prescribe daily medication that is given during the mosquito season to prevent the pet from developing heartworm disease. Even if the test was done last year do not start using the preventive medication which may be left over from last year until the dog has been rechecked this year.

Bicycle thefts

May 25 — Elsmere Ave., unlocked garage, not registered.

May 26 — Lavery Dr., front lawn, not registered.

May 27 — Rear of Delaware Plaza, chain and padlock cut, not registered.



Douglas Norton

Academy valedictorian

Douglas Andrew Norton will be valedictorian for the Class of 1982 at Albany Academy. Norton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Norton of Fairway Ave., Delmar.

According to Upper School Head Baxter F. Ball, Norton will graduate from the Academy with at least five advanced placement credits. He has won virtually every math and science prize the school offers including the Craig Chemistry Prize in his junior year, the RPI Medal for the best science student in the school that same year, the National High School Math Contest Award and the Harvard Prize as the ranking student of the school.

Norton is a member of the Academy's band, and a founding member of the school's chorus. In sports, he has been a consistent member of the athletic program, winning three varsity letters in swimming and one in cross-country.

Chicken on the spit

Chicken will be barbecued and served up at the Clarksville Community Church on Saturday, June 5, from 4 to 7 p.m. Tickets for the event will be available at the door. They will be priced at \$4.75 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages six to 12, and \$1 for children under six. For reservations, call Daren VanWormer at 439-4683 after 5 p.m.

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Bailey named Citizen of Year

New Scotland's 1982 Citizen of the Year is William C. (Bill) Bailey of Feura Bush, town assessor and civic leader for more than a quarter of a century.

Bailey will be honored at a testimonial dinner on Sept. 25 at the Polish Community Center, Albany.

A native of Albany, Bailey moved to Feura Bush shortly after his marriage to Helen Sauer in the early 1950s. They now have three sons and five grandchildren.

Bailey became active as a Boy Scout leader in 1956, and joined the Onesquehaw Volunteer Fire Dept. that same year. He has served as captain, assistant chief, fire chief and president along with serving on the building and ambulance committees, cooking chicken at the annual carnival, and keeping the fire equipment in repair. He received the Fireman of the Year award in 1979.

The three Bailey brothers own and operate the family garage in Elsmere. Bill left the family business in 1975 when he was appointed town assessor. Still a stockholder in the business, he continues to assist in the bookkeeping or whenever the occasion demands.

During World War II Bailey served in the 2nd Infantry Division and participated in the European Theater of Operations as a command sergeant major. He is a member of the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493, has held the office of vice commander and is currently treasurer of the post. He is also serving his second year as chairman of the Memorial Day parade. Other activities include Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club, Bethlehem Lutheran Church and 17 years membership in the Bethlehem Elks.

NEW SCOTLAND

Prior to his appointment as town assessor, Bailey served as New Scotland tax collector for 13 years.

Planning for parade

The third major event celebrating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Town of New Scotland is slated for July 24 at Voorheesville Central High School. A parade preceding the activities at the school will form in New Salem at 9 a.m., and march to the school.

There will be attractions for all ages from children to great grandparents. Part of the program will include historical exhibits, live demonstrations of old time crafts and occupations, and favorite sports events of earlier times.

Organizers hope that all organizations in the town will want to contribute their efforts to this community celebration. Letters of information have been sent to all churches, clubs and organizations on the current roster at the town hall. If a group is not on the list or has not received the information or if any individual wishes to participate call Walter Miller, 765-3356, or Frances Vunck, 439-5721, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

June 6, 1957

The 364th General Hospital, U.S. Army Reserve, of Albany has announced the promotion to colonel of Dr. Edward Manne of Delmar Pl. in the Army Reserve. Col. Manne, who has 36 years of continuous army service both on active duty and in reserve, first served in World War I in 1918. He received his army commission at the time he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1927.

Betsy North, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. North, 117 Winne Rd., Delmar, has been chosen as the Empire Girls State delegate by Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post Auxiliary. Betsy, a BCHS junior, will attend the event at the State University Teachers College at New Paltz June 21-29.

June 7, 1962

Jack Dalton of Pattersons pitched a shutout against Tougher Heating in the Tri-Village Little League's opening week. Hitting stars of the week included Mike Brush of Murray-Simon and Ricky Dumas of Mullen's with home runs, Ken Levy of Carroll's and Jeff Dearstyne of Pattersons with three hits in a game. Mike Lephart also pitched a shutout, getting 11 strikeouts for Tougher in a win over Hilchie's.

Richard Rider, 33 Rowland Ave., Delmar, was presented with the Bergan Award for the outstanding liberal arts student at Junior College of Albany by Supreme Court Justice Francis Bergan. Richard was valedictorian of the class of 40 graduates.

June 8, 1967

Some 400 Bethlehem residents voted last week to allow the City of Albany to

annex the Hurstville-Klarsfeld and upper Whitehall Rd. area of the town. The vote was 244 for and 113 against the proposal in an area involving approximately 1,000 acres on both sides of New Scotland Rd. between the Normanskill and the Thruway.

June 8, 1972

Memorial Day weekend was Moving Day for the Bethlehem Public Library, and swarms of people turned out to help carry cartons and furniture from 90 Adams Pl. to the new building on Delaware Ave. Among them were Brownies, Scouts, National Guardsmen in uniform with an Army truck, high school students, Senior Citizens and townspeople.

Semifinalists in the annual Bethlehem Tennis Assn. town championships are Philip Ackerman vs. Dave Denny, and Greg VanHeest vs. Matt Reich.

Bus driver charged

Bethlehem Central school board members will discuss in an executive session tonight (Wednesday) the case of a district bus driver charged with driving while intoxicated and reckless endangerment after his arrest last week.

The closed session presumably will take place following the board's regular business meeting at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

Donald N. McKaig, 49, Clarksville, was stopped by Albany County Sheriff's deputies after he had safely discharged 21 pupils from his bus at the Clarksville Elementary School last Wednesday morning. A short time earlier a motorist had called police to report the bus was being driven in an erratic manner.

McKaig, who had a spotless driving record in the 15 years with the district until his suspension last week, is free on \$5,000 bail. He has retained Frederick Edmunds of New Scotland as counsel.



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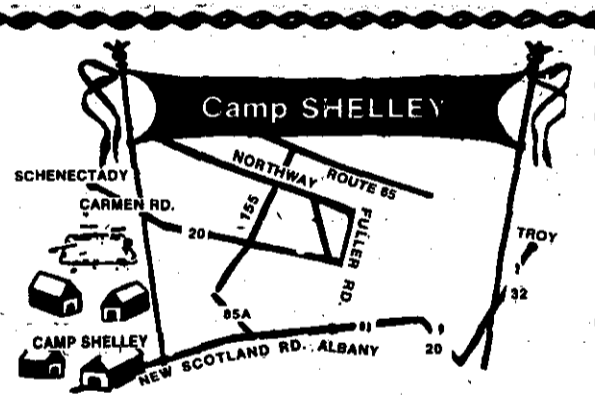


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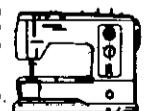


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Media Rare

An occasional commentary on the world of newspapers, radio and television.

By Nat Boynton

On a recent Monday morning, New York's two tabloid newspapers were confronted with the choice of two stories. On the newsstands, side by side, were the big Page One heads. In the *New York Daily News*: Falkland Invasion Imminent; in the *New York Post*: Michael Carey Charged with DWI.

Somewhere in transition from the strict standards of newspapering in its pre-television heyday to the present explosion of electronic journalism, something has been lost.

It used to be that editors judged what news stories they carried each day, especially on Page One, on the importance of the story. There was always space, however, for "human interest" pieces, stories that merited a spot because they tugged at a reader's heartstrings.

Lately we have seen a disturbing swing toward tastelessness that is shamefully unprofessional. Much of the blame can be placed on TV news crews, many of whose members lack journalism backgrounds, but the print media, newspapers that should know better, are often right in there with the culprits.

A while ago we had Channel 6, the most unprofessional of the three local TV news staffs, incredibly giving open forums to Lemuel Smith, the convicted murderer described by an Albany jurist as "an animal," and to Bethlehem's ousted police chief, Peter Fish, then charged with 34 counts of misconduct in office. News Center Six interviewed both men, permitting them to pour out their emotional frustrations at the people and society that had caused them so much woe.

More recently, we saw the sorry spectacle of TV newsmen and cameras

following Michael Carey, the governor's son, through courthouse corridors in Albany after he was charged with tipsy driving. Before that it was the same courthouse "drama" reporting of Ted Pepper and others accused or convicted of sexual crimes.

Without minimizing the content of this kind of coverage, it seems that the electronic journalists have decided that the public wants all the emotional reactions of people charged with crimes, people burned out in fires, people bereaved in crimes or accidents, regardless of the importance of the incident in the state, national or world perspective.

Last week this new kind of journalism turned the full glare of its cameras on the small, inobtrusive hamlet of Clarksville. The story here was legitimate, a school bus driver charged with driving while intoxicated, but the coverage was a blot on the news profession. All three TV stations sent a reporter and camera crew to New Scotland's hills. They put on camera schoolchildren, neighbors, parents and anyone they could find who would talk. Uncaring of an anguished wife and unaware of a weeping daughter who fled into a nearby field to be alone, the cameras tried to follow the children to a field day (until blocked by irate fathers).

