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# Villagers to get word on sewers for referendum

Voorheesville residents are expected to turn out in force Thursday for what may be their last chance to get full details of the proposed village sewer system before the controversial issue goes to a plebescite.

No date been set for the referendum, but the full-scale public hearing is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17 at Voorheesville High School.

Spokesmen for Clough, Harbour and Associates will be on hand to discuss the consulting firm's recommendations, including acquisition of the Salem Hills wastewater treatment plant and collection system, and a proposed extension to several adjacent sections of the village. The private utility, itself the subject of heated controversy over monthly fees charged by the large subdivision's developers, is owned and operated by a subsidiary of Rosen-Michaels, Inc.

Also on the podium Thursday will be Mayor Milton F. Bates, members of the village board and members of the citizens advisory committee appointed by the board to conduct preliminary sewer studies.

# Action group spawned by sewer issue challenges village candidates on stand

By Nat Boynton

An action group of village residents is asking village board candidates and incumbent board members to take a stand on Voorheesville's sensitive sewer proposal.

A cadre of homeowners in the "old village" section has been quietly putting together an organization designed to work with the village board on public issues. The immediate objective: getting out the vote in an upcoming referendum of the sewer proposal.

Date of the referendum has not been set, but Voorheesville's annual election is on the books for Tuesday, March 15. With two incumbents running for reelection and a controversial former leader of the Salem Hills citizen group seeking one of the two seats on the ballot, the sewer issue is certain to have an impact at the polls next month.

Richard Langford, youngest member of the five-member board, is seeking a third two-year term, and Joseph (Larry) Dedrick, a former village fire chief, is seeking his second term. The announced challenger is Charles P. (Pat) Arthur, a state university staff member and a sharp critic of Mayor Milton F. Bates and the trustees in the Salem Hills sewer rate negotiations.

Leaders of the embryonic action group last week signed a letter sent to each candidate and board member asking for their position on the most recent proposal for a village sewer grid. The results, a spokesman says, will be circulated to voters in the so-called "old" section of the village covered by the sewer proposal prior to entering the polling booths next month.

The sewer issue, which has been greeted with mixed reactions by villagers, is expected to inject an extra ingredient into the local political campaign just getting underway. With the candidates certain to be on hand at this Thursday's highly publicized public hearing in the Voorheesville High School auditorium, the informational session shapes up as the kickoff of the village's political season as well as a forum on the Clough, Harbour recommendations on the proposed sewer.

A spokesman for the new action group, which does not yet have a formal name, defines the group's basic objective as "making sure the village board gets a clear picture of the sentiments of homeowners in the 'old' village."

Peter Luczak, a Pleasant St. resident who conducted his own house-to-house survey of homeowners on the sewer issue last fall, says the immediate objective is to insure a large turnout at the referendum coming up in the spring.

Luczak insists the new group is strictly non-partisan in village politics. Its emergence at the same time as the local election activity picks up momentum is, he contends, purely coincidental.

"We're talking about getting out 75 to 80 percent of eligible voters rather than the 15-20 percent that usually turns out," he said. "Our group has mixed opinions on the sewer question, but we all agree that, regardless of how people feel individually, it's important to get out the vote."

Working with Luczak and his wife, Christine, is a "core group" composed of John Carr, Kathy Martin, Kitty Burke, Leo Burgoon and Joseph Sarubbi. All seven live in the older section of the village, and, says Luczak, have diverse feelings on the sewer proposal.

When Clough, Harbour and Associates undertook the preliminary sewer study more than a year ago, working with a citizens advisory group appointed by the village board, one of the early phases was a door-to-door survey of village property

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# Visiting artist pumps for video course at BC

#### By Caroline-Terenzini

Given the "thousands of hours" students have spent watching television by the time they reach high school, adding a credit course in video production to the curriculum would make a lot of sense to Jonathan Bainbridge, who is artist-in-residence for video and film at Bethlehem Central High School.

"It's ironic," he said in a recent interview, "that although they've spent 5,000 or more hours watching TV, they still don't know where it comes from

"Given the amount of money and energy that goes into cleaning a football uniform, and that you can get credit for baking cookies . . . I don't see why they don't have a credit course in video."

A course called "Video Now" has been offered for the past two years, without drawing much student attention. Assistant Superintendent J. Briggs Mc-Andrews said that by having a video artist-in-residence, the district hoped to "give more visibility to video" and encourage student interest. A credit course in video art is being offered for next year in the art department, but the signup is not yet known.

The half-hour a week of news that is produced by the students and goes out over Bethlehem Central's cable channel "is hardly tapping the potential," Bainbridge said. But, with a 35-day commitment as artist-inresidence, Bainbridge, who lives in Middleburgh, has found that he has an erratic schedule and no mode for communicating with the students who want to work with him in their free time. "You really need to have an association with a teacher, to work with a teacher" for the residency program to be effective, he said.

Bainbridge came to film in a roundabout way. While living in New York City and writing one-act plays (one of which was produced Off-Broadway), he was loaned a 35mm camera to use on a trip to Italy. Seeing the results, a friend was enthusiastic — "I think you've got an eye for it!" This led to moving pictures and a memorable adventure with a 16mm camera, a dancer



Jonathan Bainbridge speaks out at BCHS.

and 10 children in monks' tunics on Long Island's "Walking Dunes." After that harrowing experience, Bainbridge said with a laugh, "I then did a man and a woman in one room."

As he gained recognition at film festivals here and in Europe, there were other opportunities, such as work on a Hollywood film in Vienna one summer — "a soda pop production," he called it. "Soda pop is going to go down quickly — without detail or graceful pace."

Two important influences on his life have been his father, also named Jonathan Bainbridge, who has been on the staff of *The New Yorker* for many years, and an uncle, actor Richard Widmark.

And there have been major setbacks: a chance to work with Robert Altman on Nashville fell victim to a last-minute auto accident, and a fire eight years ago destroyed his home in Middleburgh as well as 15 months of work under a grant from the American Film Institute. "I didn't mind losing the films that were done," he said. "It was not being able to finish Inscape." But Bainbridge moved into the barn across the stream and "pressed on."

The insecurity in being an artist is the insecurity of

being alive. "What's secure?" Bainbridge said. "You can work for GE for 20 years and then find yourself out of a

While the students at Bethlehem are filming on videotape because it is much less expensive than film, he believes students should have their first exposure in film—"it teaches discipline," Bainbridge said. "You have to be much more concise and controlled.

"Video doesn't have the character that film has. People aren't doing stuff as fresh and smart on video as on film. And videotape tells you that what you do won't last," he said.

"I think the kids would rather be working in film than in video," he added. "Maybe because of TV..." When his TV broke in December, Bainbridge bought three finches for an antique brass bird cage he had, and has found them more entertaining than Dallas, he said. And he's back to writing, working on a short story now. "To warm myself up — like in tennis."

For the students, possibilities for recognition are there. Finished programs will go on the public access channel in Bethlehem, Bainbridge said, and the best will be entered in a state competition. "There is something to go for — a mountain, a door they can go through."

The cost of the artist-in-residence program has been shared for the past three years by the district and the New York Foundation for the Arts in New York City.

#### Reception for artist

Jonathan Bainbridge, artist-in-residence in video and film at Bethlehem Central High School, will be the guest at a reception at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, in the library at the school. In addition, video productions by Bainbridge and the students working with him will be shown in the Media Center from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. Interested people in the community are welcome to attend the showings and the tea, according to Jane Streiff, supervisor of the Media Center.

### □ Sewers

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owners on the effectiveness of their septic systems and their reactions to a proposal for a public sewer system.

Apparently feeling that the consulting firm's survey was inadequate, Luczak last October set out on a doorbell-pushing canvass of his own. At the village board's Oct. 26 meeting, Luczak presented the results of his survey that covered, he said, about 160 people in 105 homes. The respondents were asked if they favored sewers if federal and state funding were not available, and whether their response would be different if federal aid were forthcoming. Luczak said that without funding 71 percent of those surveyed were opposed to the sewer proposition, 11 percent in support, and 18 percent undecided. With federal aid, he said, 50 percent were opposed, 46 percent in favor and 14 percent undecided.

The referendum on the sewer proposal presumably will be worded to the effect that approval is contingent on the availability of federal aid.

In November, Luczak distributed a letter to the 300-plus homes in the "old village" with a coupon asking recipients the degree of their interest in community issues, including sewers. He said about 50 people responded, saying they were interested in attending a meeting or asking to be kept informed. Luczak set up a meeting on Jan. 12 at St. Matthew's Church with an open invitation, and 25 people came out.

Luczak, a Democratic staff aide in the state Senate, said the turnout at that meeting indicated that "there seems to be more than sufficient interest to formally organize" a community action group to deal with various issues.

"We want to work with the village board and also with the Salem Hills Park Association," he said. "We're not a political organization. We have no candidates, but we're going to ask candidates and board members how they stand on the sewer issue."

Responses of the candidates, Luczak said, will be circulated to residents in the area of the village affected by the sewer proposal.

The action group may not have to wait longer than Thursday to get what is expected to be the candidates' answers. Dedrick has confided to friends he will support the majority opinion as expressed by his constituents in the referendum. Langford is expected to declare his opposition to the sewer extensions, either this week or later in the campaign.

Luczak praised the efforts of Stephen Schreiber, a neighborhood representative assisting the citizens advisory committee and Clough, Harbour in getting sewer information to homeowners. As one of seven appointees serving as delegates at the 1982 neighborhood informational sessions, Schreiber represents most of the area of the village in line for sewer extensions if the proposal reaches the construction stage.

"Steve has done a fine job keeping the people informed," Luczak said. "What we're doing goes several steps beyond the information stage."

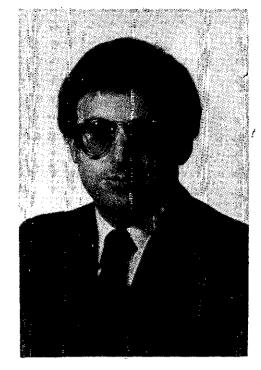
Salem Hills residents and their park association have been embroiled for more than four years in a controversy over the monthly rates charged by the developer for sewer service. The drawnout hassle has twice been in the courts.

That controversy was unrelated to the village sewer studies until last fall, when Clough, Harbour came out with the recommendation that the village acquire the Salem Hills system and treatment plant and extend the mains to adjacent sections of the village.

#### **Driving course for seniors**

Local senior citizens can polish skills behind the wheel at the 55-Alive mature driving course scheduled for Thursday and Friday, Feb. 24 and 25, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. The course is being sponsored by the Tri-Village chapter of the AARP.

Last year, 10,336 New York State residents took advantage of the program. For details and registration, call Wallace Campbell at 439-1381.



Steven L. Einhorn

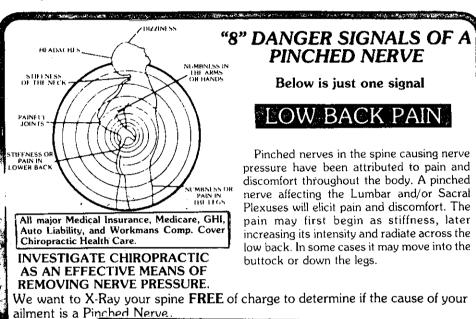
#### Selected for committee

Steven L. Einhorn of Elsmere, president of Einhorn Yaffee Prescott Krouner, PC, Albany, has been appointed to the national Architecture for Health Committee by the American Institute of Architects' Board of Directors. The committee is chartered to improve the quality of design, construction and function of health care facilities.

Einhorn's firm is providing architectural, engineering and energy management services for Albany Medical Center Hospital, the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Child's Hospital and other facilities in the state.

#### Tax help at library

Aud o cassettes put out by the Internal Revenue Service are available at the Bethlehem Public Library. They contain line-by-line instructions on hew to do federal Form 1040, Schedules A and B, Form 040A and Form 1040 EZ, which is new this year. In addition, the library has tax forms on file that can be reproduced for 10 cents a copy. The library is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. tc 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.





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Scott Rogler of Delmar, flanked by his parents, Francis and Mary Rogler, receives the badge of an Eagle Scout while Troop 71 Scoutmaster Ralph T. LaBarge of Elsmere looks on. To earn the badge, Scout Rogler undertook a project to help drivers understand the value of depth in tire treads. He included nearly 150 cars in his project and also made a report to the Department of Motor Vehicles. Rogler, a senior at Christian Brothers Academy, has received an appointment to the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point.

