

# THE SPOTLIGHT

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## She wakes up a near millionaire

When Anne Fisher woke up at 3 a.m. Monday it seemed like just another sleepless night. Later, she would wonder what took her downstairs to perform a chore she had often done before — look up the lottery number in the paper.

This time, she discovered that she had hit the jackpot — her \$1 Lotto ticket had all six numbers right, a one in 1.9 million shot, which means she was a potential \$5-million winner.

"Those things don't happen to people like me," said the Delmar widow, still without sleep after a day that saw her story on television and radio and as the lead headline in the evening paper. "I don't know how I'm still navigating."

Probably the worst part, though, was not being able to tell anybody at 3 a.m. that she had won. She did call Coulson's on Delaware Ave., where she had bought the ticket. And, after waiting for a reasonable hour to roll around, she called her sister, Anne Rourke, who lives in Albany. Then, of course, there were the lottery officials, the press and the congratulatory phone calls. Finally, a dinner with her sister and husband at Tool's to round out the day.

As it turned out, Mrs. Fisher has to



split the jackpot with five other winners, which means her share comes to \$833,333. According to lottery officials, she'll get her first check of \$39,437 in about two weeks, and then \$39,694 annually for the next 19 years. She is subject to a 20-percent withholding tax on the winnings.

The federal withholding will be \$7,887. There is no state tax withholding, but the winnings are taxable as ordinary income depending on the holder's tax bracket. Mrs. Fisher's state tax could run to 10 percent, or close to \$4,000.

Plans? "I'm so flabbergasted, floored. I haven't thought about it. I don't believe I'll do anything too much different," she said. The money will enable her to avoid going on Social Security when she becomes eligible in a few years, said Mrs. Fisher, a retired New York Telephone Co. secretary.

Mrs. Fisher's husband died two years ago. Her son, Mark, an RPI graduate, is in the Navy stationed in San Diego.

### Flapjacks for cash

When the day shift clerk at the Stewarts Ice Cream Store at Delaware and Elsmere Avenues opened the safe last Monday morning, the two money bags from the night before were right where they should have been. But inside the clerk found 11 pounds of pancake mix, and no money.

Bethlehem police were called, and a further check revealed a "large sum" of cash missing.

## Board delays Turner decision

By Vincent Potenza

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals has postponed its final vote on a resolution that would grant a controversial variance permitting legal offices in a residential zone on Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

At its meeting last Wednesday night the board deferred to Sept. 28 its decision on the application of Jess Turner for his duplex at 399-401 Delaware because one of its members, Orin Barr, was ill, and board Chairman Charles Fritts was out of town.

Board Member Thomas Scherer, acting chairman for last week's meeting, explained to those in attendance that because of the nature of the case board members felt they would rather decide the matter with as many members as possible in attendance.

There was another reason for the postponement, not acknowledged by the board. State law requires a vote of one more than a simple majority — in this case, four votes — when a town board of appeals goes against the recommendation of a county planning board. In this case, the Albany County Planning Board

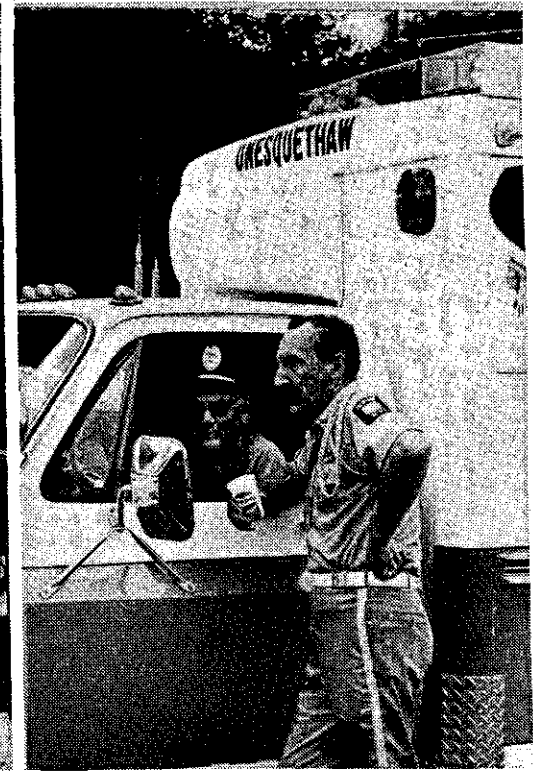
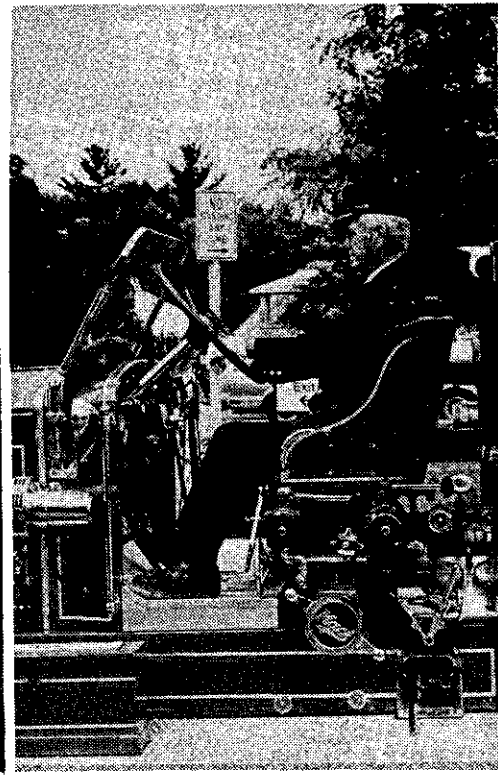
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## Here they come!

A Delmar youngster, right, responds to the first sounds of a marching band up the street as Elsmere firemen hosted the Albany County Volunteer Firemen's convention last weekend. Two parades delighted onlookers, a Mardi Gras funfest and a dress parade. In between there were informal moments for marchers, musicians and the kids, adults and oldtimers who lined the parade route. Everybody had a great time.

Photos by Tom Howes and Tom McPheeters



# □ Turner variance

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recommended the variance be denied, so the Bethlehem board needs four votes for passage. Only three members were present.

Sally Peyrebrune, of 420 Delaware Ave. presented a petition against the variance to the board with 19 signatures from homeowners along Delaware and Nathaniel Blvd. The petition listed many of the factors that have made the case controversial — the objection of the Albany County Planning Board, the informal objection of the Bethlehem Planning Board and the fact that no one but the applicant spoke in favor of the proposal at the public hearing while five area residents spoke in opposition.

The petition also stated that "there was not sufficient evidence presented at the hearing to prove unnecessary hardship on the part of the applicant . . ."

Turner had claimed at the hearing that as an absentee landlord he did not receive an adequate return on his investment in the property.

The petition did not mention the fact that one of the partners in the law firm

that proposes to buy the Turner property is Dixon Welt, treasurer of the Bethlehem Republican Committee, of which Scherer is vice-chairman and Board Member Kathleen Becker is secretary.

Board members explained to Mrs. Peyrebrune that the petition could not be considered as part of the testimony at the hearing. (A letter in favor of the proposal that was received after the hearing was likewise discounted as being too late.)

But Board Member James Ross said that the petition "can not be ignored in our consideration of the resolution."

After the board officially adjourned, Michael Breslin, who is chairman of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee and had been sitting in the audience, asked board members if their reluctance to vote without a full board indicated that they planned to pass the resolution.

Scherer told him that they would discuss the case at the next meeting and not before.

Breslin then charged that granting the variance was a "blatant political act" and would be granted on "baseless grounds."

"Look Mike," Scherer interrupted,

"you weren't at the hearing, you didn't come to any of the meetings and now this one's already over. Talk to the press."

## Camera club meets

The Delmar Camera Club has focused on Tuesday, Sept. 28, for the start of its 25th season. The photographers will congregate at the St. Stephen's Parish Hall on Elsmere Ave. in Delmar at 7:30 p.m.

The program, open to new and old members, will be highlighted by a display and demonstration of the latest cameras and lenses. "Bathers in the Summer Sun" will be the subject matter for evening's competition for prints and 35mm slides.

For more information, call 765-4673.

## Money for the Arts

Grants of up to \$3,000 for arts projects are available from the Decentralization Plan for the Capital District. Oct. 12 is the deadline for applications from not-for-profit organizations. The grant money is provided by the state Council on the Arts. A seminar to assist grant applicants is scheduled at 7 p.m. Thursday at Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave. Guidelines and applications are available from the Decentralization office, telephone 449-2811.

## Commissions at Academy

Daniel C. Tomson of Voorheesville has received a commission as first lieutenant in the Cadet Battalion at Albany Academy. Tomson is a senior.

Also at a recent academy assembly, Mark S. Verstandig of Delmar and John D'A. Tyree of Glenmont were named to the rank of second lieutenant.

## Animal trouble

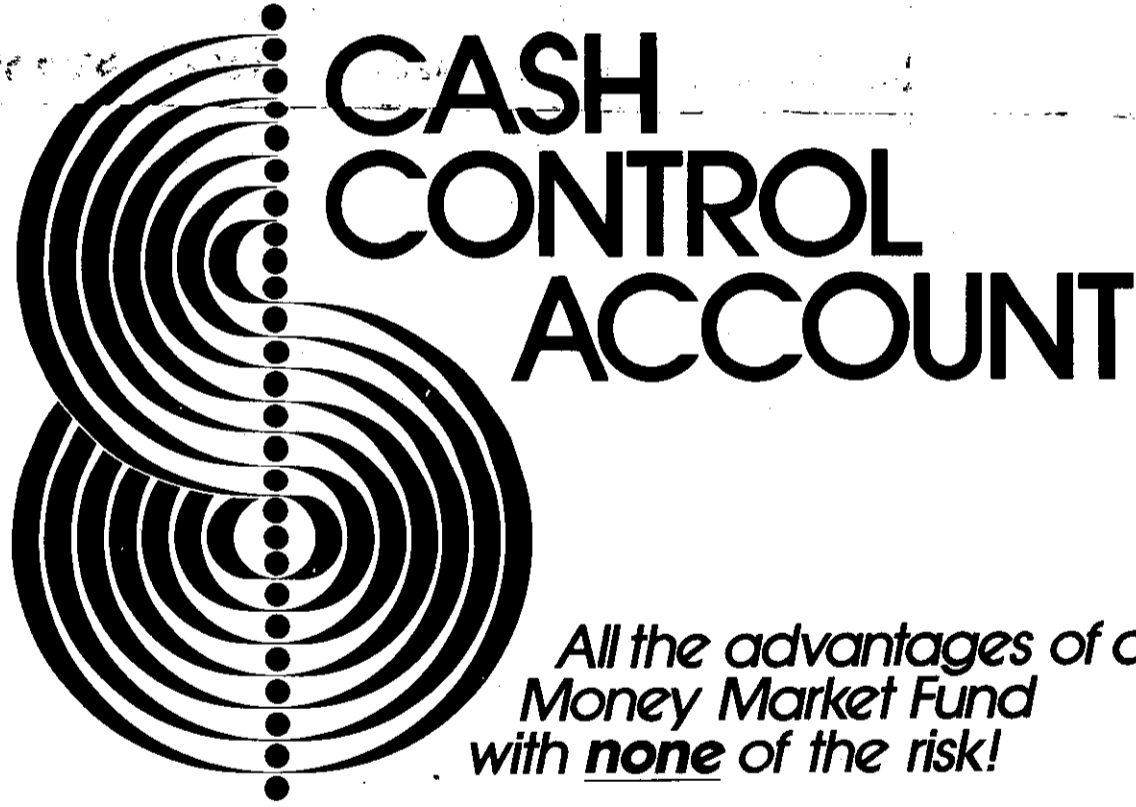
Dominick Cubello has had his brushes with Bethlehem authorities before over animals wandering off his Oakwood Rd. farm. Last year the town board considered passing a special law in his honor. This time, however, the situation is a bit more serious — he faces charges of reckless endangerment first degree and criminal nuisance after a cow that Bethlehem police say wandered off the farm was involved in an accident last Tuesday on the nearby Delmar Bypass.

The driver of the car, Diana Agostino, of 11 Fairlawn Dr., Selkirk, was taken to Albany Medical Center, where she was treated and released.

Cubello, an Albany resident, was arraigned before Town Justice Peter Wenger and released on \$1,000 bail pending a Sept. 28 court appearance.

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# Political notes

Thursday, after an unusually long and nearly unavoidable barrage of campaign rhetoric (particularly for television viewers), voters in New York State go to the polls to pick their party's nominees for state office, Congress and a scattering of party functions.

A scandalously low percentage of the voters actually exercise their franchise in primary elections, and this year it seems as if the candidates have spent more and more money to reach fewer and fewer people. But primaries do sometimes have a way of letting the politicians know what's going on.

So while all eyes will be on Koch-Cuomo horse race in the Democratic primary, the race between John Dow and Sam Stratton for the 23rd Congressional District — which may not be close at all — may have some serious things to say, especially in Bethlehem. And while the Republicans will be looking at how well Lew Lehrman does against Paul Curran in the other gubernatorial primary, Bethlehem politicians will be reading the results of the minuscule Conservative Party District 18 committeeman contest like tealeaves.

The Dow-Stratton contest has been called perhaps the clearest referendum anywhere on the nuclear arms race, with Dow running on the "freeze" platform and Stratton generally considered one of the most hawkish members of Congress.

It's unlikely to be all that close — Stratton, whatever his stance on defense issues, is an immensely popular and effective politician. He has never relied on the Albany Democratic Machine for his pluralities, and regularly shows as well in Republican suburban towns such as Bethlehem.

The interesting thing is that this "referendum" is confined to Democrats, who are in Bethlehem a relatively rare breed, without a single elective office to their credit. While the local Democrats are following the lead of their big brothers in the city and supporting Stratton all the way, Dow has developed his own campaign organization in the Tri-Village area.

Ironically, that support grew out of Bethlehem's own nuclear freeze debate last spring, which was a drama played out before the all-Republican town board. The freeze group's success in getting an acceptable resolution passed in Bethlehem encouraged it to stay together, and Dow's candidacy was the vehicle for that. Now even party leaders expect Dow to do very well in the Delmar-Elsmere part of Bethlehem.

Should the Dow forces prevail in Bethlehem, the question is whether that activism will be encouraged to move into the mainstream of a party sorely in need of new blood.

On the Republican side, both the Bethlehem and the county organizations have lined up solidly behind Lehrman, and the only question that remains is whether Curran can pull enough votes to slow his progress.

That leaves more energy for the Conservative primary, one of those tiffs that only a politician could love. Gregory and Monica Rutnik, of Kenwood Ave., are running against William and Colleen Little of Mill Dr., Elsmere, for the right to represent enrolled Conservatives — about 30 of them — in the 18th District. Rutnik is a well-known name in Albany politics; Gregory Rutnik is the brother of county Public Defender Douglas Rutnik and a member of the family law firm. The Littles have, say local politicians, supported Republican candidates in the past.

In the past several local elections the Bethlehem Republicans have successfully challenged Conservative Party endorsements of their Democratic rivals, and the two Conservative Party factions each claim the other is dominated by the major parties.

"We're not politicians," said Mrs. Little recently. "It's just that we're more conservative."

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When the dust clears, area voters can set their sights on November and another interesting local match-up, this one pitting another solidly-entrenched and popular vote getter against a newcomer with an idea.

Larry Lane, the Windham Republican who represents the southern part of Albany County in the state assembly (he is losing New Scotland to Albany Democrat Richard Connors due to reapportionment), is being challenged by Bernard Melewski, 31, a former lobbyist for the Environmental Planning Lobby. While Melewski, who moved into district this year, hardly represents a major threat to Lane, he does provide an interesting contrast.

One of Melewski's tasks at the Environmental Planning Lobby was to help the state bottle bill, which Gov. Carey recently signed into law.

Last January, when it became evident that the bottle bill finally had a chance of passing in New York State, opponents came out with an alternative measure — Total Litter Control (TLC) — that promised to do essentially the same thing without requiring returnable bottles and all the inconvenience that implies for bottlers. Lane was among the early sponsors of the TLC bill, which eventually was passed by both houses along with the bottle bill. Carey, the choice left to him, signed the bottle bill and vetoed TLC.

Tom McPheeters

## Gas station variances

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals granted two special exceptions to the Amerada Hess Corp. at its meeting last Wednesday night. One will allow the company to operate its station at Rts. 396 and 9W in Selkirk to operate 24 hours a day, the other will permit modernization of the firm's operation on New Scotland Road in Slingerlands.

## Dutch shoes sell area

The Albany County Convention & Visitors Bureau has put together a new campaign to boost Albany's image as a convention and tourist site. The campaign logo is stylized Dutch wooden shoes, which will appear with the themes

"Put Yourself in Our Shoes" and "Kick Off Your Shoes with Us." The concept was created by Halpin Williams, Albany advertising agency.