The time allotted on the tube that night was dominant. It was, of course, the most emotional story of the day.

There was an ironic twist to this. The arrest was made shortly after 9 a.m. Wednesday, in plenty of time for TV reporters to carry the story that night. But apparently they learned of the incident by reading a Page One story in the *Albany Times-Union* the next day and the mass invasion of Clarksville was on.

It was an important story, perhaps a bit out of the routine, and certainly eligible for "human interest." But a major TV production?

Television news has attracted large audiences, thus making premium com-



Bethlehem Garden Club members starting their annual planting of window boxes in Delmar's business section dedicated the large planter in front of the Roger Smith building in memory of Carroll Greenman of the Men's Garden Club of Albany, one of the initiators of the window box project. From left, Mrs. Clifford Bowdish, chairman of the club's beautification committee, Eliot Rowely of the Men's Garden Club, Robert Greenman, son of Carroll Greenman, and Al Leonard, longtime Delmar member of the MGCA.

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mercials easier to sell on newsbreaks. In the case of Channel 10, just to mention one, the recent expansion of Action News at 6 p.m. from a half hour to a full hour has meant a dilution of content. Instead of highlights of the day's top stories, professionally edited and presented, we get longer sequences less tightly edited, and excerpts of national and world news spliced in to fill the time when there is a dearth of local copy.

The Albany papers give coverage to sex crimes that never would have made the paper at all 30 years ago. Perhaps the editors play up Ted Pepper and Michael Carey because they figure the TV boys and girls will give that junk four-star exposure.

Important stories, or stories of interest? And isn't the public, thirsting for gossip and the sensational, to blame for a lot of it?

BTA tournament

The Bethlehem Tennis Association's Spring Tournament will be held June 4, 5 and 6; and June 11, 12 and 13 at the Bethlehem Central Middle School and Bethlehem Town Park.

The tournament is open to residents of the Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District, and to non-residents who have been members of the BTA since September, 1981.

All "A" or advanced level events will be held the first weekend of the tournament. Two events for "masters," regardless of their ability level, will be held the first weekend, also. "Masters" events, for players aged 45 and older, will be women's doubles and men's doubles.

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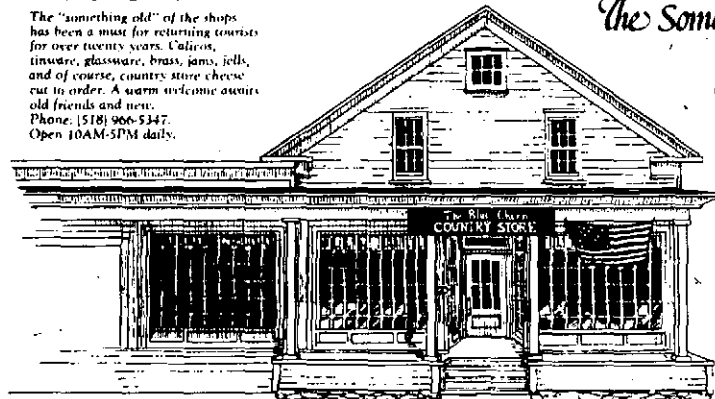
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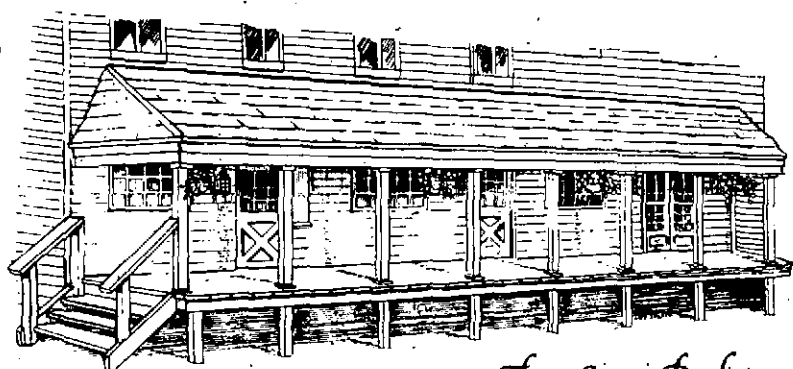
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Calendar

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bethlehem Recycling town garage, 119 Adams St. Papers should be tied, cans flattened, bottles cleaned with metal and plastic foam removed. Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 a.m. - noon; Thursday and Friday, noon - 4 p.m. Saturday 8 - noon.

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

Voter Registration: You may vote in New York State if you are 18 on or before the election, a U.S. citizen, a resident of the county, city or village for 30 days preceding the election, and registered with the county Board of Elections. Mail registration forms can be obtained at town and village halls, from political parties, from the League of Women Voters and from boards of election. The completed form must be received by your Board of Elections by the first Monday in October. Information, Albany County Board of Elections, 445-7591.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

BCHS Varsity Award Picnic, Elm Ave. Park, 4-8 p.m.

Voorheesville PTSA, double board meeting, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m.

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

Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233, meets at lodge, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. first and third Wednesdays (third Wednesdays during July and August).

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of V.S.H. Realty Inc. for a special exception to permit gasoline service pumps, fuel storage tanks, canopy over gasoline island and parking of 16 vehicles within 500 feet of school building, at premises, Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Rd., Glenmont, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

All-Sports Banquet, athletic awards program recognizing outstanding athletes, with SUNYA coach Richard "Doc" Sauer speaking, dinner tickets are \$5.25 and available at high school, awards program is free, Voorheesville High School gymnasium, 7:15 p.m.

Town Swim Program Sign-ups, pre-registration accepted for Tiny Tot Swim, springboard diving and learn-to-swim program, Bethlehem Town Hall, 6:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4131.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens bowling, Del Lanes, Elsmere, 9:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Board of Education, with information about media use in district, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar, 8 p.m.

Tentative Tax Rolls Open weekdays through June 15, for those seeking assessment review, Bethlehem Town Hall, assessor's office (Rm. 114), 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

Student Pops Concert, Bethlehem Central Middle School, 6:30 p.m.

Theater and Music in Performance, featuring lecture on Broadway play "Sweeney Todd," Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Precedes performance of musical at Proctor's Theater on June 4. Lecture fee, \$5. Registration, 457-3907.

Bethlehem Art Association meets on second floor of Adams House, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar, first Thursday. Life drawing classes for \$6 fee on other Thursday evenings.

Teacher Retirees Reception, honoring Winnie Hase and Suzanne Carr, for friends and former students, Elsmere Elementary School cafeteria, 7 p.m. Information, Betsy Zobin at 439-5741.

Card Party, sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary, \$1.50 donation required, Voorheesville firehouse, 8 p.m.

Student Drama Production, seventh grade production of "It's Cold in Them Thar Hills" and "The Uninvited Ghost," Voorheesville High School auditorium, 7 p.m. Free.

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

Bethlehem Senior Citizens, business meeting and speaker from Delmar Ambulance Squad, including ambulance tour, Bethlehem Town Hall at 12:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

BTA Tennis Tournament through June 6 for "A" class players, plus two "senior" events for all ability levels, Bethlehem Middle School and town park courts. Information, 439-1845 or 439-5072.

Apple Blossom Swing, dance to Jim Spencer's Band, tickets \$6 advance, \$7 at door, for those 18 or older, sponsored by Onesquethaw Fire Co., Clarksville firehouse, 8 p.m.-midnight.

Senior Ball, Bethlehem Central High School, 9 p.m., followed by post-ball activities at town park and Del Lanes, with breakfast at 4:30 a.m. Saturday.

Red Cross Bloodmobile Visit, Voorheesville First United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., 1-7 p.m. Appointments, 765-2529.

American Legion Post 1493, past commanders-past presidents dinner, reservations \$8, at the post, 6:30 cocktails, 7:30 dinner.

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

Annual Ham Dinner with strawberry shortcake, Bethlehem Grange, Grange Hall, Becker's Corners, Rt. 396 near Rt. 9W, 4 p.m. Group reservations, 463-0693, 767-2248 or 767-2770. Also bake sale.

SAT and ACH Tests administered at Bethlehem Central High School and Voorheesville High School.

Children's Story Hours, for ages 4 to 6, with games and stories, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Registration suggested.

Solar Energy Tour of area homes with sunspaces and solar heated pool, leaves Executive Park 9 a.m. Registration \$7.50. Information, 765-2874.

Flea Market and Auction, continuing June 6, with over 150 dealers, sponsored by Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, Rt. 9W opposite Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. Booth rental \$15. Information, Bob McDonald, 756-2738.

Chicken Barbecue, Clarksville Community Church, 4-7 p.m. \$4.75 for adults, \$2.50 for children 6-12 and \$1 for those under 6. Information, 439-4683.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club Pancake Breakfast, \$3.75 for adults and \$2.50 for children, at the club, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Selkirk Freight Yards Tour, Gateway bus tour leaving Burden Building, Troy, 1 p.m. Reservations, 274-5267.

Strawberry Festival, \$1 tickets at door, Slingerlands firehouse No. 1, New Scotland Road, 1-7 p.m.