### Solons ponder juvenile problem

A major problem confronting state government is what to do about those youngsters who are not criminals but who make life miserable for their families, their schools and their peers. In New York state these young people are known as PINS — Persons in Need of Supervision.

The way a child gets the PINS designation is through a court that affixes the tag and then decides what to do about it. Sometimes this means being sent to a foster home, sometimes to a state facility.

The problem for the state legislature and the governor to decide is whether the courts should be involved in affixing the PINS label to these children and teenagers or whether these children should be a social service agency problem handled by state and local social service departments.

The leading advocate for the change is Statewide Youth Advocacy Inc., a lobbying group dedicated to protecting the rights of children in the Empire State. Its director is Eve Block, who generally takes the position that the less authoritarian and punitive treatment a child receives the more positive the results will be. Others argue that it is only the courts that can deal definitively and severely enough with a truly disruptive child.

Ms. Block argues that when a child

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commits a criminal act it is clearly a case for the courts. But, she maintains, \_ anything short of that wastes the courts precious time and scars that may affect the child for the rest of his life. Many of the young PINS designees are referred to the courts by their families because of behavior. Referrals come from the schools because of truancy. Ms. Block thinks that both of these groups may not be acting for the best. She suggests that a parent who calls the family court about an incorrigible child may be creating an irrevocable schism between the parent and the child -- one which the parents will be sorry about for the rest of their lives. And the schools, suggests Ms. Block, may be looking for a way out rather than providing the student with the appropriate mental health and educationally remedial help the student deserves. But school administrators say they know unruly students when they see

Says Brian Hart, a lobbyist for the New York School Boards Association, "We still feel that use of the PINS petition is a matter best left to the school district." Furthermore, says Hart, "We feel that putting procedural barriers in the way of school districts hampers our ability to deal with serious and immediate behavior problems and may indeed result in unforeseen and adverse effects in that the school district may be tempted to avoid adverse procedures by ignoring the situation faced with bureaucratic nonsense."

Block suggests that several judges have taken differing positions on the proposal that they be relieved of PINS responsibilities. "There are a group of family court judges in this state that very much want PINS completely out of the court, there are others who think that some diversion mechanism is necessary, there are others who think that the court's responsibility is the only way to guarantee that services come to these troubled families. They are a very divided group." And, says Block, the mammoth Department of Social Services, which would assume much of the responsibility under her plan, is "of a mixed mind" too.

Block suggests that PINS may have an element of sexual discrimination connected with it. "Many upstate jurisdictions use PINS for girls, heavily for girls, for girls who are sexually active, maybe. The judges upstate feel that this is the appropriate protection for youngsters."

So the problem of truants, runaways, disruptive and ungovernable children is back plaguing the state legislature. And

with an austerity budget being put into place it is doubtful that the legislature or the governor is going to be inclined to go down a road in which major allocations of money and reorganization are the name of the game.

Maybe next year.

#### **Cross-endorsement forum**

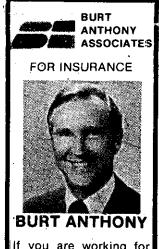
Cross-endorsement is the subject of the February meeting of the Bethlehem unit of the Albany County League of Women Voters. The unit will hear the opinions of the local party chairmen concerning the New York system that allows two or more political parties to nominate the same candidate for public office.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 9:15 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. Babysitting is available. For information call Susan Richmond at 439-5744.

#### At a slower pace

The Albany YWCA will again be offering its aerobics program designed for people who want to approach physical fitness at a slower pace. It has been medically approved by doctors at John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

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# New Scotland reopens landfill with strict rules and permits

New Scotland town officials have reopened their landfill on Upper Flat Rock Rd. to residents with permits, and have imposed a revised set of rules on materials to be accepted.

In a letter last week, Supervisor Stephen P. Wallace notified town residents that acceptable materials are limited to clean metals, refrigerators, stoves, washers and related appliances, tree stumps and clean demolition mat-

No other materials and no garbage can be accepted, the notice stated. The landfill site will be open to permit holders only on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

An attendant will be stationed at the entrance to inspect incoming materials

#### Winter programs offered

Two winter programs are being offered especially for school-age children and their parents during the mid-winter vacation at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd.,

On Wednesday, Feb. 23, and Saturday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to noon, the following programs will be offered: "Wildlife in Winter" will investigate how wildlife survive the winter and look for clues of their activities, like tracks and homes: and "Snowshoeing and Winter Ecology" will also explore the wildlife community if Winter, but will do so on snowshoes. Participants must be at least 10 years old in order to fit into snowshoes. (This program will be cancelled if snow cover is insufficient.)

Fees are \$1.50 for "Wildlife in Winter" and \$2 for "Snowshoeing and Winters Ecology." Participants must pre-register for these programs by calling the Center at 457-6092.

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and direct users to the assigned disposal area. No materials will be deposited before the attendant has inspected them and designated the disposal area.

"This will provide a considerable convenience to all residents," Wallace's letter stated. "However, to maintain our permit (from state and county authorities), we must comply strictly with the stated requirements. As such, all rules and regulations will be strictly enforced, in order to preserve this convenience for the use of townspeople."

There is no fee for permits, which are available to applicants at the town hall. A permit fee will be charged for commercial

New Scotland's landfill was condemned by state and county environmental authorities in 1981 and ordered closed pending compliance with conditions mandated by EnCon and the Albany County Health Department.

#### Parenting course starting

An eight-week Parenting Education program will be offered by Christine Deyss Thursday evenings beginning March 3. Classes will meet at the Delmar Presbyterian Church. The course will focus on skilss for dealing with children and also will provide an opportunity for parents to share concerns and experiences. Cost is \$18 a person or \$25 a couple.

Mrs. Deyss has a master's degree in human development and family relationships, and received her training at Pennsylvania State University's Individual and Family Consultation Center. She has taught parenting and family communication courses for church and social service groups. For information and to register, call Mrs. Deyss at 439-2754.

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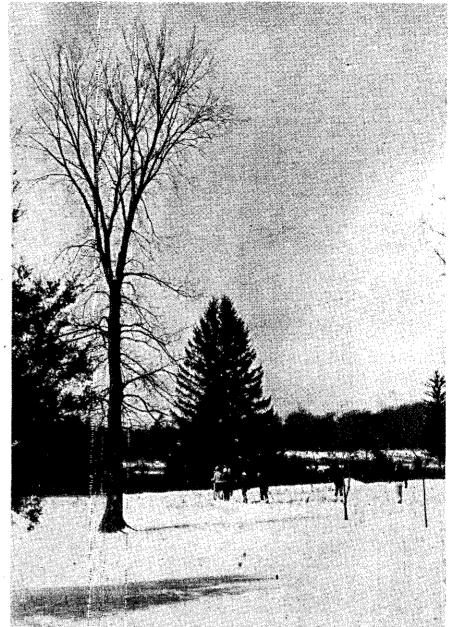
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# Catholic alumni get together

Alumni from six Catholic schools that have merged or closed in the city of Albany in the past quarter of a century have joined together with graduates of Bishop Maginn High School to form the Bishop Maginn High School Alumni Association.

The new association will pool the energies of the seven groups to support Bishop Maginn, the only co-ed diocesan

#### Ski for Refer

Brodie Mountain will be the site for a Refer Switchboard ski-a-thon planned Feb. 27. Proceeds from the event will help pay operating costs of the 24-hour hotline which is an activity of Project Equinox and has been offering free crisis intervention and counseling services to area residents since 1969.

The hotline, at 462-5900, is staffed by volunteers. Television weathermen Todd Gross, Bob Kovachik and Tim Welch will be among the downkill and cross-county skiers at the event, beginning at 9 a.m.

high school in Albany, and will provide services to the graduates of each of the schools to help to preserve their tradi-

The new association includes graduates of Cardinal McCloskey High School and Vincentian Institute High School, which merged to form Bishop Maginn in 1977, as well as graduates from Cathedral Academy, St. John's High School, and St. Ann's Academy, which merged in 1957 to form Cardinal McCloskey. The other two groups will include graduates of St. Joseph's Academy, which closed in 1974, serfding students to VI, McCloskey and other area schools, and graduates of Bishop Maginn.

Graduates of each of the schools met Jan. 20 to plan an alumni phonothon during April. Alumni attending the meeting also discussed a computer set-up by which graduates of the seven schools can develop programs to produce printouts which will facillitate class reunions and other alumni events.



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#### Delmar in Sarasota

The 15th annual "Delmar Day" is planned for Monday, March 7, in Sarasota, Fla., for former and vacationing residents of the Town of Bethlehem. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the recreation hall at Sarasota Mobile Home Park, 2100 E. Laurel St., Sarasota. Participants should take a picnic luncheon. Sing-alongs are planned, as well as a performance by the Sarasota County Cloggers. Past reunions have drawn 100 or more persons. More information may be obtained from Betty J. Roth, 3075 Riveria Dr., Sarasota, 33582.

#### Slide lecture set

"Stately Homes and Gardens in America" will be the theme of a slide lecture to be presented by Lois Dillón on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Historical Association Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Road, Selkirk.

# Deadline near for scholarship

The Delmar Progress Club will sponsor a student in the New York State Federated Women's Club's scholarship competition. Three \$1,000 scholarships are offered for juniors and seniors in college. The deadline for applications is March 1, and interested persons should contact Mrs. Robert Martin, 439-9148, for information and an application form. Candidates should be strong academically and have a civic role, as well as be in need of aid to finish college.

#### New scam alerts police

Bethlehem police are watching for persons using video game tokens in local laundromats following a complaint by Susan L. Pietropaoli, proprietor of the So-White Laundromat, Elsmere.

#### Held for desertion

A police computer check on a driver stopped for failure to keep right on Rt. 9W at midnight Saturday night caused Bethlehem police to hold a Tennessee man on a charge of military desertion from the U.S. Navy.

Police said Russell A. Hatley, 24, of Memphis, Tenn., was arraigned before Justice Peter B. Wenger in town court and transferred to Albany County Jail. Police said a teletype from the Bureau of Naval Personnel indicated Hatley would be extradited to the Naval Desertion Unit, Brooklyn.

#### PO and DOT at odds

The Selkirk post office has filed a complaint with Bethlehem police contending that a snowplow clearing Rt. 144 Saturday morning knocked down nine roadside mailboxes between Clapper Rd. and Rt. 396, Selkirk.

### **Births**



Albany Medical Center

Girl, Kelly Lynne, to Robert and Diane Boyea, Delmar, Jan. 18.

Girl, Jennifer Paula, to Scott and DeDe Montgomery, Slingerlands, Jan. 23.

St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Alison Megan, to Linda and Martin Zalogá, Feura Bush, Jan. 15. Girl, Carley Elizabeth, to Cathie and

Charles St. Lucia, Selkirk, Jan. 16. Girl, Jessica Lynn, to Mary and Joseph Metchick, Delmar, Jan. 22.

#### Birthday for Pack 272

Slingerlands Cub Scout Pack 272 will celebrate its 40th anniversary at a dinner Thursday at the Delmar Reformed Church. Cubs and their parents are invited to the event, at 6 p.m.



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In 1765 a Methodist convert of John Wesley, Capt. Thomas Webb, was stationed at Albany with the British Army. It is said he held family prayers and sometimes preached in the city streets. This new denomination evolved from the Wesleyan revival in the Churchof England and stressed a modified episcopal polity, with emphasis on personal and social morality.

In 1784 Francis Asbury was elected first Bishop of the Methodist Church when the scattered societies of Method-



Rev. Conrad Rowe, born Sept. 2, 1835, died June 5, 1919. One of the early circuit rider preachers who served as supply pastor at Delmar Methodist Church in 1887 and again in 1891-94. He was the father of Alton C. Rowe, Sr., former Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem and also the first fire chief in Delmar. Rev Rowe's descendents still reside in the Town of Bethlehem.

# Times

Remembered Allison Bennett

ists were organized into a church in New York. Shortly thereafter, Rev. Freeborn Garretson, a native of Maryland and one of the earliest pioneer Methodist preachers, was assigned to our area and, with a group of young men, entered into a work' of revival spreading north from Westchester County.

Rev. Garretson passed over the whole territory once every three months, putting his own labor where it seemed most needed. In 1789 he wrote of the city, "Albany still appears to be a poor place for Methodism." However some of his labors apparently bore fruit, for in 1788 a Methodist congregation was formed south of Albany by Rev. John Crawford and in 1791-92 the Old Stone Church, 21/2 miles west of Coeymans Landing, was built to house this congregation.