## Honoring past presidents

Past presidents of the American Legion Auxiliary will be hailed at a dinner meeting to be held at the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post on Tuesday, Oct. 5. A cordon bleu meal at 7:30 p.m. will follow a cocktail hour at 6:30 p.m. Chaired by Barbara Whitney, the dinner is also being organized by Freda Sherman and Roxy Erlichman. For reservations, phone Elaine Morissey at 439-7240 before Sept. 28.

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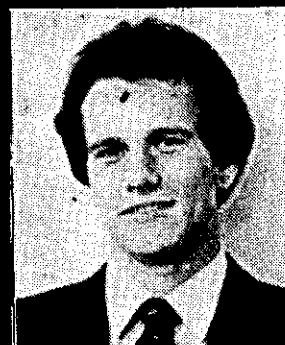
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# School board mulls its own helmet law

By Caroline Terenzini

The Bethlehem Central school board had to think long and hard last Wednesday before okaying creation of a bicycle club for BC students.

Assured by Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn that the district's liability insurance would cover students in such a club, the board debated whether to require helmets and whether the district should provide them. State law requires motorcyclists to wear helmets (a bone of contention for some), but there is no such requirement for bicyclists.

After 30 minutes of discussion, the board agreed to permit the club and to require helmets approved by the club adviser. But it wasn't easy reaching that decision. The cost of bicycling helmets (\$30-\$40) had prompted board President Bernard Harvith to suggest the district purchase them for the club, but other board members objected that would set a precedent for the district's supplying other clubs. The possibility of rentals or group discounts in purchasing also was brought up, though John Clyne insisted, "Let them buy their own!"

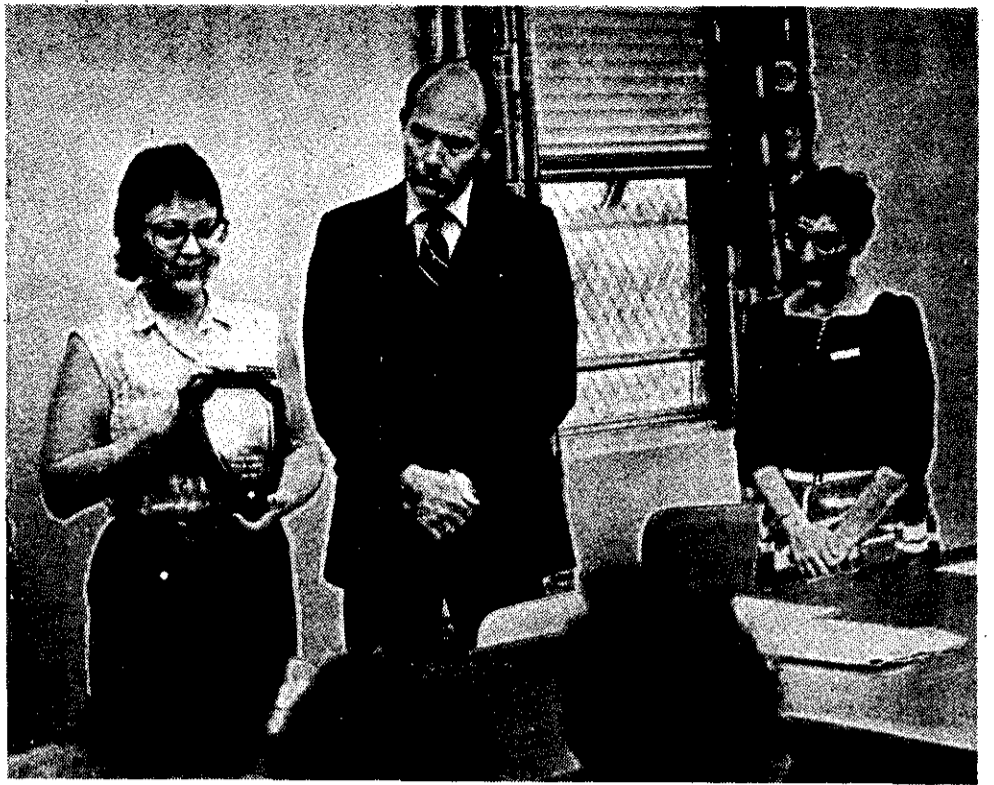
The board also wrestled with the fact that the district has offered bicycling in its physical education for six or seven years, and, according to Sheila Fuller, the students in that elective do not have helmets. Zinn said, "You can bet I'm going to be investigating helmets for the gym class tomorrow."

The bike club was proposed by high school chemistry teacher Norman Shartz, who is a member of the Mohawk-Hudson Wheelmen. Shartz said he had seen many poor riding habits, and "I'd like to set an example. I don't know how many are going to jump at this opportunity. But if one kid wants to come along, I'm willing to go." Participation on a ride would be limited to about 20 students, he said.

Shartz also gave board members copies of guidelines for the club, as well as a map of routes. The guidelines for the club, as well as a map of routes. The guidelines characterized the club as a touring, not a racing group, and emphasized that there would be safety checks of bikes before each ride. The "season" would be September and October, and April and May, he said.

In other business, the board approved 1982-83 salaries for district administrators. They are: Zinn, \$54,500, up \$3,500; and Assistant Superintendent J. Briggs McAndrews and Business Administrator Franz Zwicklbauer, \$44,000, up \$3,000.

Following the regular business meeting, district librarians presented a program about new library services. Fred Pickett, Hamagrael School librarian, outlined "Great Books" discussion techniques, and Peg Lewis, from Slingerlands, captivated the audience as a storyteller. Shirley Schenmeyer and 9th grader Fritz O'Hara demonstrated a



Joann Pichurko, left, president of the Staff Association of the Visiting Nurse Association of Albany, presents a memorial plaque in honor of the late Mrs. Jean Reynolds' volunteer efforts for the association to Board of Directors President Jack DeBevoise. Mrs. Reynolds a Delmar resident, was a past president and member of the board of directors from 1966 to 1981. Mrs. Mary Bromirski, right, VNA Executive Director, looks on.

computer program for fiction selection, and Ellen Otis, a high school librarian, manned a video camera.

After the presentation, the board adjourned to executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

## BC merit semifinalists

Six Bethlehem Central seniors are semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition. They are Thomas P. Connolly, Clement B. Edgar;

George S. Gravlee, Henry L. Peyrebrune, Elin P. Swanson and Lucy A. Wall.

The 15,000 semifinalists nationwide represent the top half of one percent of each state's high school senior class. They are in competition for some 5,000 Merit scholarships to be awarded in the spring. More than one million students took the qualifying tests.

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# Youth council sets speakers

By Julie Ann Sosa

Bethlehem's Youth Advisory Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse has announced plans for a speaker series and other projects.

Coming off its summer recess, the council met recently to confirm a schedule of speakers on substance abuse through December in the Bethlehem Public Library's community room. The four-part series will begin at 7:30 p.m. on different weeknights in order to adapt to busy family schedules. The programs are designed to give parents the incentive to join local support groups like Effective Parenting, the most recently formed one. "Effective Parent" leaders Marsha Gordon and Gail Haines attended the Sept. 13 council meeting, expressing interest in the board's plans.

Nancy Haller, director of the Albany County Preventive Education and Treatment Program, will take to the podium on Tuesday, Sept. 28. On Monday, Oct. 18, Claire Rosicot of the Schenectady Tough Love group will talk about how parents must sometimes "be cruel to be kind."

Wednesday, Nov. 3, will see CAPDA (Citizens Alliance to Prevent Drug Abuse) the topic of discussion. Speaking will be Alfred Zielinski, coordinator of preventive activities of the New York State Division of Substance Abuse Services, and Terry Jackson, also of the state division. Bringing the series to an end on Thursday, Dec. 16, will be David Kindschi of the Colonie Youth Centers, Inc. parenting program. His topic is to be STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting).

A question and answer period will follow each of the talks and, in cooperation with the library, reading bibliographies will be distributed so the audience can further research existing groups combating drug abuse.

Also announced was the approval of a \$11,470 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to the Bethlehem Central school district and community to fund a team of representatives to participate in the 10-day "Adelphi" program. Designed to teach registrants how to change community attitudes, the session will show how a community can set up an effective program to combat drug and alcohol abuse.

Within six months of returning home from their Adelphi stay, the group must submit such a program for funding. Included on Bethlehem's team will be council Chairman Philip Maher and school Superintendent Lawrence Zinn. Niskayuna, which recently attended the program, responded positively to what its group learned.

For the Bethlehem Town Board's upcoming budget, the advisory council also reviewed an application for Project Hope representative Lewis F. Krupka and Mary Ann Finn to open a suburban unit for Bethlehem, Ravena and Coeymans that would complement a similar unit in Guilderland, in existence since September, 1980. The newly proposed Project Hope would serve 24 13 to 15 year olds (12 male, 12 female).

## Drug abuse seminar

To provide information on the nature and extent of the current substance abuse problem to adults in the community, the State University at Albany's College of Continuing Studies is offering a two-credit graduate seminar, "Health and Drug Education Outside the School," on five Saturdays, Sept. 25 to Oct. 30 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Topics will include the nature and scope of the drug problem, drug pharmacology, medical research on drug effects such as the fetal alcohol syndrome, and

the nature of a school/community prevention program.

The instructor, Anthony Lento, holds a master's degree from the University at Albany and is an associate professor in the university's School of Education. Lento will be assisted by School of Education staff.

For more information, call the College of Continuing Studies at 455-6129.

## Lost and found

Lost something in or near the Bethlehem Town Hall? Anyone who can answer "yes" to this question is urged to visit Room 101 at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, to identify and reclaim the lost item.

Included in the "found" list are three hats, two parkas, two scarves, several sets of keys and individual keys, one pair of mittens and two mis-matched gloves, a bookbag with a book inside and several jewelry items.

Hopefully, all "found" items will be reunited with their owners.

## Trip to the Follies

The Town of Bethlehem Senior Citizens organization will sponsor a trip to The Egg for a showing of the "Knickerbocker Follies," this Sunday.

The group will travel to the Empire State Plaza via bus, which will depart from the town's municipal parking lot in Delmar at 1:15 p.m.

Further information on this trip and other trips planned for the future is available at the Senior Citizen Organization meetings, held from 12:30 to 4 p.m. each Thursday at town hall.

## Births



### Albany Medical Center

Girl, Tammy, to Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Cooke, Slingerlands, Aug. 30.

Girl, Shannon Rory, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Connor, Selkirk, Aug. 28.

Girl, Lisa Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Maxwell, Delmar, Sept. 4.

Boy, Jonathan Aaron, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Albert, Delmar, Sept. 9.

### St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Laura Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Nicholson, Selkirk, Aug. 21.

## Health care at home

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# Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

Sept. 19, 1957

John Stokoe, an all-around star athlete at BCHS who helped pitch Wake Forest University to the NCAA championship as a college sophomore, has been signed to a 1958 contract by the Milwaukee Braves of the National League and has been assigned to the Atlanta Crackers of the Class AA Southern Association. John, 22, attracted major league scouts while pitching in the Halifax District League this summer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Stokoe, 149 Orchard St., Slingerlands.

Sept. 20, 1962

The Bethlehem Planning Board has prepared an overall plan for zoning the balance of the entire town. Consideration is being given to the best use of the land and diversification to help provide a balanced tax structure. The original zoning ordinance was put into effect Dec. 15, 1944, and was considered a milestone at that time, the first in the area.

New officers of the Delmar Rotary club are: William J. Comstock, Jr., president; Robert Jackson, vice president; Leslie Edsall, secretary; Raymond LaMoy, treasurer, and Harvey Holman, sergeant-at-arms.

Sept. 21, 1967

The Glenmont Post Office will be relocating soon although the site of its new quarters is not certain. The present building at the intersection of Rts. 9W and 32 (Feura Bush Rd.) will be demolished to make way for a new Mobil station. Glenmont, once called Bethlehem Center, has had a post office since 1854. J.M. Comstock is the present postmaster.

Sept. 21, 1972

The New Scotland Town Board has passed a bonding resolution for renovation of the town hall and an extension on the east side of the present building. The cost is estimated at \$220,000, of which \$25,000 will be allocated from current funds and \$195,000 from a bond issue to span 10 years. Although only a permissive referendum is required under law, the board has decided to put the proposition to a public vote, and set Oct. 9 from 1 to 8 p.m. for the referendum.

Sept. 22, 1977

Five Bethlehem Central teachers carrying placards are picketing the Board of Education headquarters. A PERB conciliator has been appointed to mediate the union contract negotiations stalled since last June. Meanwhile, five teachers on Middle School Team 8-C cancelled a scheduled field trip to Cooperstown.

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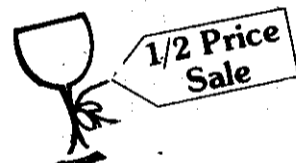
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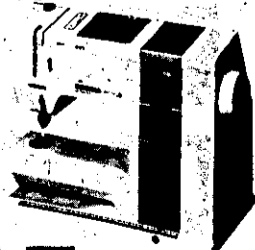
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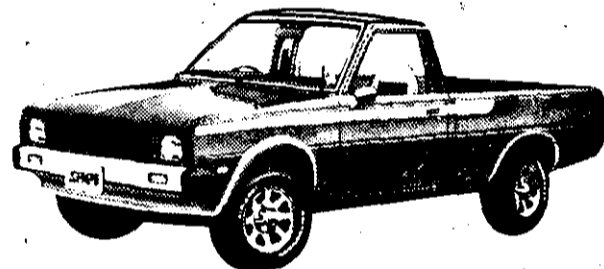
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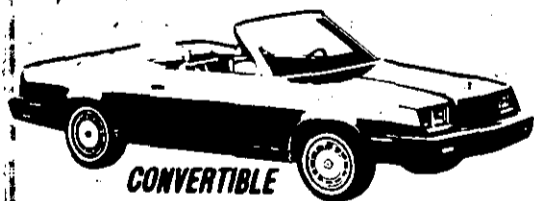
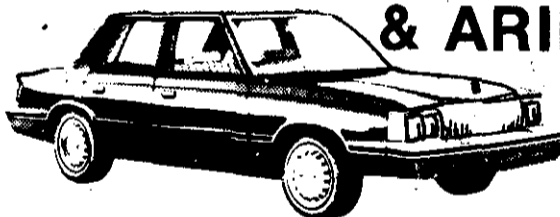
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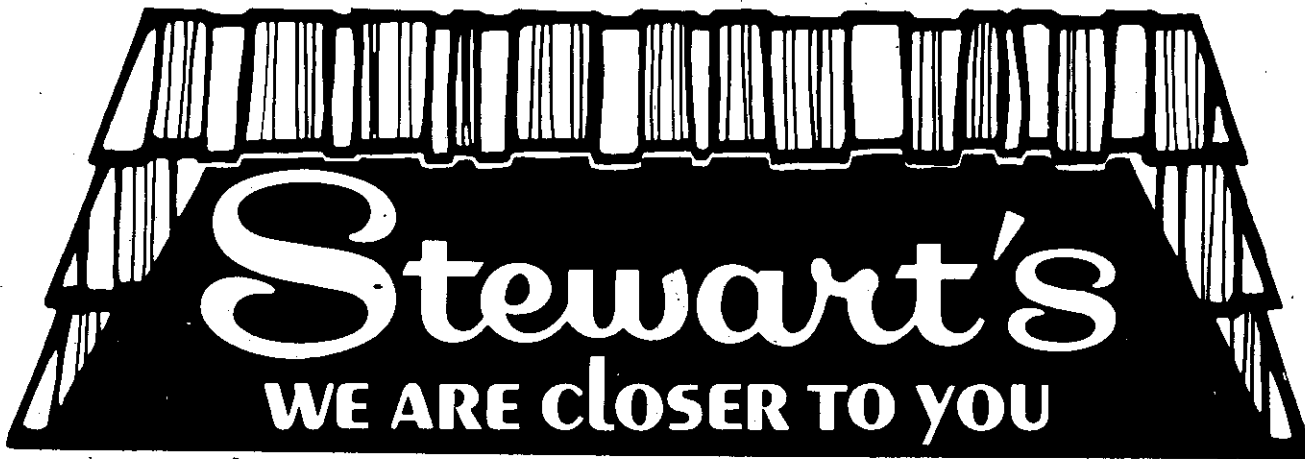
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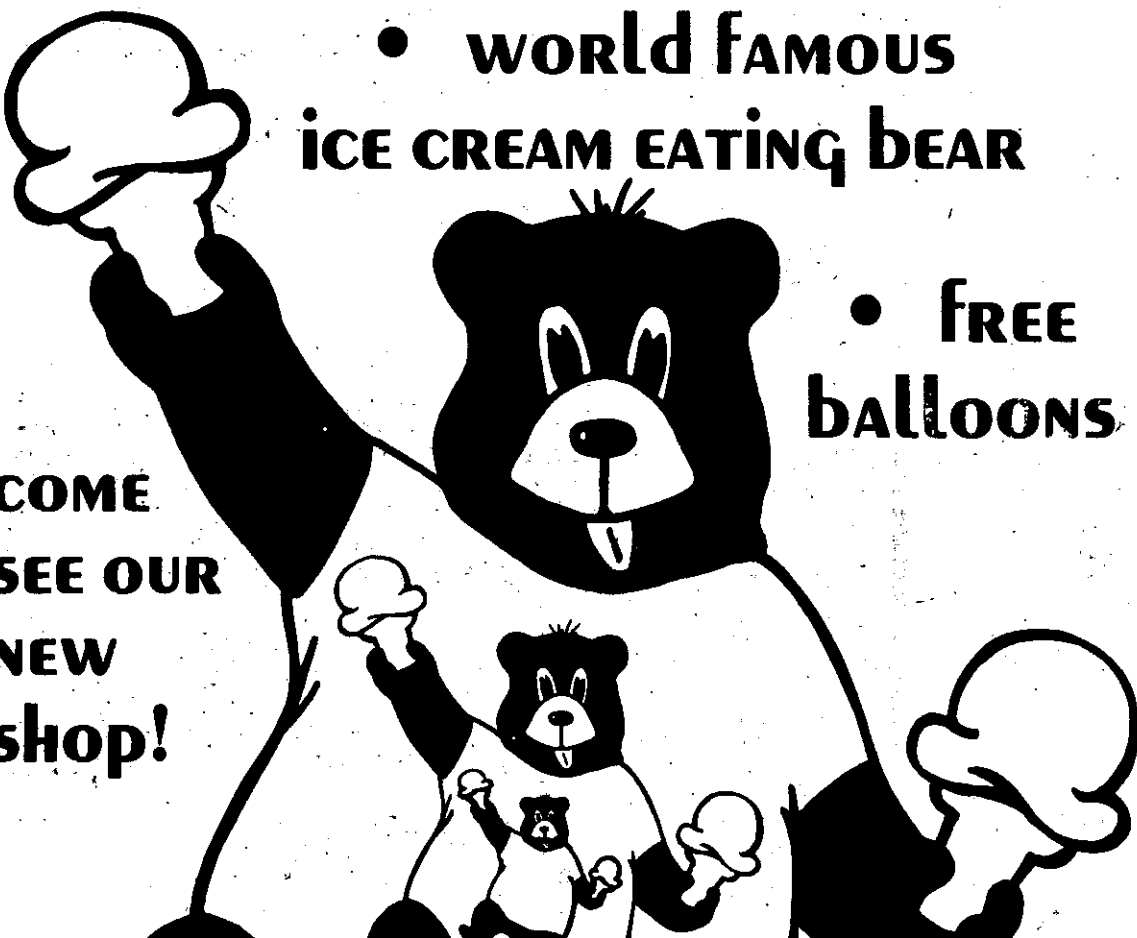
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# Albany County Legislature