Art Show, by Delmar Art Group, Roger Smith's Decorative Products, 340 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Bethlehem Historical Association, Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 & Clapper Rd., Cedar Hill, open Sundays 2-5 p.m. June-October. Country art exhibit through Aug. 15.

Piano Recital, featuring 16 students of Mrs. Ann Brandon, Delmar Reformed Church at 3 p.m. Public invited.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

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

Bloodmobile at Bethlehem Town Hall, donors age 17 to 66 welcome, babysitting provided, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Single Parent Support Group, season's final meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-6136.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

ESCO Board, Elsmere Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

HSA Board, Hamagrael Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Central High School PFO, 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

Funeral Arrangements Discussion, mortician and attorney to discuss how to make funeral plans easier, part of three-part series on death, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m.

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

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

Bethlehem Senior Citizens, book discussion group reviewing "Except for Me and Thee."

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

Bethlehem Elks Auxiliary meets at lodge, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. second Wednesday of month.

Second Milers, second Wednesdays, Delmar Methodist Church, 12:30 p.m. Reservations, 439-3569.

Red Men, second Wednesday, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

Nuclear Arms Freeze Discussion, with RPI Professor V. Lawrence Parsegian speaking and showing movie "War Without Winners," Glenmont Community Church, Chapel Lane, 7:30-9 p.m.

Half Moon Button Club, discussing use of "fans" as button motif, Bethlehem Public Library.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Nuclear Freeze Follow-Up, for Bethlehem residents to discuss any further actions on freeze issue, St. Thomas the Apostle Church auditorium, 8 p.m.

Student Awards Presentation, Voorheesville Senior High School auditorium, 7-8:30 p.m.

"Alice in Wonderland," Slingerlands 5th grade choir presentation, tickets \$1 at door, school or Paper Mill, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

"Alice in Wonderland," Slingerlands 5th grade choir presentation, tickets \$1 at door, school and Paper Mill, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30.

BTA Tennis Tournament, continuing through June 13 for intermediate level players, \$5 entry fee for members and \$6 for public, Bethlehem Middle School and town park courts, information, 439-1845 or 439-5072.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

ACT Tests, for high schoolers, at Bethlehem and Voorheesville high schools.

Strawberry Supper, sponsored by Women's Guild of Onesquethaw Reformed Church, at the church, servings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Reservations, 768-2611.

Town Park Opening Day, with \$4 chicken barbecue served from noon to 3 p.m., Bethlehem Town Park, Elm Ave.

area arts

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

THEATER

"Histoire aux Cheveux Rouges" (music-filled fantasy in French by Theatre des Jeunes Annees de Lyons, France), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, June 2-4, 10 a.m. June 5, 7:30 p.m., June 6, 2 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg Box Office, 473-3750.

"Street Corner Kabaret" (skits, music and dance celebrating the American worker by New York Street Theater), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, June 4, 8 p.m.

"Sleuth" (Anthony Shaffer's mystery-drama), produced by the new Actor's Repertory Theater, West Hall Auditorium, RPI campus, Troy, June 3 and 4, 10 and 11, 8 p.m.

"Sweeney Todd" (the demon barber of Fleet Street back for an encore), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, June 4-6, 8 p.m., June 6, 2 p.m. Tickets Community Box Office or Proctor's.

MUSIC

Emmeram Choral Society of the Bronx (Bach, Mendelssohn, Schubert), Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, June 2, 7:30 p.m.

Music from "Fiddler on the Roof," free to ticket holders of the April 6 Empire State Youth Theater performance at Proctor's (those who were snowed out and those who weren't), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, June 2, 8 p.m.

Pianist Blanca Uribe, Hudson Valley Chamber Music Circle, Chapel of the Holy Innocents, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, June 4, 8 p.m.

St. Paul's Church Choir in mostly Mozart program, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, June 6, 11 a.m. service.

Festival of Prayer (ecumenical choir with program of sacred music), Saratoga Performing Arts Center, June 6, 8 p.m.

"A Musical Jamboree" (vaudeville-style fund-raising show), Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, June 6 and 13, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, 438-6651.

CIRCUS

Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus (with Gunther Gebel-Williams), Glens Falls Civic Center, June 2-4, 4 and 8 p.m., June 5, 11 a.m., 3:30 and 8 p.m., June 6, 1 and 5:30 p.m.

DANCE

Pepsi Bethel Authentic Jazz Dance Theater, Woodstock Playhouse, Rts. 212 and 375, Woodstock, June 5, 8:30 p.m.

FILM

"Shall We Dance?" (Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers with a Gershwin score), Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., June 8, 2 and 8 p.m.

ART

"Landscape/3 Views" (watercolors and paintings by William M. Crosby, Katherine Kadish and Alexander Martin), Plaza Gallery, State University Plaza, Broadway and State St., through Aug. 2, weekdays 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

"Found in New York's North Country: The Folk Art of a Region," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through July 3.

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New Scotland Elks; Flag Day ceremony and celebration of town sesquicentennial, with guest speakers Samuel Stratton and Steven Wallace, New Scotland Town Park, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233, Flag Day service, lodge headquarters, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 2 p.m.

Voorheesville Graduating Seniors invited to special liturgy service honoring them, St. Matthew's Church, Mountainview St., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 14

Voorheesville Public Hearing on Salem Hills Disposal Corp.'s request to increase rates, Voorheesville High School auditorium, 8 p.m.

Children's Story Hour, young children invited to hear storyteller Mary Murphy, Voorheesville Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

Glenmont PTA, Glenmont Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club meets first Tuesdays at Five Rivers Environmental Center, 7:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

AARP, regular meeting with installation of officers and directors, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 1:15 p.m.

Bereavement Resolution Discussion, religious, psychiatric, medical and group therapy representatives discuss how to come to terms with grief over death, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m.

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

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

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

Bethlehem Board of Assessment Review, Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 9 a.m.-noon, 6-8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

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

Bethlehem Board of Education, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar, 8 p.m.

Area Events & Occasions
Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

Farmer's Market, fresh farm produce and products, Empire State Plaza, State St. entrance, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Choral Program, featuring the Emmeram Choral Society from John Philip Sousa Jr. High School, Bronx, performing works of classical composers in five languages, Empire State Plaza, convention center, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free.

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, \$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 fee for series, Empire State Plaza Tower Building, noon-2 p.m. Registration, 457-3907.

Empire State College Information Session, with faculty and college representatives on hand to answer questions, Center for Statewide Programs, 28 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

Wester 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.

Jazz Age Minicourse, through June 6, "All That Jazz: The American 20's" course dealing with social changes of the era, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., 7-10 p.m. Information, 445-1745.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

Jam and Jellymaking Class, food preservation specialist to review procedure in making homemade jelly, Garden Way Living Center, 102nd St. and 9th Ave., Troy, 1 p.m. Free.

Rare Plant Sale, including exhibit and sale of rock garden plants, George Landis Arboretum, Esperance, 2 p.m. Information, 876-6935.

Bottle Collectors' Auction, including sale of bottles, stone-ware and go-withs, Saratoga County Special Facilities Building, 50 W. High St., Ballston Spa, 7 p.m.

Victoriana Festival, crafts, food, song and dance celebrating 20th anniversary of Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Washington Park, Troy, noon-5:30 p.m. Rain date June 6.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

Bottle Show, with speaker Dr. Louis Navias discussing snuff bottles, Saratoga County Fairgrounds, Fairground Ave., Ballston Spa, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

House and Garden Tour, six private homes and two gardens dating from turn of century will be open to the public to benefit Realty Plot Assn. and Proctor's Theater, tour tickets \$5, noon-5 p.m. Information, 372-7145.

Wood Sculptor Frank Keyser to show work and discuss film "Forever Young," showing older people living active lives, Institute on Man and Science, Rensselaerville, 4 p.m. Free.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

Expectant Parents' Night, hospital staff take couples on tour of delivery rooms and nursery and answer questions, St. Peter's Hospital cafeteria, 7:30 p.m.

Auto Emissions Testing, car exhaust screening with Environmental Conservation Commissioner Robert Flacke present, Colonie Center parking lot, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Free.

Bradley Method Instruction, 12-week course to instruct couples in husband-coached childbirth, pre-registration necessary, Information, 477-7057 or 477-6830.

MBA Information Session, with representatives of the evening division of Russell Sage College giving information on master of business administration program, Russell Sage campus center, 140 New Scotland Ave., 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

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

Bookbinding Lecture, Kerstin Tini Miura of Germany to present slide lecture and display of her binding techniques, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Post Stroke Club, Ronald McLean of Albany College of Pharmacy speaking on "All You Ever Wanted to Know About Aspirin," Red Cross Chapter House, Hackett Blvd., Albany, Information, 439-2151.

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We live today in an era of what I call the "I" syndrome. The constant concern of what I want — what I need — what I feel like — what's good for me. This often occurs to the point of not seeming to care what happens to other people. If they are in my way, I will run over them. We become reminiscent of a team of runaway horses. A sight to behold if you have never seen it. Jumping in front of them will not stop them. Fences, unless they are in A-1 shape, will not necessarily stop them. Instead, they will swerve from major obstacles and keep running until either they wear out and they forget what spooked them, or they are trapped in a way from which they know they cannot escape.