A chain link fence and a state marker along the old section of the South Bethlehem-Ravena Road, near Atlantic Cement's pipeline through the ridge, marks the site of this early church. Tradition states that this was the first Methodist church built west of the Hudson River. This church was visited by Bishop Asbury in 1793. He recorded in his Journal: "At Coeymans Patent . . . we hope 200 souls have been awakened in the past year. Our friends here are happy, not being distressed with divisions in the church, nor at war with the Indians . . .

In 1807 he presided over the session of the New York Conference at this site. From this old church, class leaders branched out into the surrounding countryside and new congregations were started.

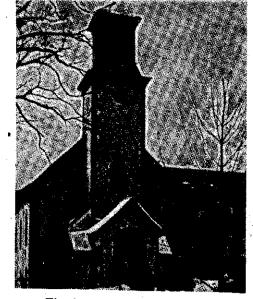
As early as 1830 nine members began a tiny Methodist fellowship in a community then known as Adamsville (Delmar). By 1833 a group of 50 souls had been converted and these persons joined

themselves to the original group. This increase in membership led them to feel the necessity of erecting a building for the worship of God. Accordingly, having given public notice for three successive Sabbaths, a meeting was held for the election of Trustees and organization under the-name of Second Methodist Episcopal Church in the Town of Bethlehem.

It is interesting to note that the first Methodist Episcopal Church in the town was organized near Beckers Corners in 1823 and moved to South Bethlehem in 1845. The Adamsville congregation immediately acquired a piece of land and erected a small church building on the north side of Kenwood Avenue, near the present Sporthaven Bowling Alley. In the minutes book of 1838 part of a circuit congregation was part of a circuit. consisting of four preaching places located in Clarksville, Black Creek (Voorheesville), Glass House (Guilderland) and Adamsville. The salary of the first sexton was 50 cents a month, but by 1840, when his duties had increased to include the cleaning of the church and sawing of wood, the salary reached the sum of \$25 per year.

In 1853 the original church was madeinto a parsonage and a new building was erected to the east. The entire plot was enclosed with a white picket fence, with carriage sheds to the rear. The heating of the building consisted of two large box stoves, consuming pieces of wood two feet in length, and men and women sat in straight-backed pews on opposite sides of the church.

An apparent increase in population and wealth in the western end of the parish took place following the Civil War and the construction of the Delaware and Hudson railroad. There arose a desire for a new church building, causing dissension within the Adamsville congregation. In 1871 the Board of Trustees obtained a court order permitting the removal of the church and so the building was dismantled and removed to Slingerlands with all of its equipment. This was done in spite of the protest of the Adamsville



The Sanctuary built in 1873.

people, and they refused to attend the church in its new location. They were without a church building or a pastor for about two years. A new brick structure had arisen in Slingerlands to house the other part of the congregation and the parsonage there was constructed from some of the materials taken from the Adamsville building.

By 1873 sufficient funds had been raised to warrant the Adamsville people purchasing a piece of land from Nathaniel Adams, upon which to build a new sanctuary for the 60 members. The church frame was enclosed and roofed in the spring of that year, while the Sunday School room in the south end of the building was readied for use during the time the remainder of the sanctuary was under construction. Teams were furnished for drawing lumber from Albany and stone from the quarry near New Scotland. Timbers for the tower were hewn from tall trees which grew on a farm belonging to one of the members.

A debt of \$4,000 was assumed, but the challenges were met and the mortgage cancelled in 1896. The church erected a parsonage on the land adjoining the church to the west in 1898 at a cost not to exceed \$1,400.

Within a very few years the congregation was confronted with the fact that the facilities of the church were overtaxed by the growing membership. Therefore in 1907 the church building was raised on its

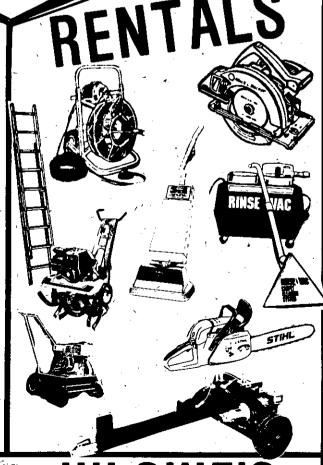
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First Methodist Church of Delmar on Kenwood Avenue, showing main entrance, with education wing and fellowship hall at center and right (1982). On the cover: the Old Stone Church, built in 1791-92.

foundations and church schoolrooms were provided in the basement. The old Sunday School quarters at the southern end of the sanctuary were opened to give more room to the auditorium, and electric lights were installed in 1911.

By the 1920's the rapid growth of the Delmar-Elsmere section into a residential suburb of Albany saw a transition period not only within the community's businesses, schools and civic spirit, but also reflected in increased church growth. One of the outstanding organizations at this period was a ladies Sunday School class taught by Mrs. Charles Grismer, the pastor's wife. The attendance reached as high as 80 ladies each Sunday. This was only one indication of the need for more additions to the church structure. Wise planning was made for construction of an education building to serve the many church and service related activities of the congregation. In 1928 ground was broken for the Norman Gothic parish house, constructed at a cost of \$90,000. Rev. Leon M. Adkins, father of the present senior pastor, was minister at this

Growing pains seem to be the history of this church, for in 1952 another major step in a continuing building program was undertaken, with a 50 percent increase in church and church school

facilities, including the erection of a brick and stone addition to the front of the sanctuary and the razing of the old tower and vestibule. Just lately it was found that the old frame and walls of the original 1873 building were structurally unsound and these past two years have seen a complete renovation and rebuilding of the sanctuary.

The new construction was built over the existing and then the inside was torn out, with only the original floor and stained glass windows retained. The new walls, pews, carpeting and interior painting have given a larger and brighter interior. One novel feature of the enlarged chancel area is that everything contained therein is movable - the lectern, pulpit, baptismal font and even the communion rail can be switched to any position or taken completely away to accommodate the many facets of modern worship.

The church still sponsors one of its projects promoted in 1932 at the suggestion of Mrs. Alton C. Rowe, Sr.,

the publication of the Tri-Village Directory. Today, under the leadership of Rev. Leon M. Adkins, Jr., the First Methodist Church of Delmar considers itself a full service church, not only in the ministry and preaching of the Divine Word by the senior pastor and associate,

but with staff members specializing in education and youth ministries. The 1,700-member congregation is attuned to its obligations in mission giving and outreach projects of the church and also to service in courts, hospitals and geriatric centers in its own area. The church facilities are open for use by nonchurch groups as a community service. The extensive and beautiful physical facilities are merely one expression of the impact that emanates from this congregation to the community and to the world in many directions as an outgrowth of their faith in the Gospel.

#### **Ex-POWs meet**

A meeting to establish a Capital District chapter of the Ex-Prisoners of War Association will be held Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Officers Club of the Watervliet Arsenal. Former POW's from all wars and their spouses are encouraged to attend. An election of officers will be conducted and a program of action developed for the coming year. Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m., to be followed by a buffet dinner and program at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker Edward Zacharek, chief medical administrator at the Albany Veterans Administration Hospital, will discuss rights and benefits available to ex-POW's. For reservations or information, contact John Edwards, 393-3907.

#### Firemen get training

Three New Scotland volunteer firemen have completed a breathing apparatus maintenance course conducted at the New York State Academy of Fire Science at Montour Falls. They are Battalion Chiefs Michael J. Rutnik and Joseph E. Buehler of the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co., Inc., and Lieut. William A. Hummel of the New Salem Fire Department. The course is administered by the Department of State's Office of Fire Prevention and Control.

#### Quilters program Friday

O.U.I.L.T. (Quilters United In Learning Together) will meet Friday, Feb. 18,7 at 10 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. The "log cabin" pattern and its variations will top the program. For information, call Jackie House at 482-

#### Unusual benefit slated

A 13-room residence at 503 State St., in Albany, will be transformed into a Designers' Show House by area members of the American Society of Interior Designers and opened to the public for three weeks this spring. The brick home with broad-vistas of Washington Park will be open for public viewing at \$5 a ticket between May 14 and June 5, with proceeds benefitting the Albany Academy for Girls.

A gala patrons' dinner party will be held on March 5 at the Washington Park home of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Older. Guests will enjoy dinner, music by Delmar pianist Findlay Cockrell, and an opportunity to view 503 State St. before the designers have begun their work. A Preview Party on May 13 willcelebrate the official opening of the house to public admission.

Mrs. Pamela Linnan is general chairman of the Show House, assisted by vice chairmen Mrs. Lynn Steiner and Mrs. Bea Buckley. For information call 482-9097 or 785-0250.

#### Rotary benefit

Delmar Rotary Club's annual grapefruit sale to benefit the club's international youth exchange project got under way this week. Fresh fruit shipped directlyfrom Florida is available at Hilchie's Servistar Hardware, Key Bank N.A.'s Delmar office and D.A. Bennett Plumbing

#### Staff dinner planned

The second annual staff recognition dinner for Bethlehem Central staff is scheduled for April 15 at the Polish Community Center. The dinner is being planned based on the success of last year's event. Former employees are invited, and may get more information by calling the assistant superintendent's office, 439-4921, ext. 267,

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### Voorheesville **News Notes**

Lyn Stapf 765-2451

The New Scotland Kiwanis Club is putting out a call for prospective new members. On Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. they will hold a membership roundup at the New Scotland Presbyterian Church on Rt. 85. All men living in New Scotland or in the Voorheesville School District are invited to come and learn about the many aspects of this local service group, which sponsors monthly blood pressure clinics, Grasshopper baseball and softball leagues, the summer soccer program and other community activities. Anyone interested is asked to call Skip Jackson at 861-7427 or Dick Goliber at 765-4727 to make arrangements to attend.

The Community Nursery School of Voorheesville reminds parents of prospective pupils that an important meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. in the nursery school classroom at the United Methodist Church. At the meeting students for the 1983-84 class will be selected by a lottery drawing from applications of eligible children (4 years old by Dec. 1). Applications are due today (Wednesday). For questions contact Kathy Beadnell, 765-4330.

Parents looking for quality day care will be interested in knowing that the Serendipity Day Care Center on Grove St. is now accepting registration for their

pre-school program (3-5 years old) for the fall. Owner-directors Pat Burnham and Jill DePasquale also announce at this time that there are presently openings for their infant program (18 mo. to 3 years old). Anyone wanting information may reach them at the Center during the day.

(765-2399).

Anyone wanting to warm up during this cold month is invited to join with Old Songs, Inc. for an evening of contra and country dancing on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m. The group, dedicated to the preservation of these unique dance forms, formerly met at St. Luke's, but due to the shortage of space there, have now begun using the social hall of the First United Methodist Church, Voorheesville, although not an affiliate of the church. The public is welcome and admission is \$3.50 per person.

If the "middle of the vacation doldrums" hits home next Wednesday, Feb. 23, send the youngsters to the Voorheesville Library for some spirited vacation movies Soarting at 2 p.m. the first movie, "Win the Pooh and the lastery Day," less about 30 minutes and is certain to delight the smaller set, while everyone is sure to "get a kick" out of "Boots and Saddles" a fast and funny western starring Gene Autry.



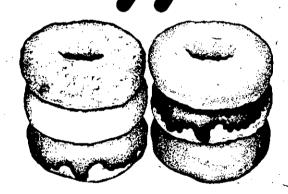
Teacher aide Theresa Becker reads to several students of the Community Nursery School of Voorheesville. Clockwise from left are Jimmy Cooper, Sean Devine, Garrett Fittizzi, Gennette Bell and Brian Lancor. The non-denominational preschool located at the First United Methodist Church will hold its annual lottery drawing on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. to determine 1983-84 classes.

The New Scotland Democratic Committee announces its first annual dinner dance to be held Friday, Mar. 4, at the Heavenly Inn, New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. A Dutch treat cocktail hour will begin at 7 p.m. followed by a roast sirloin dinner at 8. Dancing to the music of the Saratogians will start at 9 and continue until 1 a.m. Tickets are \$13.50 and reservations must be made by Monday, Feb. 28. To obtain tickets or information, call Tom Dolin (765-4085). JoAnn Donohue (765-4400) or Sharon Boehlke (439-4498).

Winter driving is no easy chore for most, but for school bus drivers it's definitely hard work. To help make their job a little easier, 19 drivers for the Voorheesville School District attended a safety course in January. Each driver is mandated to attend two such courses during the year, one before the start of school in the fall and the other prior to Feb. 1. The presentation on winter driving by Charles Finley of the state Education Dept. was well timed and well received.