Sue Ann Ritchko reports:

In a more than ordinarily raucous meeting, the September session of the Albany County Legislature acted upon a series of comparatively mild resolutions, few of which were all that controversial.

I attribute the stridency and excitability of the Democrat majority to the nervous strain caused by the Democrat Machine's internal struggles, resulting from the prolonged illness of Mayor Erastus Corning. Whatever the cause, the session was almost unbearably noisy and boisterous.

The majority of the Republicans voted with the Democrats this time for a \$150,000 bond issue to pay the cost of resurfacing Route 152 and 154 in the Town of Colonie. Republicans had voted down this bond issue last year, maintaining that the funds should be regularly provided for in the county budget. We then had a surplus, estimated at \$12 million; now Majority Leader Richard Meyers claims we will have a deficit.

However, since it is obvious work has to be done on the county roads, which are in deplorable condition, we had to agree to the only step currently offered to do at least some repairs, although not nearly all that is needed.

Bethlehem's Edward Sargent, who voted for the bond issue, repeated his frequently-voiced warning that the county should have an overall plan to take care of the county roads, highways, and streets instead of adopting piecemeal small bond issues, which cost the taxpayers much more in the long run.

Minority Leader Gordon Morris referred to the "remarkable" budgeting procedures which could turn a \$20 million surplus in 1980 and 1981 into an alleged deficit at the present time.

I note that the new county offices at the controversial 112 State St. location cost \$4.5 million to purchase and \$5 million to renovate. This was an action intended to help bail the City of Albany out of its fiscal crisis. The crisis still exists, however.

The Legislature voted to award a contract, of \$1,700,000 for county property and casualty insurance to the Traveler's Insurance Company, acting through its agent, Albany Associates, Inc., reportedly Mayor Corning's insurance company. It was stated in the resolution that Traveler's, acting through its agent, was the only bidder for the county insurance. What company would even bid against Albany Associates, Inc.?

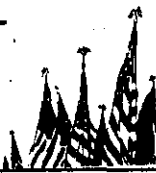
A resolution for a public hearing on a local law exempting residential heating fuels from the county sales tax, proposed by Menands Republican Kenneth MacAffer, was referred, without discussion, to the Finance Committee — where it will be buried.

Gordon Morris tried in vain to get an explanation of a resolution to create the position of a Cash Management Analyst at a salary of \$19,817 in the Albany County Department of Finance's budget. Although the matter should be one of public information, the Democratic majority refused to state whether the position was

exempt from civil service, or whether or not a civil service test was or would be given for the position.

I feel I must again stress that unless the Republicans take the proposed county election district's redistricting to court, the Republican minority will be in an even worse position than it is now. Our taxpayers will receive even less protection from the arrogant and political spending of the majority Democrats than they do now. People get the sort of government they deserve. Taxpayers, through their representatives, should insist upon court action and insist that it be taken immediately. They will feel the consequences in their pocketbooks if they don't, but by then it will be too late.

## Spotlight on the services



Senior Airman James M. Wilkie, son of Lyle H. and Patricia M. Wilkie of Selkirk, has reenlisted in the U.S. Air Force after being selected for career status.

Assigned to Sembach Air Base, West Germany, Wilkie was approved for reenlistment by a board which considered character and performance.

The airman is a communications equipment specialist with the 2134th Communications Squadron.

Spec. 5 Elaine Krzanowski, daughter of Leona and Walter Krzanowski of Selkirk, has arrived for duty in Heidelberg, West Germany.

Krzanowski, a personnel specialist with the 26th Support Group, was previously assigned at Fort Knox, Ky.

Maura A. O'Brien, daughter of Timothy J. and Marjory M. O'Brien of 29 Preston Road, Delmar, has been officially accepted into the U.S. Military Academy's Corps of Cadets as a member of the class of 1986 during the annual acceptance parade.

The parade followed six weeks of rigorous basic cadet training at West Point, academy. Training in military customs and courtesies, drill and physical conditioning, tactical exercises and the firing of weapons introduced the basic cadets to military life with special emphasis on leadership, duty, honor and country.

The new cadet is a 1982 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Jeffrey T. Hodder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Hodder of Glenmont, has been appointed a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force.

Hodder is a ground equipment mechanic with the 416th Field Maintenance Squadron at Griffiss Air Force Base, N.Y.

He received an associate degree in 1976 from Hudson Valley Community College, Troy.



A newcomer's reception for State University at Albany faculty members held at the home of University president Vincent O'Leary in Slingerlands last Sunday brought out a real newcomer. That's baby Alexander in the arms of Mary O'Meara, left, with Carl Lankowski and father Alan Wagner. *W.A. Campbell*

### La Leche meeting

The Delmar evening group of La Leche League will meet at 8 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) at the home of Ann Schucker, 8A Valley View Drive, Glenmont, to discuss "the advantages of breastfeeding to mother and baby."

The group will meet the third Wednesday of the month through December to discuss difficulties and rewards of breastfeeding. All women interested in nursing, and their babies, are welcome. La Leche League is in its 26th year, and has more than 4,200 groups in 45 countries.

### A semester in London

Susan S. Waugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Waugh of Delmar, is among 33 St. Lawrence University students spending the fall semester in London. Courses there will be taught by St. Lawrence faculty members and British staff associates.

### Campbell labels wanted

Glenmont Elementary School pupils are collecting Campbell soup labels and proof-of-purchase seals from specially marked Post cereals in order to obtain equipment for the school. Franco-American and Swanson canned food labels also are needed. Containers for the labels are at Bethlehem Public Library and at the school.

### Autumn starwatch

An autumn starwatch is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 23, at 8 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar. Co-sponsored by the Albany Area Amateur Astronomers, this program will study the stars, constellations, and deep sky objects of the autumn sky. Binoculars, flashlight and warm clothing will be appropriate. In case of inclement weather, an indoor program is planned.

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# They remember Bouck White and his castle

Castles bespeak romance, and none more so than the Helderberg Castle in Voorheesville. Though it is smaller than the castles of the Loire and the Rhine, the romance is as real and as lasting, as evidenced by the memoirs below. The castle in question is of unusual architecture, an altogether fitting tribute to the man who built it.

Charles Bouck White, Harvard graduate, former minister, self-styled renegade, ceramic artist and castle architect, cut a striking figure in his day that lives on in his work and the memories of his contemporaries. He died in 1951 at the age of 64.

Few people have managed to leave such a mark on the area solely by virtue of their creative ability and strength of personality. The tag "romantic" is apt.

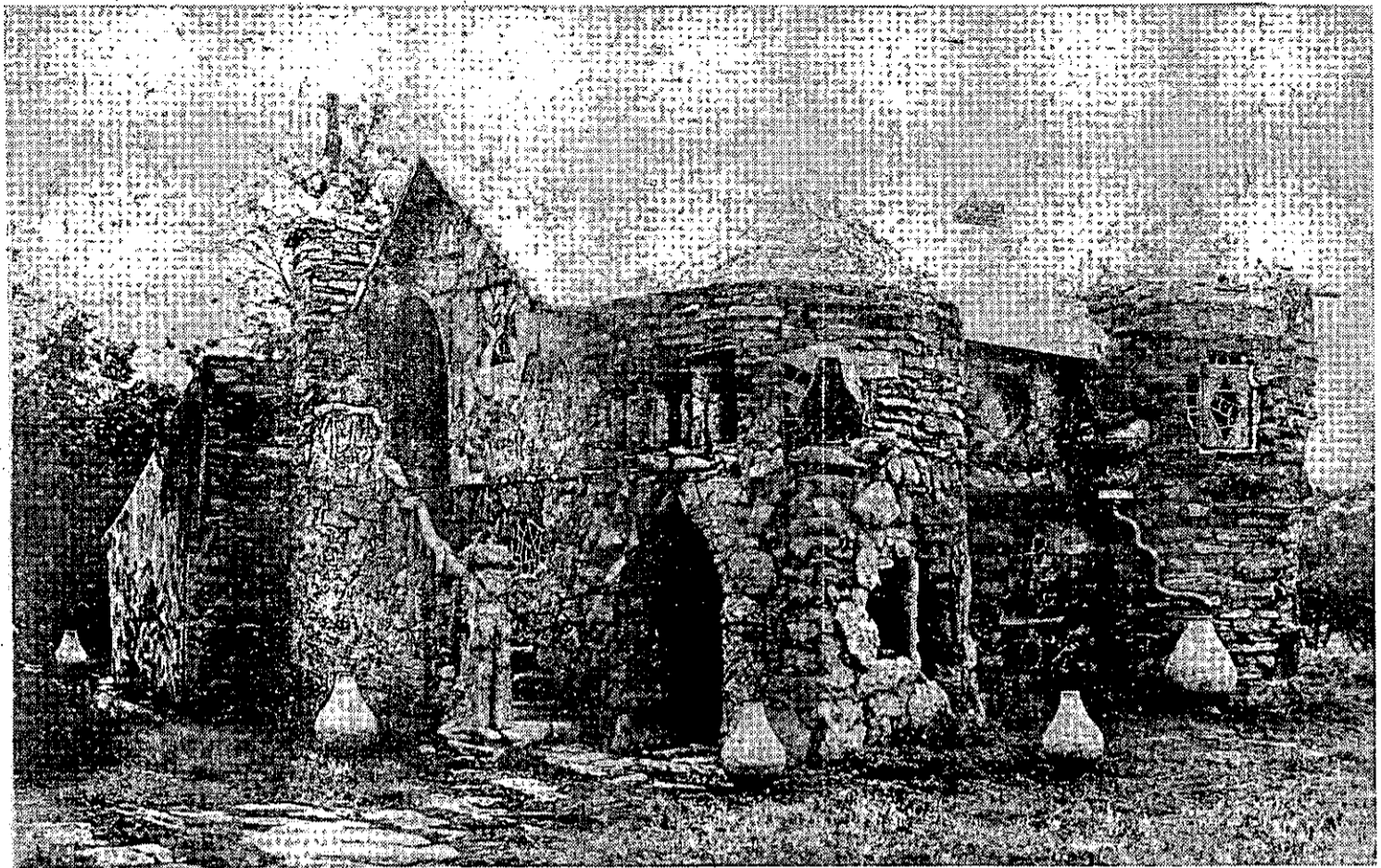
The Regan family, which now owns the castle, has opened it to visitors this year, and will continue with weekend hours (10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday) as long as weather permits.

Madelon Pound Graves, New Scotland historian-researcher, wrote her own reminiscence of White and asked other residents and former residents of the town for their memories of this remarkable man.

By John Hall Blackburn

In the late twenties Charles Bouck White came in to the Blackburn office to buy cement which he said was needed to make some unique pottery whose secret he had discovered while living in southern France. Intrigued by Bouck White's educated diction and present unique profession, I visited him several times at his Chestnut Street workshop. He made decorative trays of a mixture of powdered asbestos and cement to make them hard. On the surface he imbedded patterns of colored material, like thin mica, which adhered when the asbestos-cement had set. The glazed materials in a variety of colors were the rare ingredient which made his products unique.

As his production grew larger, he yearned for a more secluded place to live, in the country where he would have more room to work but, particularly where he would be away from the congestion of a city and could survey the world from his own unique vantage point. He discovered a flat portion of mountain top on the Helderberg escarpment above the road



Bouck White's castle, built by hand out of native rock, sits on considered one of the most historic spots in the Western Indian Ledge in the Helderberg escarpment, which he Hemisphere.

that leads to Thacher Park. The limestone was fissured and could be dug out or broken into pieces for building a home.

**Bouck White created his home, his tower, his pottery, but more than that he lived his beliefs.**

At first, before winter he excavated a basement, so to speak, and surrounded it with walls and a sloping roof, but leaving large spaces for windows made of pieces of broken windshield glass held together permanently by the same "cement" he used in making his pottery.

He invited two brothers from Sweden to live with him and help with the work. They pitched in right away and by the next winter his sunken hideaway blossomed into a rough house of sorts. A year

or so afterward he constructed a rustic tower at the very edge of the cliff and installed a phonograph and loud speaker so that his "singing tower" could be heard below. Later he built a large round structure—a sort of domed teepee.

Bouck White came from Schoharie County and was of the family of Gov. Bouck of New York. He had entered the ministry and became rector of a number of Episcopal churches. The story is told that on cold nights he took unfortunates into the sanctuary and they slept on the cushioned seats there. When some of the parishioners heard this, they were upset and this led to his quitting the pastorate.

By Madelon Pound Graves

In a deep crevice in the worn-down limestone mountain known as the Helderberg lie the bones of a man. That is the story. Not a Stone Age or Neanderthal fellow, but one of our kind. His name

was Charles Bouck White, sometimes hyphenated, and so confusing to me as a child that I called him Bob White, thinking his voice almost as melodious as that of the bird.

That is the memory I have of this controversial, interesting and sometimes scandalous (to the more conventional residents of New Salem and Voorheesville) Hermit of the Helderbergs.

His low-keyed voice was steady and sure, whereas my father's often became staccato, the words tumbling out on top of each other, so excited was he by an idea and the urge to explain his point.

They discussed the future League of Cities, the obsession of people with things and gadgets, the likelihood of life after death and other subjects beyond my comprehension. The funny little paths, the woods and cliffs called to me at those times and I was delighted to go explore for an hour or so. The latest building

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accomplishments were fascinating to me — how windows could be made with such a variety of shape, how arches could be held together with only those fragile looking stones. And where did he find the Old Stone Man that guarded the stairway?

The workshop where the mysterious protest pottery was created was off-limits so I avoided the path leading there, guarded as it was by the two strong silent Swedes, Sigurd and Karl Bergstrom.

I never wandered too far away, then, although in the intervening years I have come to know most of the paths and the old roads of the escarpment. My father's whistle, "Come here, all you little Pounds," (there were four of us girls) would bring me back in time to see Mr. Bouck White, tanned, with "City of God" tattooed on his chest, squatting Indian fashion. He claimed to be part Indian, then he traced one of the many fossils with his finger and told us that this was the bottom of the ocean at one time and that this fossil had been here since the world began.