Sometimes in life we reflect this attitude. We run roughshod over others in our search for self. Now, I realize that the automation of our society has made everything so impersonal that the feeling of self-worth is hard to find. Many jobs do not give a person the sense of having personally accomplished something. How do you feel any sense of significance by having put 6,000 bolts into 500 machines, seeing only the unfinished

portion? There is little or no sense of pride in such a project.

There is a great need for people to have a sense of worth in their lives. This is recognized in what we call the summary of the Law. It concludes "Love your neighbor as yourself." It teaches that a person needs to feel a sense of value in his(her) own life, before he(he) can really feel a concern for others. I wonder if a sense of value in our own life and a concern for others doesn't come simultaneously.

We may spend hours contemplating our needs — looking inward in introspection and never arriving at a feeling of worth. A person needs to interact with others — to share with others — to have a good feeling about oneself. Many times the love of self comes in loving and caring for others. In the creation story in Genesis we read "It is not good for man to live alone. I will make a suitable companion to help him." We were created in life to share with each other and when we turn into ourselves, rather than finding what we are looking for, we lose it. When we focus upon ourselves, we tend to lose everything that is around us

including friends. No one can stand the totally self-centered individual.

Jesus in one of his times of teaching (Mark 8:35) said, "For whoever wants to save his own life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it." While he was speaking in a specific way, the truth still holds in our relationship in the world. The person who gets out of himself and becomes involved in the needs and lives of others will find that their own life suddenly has more significance. Much of what one felt they needed is found, or becomes lost in the process of a greater goal in life.

I started by saying we live in an era of the "I" syndrome. Yet hopefully this is disappearing in the greater concerns of society — the work for the nuclear freeze, the greater establishment of food pantries and increased donations. Maybe we are finding out that when we lose ourselves, we truly save ourselves. For the world to be a place we like to live in, we need to give ourselves and not only take.

To speak on freeze

V. Lawrence Parségian, a professor at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, will speak at a nuclear arms freeze discussion to be held on Wednesday, June 9, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Glenmont Community Church on Chapel Lane. In addition to answering questions, Mr. Parségian will show the movie "War Without Winners." Anyone interested in the issue of nuclear arms control is invited to attend.

Health seminars

Sanctuary Whole Health Center of Saratoga Springs plans to offer seminars on health, nutrition and exercise at the First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar. The nonprofit organization is described as a holistic health center.

Information about the seminars may be obtained by calling 584-7396, or writing Sanctuary, R.D. 3, Daniels Road, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 12866.

Wonderland at Slingerlands

The Slingerlands Fifth Grade Choir will be presenting a musical production of "Alice In Wonderland" on Thursday and Friday, June 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Slingerlands Grade School.

Donation will be \$1 and tickets may be purchased in advance at the Paper Mill at Delaware Plaza, the Slingerlands School Office, or from choir members. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

Trinity program

Trinity Sunday, June 6, will be marked by a special musical offering at Saint Paul's Church, 21 Hackett Boulevard, Albany, during the 11 a.m. service. The choir, under the direction of Kenneth M. Kroth, organist and choirmaster, and Scott Cantrell, assistant, will present a mostly Mozart program.

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Mrs. Mark Gebhardt

were Kevin Drew of San Francisco, Cal., brother of the bride; Jack Gebhardt of Loudonville, brother of the groom, Tom Klim of Delmar and Joe Benoit of Long Island.

A reception at the Quality Inn, Albany, followed the ceremony. The couple had a wedding trip to Bermuda and are making their home in Delmar.

Mrs. Gebhardt is a 1975 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and a 1980 graduate of Northeastern University, Boston. She is employed by Albany County. Her husband is a 1975 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed by McCarroll's Village Butcher, Delmar.

Button fans

Members of the Half Moon Button Club will next meet at the Bethlehem Public Library community room on Wednesday, June 9, to discuss the role of fans as a motif for buttons. Mrs. Velma Bushell, president of the club, will lead the "Flutter of Fans" program. Mrs. Prudence Crafford will be the hostess of the luncheon, and members of Vermont button clubs and tri-city area groups are also expected to attend.

Driver ed time changed

The dates of the three-hour driver education course required of all new drivers has been changed for the month of June at Bethlehem Central. The course is held each month at the high school, and during June will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 8 and 9, at 7:15 p.m. in room 19A. Participants must attend both nights.



Alice Hoffman

Hoffman-Parker

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.

White-Marshall

Mr. and Mrs. Philip T. White of Selkirk have announced the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Marie, to Peter S. Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Marshall of South Bethlehem. The couple are graduates of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School. Miss White is employed by O.D. Heck Developmental Center in Delmar, and her fiance is employed by Marshall's Auto Exchange, Ravena. A July 10 wedding is planned.

Piano recital Sunday

Mrs. Ann Brandon's piano students will present a recital for the public on Sunday, June 6, at 3 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church. Featured pianists at the recital will be Laurie Alexander, Mary Davis, Sarah Dearstyne, Molly DeFazio, Laura DeGaetano, Susan Donovan, Emily Fawcett, Michael Lobo, Donna McAndrews, Erin Mitchell, Christine Popp, Kevin Schoonmaker, Randi Wolkenbreti, and Jessica Wolpaw. Gabe Borthwick and Maria DeGaetano, both students of Mary Davis, will also perform at the keys.

Playing for friends

Students of Marie M. Tompkins, ranging in age from 7 to 83 and traveling from as far as Worcester, N.Y., played their favorite songs for their relatives and friends May 21 and 22 at Marie's Organ Studio on Delaware Ave. The organ recitals are an annual event.

Delmar couple wed

Jennifer Tice Drew, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger T. Drew, 13 Wicklow Terrace, Delmar, and Mark Richard Gebhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Gebhardt, 12 Oakwood Pl., Delmar, were married May 8 at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Rev. Raymond Stees and Rev. James Daley officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Diana Drew of Hudson, Mass., was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Gary Geary of Albany and Mrs. Patty Bryant of Schenectady, sisters of the groom; Lisa Krantz of Selkirk, Mrs. Irene Serrows of Little Rock, Ark. and Colleen Drew of Marietta, Ga., niece of the bride. Jezz Austin of Albany was best man. Ushers

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By Caroline Terenzini

Tom Carlson has what looks like the makings of R2D2 in his office. There's a rack of circuit boards where lights flash occasionally, and two consoles emit discreet beeps from time to time. These are flanked by several species of radio, not to mention burglar alarms.

But, put all together, it doesn't become R2D2 — it becomes the Business and Professional Telephone Exchange, on Delaware Avenue in Elsmere. Carlson and his wife, Ellie, own the answering service, which they recently switched from the old-fashioned "cord board" to this impressive array of electronic gadgetry.

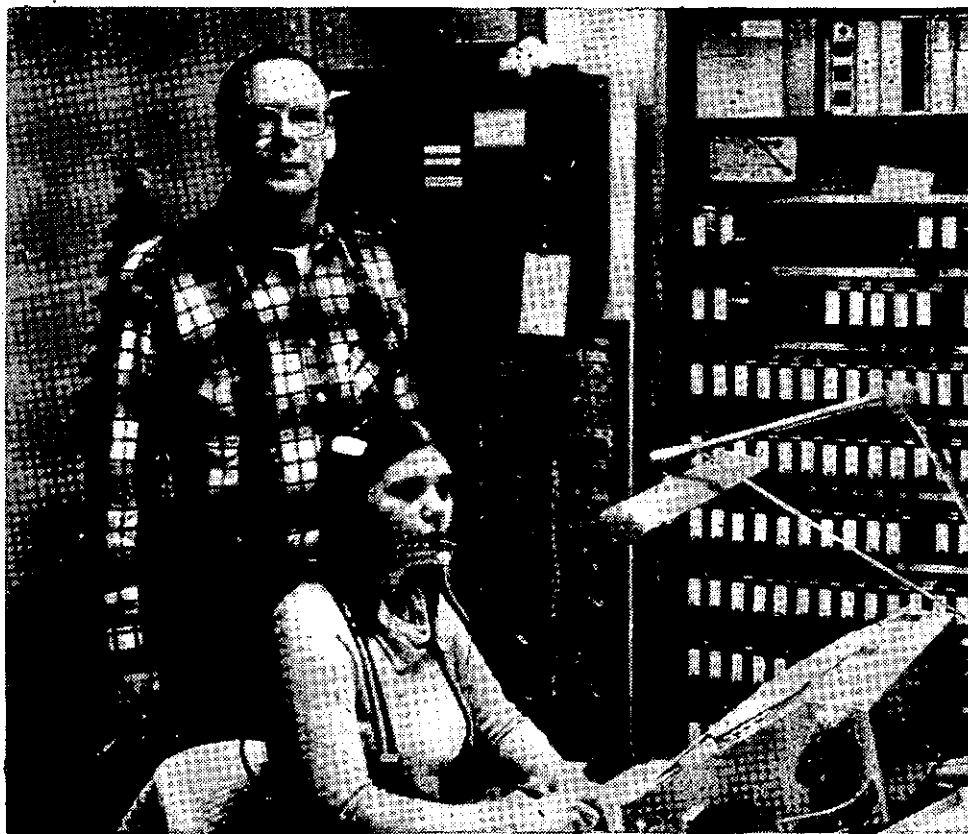
Facing big rate hikes by Ma Bell, from which the old "cord board" was leased, the Carlsons looked for over a year before deciding to install the sci-fi-like equipment.