Apologies to Christopher Odom, who was erroneously identified as his cousin, Alyssa Koontz, in the article about Marilyn Dergosits of Kandy Korner. On the same subject, congratulations are in order for Voorheesville's candy lady, who last week opened a Guilderland branch of Kandy Korner at Cosimo's Plaza.

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In addition to his avocation, Thumhart is an evening news anchorman on commercial radio station WOKO-AM 1460. As a staff member, he is responsible for news gathering, preparation of copy, broadcasting and production work, at the Glenmont studio. WOKO is the area's all-news radio station, featuring news from the Cable News Network (CNN)

#### **Exotic birds**

The Albany Audubon Society will "go exotic" at its meeting on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar. Janet Carroll, coordinator of the breeding bird atlas project for the state Department of Environmental Conservation, will present a slide-lecture on "A Trip to the Galapagos Islands." The wildlife, geology and volcanos of the South American island will be discussed.

#### For asthma sufferers

Asthma sufferers who want to learn more about the illness and coping with it can attend a free program at the Bethlehem Public Library on Thursday, Feb. 17, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Ken Scallon and Amy Lester of the American Lung Association will provide basic practical information for parents with an asthmatic child, telling how to recognize triggers and early warning signals. They will teach relaxation techniques and methods for lessening the emotional distress of an asthma sufferer.

#### **RCS** honors listed

Sixty nine students have made the honor roll (average 90 or more) at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Junior High School. They are:

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Barbara Boehm, David Cary, Jodi Cary, Regina Cirillo, Joshua Curley, Dawn Dinardi, Denis Dingman, Denise Guthrie, Darrin Hall, Tony Johnston and Susan Newkirk.

Also, Anthony Nunziato, Wendy Parker, Tamie Persico, Stephanie Ricciardi, Jeremy Tarr, Erika Warnstadt, Jennifer Williams, Kelly Williams and Robert Zeoli.

#### Grade 7

Christine Adriance, Tracy Bullock, Jill Burrows, Catherine Crewell, James Delehanty, Bray H. Engel, Nadine Feasel, Mark Henry, Erich Hester, Lisa Holsapple and Brian Keating.

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Rebecca Bull, Joseph Cacckello, Paul Caswell, Nancy Conrad, Paul Curley, Raymond Denny, Christine Doyle, Raymond Endres, Bruce Fourman, Joanne Goes and Bart Gottesman.

Also, Tracy Klein, Lisa Korzotkowski, Jacqueline Mulligan, Kenneth Newkirk, Wendy Nolan, Marisa Nunziato, Paula O'Connor, Timothy Penk, James Ritter, Marie Setford, Patricia Surrano, Adam Wheeler, and Mark Williams.



Richard F. Lindstrom

#### 2 named to AMC board

Two Delmar residents, Richard F. Lindstrom and Margarethe Randall Powers, have been elected to the board of trustees of Albany Medical College.

Lindstrom, president and chief executive officer of Bankers Trust Co. of Albany, N.A., is a 1949 graduate of Colgate University. He received an honorary degree from Siena College in 1980. He serves on the boards of the Christian Brothers Academy, Albany YWCA, Albany chapter of the American Red Cross and is a corporate fellow of the Institute of History and Art. He is chairman of the Albany County U.S. Savings Bond Program, director and member of the executive committee of the Albany Downtown Development Corp., and a member of the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce.

Lindstrom has also served on the boards of Siena College, WMHT Public Television, Albany County Youth Bureau and the State University of New York at Albany Foundation, Inc. He is a



Margarethe R. Powers

former chairman of the board of St. Peter's Hospital. He and his wife, Leanora, have two children.

Mrs. Powers, a graduate of Swarthmore College and Albany Law School, is a partner in the Albany law firm, of Powers and Ghandi. She serves on the boards of the Albany County Bar Association and the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York. She is also a member of the Committee on Character and Fitness, New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Third Department, and the State Bar Association committee on criminal justice.

Mrs. Powers was formerly a member of the boards of the Child Guidance Center, Planned Parenthood and the YWCA. She is the widow of Dr. Samuel R. Powers, Jr., professor of surgery and physiology and chairman of the Department of Surgery at Albany Medical College until his death in 1980.

Mrs. Powers lives in Delmar. She has four children and six grandchildren.

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Members of Bethlehem's Senior Citizens Organization being entertained at a Valentine Party at the Glenmont Job Corps found among the many goodies cakes served by Yoette Leonard with frosted lettering and fancy designs. Marge Morelock, nearest camera, Mary McCarthy, Florence Stierwald and Grace Osterhout felt badly about Tom Howes seeing the cake cut, but the taste treat was great.

# Senior **Citizens**



The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Organization recently gave an assist to a group of schoolchildren at the Elsmere School merely by saving labels!

The labels and proofs-of-purchase they saved were donated by the Elsmere School in Delmar, for the "purchase" of audio-visual equipment. The program is sponsored by the makers of Campbell's Soups and related products and, according to senior citizens services coordinator Karen Pellettier, the seniors plan to save

labels on a year-round basis, so that they can donate their accumulated proofs-ofpurchase to local schools participating in the program.

The public is invited to join in the seniors' effort; any labels from Campbell's products can be turned in at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

There will be a travelogue on Austria, Germany and Switzerland, featuring a slide presentation and discussion, at 1 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 24. The travelogue will be held at the town hall during the Bethlehem Senior Citizens organization meeting. Members of the community are invited to attend the presentation by Marion Hartheimer.

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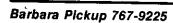
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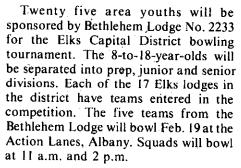
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# News from Selkirk AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM





According to Ed and Gerald Moss, coordinators of the event for the Bethlehem Elks, the teams will return to the lodge after the competition. There refreshments will be served and trophies awarded the winners.

Lois Dillon, well known in the area for her slide program on interesting old houses in the Town of Bethlehem, will be the speaker Thursday afternoon, Feb. 17, at a meeting of the Bethlehem Historical Association. Mrs. Dillon will show slides of "Stately Homes and Gardens in America." Middleton Gardens in South Carolina, the first formal gardens in America, are among the gardens that will be shown. Some of the homes will include the recently reopened Robert Lincoln home in Manchester, Vt., the Vanderbilt home, "Biltmore", in Ashville, N.C., and the Hearst Estate in San Simeon, Cal., which was built at the time when the very wealthy in this country were "outpalacing" the great palaces of Europe.

The public is invited to the meeting at 2. p.m. in the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd.,

Hannakrois DAR chapter is observing February as American History Month. \*The observance was designated by the NSDAR in 1956 to stimulate interest in the heritage of our country.

Exhibits prepared by Mrs. Mary E. Van Oostenbrugge, chairman for the Hannakrois chapter, are on display at the Ravena Library, and the Bethlehem

#### Song workshop coming

Ruth Pelham and the Music Mobile will fill the Bethlehem Public Library with song on Saturday, Feb. 26, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. She will conduct a workshop for children ages 5 to 12. Recyclable items will be turned into working music instruments, and a concert and sing-along will follow. Registration for the free program is limited. Call 439-9314 for information.

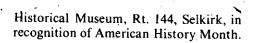
#### Delmar musicians perform

Lenten recitals planned by the First Church in Albany have a strong Delmar flavor. Mary Bon of Delmar, organist at St. Stephen's Church, will perform from 12:05 to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and again March 29 in the historic First Church sanctuary. Her husband, Neil K. Keen, organist at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, will play at the same hour March 22. Brad Logan of Delmar, a tenor, will perform at the church on March 15. again at 12:05 p.m. Admission to the weekly series is free and listeners are invited to bring lunch. Coffee will be available.

#### Tax help at JCC

Tax Aide, a free program offering assistance in preparation of federal and state income tax returns for people 60' years and older, is available at the Albany Jewish Community Center from 9:30 a.m. to noon and I p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Feb. 16, March 16 and April 6.

This service is given by appointment, which can be made by calling the Albany Jewish Community Center Senior Adult Office, 438-6651, Ext. 26, or by signing up in Room 212 at the center.



Mark your calendar and reserve March 5 for the Bethlehem Grange corned beef and cabbage dinner. Parent organization to the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance, the Grange has been giving the corned beef dinners annually, with all proceeds contributed to the ambulance fund. Grange members, assisted by many of the ambulance team, prepare and serve the dinner that has become so popular through the years.

Tickets may be purchased at the door, although large groups wishing to be seated together are advised to make advance reservations. The dinner at the Grange Hall, Rt. 396, will be from 4 p.m. until all are served.

Dr. Milton Chodack has responded to the request made by the Parents Advisory Committee to the RCS Board of Education. The suggestion by the comittee for better communications between the school system and the taxpayer has met with approval. A proposal for funding will be included in next year's budget for the requested communique.

The committee has also sent questionnaires to parents of all children in the A.W. Becker Elementary School. The resulting information should provide a better understanding of issues most important to the majority of parents.

Topics for discussion at the next Parents Advisory meeting will be extracurricular activities and the new minimum standards in English. Fifth graders will now be required to take a writing test; failure to receive satisfactory marks will result in writing exercises and remedial writing.

Interested adults are encouraged to attend the meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 28 at the Becker School.

#### **Spotlight** ON THE **SERVICES**



Two Delmar men, members of Company A 1st Battalion, 210th Armor, New York Army National Guard, started their military training in January.

Pvt. Keith R. Cady, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cady of Mill Rd., Delmar, entered training in late January at Fort Knox, Ky. Cady, who joined Co. A in the fall, will train as an armor crewmán.

Pvt. Thomas Schmitt of Kenwood Ave., Delmar, departed on Jan. 10 for Fort Knox, where he will be trained as a tank-auto mechanic.

Cady and Schmitt are among the high school and post high school young men that are taking advantage of the Army National Guard's enlistment incentives and benefits. Other area young men recently enlisted in Company A are Brian Sleurs of Delmar and Jeffrey Deso, Ronald Snyder and Joseph Cardin of Ravena. Several of the young men enlisted under a special program which allows high school juniors to attend Army basic training during the summer between their junior and senior years, completing their specific job training after graduation from high school.

Janet M. Bowman of Delmar has entered the Air Force delayed enlistment program and is scheduled to leave May 2 for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., where she will receive technical training as a jet engine mech-

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

Village of Voorheesville, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 o.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 Voor heesville 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.

Assemblyman Larry Lane's disstrict 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-

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.

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

# Spotlight Calendar

**Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland** 

Elsmere Boy Scout Troop 58, Thursdays throughout school /ear, 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

Bethlehem Board of Education meets first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

Voorheesville Board of Education meets second Monday of each month, 8 p.m., at the district offices in the high school, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education meets the first and third Mondays of the month, 8 p.m., at the board offices, Thatcher St., Selkirk.

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.).

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.

Career and Education Advisement, free and by appointment on Mondays, 6-9 p.m., and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library. Information, 439-9314.

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

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16** 

Delmar Progress Club, antique study group to review silver and pewter, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m.

Delmar Fire District regular meetings third Wednesdays, Delmar Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.

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DELAWARE

Bethlehem Board of Education, | Embroiderers' Guild, Delmar budget session on operations and maintenance following business meeting, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar, 8 p.m.

Senior Citizens and Shut-Ins Income Tax Assistance, sponsored by AARP, Wednesdays through April 13 at Key Bank community room, 343 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free, no appointment necessary.

Clarksville Boy Scout Troop 89, meets Wednesdays at Clarksville Community Church, 7 p.m. Information, 768-2977.

La Leche League, discussion group for mothers interested in learning about pros and cons of breastfeeding, third Wednesdays, home of Ellen Poczik, 93 Fernbank Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

Lutheran Ash Wednesday Service, Bethlehem Lutheran. Church, Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Protestant Ash Wednesday Service, with representatives from several local denominations, Delmar United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., at 7:30 p.m.

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#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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

**Becker School Winter Concert,** 

Homes and Garden Lecture, slides on "Stately Homes and Gardens in America," Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 2 p.m.

Senior Citizens Film, "A Face in the Crowd," starring Andy Griffith, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1:15 p.m. Free.

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Information, 439-5744.

Voorheesville Public Hearing, sewer and waste water plan for village, Clayton A. Bouton High School auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Audubon Society, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m.