Bouck White created his home, his tower, his pottery, but more than that he lived his beliefs. I, for one, would rather look west from our ridge and see the Helderberg limestone "Castle" than look east and see the imposing marble towers of the capital city of the Empire State.

The Old Stone Man has fallen over and no longer guards the stairway. There are no bones in the crevice that I could find, but I hope that B.W.'s ashes have found a place in the soil that he loved.

By Albert H. Harris, M.D.

On a Saturday afternoon in the winter of 1937, two young physicians working in the state Health Department took a hike in the Helderberg Mountains, that for them proved to be a memorable one. They found Bouck White in his "Castle." He appeared happy to receive visitors as his home was off the beaten track, and he had only two young men as companions,

disciples and fellow workers in the pottery shop. Bouck White was a fine looking man, erect and spare with an aristocratic nose and pure white hair, which was in marked contrast to his bronze skin, typical of American Indians. He was proud of his Iroquois heritage.

The unique pottery that provided his livelihood consisted of colored shards set in clay which was then sun-baked. Each item carried his logo, which was a cross slashed into the soft clay with a stick. He explained that the emblem had great significance, having been found in a boulder in front of the "Castle." There was an aura of skepticism surrounding the crossed lines in the rock. He was certain that it was the work of an ancestor of his.

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The "Castle" was an assemblage of irregular pieces of Helderberg blue stone cemented together. Whenever he could not find a stone to fit, he installed a piece of glass as a window. No two windows were the same shape or size.

When we entered, Bouck White was feeding chips of wood to a roaring fire in the fireplace. It kept the whole house warm and cozy. He explained why the fireplace was highly efficient. The arch of the opening was exactly 11 times the size of the flue. A smaller opening, he said would be inefficient; a larger one would not draw well.

He expressed interest in what we were doing in the health department. In those days before antibiotics, pneumonia control was a major activity of the department. He proceeded to tell us what he knew about pneumococcus typing and serum therapy. His knowledge was extensive and accurate.

By Margaret Pound Kretzer

Had Bouck White lived during the "flower child" movement of the sixties, when "doing one's own thing" became fairly common, perhaps he would not have become such a legend in his own time. But the twenties and thirties, "dropping out" to find solitude and to express one's creative ideas was still relatively rare. Artistic, idealistic and visionary, Bouck was still practical enough to build a house by hand that would attempt to mirror his own inner self as he felt one's dwelling should. He also thought that a house should blend with its surroundings, as though it had grown there naturally.

Bouck was justly proud of the pottery he created "without firing" — a process he claimed was all his own.

Said to have Indian blood, Bouck may also have imbibed the Indian's love of nature, his urge to create beauty from natural sources, and a desire to leave nothing behind that would deface his beloved land.



Bouck White at rest at the foot of his staircase.

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# News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

Barbara Pickup 767-9225

Welcome Rev. Miller. The United Methodist Church of South Bethlehem has a new pastor, Rev. Kenneth Miller.

Rev. Miller, 31 and unmarried, is a native of the Albany area.

A graduate of the Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Okla., he was formerly pastor of the Hartford United Methodist Church in Hartford, N.Y., and the Grace United Methodist Church of Nassau before coming to South Bethlehem.

Described as a very creative person, Rev. Miller is currently researching material for three books he plans to write. One is progressing very well and may be completed this year, he says.

His love of travel has taken him through many of our southern and western states. He has also been to the Middle East, including Israel and Egypt, where he visited the renowned temples at Luxor.

Rev. Miller said he is very happy to be in South Bethlehem and feels his previous knowledge of the general area is helping him make a more rapid adjustment than would normally be possible. He also expressed his delight with the response he has received from the people and the very substantial increase in church attendance.

The Selkirk Fire Dept. will hold a steak roast Sunday, Sept. 26, at the firehouse on Maple Ave., Selkirk.

The fun begins at noon with such activities as horseshoes, volleyball, and bingo.

There will be lots of food, lots of fun and lots of prizes. Hot dogs, hamburgers, shrimp, beer and soft drinks will be served all afternoon. A steak dinner, promising to be as delicious as usual, will be served at 5 p.m. For reservations call Bob Weddell at 767-3042.

Friends of Carrie Selkirk, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Selkirk, Rt. 144, welcome her home and extend their very best wishes for a speedy recovery. For those who might not be aware, Carrie has just undergone two major back operations which has caused her to be hospitalized for the past five

weeks. Although Carrie must remain in a cast for some time, she is now able to be home with her family.

This Saturday, the United Methodist Church of South Bethlehem will hold their fifth annual Fall Festival at the church grounds on Willowbrook Ave.

The program will again consist of a variety of activities running all day. The event begins at 10 a.m. with a giant garage sale and flea market.

The Flea Market will have booths featuring handcrafted items, homegrown produce and baked goods. The garage sale, located in a two-story building, will offer clothing, books and household items.

Lou Dushek, auctioneer, will start the bidding at 1 p.m. on items such as furniture, gardening tools and even an antique iron bed.

The days' events will be brought to a close with an old fashioned barbeque dinner with all the trimmings. The dinner, so successful in the past, will require two separate servings: One at 5 p.m. and the second at 6:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vabor, dinner chairmen, inform us takeout orders can be picked up at 4:30 p.m. Reservations for the dinner must be made in advance by calling 767-9087.

The Bethlehem Lodge BPOE #2233 Ladies Auxiliary are planning a bus trip to Boston's Quincy Market on Oct. 7. Anyone interested in joining them may contact Lillian Countryman (438-3242 after five). The cost is \$15 per person. The bus will leave the lodge at 8 a.m. and depart from Boston at 8 p.m. Limited space requires a first come, first served policy.

Bright sunshine, blue skies, warm temperatures and a forest preserve combined to provide a perfect setting for the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem's Fall Festival.

The Festival, intitled a Celebration of Hope, was held Sept. 10, 11 and 12 on the church grounds in Selkirk. The weekend started with a pot-luck supper, songs, fellowship and overnight camping in the



Bethlehem seniors continue to enjoy garden fresh vegetables this fall thanks to the generosity of area gardeners. Checking out the week's crop are Marguerite Kinsley and Dorothy Sickinger at last week's Senior Citizen Organization meeting (Thursdays from 12:30 to 4 p.m. at town hall). Donations should be delivered to the town hall between 11 a.m. and noon on Thursdays, and are free to any senior resident of the town. *Spotlight*

reforestation area for those who enjoyed tenting.

Saturday was spent enjoying crafts, games and nature walks. In the evening dinner was provided by the church, followed by a time of fellowship with Dr. Paul Fries, professor of theology and ministry at the New Brunswick Seminary as guest speaker.

Don Pickup of Clapper Rd. rolled a 265 Tuesday night at Ravena Lanes to start the season off for the Cedar Hill League.

Senior Projects of Ravena is publishing its menu for hot meals in advance so interested seniors will know in advance what days they will want to attend. Reservations are necessary by 3 p.m. the day before a meal and by 3 p.m. Friday for the Monday meal. Call 756-8593.

The main course Thursday is roast beef, and Friday's feature is battered fish fillets. Next week's features are roast pork with applesauce Monday, swiss steak Tuesday, roast turkey with stuffing on Wednesday, chicken parmesian Thursday and baked stuffed fish with lemon butter on Friday.

For meals on wheels, the hot meal is the same and the cold meal consists of a sandwich, salad and dessert. Reservations for meals on wheels must also be made one day in advance.

## Dinner for Bailey

A testimonial dinner honoring William Bailey, New Scotland Citizen of the Year, will be held Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Polish Community Center, Washington Avenue extension, Albany. Tickets for the evening are \$11 and are on sale from the American Legion, Onesquethaw Fire Department, New Scotland Kiwanis, and Elks, Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club, New Scotland Town Hall, Houghtaling's Market in Feura Bush and the First Federal Savings Bank in Voorheesville.

Bailey won the role of guest honor on the basis of his service to the community. Started by the American Legion, the honor is a kind of "thank you" to Bailey. As "Citizen of the Year", his duties have included serving as Grand Marshal of the Voorheesville Memorial Day parade.

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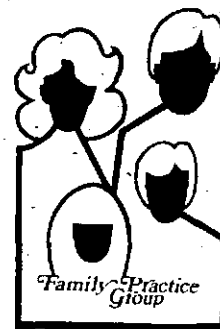
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# Consultant presents village sewer plan

By Elizabeth Bloom

Voorheesville has a number of sewer options to ponder following a series of reports last week from Clough, Harbour and Associates. But for the first time, there are costs attached to the options, and the question of whether the controversial Salem Hills treatment plant should be taken over by the village is part of the calculation.

Residents who attended meetings Tuesday and Thursday heard one piece of good news about their water system, as reported by Clough, Harbour spokesman Joseph Bianchine: "The aquifer, which is the underground water supplier is not polluted. The Vly Creek, which is mainly used as a trout stream has some problems, but these can be corrected by building up the soil through which waste water passes. This will decrease the amount of pollutants that filter into the Creek."

There are basically three alternatives that can be employed to deal with the wastewater problems in the Village, said Bianchine. The first is to implement any number of systems to upgrade wastewater treatment. For example, a system of collector sewers and a wastewater treatment facility for the whole Village would be one of the first alternatives. The set of second alternatives would utilize the existing septic systems in the village, and enforce a schedule of maintenance, either by village permit to have septic systems pumped, or to have the village actually perform this service. This plan would apply to the entire village, except for the Salem Hills Sub-Division, which is sewer.

"Many of the existing septic systems in the village are old, originally installed when these houses were built," said Bianchine. "The leach fields are situated on small lots. With the use of washing

machines and dishwashers, the amount of wastewater is too great for these systems to handle. Another factor is the use of these larger homes by more than one family; the wastewater facilities were designed to handle one family per house."

Alternative three is to do nothing. "This is obviously not the best alternative in terms of the environment", said Bianchine. The cost may be increased if the village hesitates, as Federal and State aid may be unavailable, and the further disintegration of these systems may also increase the cost.

The recommendation made by Clough, Harbour is one in the first group of alternatives, and encompasses a plan of sewer construction and septic system maintenance. Portions of the central Village will be sewer, and the Salem Hills treatment plant will be expanded and utilized both for Salem Hills and for those portions of Voorheesville Ave., Mountainview St. and Swift Rd. The approximate cost of this project per year, with federal and state aid would be \$250 to \$350 per household. Bianchine warned that these figures are based on 1984 projections, as this is the targeted date the work would be initiated and completed.

Those portions of the village in which septic systems remain will be subject to inspection and regulation by the Village, the systems must be pumped out on a regular basis, about once every three years, according to Bianchine. Perhaps a permit system with the village would be one way to administer this maintenance program, he said.

These recommendations will be presented to the village board, and Bianchine said he anticipates a public referendum on this issue in November.

## Voorheesville News Notes

Maryann Malark 765-4392



A special mini-course entitled Retrofitting An Older Home For Energy Construction and Passive Solar Gain will be offered in conjunction with the Adult Education Program at the Voorheesville High School from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Wood Shop. The class will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 28 and Oct. 5. To register call 765-3314.

O. Peter Griffin, Voorheesville Junior-Senior High School principal, invites all interested parents to meet in the auditorium on Wednesday, Sept. 29, at 9:30 a.m. for a two part program. Part one of the program will concern itself with all aspects of the Junior High curriculum, academic as well as extra-curricular. The second part will be a question-answer period on any aspect of the Junior-Senior High School program. This meeting is intended to give parents an opportunity to voice any concerns or questions on the program offered at Clayton A. Bouton. Refreshments will be served.

Senior students subscription drive will kick off the week of Sept. 27. Funds collected during the annual fund drive are used to defray some of the graduation expenses faced by the class of '83. This year in addition to magazine subscriptions, the senior class will also sell music tapes and records.

Fifth and sixth grade students will have an opportunity to play intramural soccer after school. Girls in fifth and sixth grade will play on Tuesdays beginning on Sept. 21, fifth grade boys on Thursday, Sept. 23

and sixth grade boys on Tuesdays beginning Sept. 21. Late bus permission slips were sent home last week with all fifth and sixth graders.

Dance and baton lessons given by Mrs. Margery Parry will be offered again this year on Tuesdays beginning Sept. 28 in the Elementary School. Beginning dancing will run from 5 to 6 p.m. All baton from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and dancers who have taken before from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Forms were sent home last week and should be returned promptly.

St. Matthew's Human Concerns Committee in conjunction with the Albany County Emergency Food Task Force is looking for volunteers who will help replenish diminishing food pantries. On Friday, Oct. 1 from 6 to 10 p.m. and again on Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., volunteers will be stationed at the 20 Mall and Rt. 20 Price Choppers as well as the Delmar Grand Union to accept donations of non-perishable foods. Shoppers are encouraged to buy one extra canned or boxed good to donate to the food pantry. Volunteers are needed to collect the foods. Residents are encouraged to shop at the specified times. For information, call Darlene Smith at 765-4605.

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# THE SPOTLIGHT 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 Tuesday 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 Susan Richmond, 439-5744.

**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 or over 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, SEPTEMBER 22**  
**Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary** meets fourth Wednesday at Slingerlands Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

**Welcome Wagon Luncheon** for new and old members, Normanside Country Club, Elsmere, noon. Reservations by the 14th, 439-5358, 439-5452.

**Baptist Missionary to Speak,** Bethlehem Community Church, Elm Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

**D.A.R. Exhibit,** month-long display in observance of 195th anniversary of signing of American Constitution, Bethlehem Central High School.

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

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

**Christianity Lecture,** second in series by SUNYA professor on history of early Christianity, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Fee \$20 for one registrant, \$35 for two. Information, 439-9314 or 457-3907.

**Cartoon Character Invention** for children over 6, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

**Drug Abuse Discussion** with Project Equinox speaker, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m.

**Smoking Withdrawal Clinic,** part of continuing education program, Voorheesville High School, Room 107, 7-9 p.m.

**Environmental Education Workshop,** instruction in environmental education techniques and how to lead outdoor activities, Five Rivers Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30 p.m. Free, pre-registration required. Call 457-6092.

**Public Hearing,** Bethlehem Town Board, on uses of federal revenue sharing entitlement funds for 1983 according to state and local Fiscal Assistance Act, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

**Evening Farmer's Market,** fresh produce from area farmers, plus baked goods, crafts, children's clothing, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, Wednesdays 4-7 p.m. Booth information, 732-2991.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**New Scotland Town Civic Assn.** meets fourth Thursday each month, Room 104, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m. Discussion of town issues. All residents welcome.

**Resume Writing Workshop,** part 2, with analysis of individual's resumes, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m.

**Autumn Starwatch,** to study constellations with binoculars, Five Rivers Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m. If rain, indoor program. Free.

**Embroiderer's Guild,** two-day silk pendants workshop to continue tomorrow, United Methodist Church, Delmar, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 439-5043.

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

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

**Bethlehem Middle School PFO,** regular meeting, Middle School at 7:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

**Capital District Cornell Club,** luncheon meeting and tour, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, noon. Information and reservations, 371-5111 or 439-1616.

**Farmer's Market,** fresh produce and crafts, St. Thomas the Apostle Church parking lot, Delaware Ave., 9-11 p.m.

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

**Glenmont PTA,** family picnic.

**Booster Club Pep Rally,** Bethlehem Central High School.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

**Bethlehem Grange,** installation of new officers, Grange rooms, Beckers Corners. Information, 474-7890 days.

**Cub Scout Pack 272,** first pack meeting for parents and scouts in grades 3-5, Slingerlands fire-house pavilion, 1 p.m.

**Auction-Chicken Barbecue,** with a flea market and giant garage sale (10 a.m.-3 p.m.), South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Willowbrook Ave. Dinner (5 and 6:30 p.m.) is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12.

**Flea Market-Auction,** rain or shine, Reformed Church, Rt. 85, east of New Salem, market 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; auction 1 p.m. Information, 765-2252.

**Bethlehem Football Booster Dinner Dance,** roast beef dinner and band, tickets \$15 per person, Normanside Country Club, 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-2463.

**Light Bulb Sale,** Bethlehem Lions Club members conduct door-to-door drive this weekend and next to raise money for club charities.

**Art Show and Sale,** with paintings by Edna McCoy, at Johnson's Stationery and Flower Girl, 239 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. (Rain date Oct. 2).

**Car Wash** by Faith Lutheran Church, Keller Mobil Station, Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Rd., Glenmont, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., \$1.50. (Rain date Oct. 2.)

**New Scotland Citizen of the Year Dinner** honoring William Bailey, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. extension, Albany, \$11 per ticket.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

**"Focus on the Family" film,** "The Strong-Willed Child," Clarksville Community Church, 6 p.m.

**Doll Exhibit,** Bethlehem Historical Association Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, open Sundays 2-5 p.m. through Oct. 31.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

**Smoking Withdrawal Clinic,** part of continuing education program, Voorheesville High School, Room 107, 7-9 p.m.

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

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

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

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

**Free Travelogue,** with slide show and discussion on vacationing in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7 p.m.