"Computerized equipment is sexy," Carlson said, "but it doesn't have the reliability this has."

C&R Electronics of Canastota, makers of the equipment, arranges new hookups and handles repairs, though the Carlsons keep a supply of circuit boards on hand in case one needs replacing. Five batteries are on standby on a bottom shelf in case of a power failure, and these could keep the equipment going for 24 hours, Carlson said.

The exchange leases a block of numbers from the phone company and assigns these numbers to its call forwarding customers. When they want to have their phones answered by the exchange, they simply dial their assigned number, and calls are automatically forwarded. This system is more formally known as "Direct Inward Dialing."

In other cases, customers' phones are



Tom Carlson, switchboard operator Jan Bourassa and new equipment in Delmar. *Spotlight*

hard-wired to the exchange, "like an extension phone," Carlson said.

The circuit boards, which cost \$90 apiece, have an on-off switch so when the phone is being answered in a client's office it needn't ring in Carlson's. The circuit also can be set so that the first three rings are silent, for clients who are in and out frequently but will answer their own phone when they're in.

Fire and ambulance companies like those in Rensselaer, New Salem and Berne, which can't man their phones 24

hours a day, use the Carlson exchange. A button on the receiver in Carlson's office can activate the siren, and the first fireman in can talk to Carlson over a radio hookup.

Similarly, the exchange keeps 24-hour watch over some burglar and fire alarm systems, with hookups as far away as New Hampshire. "We've been responsible for catching some burglars," Carlson said, though most of the buzzes are triggered innocently.

All the buzzes and beeps are answered

by two full-time employees or by the Carlsons, including sons Tom Jr., a Bethlehem Central senior, or Dan, who's a junior. Matt, 11, is so far exempt.

The busiest days are Mondays, though Saturdays are heavy too. Carlson recalled Christmas of 1980 as the "worst day of his life," when he was the only one in the family who knew how to handle the old cord board. "There were 'no-heat' calls, people couldn't get their cars started . . .," he said. "I had no Christmas at all!"

Even when there's no holiday, the exchange keeps the Carlsons busy. Ellie noted wryly that their "big vacation last year was an afternoon at the flat track."

The business has also kept them away from the pleasure of the dog show circuit, where they used to show Scottish terriers. "We had more fun . . ." said Ellie. "We'd like to get back to it if we ever have time." Two handsome terriers, Candy and Angel, are keeping the family happy till then.

The Carlsons came to the business of answering other people's phones by a round-about route. A graduate of State University College at Fredonia, Carlson taught in western New York for a few years, then joined the Central Intelligence Agency. With the CIA, the family was in Nigeria for a while, then Carlson spent 20 months in Vietnam in the early 70's. After 14 years with the CIA, though "when move time came again," they decided to make "one more move, and that was to Delmar." They bought the answering service in May, 1980.

Now they are settling into the community, even sponsoring the Little League team that Matt plays on. However, Business and Professional Telephone Exchange is bit long, so the T-shirts sport "Delmar Ans. Svc." Ellie Carlson laughed at the fans on the sidelines who, lacking a team nickname, must yell, "Go, Delmar Answering Service, go!"

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A large field moves through the village at the start of Voorheesville's seventh annual Memorial Day road race. Gary Zeiger

Runners out of time

By Julie Ann Sosa

The Bethlehem Central track team will have no representatives at Cornell for this week's co-ed state meet. Surprisingly, the 3,200-meter race, run by two new and promising members of BC's track team, proved to be the one event that saved face for the Eagles at last Friday's state qualifier meet at Columbia High School in East Greenbush.

With fellow Eagles turning in mediocre performances, the determined 3,200-meter duo of freshman Christine Ainsworth and sophomore Pete Hammer smashed their own personal best times to finish among the prestigious field of athletes. Ainsworth poured it on to finish the grueling 3,200 meters in 11:05, besting her record by two seconds. By finishing the run in 9:54, Hammer lowered his best by 15 seconds and succeeded in shattering Bill Street's sophomore record at BC by five seconds.

Meanwhile, Street disappointed expectations that he would qualify for the state meet by breathlessly dropping out of the two-mile race just past the halfway point. He came back to place among the top 10 in the mile.

Marisa Weaver, BC's long jump hopeful, injured her take-off leg and faulted on her first two jumps, while Laura Koban was left wanting with a 63-second finish in the 400-meter race. Freshman Jenny Warren's 800 run ended

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in 2:31.5, over a second off her best time.

Perhaps freshman track coach John DeMeo and his team, mostly eighth graders, deserve the most credit. The frosh can boast of having been the last BC spring team to fall from undefeated status, thanks to excellent performances by Katie Whitney in the half mile, Matthew Dunmore and Matt Oshner in the sprints, Jeff Meyers in the hurdles, Mike Fish in the weights, and Joe Louderbach in the mile.

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 Clarksville 6, Albany 2
 St. Thomas 20, Delmar Reformed 6
 Voorheesville 23, Bethlehem Comm. 6
 Wynantskill 9, Bethany 6
 Presbyterian 13, Knox 5

Standings May 30

	W	L		W	L
Glenmont	5	0	Wynantskill	2	2
Presbyterian	4	0	Voorville	2	3
Clarksville	4	1	New Scot.	1	2
St. Thomas	3	1	Beth Comm	1	3
Albany	2	2	Methodist	0	4
Del Reform	2	2	Bethany	0	5
Knox	2	2			

It's Carlo (again)

Carlo Cherubino is a name that has become synonymous with Voorheesville and Memorial Day. The Albany runner, who has won every Voorheesville marathon since the 15-kilometer (9.3 miles) event was inaugurated in 1975, won his seventh straight trophy Saturday.

Cherubino's time was 49 minutes 18 seconds, more than a minute slower than his record clocking of 48:08 two years ago. The fact that an overnight rain had made the two-mile stretch in the Indian Ladder apple orchard a bit slippery may have contributed, but close observers recalled that Cherubino in 1980 was pushed hard by Chris Semo of Glens Falls.

This time he had a good lead on Steve Bugbee, the second-place finisher at 50:09. Joe Arthur was the first Voorheesville runner across the line, third in 50:28.

Bill Street of Delmar, Bethlehem Central distance star, won the high school division and the John Fredette, Jr. Memorial Trophy. Street was fourth overall in 52:07. Tom Rissberger of Voorheesville High School was second in the high school division at 55:18, and David Reilly of Voorheesville was fifth with 57:42.

Ellen Mindel of Ballston Lake turned in a spectacular performance in the women's race. The Ballston Lake streak won in 57:09, nearly six minutes ahead of Danielle Chernak of Scotia. Elaine Barnabe of Delmar won the women's 30-and-over with a clocking of 66:53, four minutes ahead of Judy Swasey of New Salem.

Two scholastic track coaches fought it out for the master's trophy (40-49 years) donated by the New Scotland Lodge of Elks. Doug Allen of Scotia, Shenendehowa track mentor, had a time of 56:19 to edge Ken Kirik of Guilderland, track and cross country coach at Voorheesville, and Herb Reilly of Voorheesville, who was third.

Gloversville in the sub-masters (30-39) and Bill Cooney of Albany in the seniors (50 and over).

Voorheesville runners took three of the six classifications over the short course (3.2 kilometers, 2 miles). Doug Irons of Albany was the overall winner in 10:30, with Mark Mindel of Ballston Lake second one lunge ahead of Michael Waldenmaier of Selkirk, 10:41 to 10:42.

Leonard Mertons of Voorheesville won the grade school division in 12:49, with Steve Smith of Voorheesville fourth. Among the junior high boys, Chuck Rogers, Bill Kelly and Ed Donohue, all of Voorheesville, finished 1-2-3, with Charles Hendrickson of Delmar fourth and Ben Greenberg of Voorheesville fifth.

Georgia Gray of Voorheesville was first among women over 30, with Christine Banek fourth. Cathy Teuten of Voorheesville was second in girls under 18, with Kim Bellinger and Tammy Tate fourth and fifth respectively.

The weekend event, sponsored by the American Legion post, New Scotland Kiwanis, Voorheesville Key Club and New Scotland Elks, drew a record number of entries. There were 143 finishers over the long course, up from 131 a year ago. The shorter race drew another 141, up from 105 last year. Race officials said they will consider having two separate starts next year to ease the crowding at the start in front of the Legion hall.