Kiwanis Membership Roundup, for interested newcomers, New Scotland Presbyterian Church: information, 861-7427 or 765-

Asthma Information Session, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Free.

Senior Citizens and Shut-ins Income Tax Assistance, sponsored by AARP, Thursdays through April 14 at Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-4 p.m. Free; sign up for appointment at Bethlehem Senior Citizens meetings.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

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.

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462-7461.

Q.U.I.L.T. (Quilters United in Learning Together), Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m. Information, 482-0752.

Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary regular monthly meeting at the firehouse, Poplar Dr., 8 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

D.A.R. Antique Show and Sale, at Bethlehem Central High School, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Admission \$1.75, \$1.50 with coupon.

Contra and Country Dancing, United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 8:30 p.m. \$3.50.

Bethlehem Continuing Education Registration, for night classes, BCHS lobby, 10 a.m.-

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

D.A.R. Antique Show and Sale, at Bethlehem Central High School, noon-5 p.m. Admission \$1.75; \$1.50 with coupon.

Sunday Afternoon at the Movies, "Abbott and Costello Meet Captain Kidd," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, North Bethlehem firehouse, Schoolhouse Rd., 8:30 a.m.-12:30-p.m.

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

**Bethlehem Memorial Auxiliary** Post 3185, VFW, third Monday, post rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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

Selkirk Fire Commissioners, Fire Co. 2, Glenmont Rd., 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Town Hall Closed, town landfill and recycling center remain open.

Income Tax Program, tips from H&R Block representative, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Children's Musical, "The Pied Piper of Hamlin," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

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

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

# 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

"By George A Gersnwin Valentine" (musical review presented by Music Theatre North), Cohoes Music Half, Feb. 10 through 20, Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 2 p.m. Tickets, Community Box Office or music hall box office, 235-

"Man of La Mancha" (Timothy Nolan stars in revival of Lake George Opera Company's production), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Feb. 18, 22, 24 and 25, 8 p.m. Feb. 20 and 21, 2 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

The Worlds of Shakespeare" (Shakespearan scenes woven into a play, presented by Second Act Players), Second Floor Theatre, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Feb. 16-19, 8 p.m., Feb. 20, 2 p.m.

"Getting Out" (Marsha Norman's study of a woman returning from prison), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Feb. 22 through 26, 8 p.m. Reservations, 457-8606.

#### MUSIC

Pianist Findlay Cockrell noon concert, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, Feb. 17, noon.

The Flederman Quartet (Austrialian ensemble plays music of Australia), SUNYA Performing Arts Center, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Tickets, 457-8606.

Schenectady Symphony Orchestra with Charles Schneider conducting (Beethoven, Mozart and Rimsky-Korsakoff), Proctor's Schenectady, Feb. 19, 8 p.m.

Sandy Bradley and the Small Wonder String Band (string band specializing in tunes and songs from the early days of recorded music, presented by Old Songs), St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, Feb. 21, 8 p.m. Community Box Office.

Sherrill Milnes, baritone, in concert, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Feb. 23, 8 p.m. Box office, 346-6204

#### ART

Helen St. Clair, recent oils and water colors, Bethlehem Public Library, through February.

Works on Paper by Willie Marlowe, Cathleen Panagopoulous and Marjorie Semerad, Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, Feb. 10 through March 23.

Thom O'Connor, 20-year print retrospective, University Art Gallery, State University at Albany, opening reception Feb. 11, 8-10 p.m., exhibition through March 25.

Paul Davis Photographs, Dietel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, Feb. 15 through March 11.

Martin Luther King, Jr., "From Montgomery to Memphis" (photographs of the civil rights odyssey), State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through April 3.

"Ancient Inspirations/Contemporary Interpretations" (works of 75 New York State artists and craftsmen), State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Feb. 20.



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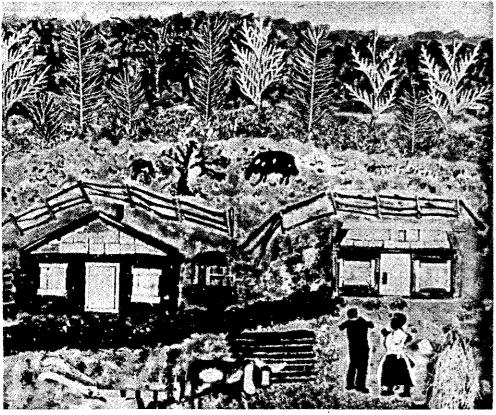
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Spring Plowing by Roland Rochette is among paintings by older artists on display at the State Museum. The exhibit is titled *Images of Experience: Untutored Older Artists*. It includes oils and watercolors by artists 61 to 95. The show will end March 27.

Women's Republican Club, pot luck supper, Bethlehem Public Library. Information, 439-4596 or 439-2284.

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

Al-Anon Group, support for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581:

Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Christian Music Ministries, rehearsal open to Christian middle schoolers and up, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 768-2154.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

European Travelogue, on Italy, Spain, Austria and Holland, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7 p.m. Free.

**Delmar Camera Club,** St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-4673.

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

Career-Life Decision Making Seminar, Tuesdays, to assist career changers and women returning to the work force or to school, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Free.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, to consider rezoning 26 acres in Blessing Rd. area from Residence A to Planned Residence District, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

New Scotland Elks Lodge meets second and fourth Wednesdays at Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club, 8 p.m.

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

Vacation Movies, "Winnie the Pooh" and "Boots and Saddles," Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

Bethlehem Tomboys Registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. \$15 for first player, \$5 for each additional family member. Information, 439-9418.

Puppet Folk Tales, for preschoolers, 11 a.m.; for schoolage children, 4 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library. Free.

Lutheran Lenten Service, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Tri-Village Lenten Bible Study, speaker Rev. James Daley on "Who is Jesus? I Am," Delmar Presbyterian Church, Delaware Ave., 9:30 a.m.

Óutdoor Wildlife Program, school-age children and parents track winter animals, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m. \$1.50 registration, 457-6092.

Bethlehem Job Club to set goals, practice interviewing and build contacts, alternate Wednesdays at Bethehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon, \$10 fee for five sessions. Information, 439-9314.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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

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

New Scotland Town Civic Assn. meets fourth Thursday, Room 104, Voorheesville High School at 7:30 p.m. to discuss pertinent town issues. All residents welcome.

55-Alive Mature Driving, twoday course sponsored by AARP at Bethlehem Public Library, 1-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-1381.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

55-Alive Mature Driving, twoday course sponsored by AARP, Bethlehem Public Library, 1-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-1381.

Children's Film, "Robinson Crusoe on Mars," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

Music Mobile Visits, Ruth Pelham gives workshop for children ages 5-12, concert and sing-along, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Registration, 439-9314. Free.

Snowshoeing-Winter Ecology Program, for children 10 and up and parents, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Registration \$2; 457-6092.

Maple Sugaring Demonstration at Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Free.

#### ` SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Sunday Afternoon at the Movies, "The Devil and Daniel Mouse" and "Saturday Night Fever," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

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# AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

**Events in Nearby Areas** 

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Jawbone Reading Series, published writer Bruce Meyer and SUNYA D.A. student Maxine Dougherty read, SUNYA Humanities Lounge, noon. Free.

Lunchtime Decorative Arts Lecture, art of ornamental painting, Museum of Early American Decoration, 19 Dove St., Albany, noon.

Lunchtime History Lecture, "Gunfounding—A Reborn Art and Science," State Museum, 12:10 p.m. Free.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Alzheimer's Association, support group for patients and family, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Empire State College Information, Environmental Conservation building, 50 Wolf Rd., Colonie, 4 p.m. No appointment needed.

Architecture. Talk, Syracuse University professor Francois Gabriel on "Metamorphic Architecture," Union College arts building, room 202, 4 p.m. Free.

Civil Rights Talk, award-winning photographer Flip Schulke on friend Martin Luther King, Jr. and '60's civil rights violence, 11:30 a.m. at Junior College of Albany campus center; 7:30 n.m. at State Museum.

"Thursday Topic," SUNYA-State Museum-sponsored lecture on "Success: The Whys, Hows and Whats," Empire State Plaza, 12:10 p.m. Free.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Arthritis Foundation Polka Dance, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 8-11 p.m. \$6.50 admission; information, 346-5745.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Coeymans Hollow Ham Dinner, at Trinity United Methodist Church, Rt. 143, 4:30 p.m. Information, 756-2255.

"Lick Leukemia" Radiothon, broadcast from Latham Circle Mall on WABY-1400, 9:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Information, 438-3583

St. Columba Reunion, dinner and dancing at school, Craig St., Schenectady, 6 p.m. \$15 admission.

Local History Lecture, "From Applied Science to Professional Engineering: RPI in the 19th Century," State Museum, 10 a.m. Free.

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Free Contradancing, music by "Mountain Laurel Band," State Museum, 2-4 p.m.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Albany Woman's Club, monthly meeting with H&R Block representative speaking, at the club-house, 725 Madison Ave., Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 482-7049.

Luzerne Music Center Registration, to audition prospective students for the summer music camp, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, 1-5 p.m. Information, Marcia Cockrell at 459-1229.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Study Skills Workshop, RSC evening division students learn "Study Skills and Term Paper Writing," Russell Sage campus center, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 5-6 p.m. \$2 fee; information, 445-1717.

"Rights of the Utility Customer," lecture by Public Service Commission representative, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 12:15 p.m.

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

Africa Forum, Alick Ziyambe of United Nations' development program for Zimbabwe discusses economic squeeze, Albany Public Library, 12:15 p.m.

Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce, Ramada Inn, 1228 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 a.m. breakfast, \$7, reservation, 458-1200.

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# Night courses start March 1

The spring continuing education program at Bethlehem Central is set to begin the week of March 1, and the schedule includes over 40 courses. Over 600 people were enrolled in the fall program, including more than 100 senior citizens (over 62) who are admitted without charge.

According to Richard Bassotti, director of continuing education, the variety of courses offered in the spring and the return of many popular courses is likely to push enrollment over the 600 mark.

Courses run for 10 weeks. The fee is \$20 for district residents, \$24 for non-district residents. Most courses are offered in the evening from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. New this time is a Saturday computer literacy workshop. It will be offered for 4½ hours on March 12 and 19, with participants able to select one morning or one afternoon workshop.

The following courses will be offered on Monday evenings: Auto Mechanics, Bridge (Beginning), Computers and Computing (Introduction), Crewel Stitchery, Doll House Making, Hydro-Slimnastics, Jazzersize, Learn to Write Well, Oriental Brush Painting, Sampler Quilts, Swimming (Beginners) and Yoga.

These courses will be offered on Tuesdays: Autobody, Basic Programming, Bridge (Intermediate), Calligraphy, Chair Caning, Clothes for Children, Floral Designing, Knitting, Law Everyone Should Know, Oil Painting, Photography, Square Dancing, Typing and Woodworking.

Wednesday courses are: Adult Great Books, Ballroom Dancing, Bridge (Intermediate), Conversational French, Conversational Spanish, Coping with Stress, Creative Clothes Recycling, Dog Obedience, Home Repair, Parapsychology, Quilting and Water Colors.

Courses to be held on Thursday are: Bridge (Advanced), Fig. Lying (Begins, ners), International Gooking, and SAT Review.

Saturday classes are: Computer Workshop and SAT Review.

Complete information has been mailed to all district residents in "Central Highlights." Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. It is suggested that reservations be sent in early by mail. Walk-in registration in the high school lobby will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. For additional information, call Richard Bassotti between 3 and 4 p.m. at 439-4921 ext 305.



Marion Jewell, manager of the annual antique show sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, looks over antiques owned by Jim VanDervort, a local dealer. The show and sale will be Saturday and Sunday at Bethlehem Central High School.

# Lenten study sessions start

The annual Tri-Village Ecumenical Lenten Bible Study will have the first of six weekly sessions next Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Delmar Presbyterian Church, Delaware Ave. The Rev. James Daley of St. Thomas the Apostle Church will speak on "Who is Jesus? I Am." Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. and the talk will begin at 10. Everyone is welcome. Child care will be available.

The following Wednesday, March 2, the Rev. Mark Brattrud of Full Gospel Fellowship will speak on "Who is Jesus? Christ, the Messiah." On March 9 the speaker will be the Rev. John Macholz of Faith Lutheran Church on "Who is Jesus? I Am the Resurrection."