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

**Delmar Rotary** meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Albany Motor Inn, Glenmont.

## 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

"Dames at Sea" (nostalgic musical presented by Music Theatre North), Cohoes Music Hall, through Oct. 24, Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m., Sundays 2 p.m. Box office, 235-7969.

"Rainbow in the Night" (Dolores McCollough's one-woman show about poet Edna St. Vincent Millay), Foy Campus Center, Siena College, Sept. 23, 8 p.m.

"Sleuth" (Anthony Shaffer's tricky suspense drama presented by Actor's Repertory Theater), Little Theater, Russell Sage College, Troy, Sept. 24, 8 p.m.

"The All-Time Good-Time Knickerbocker Follies" (Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts' premiere show), a celebration of American musical theater, starring Jack Gilford, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Sept. 22-26. Box office, 473-4020.

"I Do, I Do" (a "musical romance"), Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, Sept. 24-Oct. 17, Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m., matinees Saturdays and Sundays, 2 p.m. Box office, 392-9292.

"Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead" (Tom Stoppard's comedy about two characters from "Hamlet"), Washington Park Theatre Company, Grant St. Theater (corner Grand and Madison Ave., Albany), Sept. 23-26, 8 p.m.

### MUSIC

"Tongue of Wood III" (marimba and percussion concert), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Sept. 23, 8 p.m.

Uncle Sam's Bluegrass Band, Eighth Step Coffeehouse, 14 Willett St., Albany, Sept. 25, 8:45 p.m.

The Slovak Chamber Orchestra (Telemann, Vivaldi and Mozart), Memorial Chapel, Union College, Sept. 28, 8 p.m. Tickets at Community Box Office or at the door.

### DANCE

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Sept. 23-25, 8 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

Beth Soll and Company (modern dance), Kiggins Auditorium, Emma Willard School, Troy, Sept. 24, 7 p.m.

Contemporary Chamber Ballet of Caracas, Woodstock Playhouse, Rts. 212 and 375, Woodstock, Sept. 25, 8:30 p.m. Box office (914) 679-2015.

### ART

"Industrial Troy" (photographic exhibit), Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, Sept. 23 through Oct. 22, Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

"Issues and Images: New Yorkers During the Thirties" (photos and documents of the Roosevelt era), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Sept. 25 through Nov. 21.

Video Art (television tapes by local video artists), Albany Public Library, Sept. 30, Oct. 14, Oct. 28 and Nov. 7, 8 p.m.

J. Francis Murphy Retrospective (review of "one of America's most important landscape painters"), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Oct. 3.

College of Saint Rose Faculty Exhibition, Picotte Gallery, State St., Albany, through Oct. 3, hours Sunday through Friday 12:30-4:30 p.m. Reception, Oct. 17, 3 p.m.

Edward Koren: Prints and Drawings (The New Yorker artist and illustrator), University Art Gallery, State University at Albany, reception through Oct. 10.

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**"Focus on the Family" Film,** "Shaping the Will Without Breaking the Spirit," Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, 6 p.m.

**Voorheesville Biking Roundabout,** Mohawk Hudson Wheelmen casual cycling tour of village for interested cyclists, at average 8 mph with frequent rests, Depart Voorheesville High School 1 p.m. Information, 765-4204.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 4**

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

**Single Parent Support Group,** Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-6136.

**Elsmere Open House,** for parents of second and third graders at Elsmere Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

**Glenmont Open House** for parents to meet teachers, Glenmont Elementary School, 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5**

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

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

**Hamagrael Open House,** for parents to meet teachers, Hamagrael Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

**Clarksville Open House,** with book fair and PTA meeting, Clarksville Elementary School, 7 p.m.

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

**Voorheesville Board of Education** meeting, Voorheesville High School.

**Campus Life,** get-acquainted meeting for Bethlehem 9th-12th graders, Bethlehem Lutheran Church parish hall, 7:30-9 p.m.

**Area Events & Occasions**  
Events in Nearby Areas

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**Achievement Night,** Albany County Home Bureau meets for covered dish supper (bring covered dish and place setting for two) and crafts, Helderberg Reformed Church, Rt. 146, Guilderland Center, 6:30 p.m.

**ANSWERS Project Tour** for those interested in touring the Rapp Rd. facility that shreds the area's trash. Gateway tour to meet at the site 1 p.m. Registration \$4. Information, 274-5267.

**Timely Issues Film,** "The Century Next Door," covering issues of rising prices, union wages, child labor, corruption and more, Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., 12:10 and 1:10 p.m.

**Anti-Apartheid Film,** "A Black American View of Apartheid in South Africa," Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Alexander St., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

**SUNYA Women's Club,** scholarship presentation and speaker on Empire State Plaza and its art, SUNYA Alumni House, 7 p.m.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**Small Business Workshop,** with speakers including Albany County Executive James Coyne, for prospective small business owners and those in business less than three months, Best Western Inn Towne, Albany, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Registration, \$10. Information, 447-4385.

**American Indian Day Talk,** with Tuscarora artist Rick Hill talking about "Handsome Lake The Longhouse Religion," Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

**New York Retired Teachers Assn.** annual Eastern Zone conference, Mario's Restaurant, Troy, 9 a.m. registration.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

**City Rescue Mission Dinner,** speaker Rev. H. Gordon Weekley, director of Charlotte, N.C. mission, Loudonville Community Church, 6 p.m. Information, 462-0459.

**Hudson Valley Archaeology Conference,** two-day seminar with historians, archaeologists and museum curators, to include talks, tour, lunch, reception, Historic Cherry Hill center, S. Pearl St., Albany, 8:30 a.m. Information, registration, 434-1217.

**Family Conference,** "Helping Kids-Helping Families-Helping Communities," day-long conference for professionals in child care, education and social services with speaker James K. Whittaker, Ph.D., Russell Sage campus, New Scotland Ave. and Parsons Center, Academy Rd. Registration is \$20. Information, 445-1717.

**Auction Preview Cocktail Party** for auction at Albany Institute of History and Art Saturday and Sunday, with first option to buy from sales table, at the Institute, 3-5 p.m., \$12.50 per person, reservations required. Call 463-4478.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

**Furniture Stenciling Demonstration,** stencil cutting and use of bronzing powder shown by 19th century-style craftsmen, Museum of Early American Decoration, Dove St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. \$10 fee.

**Public Auction** at Albany Institute of History and Art, more than 600 lots recently deaccessioned from the Institute's collection. Begins 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

**Chicken 'N Biscuit Supper,** New Baltimore Reformed Church, servings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Reservations, 756-6013 or 756-9455.

**Upper Hudson Early Industry Lecture,** "Sawmills and Grist Mills in the 17th Century," State Museum, 10-11 a.m. Free. Information, 474-5842 or 474-5877.

**Ladies of Charity Great Sale,** including fur coats, appliances, adult and children's clothing, books and jewelry, 235 Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Through Oct. 2. Information, 449-7226 or 439-6923.

**Free Family Baseball Entertainment,** with baseball demonstrations, including bat making and batting practice for kids, historical glove display and documentary films, State Museum. Information, 474-5877.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

**COMETS Dance,** by Catholic Organization of Mature Eligible Tri-City Singles, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave., Albany, 7-11 p.m. \$3 for non-members, \$2 for members. Information, 489-5932.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

**VA Retirees Assn.,** V.A. Medical Center auditorium, 1 p.m. Information, 456-5714.



Dolores McCollough is appearing Sept. 23 at Siena College in a one-woman show on Edna St. Vincent Millay.

**Delmar Camera Club,** display-demonstration of latest cameras, plus organizational meeting, St. Stephen's Parish Hall, Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-4673.

**Campus Life Burger Bash** for Bethlehem High School students, Bethlehem Lutheran Church parish hall, Elm Ave., 6-8 p.m. \$2 admission.

**American Legion Auxiliary** past presidents' dinner, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post, Delmar, 6:30 p.m. Reservations by Sept. 28, 439-7240.

**Grape Vine Wreath Workshop,** demonstration of how to make wreath, County Cooperative Extension, Rt. 85A and Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$2 fee. Pre-registration, 765-2331.

**Bethlehem Board of Appeals,** special meeting, Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 204, 8 p.m.

**Smoking Withdrawal Clinic,** part of continuing education program, Voorheesville High School, Room 107, 7-9 p.m.

**Puppet Festival** for preschoolers, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

**High School Parents' Meeting,** explanation of school program for parents of Voorheesville junior and senior high pupils, high school auditorium, 9:30 a.m.

**Assertiveness for Women Workshop,** for businesswomen, with director of Guilderland's Women's Development Service, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$6 fee. Registration, 765-3635.

**Christianity Lecture,** third in series by SUNYA professor on history of early Christianity, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-9314 or 457-3907.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**  
**Slingerlands School Open House,** for parents to meet teachers, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
**DECA Battle of the Bands,** featuring four local rock bands, at Bethlehem Central High School.

**Glenmont PTA,** roller skating party, 7 p.m.

**Grape Vine Wreath Workshop,** demonstration of how to make wreath, County Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, 1:30-3:30 p.m. \$2 fee. Pre-registration, 765-2331.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2**  
**Contra and Country Dancing,** featuring Fennig's All-Star String Band and caller Andy Spence, First United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 8:30 p.m. \$3.50 tickets at door.

**Paper Drive** for Boy Scout Troop 71, St. Thomas Church parking lot, 9 a.m.-noon.

**Light Bulb Sale,** Bethlehem Lions Club members conduct door-to-door drive to raise money for club charities.

**Auction Bazaar,** with bargain booths and giant garage sale, First United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville.

**Conservation Festival,** trail walks, exhibits, children's nature activities and demonstrations to celebrate outdoors, Five Rivers Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 1-4 p.m. Free, rain or shine. Information, 457-6092.

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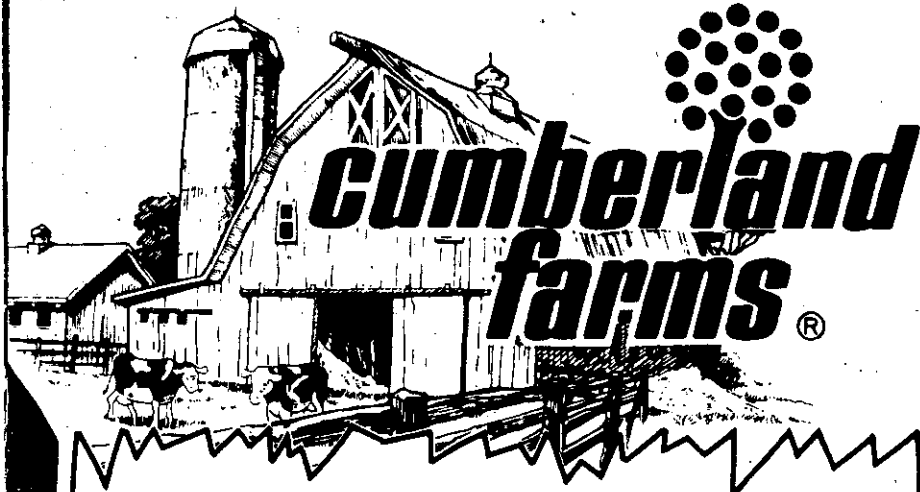
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# In God we trust, but each other?

Trust between people is a precious gem, even if only on a surface level. Deep trust of another person is buried treasure and just as hard to find. Distrust appears to be the order of the day, and the order of the day commands us to protect our lives and property with volumes of laws and punishments, contractual clauses that rival the number of grains of sand on a beach, and protocols and uniforms of dress designed to enforce predictability and familiarity, two essential prerequisites to trust.

I remember, as I'm sure many of you do as well, when the family could leave the front door unlocked during the weekly shopping trip. Now most of us lock that door before going to bed so we can feel secure through the night. Now the lock is nearly standard equipment on bicycles, gas caps, steering wheels, briefcases and restroom doors in service stations.

*Do you try to identify the person with some group so you can figure out his or her affiliations and loyalties? Do you play the "Who Do You Know" game?*

Symptoms of distrust have afflicted some of the hallmarks of our society. We have come to the point of general distrust where our churches lock their doors during the week. Super markets have constructed steel barricades to retain their fleet of shopping carts. Banks have even mounted their counter pens in an attempt to discourage their disappearance.

On the personal level, we have felt the effects of a suspicious society in our human relationships. What do you do when you meet a new co-worker, or neighbor, or social acquaintance? Do you look for facial features, eye movements, postures, choice of dress, speech patterns, tone of voice? Are you concerned with how the person is similar to you and your friends, or how he or she is dissimilar? Do you try to identify the person with some group so you can figure out his or her affiliations and loyalties? Do you play the "Who Do You Know" game, or the "Who Do We Both Know" game? Or do you assess the person's power — that is, his or her physique or shape, the intellect, the worldliness, the fame and fortune?

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## Family Matters

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beginning to trust others. If we can accurately predict their next move or word, then we can establish a sense of initial security that we can protect ourselves from assault on our psyche or some by that unknown force called "strangers." Once predictability is established, at least 51 percent of the time, then we can begin to establish familiarity. It manifests in that common statement "I know him," even if you hardly do.

However, as familiarity can breed contempt, so can predictability breed risk. Ask any racetrack veteran about those sure bets. Once you count on someone to do the same thing over again, they change, and the distrust sets in once more. If familiarity has not bred too much contempt and you haven't been too hurt by the unpredictable, you'll probably set about the task of re-establishing the trust, only this time on a bit deeper level. After all, your calculations of the other person didn't quite pan out, so you better learn a little more about him or her this time.

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And that's what trust is all about between people, because as it is shaken, so it deepens. When it deepens, it also opens up those less accessible portions of our beings which are usually kept under the lock and key of our subconscious fears. When those inner doors creak open to a trusted friend, and nothing terrible happens, it is then that one's personality begins to reveal itself more than it had before. It is then that we can delve into ourselves with another human being who, like a trusty guide, can lead us to our own buried treasures not even we knew where there.

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Well, now you can buy the Bell Co. telephone that is already in your home.

New York Telephone is now allowing customers to buy their phones and stop paying the monthly rental charge for the equipment. The "Sales In Place" program, which started Sept. 1, marks the first time Ma Bell has ever offered equipment for sale to private individuals.

For several years, customers have been allowed to own their own telephones and consumer experts have endorsed the idea. However, until now, the only equipment available was from private companies like General Electric and ITT. These companies and others manufacture quality equipment at a variety of prices.

Prices of New York Telephone phones vary according to the sophistication of the equipment you want. Push button phones cost more than the standard rotary dial phone, but less than the Princess or Trimline. There is no additional cost for color.

**In general, you should be able to recover the purchase price through lower phone bills in about one year.**

In general, you should be able to recover the purchase price through lower phone bills in about one year. You will also be able to buy new equipment from the telephone company.

If you now use a rotary-dial telephone (desk or wall model) it will cost \$35 to buy it. The present monthly rental charge is \$3.03 so you would come out ahead by saving \$36.36 in a year. If you don't already have one in your house, the phone company will sell you a new one for \$45.

The price of a touch-tone telephone is \$50 (\$60 for a new one). You would make up the price in rent savings (\$3.73) in 13 months. The most expensive phones are the Princess and the Trimline, both selling for \$60 (\$70 new). You save \$6.78 a month by purchasing your Princess and \$8.16 with your own Trimline.

The drawback is that you lose the free repair service provided by the telephone company when you rent a phone. The phones come with warranties of 30 days when you buy the phone in your home

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and 90 days when you buy a new phone. After that, you pay for repairs.

However, under the program, the most you will pay for each repair is \$30 (\$25 with a rotary phone). "The telephone company has decided the simplest and easiest way to deal with repairs is to give customers a new telephone for that price," says Richard Hesser of the PSC.

The program is the result of negotiations between the New York Telephone and the state Public Service Commission. Paul Gioia, PSC chairman said the immediate savings by consumers is only part of the story.

"The break-up of the telephone company is going to bring important changes and higher costs," he said. "Competition should hold down long distance costs, but local rates will be going up. That also means higher rental fees and the cost for services like installation and repair. The savings can only become greater in the future."

## Businesswomen meet

The Bethlehem Businesswomen will get "down to business" at their next dinner meeting, planned for Wednesday, Oct. 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Albany Motor Inn in Glenmont. To address the group on "Driving While Intoxicated" will be attorney Peter Gerstenzang.

For information, contact Helen Harder at 439-4445.

## Assertiveness for women

Businesswomen can improve their personal skills in being assertive on the job at a workshop set for Wednesday, Sept. 29, at the Bethlehem Public Library from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The mini-workshop, "How to Deal with Others Assertively," is designed to help women on the workforce cope with opposition, act in an effective and confident manner and affirm their rights. Sponsored by the Albany County Cooperative Extension, the role play practice session will be taught by Maryluise Satterfield, director of the Women's Development Service in Gunderland.