Bethlehem Tomboys

Standings May 30					
Minors	W	L	Intermediate	W	L
Gen Elec	4	1	Riccardo's	5	0
Spotlight	3	1	Sportshoes	4	1
Buenau's	3	2	Bailey's Gar	4	2
Betty Lent	2	2	Brockley's	3	3
Denby's	2	3	Atlantic Cem	2	4
Tri-Vill Drg	1	3	Farm Fam	2	4
BPW	1	4	Eaton Breuel	2	4
			Del Lanes	1	5

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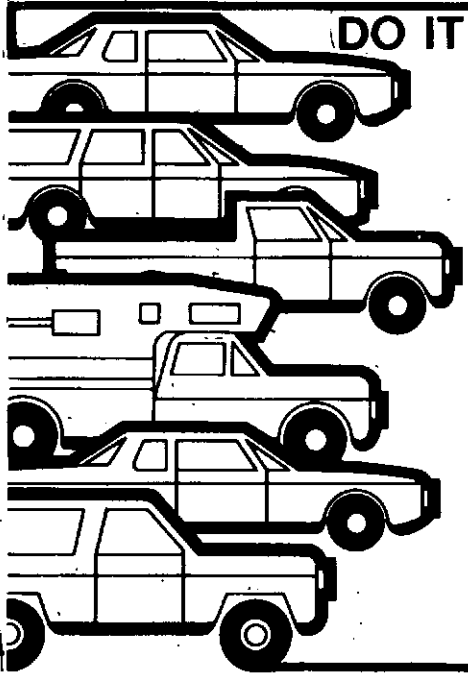
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Seeds a puzzle in Sectionals

So strong and so well balanced is the Section 2 tennis competition that the singles and doubles tournaments could make a shambles of the seedings.

In fact, the committee considered doing away with seeding in the doubles altogether, but ended up putting two teams at opposite ends of the draw. One of them was the Voorheesville combo of Ed Volkwein and Pete Zeh, who have played No. 1 doubles for the Blackbirds all season and who last week won the Colonial Council doubles crown. They are a surprising No. 2 seed in the firing that was scheduled to get underway this week (Tuesday) at Albany State.

This tournament embraces all schools in the Section, large and small, hence the draw may bring the Volkwein-Zeh team into direct confrontation with their Bethlehem neighbors, Charlie Marden and Tim Talmage. This BC pair qualified by reaching the semifinals of the Suburban Council tournament.

Other contenders are Dave Carver and Kevin Seim, Voorheesville's regular No. 2 doubles team, Alex Macario, Bethlehem's No. 1 singles player, and John Dunigan, the top player on Ravena's tennis team who was undefeated during the season and won the Colonial Council singles championship last week at Albany Academy.

Last week's action centered on team Sectionals. Both Voorheesville and Bethlehem came to grief after easy wins in the first round. The Blackbirds were eliminated Thursday by Lake George, 4-2, after getting by Corinth, 4-1, in the Class C draw at Shenendehowa. Bethlehem breezed by Albany High, 4-1, before bowing to Glens Falls, 4-0, in the Class A tournament at Burnt Hills.

Maple Hill eventually won its second straight Class C title and South Glens

TENNIS

Falls upset Shaker, 4-3, for its third straight Class A title.

Coach Phil Ackerman's Blackbirds had a relatively easy time with Corinth in the opening round of the 8-team draw, in which matches were suspended or cancelled when one team amassed four points in the format of five singles and two doubles.

Volkwein lost to Bob Densmore of Corinth, Northern Conference singles champion, but Voorheesville's other four singles entries delivered the winning points. Of these, the most noteworthy was Zeh, who fought off five match points in the second set. The stubborn Blackbird was serving at 1-6, 5-6, and 15-40, double match point, when he pulled the game out, went on to take the tiebreak at 5-3, and won the match, 1-6, 7-6, 6-3.

Seim won, 4-and-4. Carver prevailed by 7-5, 6-1, and Pete TenEyck took the No. 5 singles by 6-4, 6-0.

A female tigris in the Martina Navratilova mold had a lot to do with the victory of a well-balanced Lake George team in the semis Thursday. Vincenza Procacci, a sophomore who plays No. 2 singles behind her brother, Armand, on Lake George's league champions, unleashed a serve-and-volley game that was too much for Zeh, who had survived a two-hour overtime struggle against Corinth in high humidity earlier in the day. The score was 6-3, 6-4. Losses by Seim and Carver in the singles and doubles nullified a second win by TenEyck and rendered the Volkwein-Zeh doubles unnecessary.

The setback failed to dim Ackerman's enthusiasm and optimism. "It's nice to see such a fine level of tennis in Class C," he said. "Our boys did extremely well, and we're looking forward to a fine season next year."

Tri-Village Little League

Standings May 30

Senior League					
14-15 Div.	W	L	13 Div.	W	L
Man. Han.	2	0	H'ling Mkt.	3	2
Handy Andy	1	0	K-Mart	3	2
Big 'M'	0	1	O. Corning	3	2
CPM	0	1	Applebee	1	2
Starwood	0	1	Gen Datsun	1	3

Major League					
American	W	L	National	W	L
Spotlight	4	2	Convenient	5	2
Col. Imports	4	3	Gen. Elec.	5	2
Meyer's Bike	3	4	Farm Fam.	4	2
Roberts	3	4	Pr. Green.	3	4
Main Care	1	6	Andriano's	2	5

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

Junior League					
American	W	L	National	W	L
Del Lanes	6	2	Klerys R'tly	4	0
Pat & Bob's	5	2	Windflower	4	1
Danz Heat	2	4	Sutter's Mill	3	5
4 Cor Lunch	0	4	Prof. Auto	0	6
Ties — Pat & Bob's, Danz Heating, 4 Corners Luncheonette, Klerys 2, Windflower.					

Spotlight SPORTS

BASEBALL

Eagles close with a win

One of the longest baseball seasons in Bethlehem Central annals came mercifully to an end last week on a winning note. After absorbing another familiar punishment, this time 15-7 at Columbia Wednesday, the Eagles closed their 1982 book with a 3rd triumph at home Thursday over a Saratoga team that had compiled a respectable record in the Suburban Council.

The split gave the Eagles a 3-17 record for the season.

Jim McGuiness, a senior righthander, stopped Saratoga on four hits, all singles. He gave up only one pass and fanned five. The lone run came on two singles and a steal in the first inning.

His mates provided the victory margin with three runs in the second frame. Ironically, it was sloppy fielding by Saratoga that let in the winning run.

Brian Peek got aboard on an error and moved up on Tom Duffy's sacrifice bunt. Chris Sheridan drew a walk, and Warren Sunderland singled to tie the score. With two out, the visitors booted consecutive drives by Mike Kendrick and Chris Congemi, allowing Sheridan and Sunderland to cross.

At East Greenbush, the game fell apart in the fourth when Columbia scored nine runs on four walks, two hits and two BC bobbles. Stu Allway had two singles and two walks in four trips for Bethlehem.



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LEGAL NOTICE

At a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York on the 26th day of May, 1982.

PRESENT: Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Geurtze, Mr. Prothero, Mr. Hendrick
 ABSENT: None

AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK

The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, does hereby amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Bethlehem, and does hereby enact and ordain as follows:

Section 1. The purpose of this amendment to the Zoning Ordinance is to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the Town of Bethlehem, in accordance with the recommendation of the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, and the said amendment is in accordance with a comprehensive zoning plan and is designed to encourage the most appropriate use of land in the Town.

Section 2. ARTICLE V-A—SITE PLAN APPROVAL DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:

ARTICLE V-A
 SITE PLAN APPROVAL
 A Site Plan shall be submitted to the Planning Board for approval whenever it is proposed to:
 1. Develop a lot, plot or parcel of land into one or more building sites for—

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a. Two-family, three and four-family or multi-family dwellings, or

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

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

2. Alter or convert an existing building supporting a commercial use, to the extent of increasing the area devoted to commercial uses by more than fifty percent (50%).

a. Exception: (1) Non-Conforming uses (See Article XV); (2) Commercial uses in an "AR" District.

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

a. an increase of 50% or less, in the area devoted to the commercial use, or
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c. an increase in the parking area provided for such commercial use. NOTE: The term "commercial use(s)"...

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:

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT PARCEL 81-F-148 Lands of Michael Frantsov and Patricia A. Frantsov, his wife (Reputed Owners) All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

pavement of 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, 130 feet, more or less, to the Westerly line of lands of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation as conveyed by deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 1375 of Deeds at Page 41;

easterly line of lands of Michael Frantsov and Patricia A. Frantsov, his wife, as conveyed by Deeds recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2048 of Deeds at pages 871 and 873, said point lying distant 16.5 feet as measured perpendicular to and southerly from the center-line of pavement of Russell Road (County Route No. 204);

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT Parcel 81-F-149 Lands of James Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife (Reputed Owners) All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

- The Site Plan submitted to the Planning Board for approval shall be prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of such Board and shall show the arrangement, layout and design of the proposed use of the land shown on such plan. Elements to be included in such plan, where appropriate, are those relating to: 1. Parking 2. Means of Access 3. Screening 4. Signs 5. Landscaping 6. Architectural Features 7. Location and Dimensions of Buildings 8. Utilities and facilities 9. Health, safety and the general welfare of the community.

The Planning Board shall review the Plan and consider the impact of the proposed use on adjacent land uses. The Planning Board shall approve; approve with modification or disapprove the plan not later than forty-five (45) days following the filing of the plan with such Board.

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

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

Section 3. This amendment to the Zoning Ordinance shall take effect ten days after publication as required by law.