The Rev. Warren Winterhoff of Bethlehem Lutheran Church will address the study group on March 16 on "Who is Jesus? The Lamb of God." On March 23 the Rev. Johannes Meester of the Unionville and New Salem Reformed Churches will speak on "Who is Jesus? Master and Lord." The concluding session, March 30, will have as speaker the Rev. Allan Janssen of Bethlehem Reformed Church, who has as his title, "Who is Jesus? Son of Man."

All sessions will be at the Delmar Presbyterian Church. Committee chairmen for the Bible study program are: Mary Carey and Ann McGinty, St. Thomas the Apostle, coordinators; Lois Reidel of First United Methodist Church, hospitality; Freda Van Allen, Delmar Reformed Church, registration; Donna Frueh and Marge Hoffman, Bethlehem Community Church, finance; and Martha Memmott, First Church of Christ Scientist, publicity.

# Wave of honesty sweeps town

Honesty broke out in at least two places in Bethlehem last week, and Bethlehem police hope it's contagious.

A Glenmont resident found a brown State Bank of Albany envelope in the parking lot of the Town Squire shopping plaza on Rt. 9W at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. When he discovered the envelope contained cash, he turned it in to police headquarters in Delmar.

Police declined to specify the exact sum, other than to say it was between \$50 and \$100. The owner, they reason, will know how much was there.

An even more valuable find was reported Friday evening. An Albin Rd. resident turned in a camera case containing two cameras, a 70-150mm lens and flash attachment he said was left at the Bethlehem Middle School.

Detectives tagged the items and waited for the owners to provide enough identification to document the claim.

### DEAN'S List



Hamilton College-Thomas B. Tyree, Jr. and Joseph G. Keller, Jr., Glenmont; Molly Treadway, Delmar.

SUNY-Oneonta—Elizabeth Burkhard, Cynthia Dowd and Patricia Malone, Delmar.

Clarkson College—Gerald M. Wright, Slingerlands (presidential scholar).

State University at Albany—Robert Skerrett, Delmar.

University of Hartford—Leslie Matthews, Delmar.

Boston Conservatory of Music'-Elizabeth Boynton, New Scotland.

Randolph-Macon Women's College
- Karen É. Rose, Delmar.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — Paul R. Stutsrim, David C. Briggs and John T. Spellman, Delmar.

New Hampshire College — Lisa A. Baker, Delmar.

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Keith D. Vink, Slingerlands; David G. Gosstola, Voorheesville; Julia L. Castle, Edward J. Gilligan, Karen Ann Krulcik and Lepage L. Sprissler, Delmar; Beverly M. Docteur, Glenmont.

#### Water instructor course

An American Red Cross water safety instructor course is set for Thursday evenings, Feb. 17 through May 12, from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Bethlehem Central High School pool.

The WSI series is designed for, swimmers interested in teaching water safety and rescue. Registrants should be at least 17 years old and have a current advanced life saving certificate. The course fee of \$14 must be paid in advance. Materials should be picked up before the start of class.

To register, call the Red Cross at 462-461.

#### Chorus rehearsals open,

Christian Music Ministries will begin rehearsals for their spring production of "The Witness" on Monday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. There are no auditions for the choir, which is open to all Christians—middle school age and up.

For information, call 768-2154.

#### Travelogue at 7 Tuesday

There will be a free travelogue on Spain, Italy, Austria and Holland at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Don Doremus will present the slide program. (The time was given incorrectly in last week's issue.)





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#### Tax tip session planned

With W-2 season rolling around again, the Bethlehem Public Library is helping those filling out forms with a free income tax tips program on Monday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Gordon D'Angelo, district manager of H & R Block, will bring the audience up to date on 1983 income tax changes, discuss various tax strategies for saving money and answer any income taxrelated questions.

#### A BC sweep

Bethlehem Central High School students captured seven of the nine top spots in a recent nationwide American history competition. They are Jaron Bourke, Roger Rosen, J.P. Shipherd, Andy Tomlinson, Scott Gravlee, Tom Nucci and Julie Ann Sosa. The 10member BC team took first place in the exam, with a New Orleans team second and a team from King of Prussia, Pa.

#### When the sap runs

A program on the sugar maple and its importance to New York State will be offered at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26. The program will look at the historical and social importance of the sugar maple, and include a demonstration of simple sugaring practices that homeowners can try on a small scale. This indoor/outdoor. program is free and open to the public.

Five Rivers Center grounds are open daily during daylight hours for hiking and cross-country skiing, free of charge. The Interpretive Building and exhibit area is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, call 457-6092.



Last year Bethlehem Lutheran Church's February SONshine program provided good fun like this, and more is promised this year. The three-day vacation program is planned for Feb. 22-24 at the church for children age 4 through the sixth grade. The fee for the afternoon program is \$3 a child, up to \$6 per family. Registration may be made by calling 439-4328 or 439-3967.

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# D-Day Friday: amphibious landing at New Hartford

For the past few months everything Jack Whipple and his Bethlehem Central swimmers have done has been pointing toward the Feb. 18 dual meet at New

Now the time has come, and on Friday the team and a chartered busload of enthusiastic Bethlehem fans will be off for one of the state's most ominous pool fortresses. The trip to the Utica suburb will mark the Eagles' last dual meet of the season, and on the result hinges the question; will New Hartford, beaten only by Liverpool, the state champion, end a six-vear 97-meet win streak, or will the string survive No. 98 and run up to 115 or so next year?

Whipple, who has led Bethlehem to the last 11 Sectional titles, gives his young team (only one senior) a good chance to win, but the powerful hosts will be the favorites on the basis of performance to date. Whipple, surprised and buoyed by the ease with which his charges submerged Rome Free Academy last Friday, looks on the New Hartford collision as a chess game in which the strategy of the opposing coaches in selecting matchups could play an important part.

Here's how BC's veteran tutor sees it:

"They have three super swimmers, two of them we can't beat. The other depends on the entry assignments. New Hartford could win possibly eight events. We can't let them win more than six.

"We have to win both relays to take them. We have more depth than they have, but for the first time in 10 years, the burden this time is on the stars of each

Scholastic meets have 11 events, and individual swimmers are limited to three, including the two relays.

Whipple is encouraged by the way his front-line swimmers have been consistently chipping away at the stopwatches, steadily lowering their times. If that happens again this week, it could be trouble for New Hartford.

In Whipple's view, Doug Schulz, a three-year varsity standout, holds the key. The lean junior, in top shape and ready to peak, was a double winner against Rome, taking the 200 and 500 in the best times in Section 2 this season. His 1:51.8 in the 200 was the second fastest ever by a Bethlehem swimmer. "Fantastic," was Whipple's word.



# 1-2 splash!

Airborne members of Bethlehem Central's undefeated swimming team turned in a 1-2 finish in Friday's triumph over visiting Rome Free Academy. Melissa Martley, below, returning to action after a long recuperation from illness, won the event, and Bob Keens, left, was second. Tom Howes



 Ken Neff, possibly the best swimmer ever turned out in the Delmar dynasty, set the BC mark when he placed second in the 1979 state championships with a clocking of 1:42.2.

Would the pressure of knowing how much depends on him affect Schulz's performance this week? "Naw," said Whipple, "He knows it, and he's a cool customer. Pressure isn't going to bother

John Demarest was also a double

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winner against Rome, capturing the 50 and the backstroke. Likewise Scott Apicelli in the breaststroke and butterfly. Again Apicelli provided drama, putting on another of his patented come-frombehind spurts in the final lap of the breaststroke to win by a touch in 1:07.8. "A gutsy kid," enthused Whipple.

Rome, which had lost only to New Hartford and Liverpool, was never in the meet after Bethlehem took a surprising 1-2 in the opening relay, the medley. Demarest, Apicelli, Matt Holland and Damon Woo won it in 1:48.8, and Jim Krajeck, Dave Young, John Henahan and Eric Patrick finished second in 1:51.1.

The score soared to 87-39 as the Eagles went 1-2 in five other events, the IM

(Holland, Knute Hvalsmarken), the 50 free (Demarest, Young), the diving (Melissa Martley, Bob Keens), the butterfly (Apicelli, Henahan), and the final 400 relay. In the 400 it was Woo, John Rodgers, Rob Leslie and Young in 3:40.7, followed by Henahan, Patrick, Krajeck and freshman Pierre LaBarge.

#### Wrestling clinics for boys

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a series of wrestling clinics for students in grades 2-8, beginning Monday, March 7. The program will be held at the Bethlehem Central High School lower gym from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Mondays, March 7 through March 28.

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# Tourney next for BC mats

By Vinny Reda

The grapplers of Bethlehem Central High School saw last Friday as an opportunity for one of the best to upset possibly The Best. All they needed, they reasoned, was a good day against visiting Amsterdam.

It was not a good day.

"I knew Amsterdam really had a strong team," said BC Coach Rick Poplaski. "But they won a couple of tight matches from us and then things really snowballed."

Until the middle weight classes, BC was still within striking distance, thanks to decisions by Paul Callanan at 119 pounds, Wayne Peschel at 126 and Pat Jickey at 132, and a tie from Mike Tinsman at 98.

But from 138 pounds to the point where the mats get rolled up Amsterdam grabbed all the victories there were to grab, five decisions and one pin in all. Final score: Amsterdam 31, BC 11.

So, what chance does Poplaski think his team will have this Friday at Burnt Hills when it must go against Amsterdam and Suburban Council champ Burnt Hills, among others, in the Class A Sectionals?

"I still think if we have a good day, we might sneak in," said Poplaski. "There's no doubt that Amsterdam and Burnt Hills have to be considered the favorites, but in a big meet, if your team grabs a few thirds and fourths to go with some firsts, who knows?"

Poplaski does know he is happy with BC's final mark of 12-3 on the season. Now, he says, "We have a couple of kids we are looking at to do well this weekend."

Those who go through the two-day event and make the top four in each weight classification will advance to the Sectional finals, Feb. 26 at the RPI fieldhouse.

#### Local gymnasts star

Scharff's

Two local gymnasts swept to top honors in their classification at the U.S. Gymnasts Federation meet last weekend at the American Health and Racquet Club, Colonie. Competing for the D.C. Stars, Colleen Teal, an 11-year-old sixth grader from New Scotland, and Chrissy Mann, a 9-year-old Delmar protege,

# Close, but not quite, for Blackbirds

Sometimes, it is not just what you do in the finals that's important, it's just getting there.

That was the problem for Voorheesville's wrestling team on Saturday, as it went into the semifinals of the Colonial Council wrestling tournament with nine boys still in the tussle. It gave Voorheesville a fair shot at upsetting either Mechanicville or Albany Academy for victory in the eight-team event.

But, as Coach Dick Leach said, "We were not pleased by the semifinals." Voorheesville lost five of the nine matches, and the way they lost a few of them was probably more frustrating for leach

"Sean Rafferty (at 167 pounds) was leading going into the last period. He hurt his neck but finished, and the match went into overtime, where he lost. Tom Hannmann (155) was leading 4-2 midway through the third period and lost 7-4."

Most upsetting was Mark Gillenwalters' loss to eventual 98-pound winner Chris Izzo of Mechanicville. Gillenwal-

#### **Dolfin swimmers score**

Jonathan Scholes, competing in the 8and-under age group at the Saratoga Tigers Valentine Invitational swim meet, collected three first place ribbons at the Glens Falls High School pool Sunday.

Jonathan won the 50-yard freestyle in 36.51 seconds, the 50-yard breaststroke in 52.93 and the 50-yard butterfly in 49.66. He placed second in the 50-yard backstroke in 46.47.

Drew Patrick captured the only other Dolfin blue ribbon, winning the boys 10-and-under breaststroke in 39.33 seconds. He also garnered third places in the 100 1M and 50 fly.

In the girls 10-and-under class, Jennifer Mosley won second places in the 50 free and breaststroke, and was third in the backstroke. Lisa Ogawa of the Dolfins earned second place in the girls' 11-12 50-yard backstroke, and Kathleen Fish had a third in the girls' 10-and-under breaststroke.

Susan Mallery, Delmar standout swimming for the Albany Starfish team, swept four events in the girls 13-14 division, the IM, 100 free, backstroke and butterfly.

finished first and second respectively among the 55 participants in the Class 3 judging. On a scale of 40.0, Colleen scored 33.25 for first place, followed closely by Chrissy, second with 32.65. Both girls qualified for the Sectional meet March 27 in Binghamton.