Registrants to the workshop must pay \$6 enrollment. For information, call 765-3635.

## BUSINESS

### Starting a business?

"Small Business Start-up", a workshop for prospective small business owners and those who have been in business three months or less, is set for 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Thursday at the Best Western Inn Towne, Albany.

Sponsored by the Small Business Administration (SBA), the State Bank of Albany, Albany County Cooperative Extension Association small business program and the Albany County Executive's office, the event is aimed at helping small business owners avoid the problems that lead to business failure.

Cost of the workshop is \$10 and includes luncheon, a workbook, and several SBA management aides and publications. Attendance is limited to 50. For information, call 447-4385.

### Storm honored

Herbert F. Storm of Elsmere, an authority in the field of power magnetics, was honored recently by the Magnetics Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Storm received the society's 1982 achievement award as founder of the society and its International Magnetics Conference, as well as for his technical contributions to the field.

Storm has written more than 50 technical papers and a book about magnetic amplifiers that has been translated into French, Japanese and Russian. He also holds more than 20 patents.

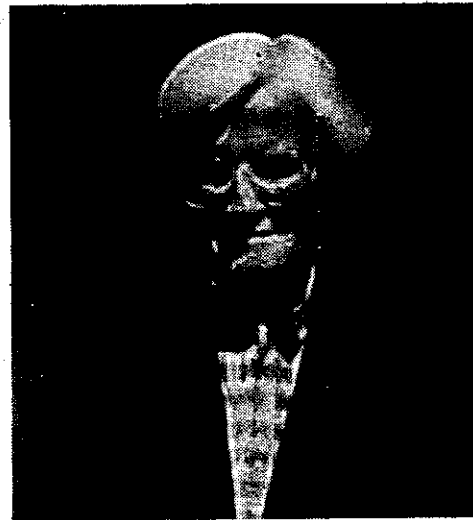
### Home improvement sweeps

A major promotion campaign directed at the do-it-yourselfer will be launched this fall by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, which operates a plant in Delmar.

The program will incorporate rebates for three major home improvement products, plus a consumer sweepstakes game for customers.

Product rebates will include \$10 on the purchase of 10 rolls of Fiberglas building insulation; \$10 on the purchase of 240 square feet of acoustical ceiling panels and \$15 return on 1,000 square feet of residential roofing shingles.

"Because of high interest rates, many homeowners are improving their homes instead of moving," explained George Kiemle, manager of the Owens-Corning plant in Delmar. "The objective is to have them use as many Fiberglas products as possible."



Mrs. Audrey Abbuhl

### Women at the Institute

Mrs. Audrey Abbuhl, Pine Hollow Rd., Slingerlands, has been elected Women's Council president of the Albany Institute of History and Art. Mrs. Abbuhl has served as Corresponding Secretary and was Chairman of the 1980 Champagne Ball. She is the wife of Dr. John W. Abbuhl, an Albany pediatrician. Mrs. William F. Minnock, Jr. of Delmar, was elected as First Vice President.

The Council celebrated its 20th birthday last fall and among projects that have resumed this fall are the Luncheon Gallery, beginning its eighth year, and The Gallery-Art and Antiques. Both are open Tuesday through Friday.

The Shop remains open all year, Tuesdays through Sundays, and features gift items pertinent to the Institute's collection of crystal, porcelain, pewter and prints. Antique jewelry is also sold. Mrs. Gene Primomo of Elsmere is chairman.

The council also plans and executes the Institute's trips, both in this country and abroad. Among trips planned this fall are China, lower Manhattan including a visit to the New York Stock Exchange, Woodstock and Quechee Gorge, Montreal and Quebec City and Providence and Newport. A January trip to the Antique Show in New York is planned and in February a trip to India. Mrs. Robert Leather of Delmar is chairman of the Travel Committee.

Mrs. B. Robert Joel of Slingerlands is chairman of this year's Champagne Ball to take place at the Institute Nov. 6. Invitations will be mailed in late September. September.

### Craft show

The Helderberg Handcraft Guild will hold a craft show and sale from 6 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 24 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 25 at the Otterness Farm on Rt. 397, 1 mile south from Rt. 20 near Altamont Orchard.

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"What did you say the price was again?" He directed his question to the salesman who was engaged in extolling the car's virtues. "Hm," he thought, "a little steep. Maybe if I moonlighted for a year or two, we could swing it."

Her hand tightened on his arm, "Please, it would make me so happy!" How could he refuse?

The above scenario reflects a way of thinking that many of us are familiar with. If it's not cars, it's houses, or power tools, or furniture, or home appliances. If you invade the mind of the average Delmarite you soon discover that the pursuit of possessions is no small motivating force among his life's quests.

"And why not pursue them?" you ask. "I have developed a keen appreciation for the finer things in life. I have the means to acquire them. They are there to be taken and enjoyed. What's so bad about that?"

Wealth is not intrinsically evil. But the pursuit of possessing it is. There is a marked difference between appreciation and pursuing the accumulation of wealth. It is damaging in two ways.

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First, it causes people to turn into creatures who are chiefly concerned with gratifying their own appetites. "What can I get or do for myself that will enhance my own personal happiness and self fulfillment?" is the question that governs the pursuer of possessions. One begins to look at himself as a big bundle of needs and desires that must be satisfied. "My mission in life," he says (unconsciously, of course), "is to find ways to accumulate things and experiences which will meet these pressing needs and desires. Unfortunately, the more one acquires, the more one wants. If you throw gasoline on a fire

### JCC children's special

A series of enrichment programs for children, ages 7 to 11, will be offered this fall for 10 weeks on weekday afternoons from 4 to 6 p.m.

A hands-on introduction to computers will be offered to children, 8 to 12 years of age, using the facilities of the Computer Room on Mondays from 4 to 6 p.m.

Amateur radio instruction will be held in the center's Radio Room on Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m. and children will have the opportunity to talk with ham radio operators all over the country while working toward a novice license.

Private remedial reading will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 and 5 to 6 p.m.

Gymnastics instruction will be offered on Wednesdays, 4 to 5 p.m.

The center, located at 340 Whitehall Road, also offers an Afterschool Care Program September to June in addition to a Day Care and Nursery School. For further information on these or any of the children's programs offered at the center call Joyce Pogoda, at 438-6651.

it roars with greater intensity. If you begin to accumulate and to pursue accumulating, you end up wanting more and better, never being satisfied, only having your hunger increased.

Secondly, the pursuit of possessions turns people into one dimensional beings. When you give yourself to accumulating you reduce your world view to the physical and material. You become pre-occupied with the tangible and feelings that accompany them. A person loses the ability to recognize and address that part of his being that transcends the physical, namely the spiritual.

Be honest — how much of your time is given considering the existence of a Supreme Being and His possible desires for you? Isn't most of our thought life governed by the immediate demands of our material world, and in upgrading and maintaining our positions and posses-

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sions? Practically speaking, we are atheists, not because we deny God's existence with our mouths, but because we act as if the physical world is the ultimate reality. We choke out any serious thoughts of Him with our love affair with the here and now.

One last thought. Perhaps you've wrestled with this problem before. "None of these thoughts are new to me. I know all this. But what can I do to change?" You might find reading Psalm 49 in conjunction with Mark 10:17-31 helpful.

### Family in focus

A series of films titled "Focus on the Family" will be shown Sunday evenings under the joint sponsorship of Clarksville Community Church (Reformed), Onesquethaw Reformed Church and Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush. James C. Dobson, Ph.D., author and associate clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of Southern California School of Medicine, is featured in the films.

The public is welcome at the 6 p.m. showings, which will be on Sept. 26 at Clarksville, Oct. 3 at Feura Bush, Oct. 10 at Onesquethaw, Oct. 17 at Clarksville; Oct. 24 at Feura Bush; Oct. 31 at Onesquethaw, and Nov. 7 at Clarksville. Child care will be provided. Consult the *Spotlight Calendar* for film topics.

### Passion play

An adaptation of the Oberammergau passion play will be presented Oct. 22-24 at the Palace Theatre, Albany. The Capital Area Council of Churches is sponsoring the performances.

The original passion play, presented for four centuries by the German town of Oberammergau, was shortened and translated by Val Balfour in 1953. The Balfour play has been presented in Strasburg, Va., since then, and recently went on tour. Ticket inquiries may be made by calling 438-0968 or 489-8441.

### Support group meets

Those who have "survived" the suicide of a loved one and who must struggle daily with feelings of guilt, anger, and the question "why?" can find an outlet for their emotions with a support group meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 21. This month's session will be held at Channing Hall, 405 Washington Avenue, Albany, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

For information, phone Karen Wasby at 482-3601.

# Tawasentha celebrates 75th

Tawasentha Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, is celebrating the 75th anniversary of its founding with a luncheon and historical program on Oct. 2 at noon, to be held at the Slingerlands Community Methodist Church on New Scotland Rd. The Chapter was initiated by a group of Slingerlands women in Jan., 1907.

Chapter members, former members, guests, as well as past regents and local and state DAR officers have been invited to attend the anniversary celebration.

One of the highlights will be the cutting of the anniversary cake with a sword that was carried by Teunis Slingerland, ancestor of certain chapter members and also a member of the family for whom the village of Slingerlands was named. The afternoon program will feature musical selections and there will be a display of members' cut glass and crystal, indicative of the diamond jubilee theme.

There will be a pantomime and reading of the highlights in the chapter's 75-year history, accented with costumes of the period. There will also be a display of pictures and scrapbooks an other memorabilia depicting the history of the organization. It is planned that Tawasentha will present a gift to the New York State Room at the Ten Broeck Mansion in honor of the anniversary. Mrs. Franklyn Amos is chapter regent and luncheon and program chairwomen are Mrs. William D. Bennett, Mrs. Samuel Madison and Mrs. Everett Willoughby.

Former members and friends of the chapter may call 439-8089 for further information and reservations.

## Women and the law

The Bethlehem Unit of the Albany County League of Women Voters will meet to discuss "Women and the Law" on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 9:15 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. The morning program will give an overview of the laws and policies affecting women in New York.

Babysitting will be available. For information, contact Susan Richmond at 439-5744.

## F.D.R. celebration

The 100th anniversary of the birth of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, New York governor and U.S. president, has prompted an exhibit and lecture series at the State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany. The lecture series, "F.D.R. and His Legacy," is sponsored by the museum, the Capital District Humanities Program and the history department at the State University at Albany. The five Saturday morning lectures will begin this weekend, with registration at 9 a.m. at the museum. A luncheon also is planned.

The program may be taken for one credit through the SUNY history department. Information may be obtained at 457-3907.

An exhibit titled "Issues and Images: New Yorkers During the Thirties" and including manuscripts and letters will go on display Saturday.



Tawasentha Chapter, DAR, conducts a garden party meeting at Voorheesville July 29, 1927: from left, Mesdames C.W. Billing,

W.H.S. Miner, W.A. Morrell, D.C. Case, W.H. Bruins, Franklyn E. Vosburg, hostess, and E.S. Persons.

## Family planning course

A natural family planning course, given by Family Life Information Center, will begin on Friday, Oct. 1 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Room 3513, Cusack Wing, St. Peter's Hospital. James P. Furlong, M.D., assisted by counseling couple Vicki and Dick Dunfee, will present a series of four monthly sessions. For reservations and information call Peggy Furlong at 463-1176.

On Sept. 24, same time and place, there will be a reunion for all couples who have previously taken the course to renew acquaintances and compare notes.

## Paintings on exhibit

Paintings by Edna McCoy will be exhibited on Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in front of Johnson's Stationery store and Flower Girl. Mrs. McCoy is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design and paints with oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastel. She was an art teacher in Hartford, Conn. and Westchester. Now retired, Mrs. McCoy lives in Delmar.

## Grape Vine Workshop

The Albany County Cooperative Extension is offering two grape vine wreath decorating sessions on Tuesday, Sept. 28, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 1, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The classes will be held at the Albany County Resources Development Center at the corner of Route 85A and Martin Rd., Voorheesville, and are limited to 25 participants.

Preregistration will be necessary for the class, with the registration fee \$2 per person. Call 765-2331 for reservations.

## Charity sale

The Ladies of Charity begin their fall season of events with a week long sale to be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 235 Washington Ave., Albany, from Sat., Sept. 25, through Oct. 2. Items for sale will include fur coats, assorted clothing, appliances, books and jewelry. All proceeds will go to assist families in need this winter.

Chairlady of the sale is Phyllis D'Allen, assisted by Mary Reagan. Other committee members are Marcia Wendth,

Eileen Sullivan, Margaret Sandwan, Joyce Keenan, Robyn Reeves, Mary Hunt, Regina Geschwind, Jean Lyneh and Margaret Schaeffer.

Anyone wishing to donate articles for the sale may drop them off from 10 a.m. to noon Sept. 22 to 24. For more information call 785-5674.

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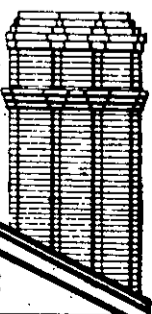
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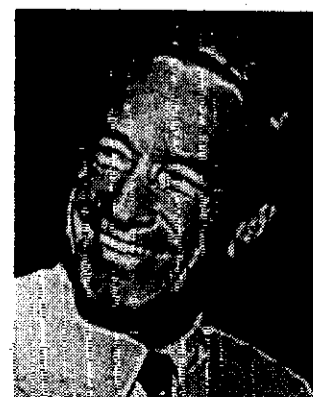


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# Eagles' season hinges on new recruits

By Nat Boynton

Coach John Sodergren is looking to several of a dozen new players to help shore up holes in Bethlehem Central's porous defense when the Eagles take the field at Burnt Hills in Game 2 of the Suburban Council football schedule.

The Eagles were never in the game Friday when Scotia came to VanDyke Rd. to open the season on a sun-splashed afternoon. The leaky BC defense gave up five easy touchdowns in a 31-12 defeat.

But the news wasn't all bad. After playing the first half without making a first down — three plays and punt — the Eagles opened up after intermission, moved the ball 228 yards in the second half, scored two touchdowns and barely missed a third.

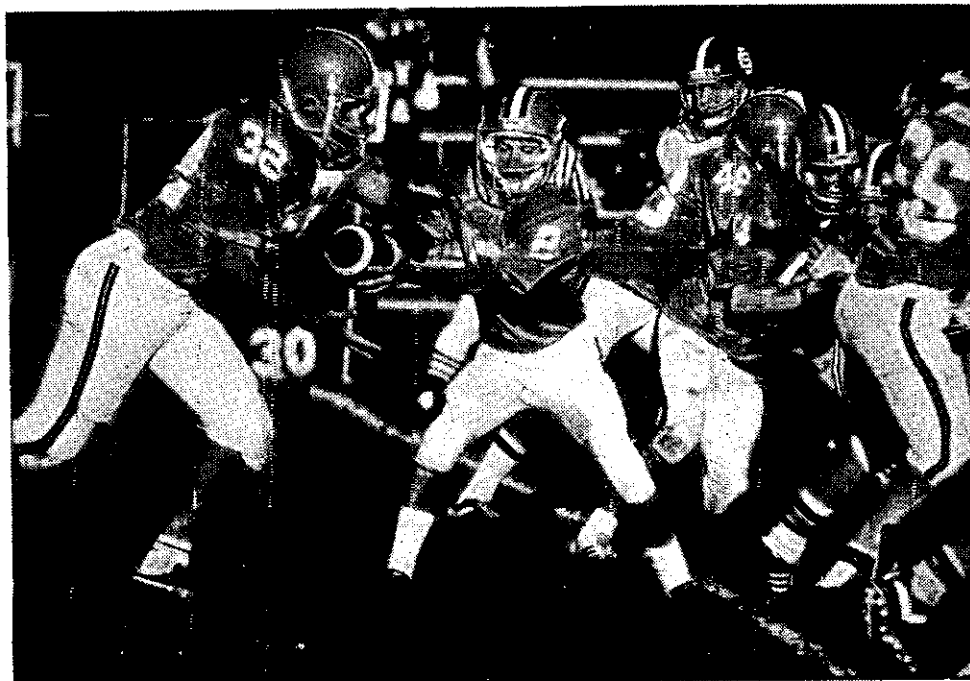
There is more bad news, but first more good news. The second half heroics were produced largely by a pint-sized sophomore quarterback who played as though he had been on the varsity for three years instead of three days. If someone offered tickets for the smallest varsity player on any team in Section 2, Class A, B, C or D, Mike Whitney would win the prize easily: he's 5-foot-5 (but his mother says he's growing) and weighs barely 112 pounds soaking wet.

Whitney, who was in for only four plays in the first half, connected on five of nine passes for 139 yards and two touchdowns in the second half, did some scrambling of his own, and took a couple of shots from enemy tacklers that made onlookers gasp.