The foregoing amendment to the Zoning Ordinance was presented for adoption by Mrs. Bickel, was seconded by Mr. Prothero, and was duly adopted by the following vote:

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

Noes: None BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

MARION T. CAMP Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem Dated: May 26, 1982

(June 2)

STATE OF NEW SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF ALBANY

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM AND BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT,

PETITIONER-CONDEMNOR, - AGAINST - MIKE SEKANIC, RESPONDENT.

NOTICE OF ACQUISITION INDEX NO. 1943-82

TO: MIKE SEKANIC Krumkilt Road Slingerlands, New York 12159 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an order has been made by Honorable Daniel H. Prior, Jr., Justice of the Supreme Court on May 12, 1982, granting the petition of the petitioner-condemnor herein, vesting title to the permanent easement described therein and that said order has been entered in the Albany County Clerk's Office on May 13, 1982, and further, pursuant to said order there has been filed together therewith a copy of the easement describing the rights acquired, a description of the location of the easement and a copy of the acquisition map.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the condemnees of such property shall, if so desired, on or before July 15, 1982 file a written claim demand or notice of appearance with the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem and with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Albany County, all pursuant to the provisions of § 503, Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

This notice is being served and published pursuant to and in compliance with § 502(B), Eminent Domain Procedure Law. DATED: May 10, 1982

JOSHUA J. EFFRON Attorney for Petitioner-Condennor Office and P.O. Address 11 North Pearl Street Albany, New York 12207 Telephone: (518) 465-1403

(June 2)

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:

Containing 0.052 acre of land, more or less. Intending to grant a right of way and easement over a strip of land having parallel and continuous sides throughout and a width of (22.5) feet, the center-line of said right of way and easement lying 27.75 feet southerly of the center-line of pavement of Russell Road, extending from the westerly line of lands of the Reputed Owners herein easterly to their easterly line.

Containing 0.066 acres of land, more or less. Intending to grant a right-of-way and easement over a strip of land having parallel and continuous sides throughout and a width of (22.5) feet, the center-line of said right-of-way and easement lying 27.75 feet Southerly of the center-line of pavement of Russell Road, extending from lands of Bradt Easterly to Lands of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

Being a portion of the same premises conveyed by Elizabeth V. Schloupt and Mildred L. Driscoll to James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife, by deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2140 of Deeds at Page 623.

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT Parcel 81-F-146B Lands of James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife (Reputed Owners)

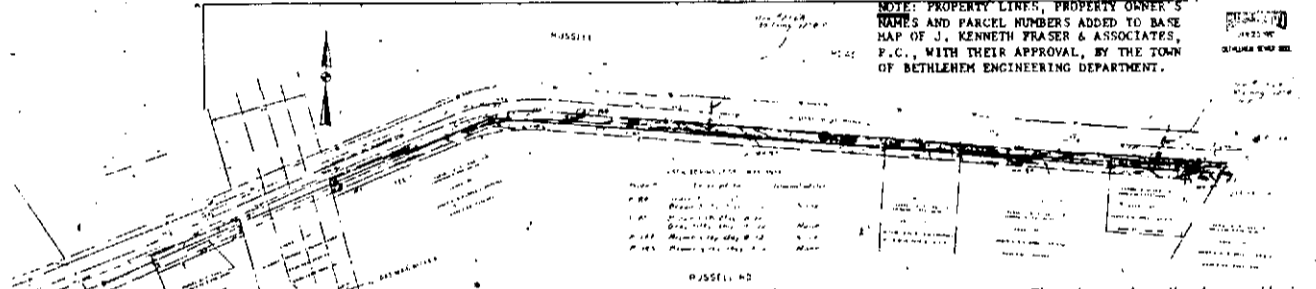
All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the easterly line of lands of Niagara

Containing 0.103 acres of land, more or less. Intending to grant a right of way and easement over a strip of land having parallel and continuous sides throughout and a width of (22.5) feet, the center-line of said right of way and easement lying 27.75 feet southerly of the center-line of pavement of Russell Road, extending from lands of Frantsov easterly to other lands of the Reputed Owners.

Being a portion of the same premises conveyed by Elizabeth V. Schloupt and Mildred L. Driscoll to James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife, by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2140 of Deeds at page 623.

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT Parcel 81-F-146D Lands of James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife (Reputed Owners)

All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town



NOTE: PROPERTY LINES, PROPERTY OWNER'S NAMES AND PARCEL NUMBERS ADDED TO BASE MAP OF J. KENNETH FRASER & ASSOCIATES, P.C., WITH THEIR APPROVAL, BY THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Mohawk Power Corporation as conveyed by Deed recorded in the office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 921 of Deeds at page 56, said point lying distant 16.5 feet as measured perpendicular to and southerly from the center-line of pavement of 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, 770 feet, more or less, to the westerly line of lands of Michael Frantsov and Patricia A. Frantsov, his wife, as conveyed by Deeds recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2048 of Deeds at pages 871 and 873; thence in a general southerly direction along the westerly 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 said center-line, 760 feet, more or less, to the easterly line of lands of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation; thence in a general northerly direction along said easterly line, 22.5 feet, more or less, to the point and place of beginning.

Containing 0.395 acre of land, more or less. Intending to grant a right of way and easement over a strip of land having parallel and continuous sides throughout and a width of (22.5) feet, the center-line of said right of way and easement lying 27.75 feet southerly of the center-line of pavement of Russell Road, extending from lands of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation easterly to lands of Frantsov.

Being a portion of the same premises conveyed by Elizabeth V. Schloupt and Mildred L. Driscoll to James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife, by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2140 of Deeds at page 623.

RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT Parcel 81-F-146C Lands of James V. Driscoll and Mildred L. Driscoll, his wife (Reputed Owners)

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of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of a 0.23 acre parcel of land conveyed to the Reputed Owners by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 931 of Deeds at page 188, said point lying distant 16.5 feet as measured perpendicular to and southerly from the center-line of pavement of 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, 53 feet, more or less, to the easterly division line of lands conveyed to the Reputed Owners by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2140 of Deeds at page 623; thence in a general southerly direction along said easterly division line, 25.5 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 said center-line, 41 feet, more or less, to the easterly line of the aforesaid 0.23 acre parcel of land; thence in a general northerly direction along said easterly line, 22.5 feet, more or less, to the point and place of beginning.

Containing 0.024 acres of land, more or less. Intending to grant a right of way and easement over a strip of land having parallel and continuous sides throughout and a width of (22.5) feet, the center-line of said right of way and easement lying 27.75 feet southerly of the center-line of pavement of Russell Road, extending from the easterly line of a 0.23 acre parcel of land conveyed to the Reputed Owners by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 931 of Deeds at page 188, easterly to the easterly division line of lands of the Reputed Owners as conveyed by Deed recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2140 of Deeds at page 623.

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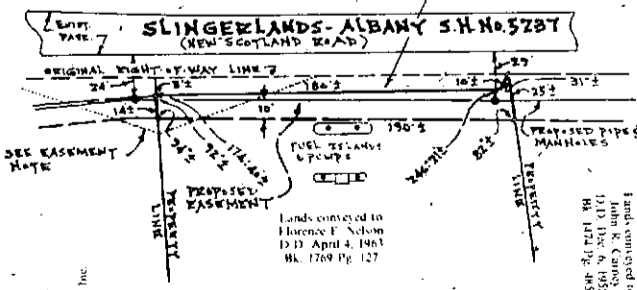
The above described parcel being more fully shown on a map entitled "BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT EXT. NO. 14, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK, CONTRACT NO. 1B COLLECTING SEWERS" made by J. Kenneth Fraser and Associates, P.C., Associate Engineers, Rensselaer, New York dated July 1981 and with the property liens, property owner name and parcel number added to the base map by the Town of Bethlehem Engineering Department. DATED: May 10, 1982

JOSHUA J. EFFRON Attorney for Petitioner-Condennor Office and P.O. Address 11 North Pearl Street Albany, New York 12207 Telephone: (518) 465-1403

(June 2)

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NOTE: Existing easement for purpose of ingress and egress - see modification of easement document filed in Albany County Clerk's office Dec. 12, 1957 in Bk. of Deeds 1563 Pg. 1

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Thanks for the tour

Editor, The Spotlight:

The girls of Brownie Troop #246 would like to express our appreciation for our tour of your newspaper. We especially liked seeing the darkroom and our names in print.

The whole tour was very informative and your staff most gracious.

Susan Parnes
Julie Crocker
Bernice Borgia

More on the budget

Editor, The Spotlight:

According to information set forth in a recent issue of *Bethlehem Highlights*, increases in teachers' salaries and pensions were the main reason for the increase in the Bethlehem school budget this year.

Mr. Nat Boynton pointed out in his Niskayuna article, and I believe properly so, that this year — when unemployment is at a near all-time high with more than nine million unemployed in the nation; when employers of many large industries and businesses are not only holding the line where salaries are concerned but also are frequently taking cuts in salaries in order to keep their jobs; when the cost of just about all things are still rising regardless of a decreasing rate of inflation; when most people are struggling just to make ends meet — is not the proper time for increasing school budgets by raising teachers' salaries and pensions.