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ters was up 5-0 with 30 seconds left in the match, but Izzo clawed back to 5-5 and then put Gillenwalters on his back just before the final horn for a 7-5 win. "I've never seen Mark put on his back like that," added Leach.

Leach was pleased with his finalists, however, for they not only got there but conquered when they did. Two wins were expected. Undefeated (23-0) Shawn Sheldon and Jeff Clark each triumphed easily, Sheldon winning by 20-4 at 105, and Clark via pin at 112. Another hot wrestler of late, Matt Beals, extended his season mark to 20-4 with a 14-5 victory at 138.

The surprise came at 119 pounds, where Jeff Genovesi of Voorheesville upset previously undefeated Joe Conway of Albany Academy, 11-6. "Jeff is only a

# Gymnastics at Academy

The physical education and dance departments of the Albany Academy for Girls will present an evening of aerobics, gymnastics and dance on Wednesday, Feb. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium. There will be competition in aerobic dancing between the four Upper School classes. The routines, created by students elected by girls in their own grade, have been prepared during class time.

Members of the Gymnastics Club will demonstrate skills on the vaulting horse, balance beam, uneven bars and floor under the direction of Mrs. Lindsay Moran and managers Tara Cunningham and Allison Jones. 10th grader," beamed Leach. "He did just a super job."

The victories insured Voorheesville a strong third-place finish with 130 points, but that's as far as they got, Albany Academy totalling 141 and winner Mechanicville 158.

Still, the four wins and close misses give Leach some encouragement for the Class C Sectionals this Friday and Saturday at Corinth, where the host school, Hoosick Falls and Mechanicville loom as the main competition. "We have a shot, I'll say that," said Leach.

The team certainly had a good deal more than a shot the previous Thursday, as they went to outmanned Ravena and rolled 53-20, despite the fact Clark sat the meet out with a bad knee. Victories by pin went to Gillenwalters (98), Genovesi (119) and Beals (138), while Sheldon (105), Vince Perry (132), Hannmann (155), Raffertý (167), John Ryan (177) and Ernie Sacco (heavyweight) scored victories by decision.

#### Soccer clinic on tap

Dr. Karl Heinz Heddergott, director of coaching for the United States Soccer Federation, will be the featured instructor at a soccer clinic to be held at Gowana Middle School on the Shenendehowa Central School campus in Clifton Park on Saturday, Feb. 26. Other clinicians include Dr. Lenard Lucenko and Nick Zlatar, both members of the national coaching staff and the President's Council on Physical Fitness. The program will run from 1 to 4 p.m. For information call 899-2799 or 371-6000.

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# Blackbirds top-seeded in Sectionals

By Nat Boynton

In this, the most illustrious basketball season in Voorheesville history, Chuck Abba's Blackbirds have shown their fans most everything except the collapse that goes with panic.

Last week they came about as close to becoming unglued as they have all season, but once again Abba's magnificent machine pulled itself together, set off an explosive scoring binge, and went home still undefeated at 19-0 with one game left (last night at Lansingburgh) in the regular season.

Now the "second season" has arrived: it's Sectional time, and Voorheesville is rightfully seeded No. 1 in the Class CC tournament. That gives them a bye this Friday when the eliminations get underway, and a free pass to the semifinals Tuesday.

As this chronicle went to press, the Blackbirds were scheduled for an 8:30 p.m. meeting at Linton in Schenectady against the winner of this weekend's Canajoharie-Watervliet game, but therecould be a shift. If the Class A Sectional picture changes as a result of last night's (Tuesday) Linton game, Linton may be playing at home next Tuesday. In that case, the Voorheesville semifinal would be moved to either another site or another night. Watch the dailies for time and place.

For the record: Voorheesville has never won a Sectional title in basketball. The best teams of recent years were Bud Tatro's 16-4 combine in 1965-66, and Howie Smith's 1977-78 team, the first Blackbirds to reach a Sectional final.

Seeded behind Voorheesville are, in order, Saratoga Catholic, Hoosick Falls and Greenville. Looking at that array, Abba was torn between hopes for his kids to have the glory of an undefeated season in the 20-game regular schedule, and his keen desire to bring home Voorheesville's first Sectional hoop crown, His dilemma: would the burden of an undefeated record carry extra pressure into the

If his boys come through the way they did at Mechanicville last Friday, he needn't worry. Voorheesville was outplayed in the first half, frittered away a 12-6 lead in the second quarter, and went to the locker room trailing by 3. Two and a half minutes into the third quarter they were down by 7, they were in foul trouble, and for the first time all year seemed to lose composure.

As he did against Cohoes at home the week before, Abba called time and went into a zone press. Chris Hogan and Jim Meacham keyed the drops, Mike Lewis and John Zongrone hit the boards like

tigers, and Dickie Lennon directed traffic in his usual cool.

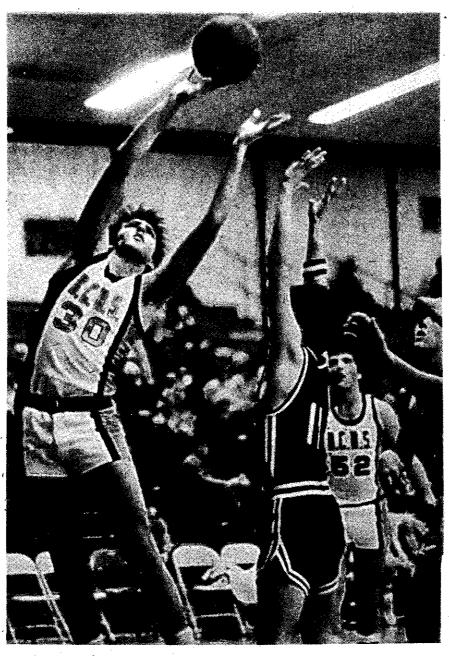
It was an explosion. The Blackbirds, down 36-29 with 6:20 showing on the third-period clock, took off like a rocket. They soared to a 51-39 lead by the end of the quarter, and kept rolling to 61-42 midway through the fourth, an incredible 32-6 surge in a 10-minute stretch.

Lennon had 12 points in the third period and finished with 22. Zongrone had a fine night with nine baskets, and Lewis had 13 points while leading the team in rebounds with 12.

"This is a dedicated bunch of kids,"

Abba commented over the weekend. "They really work hard, they understand the value of working hard, and they know what they can do when they run into

That is Abba's way of indicating that he has confidence in his team's confidence. With several outstanding stars, a balanced scoring machine from outside aş well as inside, a tenacious defense, good ball handling and plenty of basketball intelligence, it will take an exceptional team, a hot night by an opponent or a cold night by the Blackbirds to keep the Sectional hardware out of the trophy case on Rt. 85A.



With the Bethlehem varsity enduring their longest season in five years, the BC jayvees were 8-10 going into this week's finale with Guilderland. Andy Kasius (30) contributed to a 75-67 win over Burnt Hills.

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### **End** is near for BC hoop

Having played improved basketball the previous few weeks, the 2-15 Eagles of Bethlehem Central High faced the challenge last week of being a deciding factor in the race for this year's Suburban Council Gold Division title between Burnt Hills and Niskayuna.

Well, in a way, they were a deciding factor when they played Burnt Hills last Tuesday. They lost, 84-43, while Niskayuna was being beaten by Scotia, giving Burnt Hills the division crown.

The 41-point shellacking was not what Coach Gary Przybylo had envisioned. "It was a total team effort . . . no, I can't say there was a bright spot. No, nobody played well."

The box score might bear that out, as only Mike Mooney slipped into double figures for BC with 10.

Still, the Sectionals are an open affair, and the Eagles, after a closing Suburban Council affair last night (Tuesday) versus Guilderland, will be meeting a fine Shenendehowa High contingent in the opening round this coming Tuesday.

"I feel we can beat Guilderland at home," said Przybylo of his team's final chance to get a league win this season (they are currently 0-14 in the Suburban and 2-15 overall). "As for Shenendehowa, we would have to do even better. That will be a really tough game.

"All I can say is, the first eight men on our team this year are underclassmen so, watch for us next year."

#### THIS WEEK'S HIGH SCHOOL

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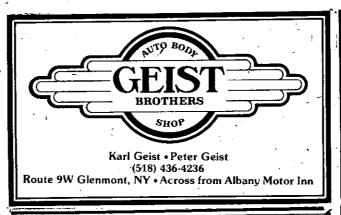
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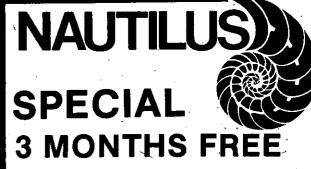
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### **Tribe points for Sectionals**

Coach Tim Tucker of Ravena says the decision to enter the Class B Sectionals had to be made by Dec. 8, or else he might not have opted to enter the tournament this Friday against hosting LaSalle.

"We were 3 and 8 back then in December, but playing well, and I thought we had a real good chance of getting to .500," said Tucker.

The Indians were 3-16 going into Monday night's game at Siena College versus Waterford. The mark includes the latest two drops, by 81-54 at Lansingburgh last Wednesday and 77-73 to Watervliet at home on Friday. And yet, if anything, Tucker sees his team as playing even better ball than two months ago.

"Against Watervliet, we played exceptionally well overall. We moved the ball, made few turnovers and played excellent defense. We had 33 baskets to Watervliet's 23."

That's a margin of 20 points from the field, and usually good enough for a victory in anybody's gym, let alone your own. Yet the Indians went to their own foul line but 13 times and hit 7, while. Watervliet spent the best part of its evening there, canning 31 more points at the stripe.

"It's not like we were full-court pressing or anything," said Tucker. "The ball just gets in our end and we start hearing whistles. It's nothing new. It's been happening all year." He says of Ravena's 19 games, they have outscored opponents from in the field in 15.

That was not the case, by 27-22, against the strong team from Lansingburgh,

although the North Troy squad also added a 27-10 advantage from the foul line.

Donnie Baker led the Indians with 14 points in that one and threw in another 18 against Watervliet. "He's the heart of our club," said Tucker of Baker. "He not only scores, but he plays the best forward on the other team and the guy gets nothing."

"And now at guard we have sophomore Kevin Hoffman, and he plays the other team's best guard, and that guy gets nothing. In addition, he's made the difference of about 10 fewer turnovers per game for us since he became our point guard.

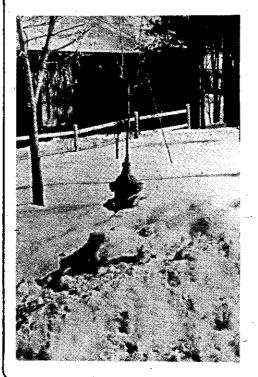
"He not only is a good ballhandler, which our old point guards were also, but he's 6-1 and against the zone he can throw over it. So against teams that have good forwards and guards we can match up pretty well."

Unfortunately, LaSalle also places emphasis on its center, Tom McMahon. "He goes against 6-7, 6-8 kids all the time, so that will make him a lot for us to handle," said Tucker.

"If we can win two in a row — against Waterford and then LaSalle — it would be great. If we get by that we would play on Saturday against Catskill High at Columbia-Greene, and Catskill — well, that's just some kind of ball club.

"But I've said all along that we're a young team. Against Watervliet we started three sophomores and two juniors. So I've got to be happy with the progress these kids made this year."

### Clear that hydrant!



There are 1,025 fire hydrants in the area covered by the Bethlehem Water District, which is most of the town.

But many of them are covered with snow or obstructed to some degree by snowbanks.

That's not so good in an emergency.

A water department spokesman said town crews had cleared snow from hydrants on main roads—the ones property owners haven't shoveled out themselves.

For homeowners, ignoring a blocked hydrant isn't quite the same as not clearing the sidewalk in front of the house. In the first instance, firemen answering a call could lose precious seconds; in the other, it's just a case of a possible—and probable—lawsuit if someone slips and is injured in a fall.

# Spikers rebound after losing star

Volleyball has been a game of ups and downs for the Bethlehem Central boys' team. The sextet of regulars has earned a 4-2 record, up from last year's dismal 1-6 start. Star setter David Odenkirken went up to block in the second match of the young season but came down too hard, spraining his ankle. Now on crutches, he's hoping to be back in time for the tournament finale.

Undefeated Shaker was scuttling for points until Odenkirken was carried out in the first game of the match, after which Blue Bison blew BC away, 15-12, 15-6. It has taken two juniors to fill Odenkirken's shoes. Jeff Randles, who last played volleyball in his freshman year, covers the missing man's hitting, while Jaron Bourke, who has had some experience in the CO-SUN (Colonie-SUNYA) fall league that Empire State Games veteran Ken Hetling also plays in, rotates in to set and cover the back court.