The bad news is that the Whitney family is moving to Montpelier, Vt. this fall, and while this little firecracker will presumably finish the season, it will be his last in an orange jersey.

Want more news? The good first: the only other sophomore on the squad, Tim Fox, a 6-foot, 200-pound fullback, showed a lot of promise, including a 27-yard burst on the final play of the game. In that one he was stopped on the Scotia 2-yard-line.

Now more bad news, perhaps the worst of all: Matt Roberts, a big (6-1, 200



Eagles quarterback Mike Whitney (No. 2) hands off to Tim Fox for a three yard gain against Scotia in Delmar.

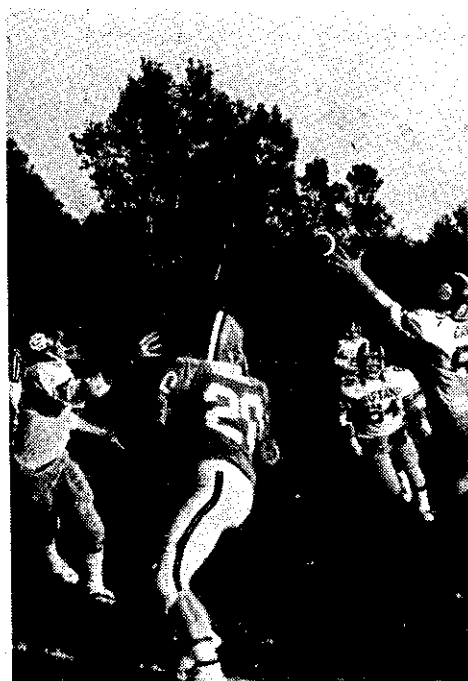
pounds) tackle who is valuable on both offense and defense, had an appendectomy last week and is lost for most, if not all of the season. With Pete Kelly out, that leaves Coach John Sodergren with his two best linemen on the sidelines.

A final piece of good news. The batch of new recruits have put in the required practices and will be eligible to play at Burnt Hills Saturday. They include Mike and John Tangora, seniors (cousins). Sodergren says they are aggressive, and should be a help, Mike at tackle and John as a linebacker.

In the opener, BC couldn't buy a first down, but they held Scotia's strong running game to one touchdown until two Scotia linemen came in unimpeded to block a punt shortly before intermission. Scotia scored quickly from the 10, and got another easy TD at the start of the third period. That made it 19-0 and set the stage for Whitney's pyrotechnics.

The Eagles took the following kickoff and scored in three plays. Whitney fired a long spiral to the left. Mike Mooney took it in front without breaking stride and outran the secondary to pay dirt, a 51-yard play.

A long runback cut short the cheers as Scotia scored in three plays to make it 25-6. But Whitney wasn't finished. In the fourth he spotted Mooney downfield and threw into a crowd. Mooney only a day out of his thumb cast, came up with the ball, put on a couple moves and broke free for a 59-yard touchdown.



Mike Mooney (No. 20) on the receiving end of a Mike Whitney pass on the Scotia 30. Mooney ran it in for Bethlehem's second touchdown.

R.H. Davis photos

Sodergren took the setback philosophically. "The defense was a big disappointment. We didn't execute well. We had people in the right places, but we missed tackles. They had two strong backs that required gang tackling. We've got to be more aggressive."

But the awakening of the offense gave him hope. "We don't have people to overpower anybody, so we have to open up the attack. The two sophomores and Mooney looked good. Whitney can read defenses very well, but more important, he earned the respect of his teammates."

## Stickers blank 2 Council foes

Columbia, which hadn't won a field hockey game in five years, was the first Suburban Council team to be steam-rolled by the kilted 1982 Bethlehem Central array. The score last Wednesday was 3-0.

Scoring in the season opener for BC were Ann Howell, Lisa Rehbit and Lynda Stokoe.

Friday saw a vengeful Eagle hockey team coolly host and blow out last year's nemesis and Suburban Council champion, Saratoga, 4-0. Goalie Elin Swanson picked up her second shutout while Howell picked up a 3-goal hat trick and Rehbit chipped in the fourth goal.

The 2-0 season start is about the only thing that hasn't been a first for field hockey in its 30 odd years at Bethlehem. With 53 girls instead of the usual 36 reporting for the first day of practice, varsity coach Julie Wendth and JV coach Nancy Smith found need for the first freshman field hockey team in BC history. Jeanette Rice will coach the new squadron. JV's new black pleated kilts, replacing shorts, will complement last year's new shirts and perhaps bring luck to last season's 0-10-2 finishers.

Varsity coach Wendth wants to change very little from last year, when her team went 14-3 to finish second in the Suburban Council and advance to the sectional semifinals after surprising Suburban champ Saratoga. Although scoring whiz Jackie Cozy has since graduated, Wendth can count on her all-senior starting front line of Howell, Diane Welibrock, Whitney Obrig and Rehbit, back from last year's bout with mononucleosis. Sophomore Gabriella Mirabelli will be in halfback formation with Amy Davis and Chrissie Gray, while junior Carol Kendrick, the only other underclassman starter, will be Wendth's sweeper in front of goalie Swanson. Rounding out the starting roster will be the team's two biggest names, Empire Stater

## FIELD HOCKEY

Stokoe and super-sticker Diane Cohen, who will "link" the offense and defense. The two are also elected co-captains. Other varsity members are Beth Jeram, Michelle Brown, Cathy Foley, Jess Mantaro and Kristin Boluch.

Shaker will visit on Thursday at 3:45 p.m.

Julie Ann Sosa

## Bike-a-thon planned

Tri-Village bicyclists will be putting their muscles to work to combat childhood cancer research on Saturday, Oct. 2, when local residents sponsor the 1982 St. Jude's "Wheels-for-Life" Bike-a-thon at Bethlehem Central High School.

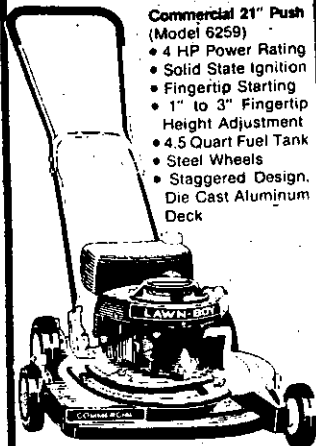
Mrs. William Alwell of Delmar, chairman of this year's Town of Bethlehem campaign, said bikers will tour a two-mile course from 10 a.m. to noon, with local sponsors contributing 25¢ to the cancer-research program for each mile traveled. Individual prizes also will be awarded to the riders traveling the farthest.

Each rider will enlist a local sponsor, who will donate a quarter for each mile the biker completes. Starting from the bus parking lot behind the school, the two-mile route will run southerly along Van Dyke Road onto Vadney Road, left onto Franklin Street, left onto Marvin Avenue, left onto Gay Street, then right onto Van Dyke Road back to the high school.

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# Blackbirds prepare for Academy clash

By a quirk in the schedule, the championship game of the Colonial Division of the Capital Football Conference will be played this Saturday, the second week of the nine-week season.

At least, that's the way it's been for the past several years when Voorheesville and Albany Academy collide. In 1980 the Cadets beat the Blackbirds and won the division; last year the Blackbirds fought the favored Cadets to a 7-7 standoff.

Academy has won two straight conference crowns, while Voorheesville has won three of the four Class C divisional playoff championships since the 10th game format was instituted in 1978.

Two costly defensive lapses and a motion penalty forced the Blackbirds to settle for a 14-all tie at Taconic Hills in Saturday's opener while the talent-rich Cadets were bombarding Hudson High, 26-12. "Academy is really loaded again this year," observed assistant coach Dennis Ulion. "But we've got a very good team and the kids are really working. They expect to win."

The biggie this year is at Voorheesville, and Saturday's 1:30 kickoff will mark the first chance the home fans will have to see Tom Buckley's 1982 edition go to press.

Apart from permitting two long touchdown passes, the defense shut down Taconic Hills and the offense outplayed the home team at Hillsdale. "I was very pleased overall. Those two mistakes really hurt us," said Buckley. "We can win Saturday if we execute and concentrate."

A 40-yard TD pass put Voorheesville in the hole in the first period, but they got back in the game when Ed Mitzen, a sophomore halfback brought up from the JV only two weeks ago, returned the ensuing kickoff 50 yards to the Taconic 20. The yards came hard down there, however, until Jim Meacham drifted to the right on a play-action pass and hit Mitzen for an 11-yard touchdown. With 30 seconds left in the half, Taconic put up a long floater that caught a Blackbird corner back off base and it was 14-6 at intermission for the other guys.

Voorheesville dominated the second half, but didn't get the equalizer until late

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in the third quarter. This time they struck quickly with a 60-yard TD pass. It was a picture play, a play action to the left as Meacham went to the right. Dave Haaf, darting across the middle on a throwback, was wide open, took Meacham's throw 15 yards upfield and ran 45 yards to the flag. Meacham tied the game with a sneak for the two-pointer.

The Blackbirds drove 55 yards in the final 2½ minutes, featuring a 39-yard pass to Mitzen, and looked like winners when Mike Ricci slammed to a first down on the Taconic 3. Two plays went nowhere, and a procedural penalty set the Birds back five yards. Meacham's 17-yard field goal attempt was tipped.

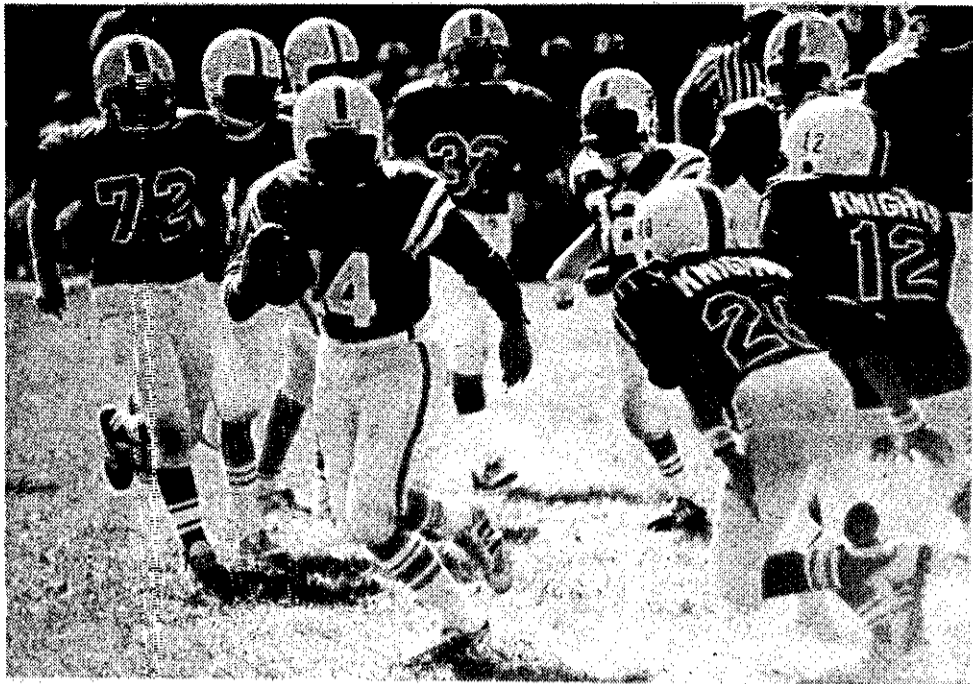
Voorheesville had 167 yards rushing and 130 in the air, for a total of 297 to Taconic's 204 overall. Meacham connected on six of 14 for two touchdowns and had two picked off. Ricci rushed for 72 yards on 20 carries, and Mitzen carried for 21 on six sorties in addition to catching four passes for 67 yards and one score. Mitzen also had runbacks of 50 and 20 yards.

## Ravena lets TDs slip away

Bad breaks that cost two and possibly three touchdowns spoiled Chuck Engelhardt's debut as R-C-S football coach Friday night under the lamps at Chatham. The home team won, 14-6, scoring on 40-yard drives in the first and second periods.

The Indians answered the first score in spectacular fashion as Shawn Leonard took the kickoff on the 5-yard-line and threaded his way the length of the field. Leonard barged up the middle, cut to the right and was gone.

Ravena outplayed their hosts in the second half. Leonard broke loose again for a 55-yard sprint, but the TD was called back for a holding penalty in the



Hawk Rich Gray (No. 34) leaves the defense behind as he sprints for 20 yards in Bethlehem Pop Warner action Saturday. Gray had 109 yards on the day. R.H. Davis

## Pop Warner Falcons top Colonie

The Bethlehem Pop Warner PeeWee Falcons proved to be tougher than their Colonie opponents Sunday, scoring twice while Colonie managed to cross the goal line only once.

The Falcons' first TD came on a 15-yard pass from QB Travis Hagen to Billy McFerran, who ran 40 yards to score. The second goal was set up by Bo Acquario, who recovered a fumble, giving the ball back to Hagen for an 11-yard pass to McFerran.

Larry "Sackman" Sandgen contri-

buted three key tackles for big losses for Colonie.

The Bethlehem Junior Midget Hawks wound up on the short end of a 20-6 score in their match with Colonie. It was a triumph of sorts, however, because Colonie had not been scored upon for two years. The Hawks' TD was on an end sweep by John Lindsay. Rich Gray was credited with 109 yards rushing.

The Midget Eagles bowed to Colonie, 12-0.

This Sunday the Eagles and Hawks will be in Troy, while the Falcons host Rensselaer at noon at Hamagrael School.

## Car wash at Keller's

Keller's Mobil Station on the corner of Route 9W and Feura Bush Road will be transformed into a car wash on Saturday, September 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The wash, sponsored by the Faith Lutheran Church in Glenmont, is designed to raise funds for such community organizations as the Bethlehem and Delmar Ambulance Squads and the South Bethlehem Food Pantry. A minimum donation of \$1.50 will be asked for each car that goes through the line.

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# BC's depth prevails

In scholastic tennis, the best player often has the roughest time. Such is the case with Laura Treadway, the No. 1 player on the Bethlehem Central varsity, who is regularly pitted against phenoms and the top stars of opposing teams.

So it was with Treadway last week when the Eagles opened their Suburban Council season with two home matches. She lost both times while her teammates on Coach Grace Franze's well-balanced aggregation were turning back Guilderland by 8-1 and Shaker by 7-2.

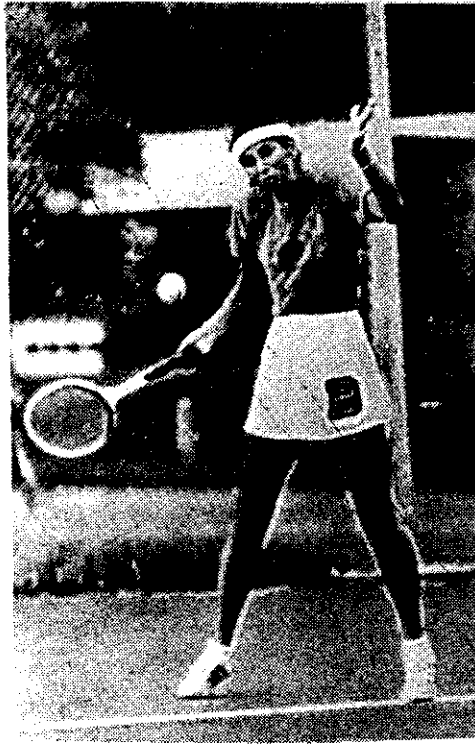
In Tuesday's lid-lifter, Treadway lost a third-set tiebreaker to Tracy Steeves, a tournament-wise 10th grade star, 1-6, 7-5, 6-7. Jody Jones, BC's fast-developing seventh grader playing No. 2, pulled her first varsity match out of the fire after being down 2-5 in the second set to defeat Amy Cohen, Guilderland junior, sweeping a tiebreak at 5-0 to win 7-5, 7-6.

Against Shaker, Treadway and Jones lost the 1-2 singles in close matches with Lynn Becker and Cary Oberting, but the Eagles swept all other matches both days, a testimony to BC's balance of talent. Aryan Shayegani, playing No. 3, had an important win, upsetting Kim Alley, Shaker's No. 2 last year, 6-3, 6-3.

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Other singles winners were Sheila Gould, Eileen Berry and Julie Liddle. The Guilderland score was deceiving, inasmuch as all three doubles matches went to a third set. Leanne Cory-Laurie Gould extended their unbeaten string from 1981 into the new season, Laurie Weinert-Carolyn Cross played No. 2, and the third doubles are still unsettled. Tina Manion-Maggie Whitney played the Guilderland match, Manion and Maurleen Walsh against Shaker.

The Eagles were in for a tough match against Burnt Hills Monday, and had a chance to experiment further in exercises with Colonie (home) Tuesday and at Scotia Wednesday before the critical test with Niskayuna Thursday in Delmar. BC and the Niskies split their two battles last year, the Niskies winning the regular season skirmish to capture the Council crown, BC's only loss in a 12-1 season. Bethlehem got revenge in the Sectionals and wrested the Section 2 title.