It is my understanding that teachers, who work at their teaching jobs a lot less

than a full year, already have good salaries and pensions. I am very glad that they do and certainly they deserve them.

But why pick *this* year and *these* difficult times to increase rewards that are, apparently, already quite satisfactory and appropriate? Is this fair to the taxpayers who must pay such large school tax bills?

James R. Adams

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Editor, The Spotlight:

Your Education Survey article published in the March 24 issue features a very interesting analytical approach to the school cost question; unfortunately it also contains two or three arithmetic errors which cause the conclusions to be completely wrong! The most significant error is that the 1981-82 budget figure for Bethlehem (14,197,494) was divided by the 1977-78 enrollment (4,085) indicating a per pupil cost of \$3,475.52. When correctly divided by the 1981-82 enrollment (3,715), a per pupil cost of \$3,821.67 is obtained.

In addition, there is a typographical error in the Guilderland 1981-82 enrollment data. The figure given (4,552) should in fact be 4,352. When this corrected enrollment is divided into the 1981-82 budget amount of \$16,098,691, a per pupil cost of \$3,699.15 is determined.

Further, there is a minor error in the Niskayuna enrollment as shown. The correct 1981-82 number should be 3,838 rather than 3,822 figure that is given. When this revised enrollment is divided into the total budget amount, a per pupil cost of \$3,932.40 results.

Taken together we see that the range of per pupil expenditures for the three districts (Niskayuna, Bethlehem and Guilderland) is about plus or minus three percent of one another. The ranking of the three districts based on this parameter remains precisely the same as it was in 1977-78. Thus the article and its conclusions have no real meaning.

We would, therefore, greatly appreciate the table of data being correctly reprinted and the textual misinformation retracted. Finally, we would appreciate your continued support for all our fine school districts in the area. Please keep in mind, however, that this support should be based on merit, accomplishments, and individual values of a particular district

and not upon imagined expense or defects of other districts.

William McColl, Clerk
Board of Education

Niskayuna

Mr. McColl is correct in his first premise, that the article erred in computing the cost-per-pupil of the current (not the new) Bethlehem budget, but we stand on the other two figures he cites.

The figure for the Guilderland enrollment (4,552) is the figure given the Spotlight by the Guilderland school administration. Likewise, the figure for Niskayuna (3,822), was furnished by the school system itself. Both figures are correct in the table.

Our error in dividing the 1981-82 Bethlehem school budget by the 1977 enrollment made the Bethlehem school board look better in the article than it actually was. The article stated that Niskayuna, Bethlehem and Guilderland ranked 1-2-3 as the most expensive school systems of the 10 in the Suburban Council four years ago, but that in 1981-82 Guilderland had dropped to sixth and Bethlehem seventh. Correcting the Bethlehem figure leaves Niskayuna and Bethlehem currently as 1-2 as the most expensive in the Council, but Guilderland now is No. 7, not third as Mr. McColl contends.

For those who have filed our table of comparative costs, the correct Bethlehem cost-per-pupil should be \$3,821.67, not \$3,475.52; the increase should be 42.4 percent instead of 29.5 percent, and Bethlehem's ranking should be No. 2, not No. 7. Guilderland's ranking thus should be dropped from No. 6 to No. 7.

A telephone response

Editor, The Spotlight:

Judging by his letter in the May 26 *Spotlight*, County Executive James Coyne appears to be quite disturbed by my report clarifying the proposed telephone contract with American Dynatel. He mentioned my supposed "obvious prejudices," and stated: "she is also having trouble with the facts."

1. I gladly admit to a bias in favor of doing business with American companies and American workers, particularly in these times of high unemployment.

2. It is not worth the time to go into Mr. Coyne's elaborate defense of American Dynatel as really mostly American, not Japanese, owned. The fact is that the

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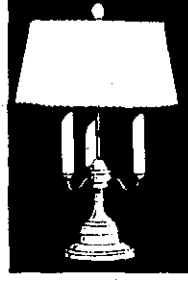
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computer, which is the major component of the proposed telephone system, is Japanese made.

3. The County Legislature's Finance Committee is going to review the whole issue of the telephone system before the next meeting of the legislature. The committee will have some new and different proposals before it. There are some pertinent questions the committee should explore. First, would the bid Mr. Coyne approves meet all the specifications? My information is that it may not. Secondly, how will the proposed system stand up insofar as maintenance is concerned, or will expensive alterations have to be made after it is installed? The record of the so-far-successful bidder in this respect should be explored.

Mr. Coyne mistakenly believes that I thought the \$35,000 Consultant, James Lenden, would be engaged on an annual basis. The \$35,000 Consultant fee is for the one job of designing the new county telephone system. The \$35,000 is top dollar for this kind of work, to say the least.

Sue Ann Ritchko
County Legislator

The home birth choice

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wish urgently to correct what to me is an unfortunate inaccuracy in reporting in the otherwise excellent article which appeared in the *Spotlight* on alternatives in childbirth by Caroline Terenzini on May 12.

I am quoted as believing home birth to be an unsuitable way to give birth. As Diane Balog, whose letter to the editor appeared in the following week's paper, pointed out, why would anyone interested in information on home birth follow the suggestions printed in the box (that they consult the Family Life Center for such information) if I did not believe home birth to be a "suitable" form of birth? Clearly, this is a total nonsequitur, and, indeed, totally untrue and very damaging to the entire enterprise in which Betsy Mercogliano and I, both registered nurses, are and have been engaged for three years.

What I had said to the reporter — and we spoke at considerable length — was that home birth is the alternative most to be desired for some couples, because it provides them with an atmosphere in which their feelings, wishes and choices for setting and attendants are given top priority, and because they have maximum freedom to establish a supportive ambience in their own terms for the birth

to take place. Under optimal conditions of both mother and father — in other words, for the couple that is relatively young, healthy, loving, intelligent and well-informed — this is the best alternative of all, and we will do what we can for such a couple to find either the home birth they are looking for or as close an alternative as our area can afford.

The catch is that this is not a universal option, as the article pointed out. Many couples are not good candidates for home birth, for either physical or emotional reasons, so screening needs to be both careful and supportive, since this fact is likely to be experienced as a severe disappointment. Objective criteria for suitability have been established by such home birth support groups as H.O.M.E., and the absence of one or more of such criteria can be understood by people seeking home birth as in no way a reflection upon their fundamental candidacy for successful birth *per se*. The continuity of support for all couples who come to us emerges from our belief that for every family there is a good birth to be found, whether at home, in a birthing center, or with an obstetrician in a hospital, but that what is required to find that suitable alternative is time to explore, to become informed, to exchange information and experience with other couples, and finally, to learn how to communicate effectively with whatever birth attendant one chooses, with our support and mediation if desired.

Mary Leue
Family Life Center

Albany

Keeping deer away

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have finally dug out the article on deer repellants which appeared in the Dec., 1980, issue of *House & Garden*. Too long to condense here but hilarious reading — she found creosote rags effective but don't let them drip on grass, also creosote soaked lengths of felt or rope around the garden. However, a Weyerhaeuser Co. researcher developed deer repellent used on tender seedlings of hemlock, pine, etc. A derivative of rotten eggs, it is available to the home gardener as MGK Big Game Repellent and protects woody plants one to four months. Write McLaughlin Gormley King Co., 8810 Tenth Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., 55427.

Now I know why I keep clippings, articles, recipes, etc. — they might come in handy someday.

Jane Wilson Jones
Slingerlands

True democracy

Editor, The Spotlight:

The last two meetings of the Town Board (May 12 and 26) have been very enlightening. Commendations are in order for both the members of the board and members of the community for engaging in a useful, educational and lengthy dialogue concerning a nuclear freeze. The board patiently listened to the people who spoke and sincerely considered the arguments and points presented. The people who attended maintained respect for the board and the democratic process in their eloquent pleas for a nuclear freeze.

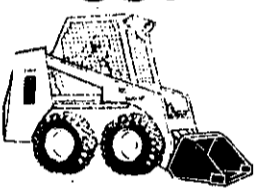
The opportunity to speak directly with our elected officials and feel that we are having an effect on their decisions is an awesome and truly great blessing of our society that should never be underestimated or ignored.

Although a resolution was passed in favor of a nuclear freeze, the deletion of the word "immediate" in the context left the freeze proponents without the feeling of total victory. However, we must remember that this is not the end of the freeze movement but rather should be considered a boost forward for continued support and dialogue with each other and elected officials. Grass roots does live and is extremely healthy.

Linda Russell

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Not a proper role

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Town of Bethlehem in addition to its normal functions in considering the matter of a "nuclear freeze" has now taken upon itself the role of "consumerist" and stands willing and able to examine and evaluate matters of national and general concern for the benefit of all the citizens of our country.

James H. Westervelt

Slingerlands

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Editor, The Spotlight:

The Voorheesville Area Ambulance Service, Inc. would like to thank all the residents in their district for their generous contributions during their recent fund drive.

Special thanks is also extended to the members of the New Salem Fire Department for their efforts in conducting the fund drive.

For those residents who were not contacted and wish to make a contribution, donations may be sent to The Voorheesville Area Ambulance Service, Inc., Voorheesville, New York, 12186.

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