Aryan Shayegani in action against Shaker as she racks up a 6-3, 6-3 win in the No. 3 singles slot. Tom Howes

## SOCCER

# Eagles find scoring touch

Bethlehem Central's soccer forces take to the road for two games this week after getting the season off on the right foot — Jeff Guinn's.

The Eagles launched their 1982 campaign with a cohesive 3-1 victory over Mohonasen before an appreciative crowd in Delmar Friday. The assemblage had some anxious moments at the start when the visitors took advantage of an errant outlet pass to score at 6:51 of the first period, but Guinn slammed a corner kick directly into the cords at 12:57 of the second. BC took the lead for good at 19:03.

The go-ahead goal was an artistic one. Chris Kelly caught Mohonasen with only three fullbacks on sentry duty, dribbled past one, and drew another out. When the keeper came out, Kelly shoveled the ball to Rob Leslie who rifled it home.

Bethlehem iced the cake at 12:49 in the fourth on a hard shot by Guinn that the keeper couldn't quite handle and Randy Dean pumped in the rebound.

Coach Gene Lewis was pleased that his team took the early mistake in stride. "They didn't let the interception bother them. They moved the ball well, and recovered to play intelligent soccer."

Then he added: "This is about as nice a team to watch as any in recent years. They've generated a lot of interest in the community, and I understand there's a movement underway to start a BC soccer booster organization."

The Eagles had a Tuesday date this week at Niskayuna and meet Shaker at Latham Thursday. They next play at home at 10 a.m. Saturday against Scotia.

## Festival at Five Rivers

A Fall Festival of outdoor events will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2, at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar.

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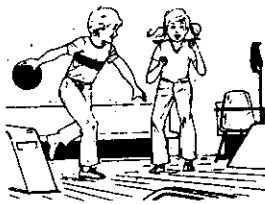
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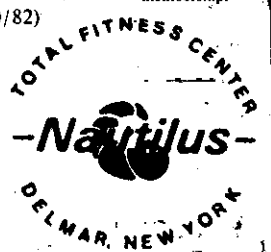
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# Why players flock to fall open

# Montgomery tops Jones

By Linda Burtis

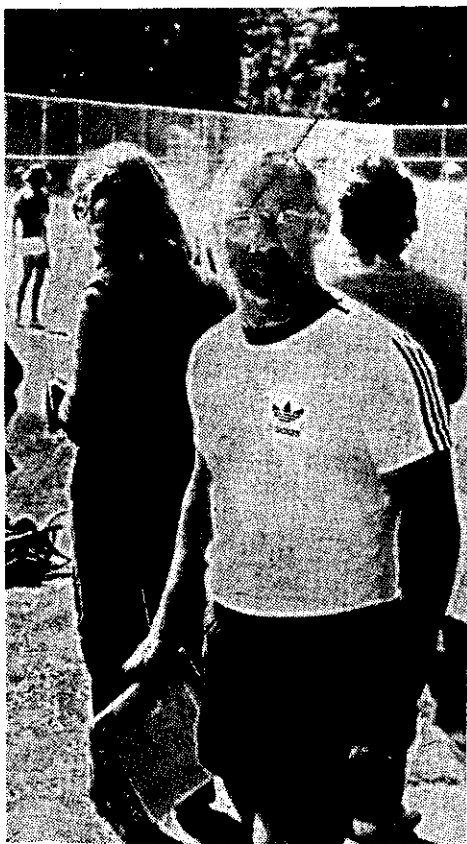
Those of us who play tennis tournaments couldn't miss the signs these past few weeks: players frequenting the middle school courts to tone up their backhands and overheads, doubles teams grinding out their game plans and polishing up their teamwork while rainy fall weather threatened fragile gut strings. Suddenly, there is the most casual scrutiny of one's hitting partner's game, because he or she may be your first round opponent in Bethlehem's answer to the U.S. Open: the 1982 Fall Open Tournament.

The tournament is sponsored by the Bethlehem Tennis Association, which has been holding this event in different forms since 1966. That makes this year's tournament 16 years old, plenty of time to iron out the wrinkles and turn out a smooth, first class competition. This year, 81 "A" players entered, along with 115 "B" players, making it one of the largest such events in the Capital District. The B draw would likely have been even higher, but a Schenectady intermediate tournament was held the same weekend as the Bethlehem "B's" and the excellent prize money likely tempted players to choose that event over the BTA Fall Open.

One way to appreciate the Bethlehem Fall Open is to see where it falls caliber-wise among capital district tourneys. There are essentially three types of tournaments in this area:

**Sanctioned events:** These tournaments are run strictly according to USTA guidelines, the USTA being the same folks who sponsor the U.S. Open. They frequently offer prize money and thus attract a very high level player, some of whom are scratching out a living on this "circuit." These tournaments also offer players the opportunity to earn a ranking, a rather prestigious high mark on a player's tennis report card. A number of Bethlehem players compete quite well on this circuit, while other weekend hackers (such as this reporter), only advance a round or two. These sanctioned tourneys have a glamour unmatched by any other local tournaments.

For example, I remember playing at the SUNYA courts alongside an incredible early round match which pitted an almost world class level Australian against a highly ranked New Englander, both vying for the \$400 prize money! Many tennis fanatics will spend \$100 on a day at the U.S. Open, yet here was a match nearly equivalent to those at the



**Doug Maeder, director of this year's BTA Fall Open Tournament, has done a good job of keeping things running smoothly amidst a crowd of participants. On the cover: No, this is not one of this year's competitors, merely another avid fan, but the event continues to draw more interest every year.** Tom Howes

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**Local open tournaments:** The BTA Fall Open is an excellent example of this type. Such tournaments generally draw players from throughout the Capital District, hence they are "local." Naturally, there are a few exceptions. For example, for several years a brother of a Bethlehem player travelled from Maine two weekends each fall to team up with his sister in the mixed doubles. "Open" means just that — barring an occasional rule (such as distinguishing between A and B players) anyone can play, from a full time professional tennis player to a novice with no competitive experience.

These local opens can be as strong as the top level players in the Capital District, a level which is remarkably high. The strength of the draw is related to the reputation of the tournament, prizes offered and the publicity. The greatest numbers of players frequently come from the immediate vicinity, while a handful of the serious tournament players enter the capital area can be counted on to enter.

Thus, local opens, like this year's Fall Open in Bethlehem, offer a blend of good neighborhood talent pitted against some of the best players around. Here lies the beauty of this type of tournament. If the average weekend hacker, with a game in a solid intermediate range, entered a sanctioned event, he or she would be blown off the court by some suntanned, muscular tennis jock.

However, by playing a local open, this same hacker stands a good chance of advancing beyond the quarter finals, thereby gaining useful competitive experience, while having a longshot opportunity to upset one of the serious tournament players. Precisely this situation occurred this weekend in the women's and men's A singles on the middle school courts. In the women's semi finals, Patty Bowman, a fine hitter from Hudson, who plays mostly social tennis in Bethlehem, came up against Linda Rubino, a teaching pro ranked number eight in the East. Rubino had her work cut out for her to take the match 6-2, 7-6, coming from behind in the second set. Patty played a marvelous, high level game to push Linda as hard as she did.

A similar episode, with sweet results for the underdog, occurred in the men's semifinals. Craig Jones, a good local player, undid teaching pro Phil Ackerman in three hard-fought sets. Patty and Craig are excellent prototypes of the new breed of players who seek competitive experience and for whom the Fall Open proved rewarding.

**Closed Tournaments:** These consist mainly of tournaments held in private clubs or run by local tennis associations, such as the BTA Spring Tournament. The field of players is restricted to membership, consequently the caliber of play drops considerably, when compared to sanctioned events and local opens.

Each type of tournament can meet the different needs of tennis players who enjoy competition. Some players prefer to have a real shot at winning or being a "big fish in a small pond." Others don't mind having their socks blown off and play over their heads continually.

However, the broadest appeal clearly lies in the local open style of tournament, as was played these last two weekends at the middle school and town park. The draws are much larger, and here one can see the real impact of the tennis boom. The BTA Fall Open offers the town of Bethlehem a cost free sporting event, an event which brings some real tennis class to this community.

Top-seeded Cliff Montgomery of Glenmont defeated Craig Jones of Slingerlands, 6-1, 6-2, in an all-Bethlehem final to win the men's A singles title in the Bethlehem Tennis Assn. Fall Open at the town park Sunday.

In A men's doubles, Dave Mannix and Chuck Koffenberg turned back Kirby Hannan and Ted Baughn, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3. Linda Burtis of Delmar was the winner in women's singles through a default by Linda Rubino, who was seeded first.

Women's doubles winners were Kathy Yeats and Pat Bowman, the top seeds, who defeated Marlene Castle and Nancy Filley-Angle. In mixed doubles, Mike Harrison and Linda Burtis topped Gerry Cura and Sue Oberting.

In B Division men's singles, Bill Zwoboda was the winner over Mike Cole, 6-2, 6-1. No. 1 seeds Joe and David Barrs came out on top in their doubles match against Cole and Tom Roe.

Nine-year-old Kristen Jones bowed to Dorothy Foley, 6-1, 6-2, in B women's singles. In B women's doubles, Katalin Toth and Edith Kessler held back Jones and Nancy Ackerman, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4. The mixed doubles saw Joe Bierman and Joan Rhodes visitors over Charlotte Maeder and Steve Steinhardt, 7-6, 4-6, 6-3.

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## "We gottcha"

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals' all-but final decision to grant a variance to permit Dixon Welt, treasurer of the Bethlehem Republican Committee, to open law offices in a heretofore exclusively residential zone along Delaware Ave. in Delmar is simple and blatant political favoritism at its worst. The recent action of the board, orchestrated by Republican Chairman and Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz along with his law partner and attorney for the board, Donald DeAngelis, is the first encroachment into the residential zone along Delaware Ave. beyond the Four Corners since the Planning Board reviewed and reconfirmed this very residential zone only last year. This new law office variance becomes the first ominous step in the inevitable commercial creep destined to destroy the last remaining residential neighborhood along Delaware Avenue.

One can only wonder why the town even bothers with zoning regulations when they are so cavalierly ignored at the whim and pleasure of the ruling clique. Zoning laws and regulations have now become meaningless. No neighborhood is safe if our town's zoning decisions turn on the whims of the favored few.

Mr. DeAngelis has apparently drawn up a resolution to throw a few sops to the protesting neighbors. Presumably, Mr. Welt's sign won't be as large as Mr. Kaplowitz's and Mr. DeAngelis' sign, and, should Mr. Welt leave or sell the property it will revert to a residential use.

One can only wonder why Mr. Kaplowitz squelched the objections to the variance sought to be voiced by the Town Planning Board. What will happen when Mr. Welt moves on and the residential fixtures have been removed and the new owner argues that it is unreasonable to require reconversion to a residential use? Is it mere coincidence that all board members, as well as the

other actors, are current or former officers of the Bethlehem Republican Committee?

I was further chagrined, but not surprised, at the board when it decided it did not want to hear my comments. The board's message seemed to be "we gottcha," or, more precisely, "we've slipped this variance through the hearing and now we don't have to and won't listen to you or anybody else." Their anger and fear is understandable, like the child caught with his hand in the cookie jar.

Michael Breslin

Delmar

Mr. Breslin is chairman of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee.

## Excitement, disappointment

Editor, The Spotlight:

One year ago, my family and I moved to Delmar from the mid-west. We were pleasantly surprised to find that during the first week in our new neighborhood, Delmar hosted the Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention. What a thrill it was to watch the dress parade pass within one block of our new home.

I cannot tell you how thrilled we were to discover that Elsmere is to host this year's convention. Again, the dress parade is to pass within one block of our home. This evening, a somewhat apologetic letter from John E. Brennan was slipped into our mail slot. Mr. Brennan stated that a portion of the dress parade will be forming on our street, and he apologized for any inconvenience it may cause us. I believe that I speak for my neighbors, my family, and me in saying that it is an honor to have the parade formation on our block. I can already imagine the excitement of this Saturday's festivities!

I have one complaint: Why did the Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association have to choose the weekend of Rosh Hashana, one of the Jewish high holy days, as the time of their convention? I regret that my family and others will miss this Saturday's activities because we will be away spending the holy days with relatives. Many other of our Jewish neighbors will miss the dress parade and its formation since they will be attending religious services during that time. I must say that I am terribly disappointed by the inappropriate timing of this exciting community event. What a shame that the entire community will not be able to participate.

Stanley N. Hack

Delmar

## No politics

Editor, The Spotlight:

Your recent story about Maura O'Brien's entry into the U.S. Military Academy at West Point was of special interest. Maura is typical of the calibre of youths who have entered the Academy from this area through the years.

There is one aspect of West Point admissions which bears mentioning. During 13 years (1971-81) that I was the West Point Admissions Liaison Officer in the Capital District I continuously encountered a misconception which may well have kept some qualified young people from applying. Namely, that you need political influence or connections to get into a service academy. I have no knowledge of admissions procedures a long time ago. However, I can state categorically that in this day and age politics does not enter into the admissions process.

By law, the admission office of each service academy is the sole evaluator of each candidate's application, and alone makes the decision whether to offer appointment (admission). These decisions are based on academic qualifications (the most important criterion), demonstrated leadership ability, and physical and medical fitness. The only added requirement is that, by law, an appointment cannot be offered unless the candidate has a nomination.

Every senator and representative has five cadetships at each of the three service academies, with ten nominations available for each vacant cadetship. Each senator and representative has a citizens' committee which interviews each candidate, and then evaluates them basically on the same basis as the academies' admission offices.

For eight years (1971-78) I served on Rep. Sam Stratton's committee. Every applicant was interviewed by the committee. Never once during a committee meeting (with or without Mr. Stratton) were politics ever mentioned. Nor was it the one year I was asked to serve on Sen. Moynihan's Albany committee. In fact, it is interesting to note that Mr. Stratton (D) took over Mr. Button's (R) committee as a group after defeating him in the 1970 election. Also, Rep. Gerald Solomon (R) continued Ned Pattison's (D) committee after the 1978 election.

Last May eleven Capital District cadets were graduated from West Point, out of 12 who entered in 1978. They were a diverse group of fine men and women from widely varied backgrounds. From personal knowledge of each of these new

lieutenants I know that not one of them had or used any political connections to enter West Point. I hope that any young person interested in West Point or another service academy will apply for admission. (Now is the time for seniors.) He or she is assured of an evaluation truly on merit.

Bertold E. Weinberg  
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Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you for your recent comprehensive article on the Children's Center of R-C-S which painted a favorable and upbeat picture of our day care center which serves families in the area in and around the town of Bethlehem and Coeymans.

Your article was personally flattering to me but mistaken in suggesting that I am the sole founder and operator-teacher-director-super woman. In fact, many people worked diligently to design and launch the program, and our non-profit center is guided by energetic and competent volunteer board directors, minimally paid teachers and staff, and prayerful supporters.

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## Leukemia marchers needed

The Leukemia Society of America, will conduct a residential campaign in the Town of Bethlehem from Sept. 26 through Oct. 11. All those who have volunteered to canvass their neighborhoods have been invited to a kickoff meeting this Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

The meeting will feature a slide show presentation on leukemia and related diseases and volunteers will be encouraged to questions to learn more about the diseases the society is fighting. Coffee and danish will be served.

Additional volunteers are needed in some areas of the town, according to Candice Burnell, who is coordinating the volunteer effort. Any person who wishes to volunteer to march is urged to contact the Leukemia Society of America, Inc., at 438-3583.

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#### Recent graduate

Rose DeGennaro of Feura Bush recently graduated from the radiologic technology program at Hudson Valley

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Mr. and Mrs. George D. Tilroe of Gladwish Rd., Elsmere, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Cheryl Tilroe, to Randall J. Looper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Looper of Milwaukee, Wisc.

Miss Tilroe is a 1981 graduate of Iowa State University and is presently employed as banquet manager at the ISU Memorial Union in Ames, Iowa. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Iowa State and is presently employed as a credit manager in the Ricky Mountain National Bank in Denver, Colo. A Jan. 1 wedding is planned.

#### Opening burger bash

Campus Life, a Bethlehem high schoolers' program to any local teenagers in grades 9 through 12, will open its fall season with a bang on Tuesday, Sept. 28, with the traditional burger bash. A cost of \$2 will cover admission to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church's parish hall on Elm Avenue from 6 to 8 p.m., as well as an "unlimited" hamburger supply, "tubpack," and crowd breakers.

A "getting acquainted" meeting for new and old Campus Life members is next on the group's agenda. Set for Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the Lutheran Church's parish hall from 7:30 to 9 p.m., the meeting is open to all BCHS students.

For information, call leader Bob Brewer at 439-0855.

#### community corner

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