Scotia preyed on the pair's lack of court time in the next outing, winning 14-16, 15-13, 15-6. Since then, BC has been on a three-game winning streak, beating Mohonasen, 15-5, 15-10; Guilderland,

15-11, 15-7, and Niskayuna, 15-2, 15-13. But it is important to note that the three defeated opponents have only won one match among them.

The starting six for Bethlehem are now Hetling, Scott Gravlee, Sung Kwon, Bob Wemsley, Mike Cole and Randles.

Julie Ann Sosa

#### Spring programs ready

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will begin accepting preregistrations for its spring programs beginning Tuesday, March I. Preregistrations can be made at the Elm Ave. Park office by telephone or in person weekdays.

Spring programs include Youth Stroke Improvement, Tiny Tot Swim and "Awake, Aware and Active," a physical fitness program for adults. Recreation programs are open to residents of the town and school district. For information, call 439-4131.

# **Upsets topple Eagles from perch**

There's nothing like a loss or two to sober a first place team. After two upsets that came within five days of each other, the Bethlehem Central girls' varsity basketball squad seemingly sorted out its problems on the road last week. It coasted to two easy wins that boosted the team to a 9-4 Suburban Council record. Unfortunately, Council leaders Guilderland and Mohonasen have also been winning.

With blonde bombshell Barbie Boyer back, previously winless Shaker had won three of its last four games before running up against Bethlehem. The Lady Eagles were in the driver's seat through the game, winning 40-35. Center Kim Zornow led the way with 13 points, thanks to Lady Eagle award winner Paola Castaldo, who passed deftly and drove in toward the baseline with the sole purpose of feeding the ball to her big

target, Zornow. Nine players had a piece of the scoring, including Ann Howell (six) and Terry Plunkett (six).

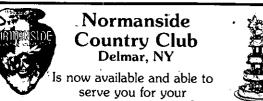
Scotia was in over its head on Saturday, losing 44-27 to the orange and black. Zornow had 21 points, a season high for her, and won the MVP.

Julie Ann Sosa

#### Cited for karate

Michael B. Boettcher, a martial arts instructor, is featured in the 1982 edition of "Who's Who in Karate." Boettcher, of Washington Ave., Albany, has taught for the Bethlehem Karate Club and now teaches for the Albany YMCA, Siena College and Albany Zen-Do Kai Karate. He is a second-degree black belt in Tae Kwan Do.

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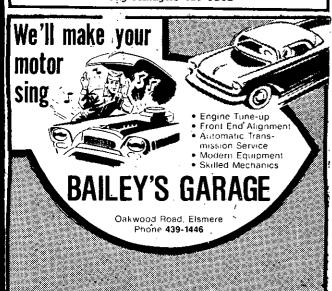


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(Feb. 16)

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of beginning. Being a parcel which is coextensive with, and having the same boundary lines as those of the Selkirk Fire District as established by resolutions of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem dated November 28, 1927; May 21, 1947; June 27,

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#### LEGAL NOTICE.

1951; September 5, 1951; July 5, 1955; March 14, 1956 and August 8,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this Town Board shall meet and hold and conduct a public hearing at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, New York on the 2nd day of March, 1983, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. on that day to consider the said map and description and to hear all persons interested concerning the same and the proposed establishment of the said ambulance district, and to take such action thereon as is required or

The foregoing order was duly adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Mr. Corrign, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Geurtze, Mr. Prothero, Mr. Hendrick. Noes: None

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editing and all letters should be typed and double-spaced if possible. Letters must include phone numbers; names will be withheld on request. Deadline is the Friday before publication.

#### CCC anniversary

Editor, The Spotlight:

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps. It was on 31 March, 1933, that President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Senate Bill 598 to establish the program for the nation. What he had done for reforestation in New York State, Mr. Roosevelt proclaimed in his 1932 acceptance speech for president, he would do for the United States.

To mark the event nationally this year the U.S. Postal Service in April is issuing a commemorative stamp

There is a National Association of Civilian Conservation Corps Alumni (NACCCA). Its headquarters is in Falls Church, Virginia. In New York State it has chapters in New York City, Rome and Lockport. There is none in the Capital District. There are over a score of non-chapter members and considerably more non-associated but with memories of service in the CCC.

Encouraging plans for an event to spotlight the anniversary in Capitaland are several military and veterans organizations. Many of their members were directly involved with the corps. These groups include the American Legion and the Capital District Chapters of the

Association of the United States Army (AUSA), Reserve Officers Association (ROA), and The Retired Officers Association (TROA). As an ex-CCCer and a member of each of these organizations I have been designated its chairman to coordinate for an event to mark the

The purpose of this letter is to publicize the intent for a gathering of former CCC personnel. To that end I call upon all interested individuals to send me their name and address for me to determine to what extent a celebration of this historic era in our lives may be evolved.

Alexander J. Woehrle

Delmar

#### Addendum on pages

Editor. The Spotlight:

I would like to thank Scott Gravlee, Sung Kwon and Nonika Mascarenhas for their thoughtful response to my letter about mis-shelved library books. Our experience differs on just one point: the pages whom I saw loading several books on a shelf took off, not to answer the bell, but to chat for 15 or 20 minutes with their friends.

I am especially grateful to these writers for reading my letter carefully and understanding that I did not accuse all the pages as a group. I agree that only a few pages may be responsible over the years for the staff's share of the problem.

The letter from Dagmar Fuhs is a different story. It contains distortions and fictions about me which cannot be allowed to stand uncorrected.

Ms. Fuhs is "outraged" that I placed the blame on "only the staff" and "all" the pages. But I said nothing of the kind.

Ms. Fuhs attacks me for not reporting

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the problem to the director. But I did try to report it three times. The first time two people at the circulation desk told me that no one in charge was in the building. The second time a reference librarian told me that what I had seen could not occur that books are mis-shelved only by patrons, never by staff. The third time another reference librarian did not answer me; she simply glared angrily until I left. I never risked the unpleasantness of reporting it again.

Ms. Fuhs then attacks me for not rechecking the shelves recently. But I did recheck them. After writing the letter, but before mailing it, I looked again at the same fiction aisle. This time, in two minutes, I found only four mis-shelved books, only one of them non-fiction. This was an improvement, but I still would not want my tax dollars used to "replace" these "missing" books.

Ms. Fuhs also disapproves of patrons who leave books "on a desk." But I do that frequently and for a reason. When in browsing I come across a mis-shelved book, I habitually remove it from the shelf and place it in a carrel, hoping that it will be shelved correctly the next time. Perhaps if more patrons did so, we could help these four conscientious pages and their co-workers come closer to their

Alan Levensohn

Delmar

### Editor's View

Occasional comments by the editors of The Spotlight

The hiring of a paid executive secretary by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce seems to us to be a positive—and perhaps overdue-step. Inevitably, though, it raises certain questions, which may be the most positive aspect of the move.

The chamber has existed for years primarily as a social organization, with a secondary purpose being to boost local businesses and help preserve the unique

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nature of small-scale commerce in the Tri-Village area.

That is no small accomplishment. We do have something important and unusual here, and we should not lose

But the fact is that Bethlehem is going to grow, and change, whether anybody likes it or not. What is the chamber's role to be in the development of Delaware Ave. and Rt. 9W? Should the chamber take a stronger role in preserving (some would say restoring) the appearance of our commercial areas? Should the chamber take a role in attracting industry to Bethlehem, and if so, what kind?

The arrival of the Association for Retarded Children, the first statewide organization to locate in Bethlehem since the New York State Farm Bureau, should be some cause for reflection.

The ARC sold itself on the Delmar area as being close enough to the center of. power, yet attractive enough to justify the extra travel. Prior to this, Colonie or Guilderland would have been a logical move for a business or organization wishing to locate on the periphery of the capitol city, but with some astute selling Bethlehem could get other such oppor-

And why has the town remained so passive in terms of new industry? Certainly GE, Owens-Corning and Airco have proven to be good neighbors, and there is ample land (with the necessary transportation, services and utilities in place) available for more, "High-tech" industry may or may not be within the town's grasp, but who's going to know until somebody tries?-

Should the chamber play a role in all this? One thing seems obvious: a chamber can't function effectively if its base is only the limited time its members and a few volunteers give it. The recent merger of the Colonie and Albany chambers reflects this fact.

Tom McPheeters

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# RETROSPECT

#### Feb. 13, 1958

When the Spotlight photographer took a series of pictures at the longawaited opening of the new addition that houses the cafeteria at the Bethlehem Junior High School on Kenwood Ave., no one noticed a paper airplane resting on one of the ceiling beams. The new wing also has a stairway that has a beautiful indoor garden at the foot of the stairs, adding to the decor. The new pool is also open.

Among the reports submitted by various subcommittees of the Bethlehem Citizens Advisory Committee was a prediction that the Senior High School may double its present pupil population of 600 in the next 10 years. The elementary study committee reported the diversion of two special rooms for classrooms to alleviate the crowding at the Clarksville School, and also stated that the Elsmere School is now 70 pupils over capacity. The high school educational program committee is surveying the present high school curriculum department by department.

#### Feb. 14, 1963

Letters to the editor in this week's Spotlight voice strong opposition to the issuance of a building permit for a Carroll's hamburger stand at the corner of Delaware Ave. and Euclid Ave., Elsmere, and the paired-schools proposal by the Bethlehem Central school board. The letter writers urged citizens to make their opposition known to officials.

#### Feb. 15, 1968

Residents of the Town of Bethlehem are invited to an Open House in the town's newly renovated Police and Justice Building at 118 Adams St., Delmar, on Sunday, Feb. 18, from 2 to 6 p.m. Also housed in the building are the Juvenile Bureau and Civil Defense.

#### Feb. 15, 1973

J.D. Hills of Cedar Hill, Selkirk, has been appointed superintendent of the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department by the Bethlehem Town Board.

Feb. 16, 1978 Just 29 days after the Bethlehem Central school board agreed to a pay increase for teachers ranging from 12 to 24 percent and averaging 17.4 percent over three years, the Bethlehem teachers union filed a suit charging the board with improper practice. The charge, filed by BCTA President William T. Cleveland, is based on a public statement issued by Bertold E. Weinberg, one of the two board members who voted against ratifying the agreement, in which Weinberg criticized the tactics used by the local union's chief negotiator during the bargaining period.

Albany newspaper and TV reporters converged on the Bethlehem town board meeting as the board took formal action suspending Police Chief Peter Fish for 30 days on unspecified charges that "may constitute misconduct and/or incompetency in office." The action got bold headlines on Page 1 of the Times-Union and the "live coverage" was the top story on TV newscasts.

In Selkirk The Spotlight is sold at Convenient Food Market, Bumby's Deli, Ed's Variety & 3 Farms Dairy.

#### Elizabeth Williamson

Services were conducted Monday for Elizabeth D. Williamson of Delmar, who died Friday. She had been employed by the Town of Bethlehem since 1968, working part-time and in various departments until 1974, when she became a fulltime employee of the Public Works Department. During World War II, she was a staff sergeant with the First Service Command in Boston, where her work included making recruiting speeches. She was a member of the Bethlehem's Business Women's Organization and the Bethlehem Women's Republican Club, of which she was a past president.

She was a native of Scotland, daughter of the late John and Jean Izzat. She is survived by her husband, John A. Williamson, Sr., and a son, John A., Jr. Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany,

#### Warren-Verhegge

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Warren of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Donna, to David J. Verhegge, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Verhegge of Racine, Wis.

A 1979 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Miss Warren is a nursing student at Russell Sage College and will graduate in May. Her fiance is a student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy majoring in building sciences, and will continue studies for a master's degree in economics.

#### Carey-Jackson

Ruth R. Lambert of Guilderland and R. Nickson Carey of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Julie Stewart, to Peter Anthony Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson of Salem, Mass.

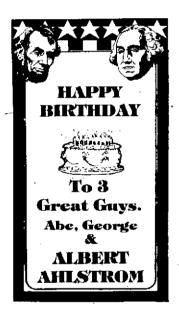
The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and a 1978 graduate of Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla. She has a master's degree in special education from Simmons College, Boston. She is the granddaughter of Dorothy Rextrew of Guilderland Center.

Her fiance graduated from Salem (Mass.) State College. Both are employed by Eastern Airlines in Miami, Fla.

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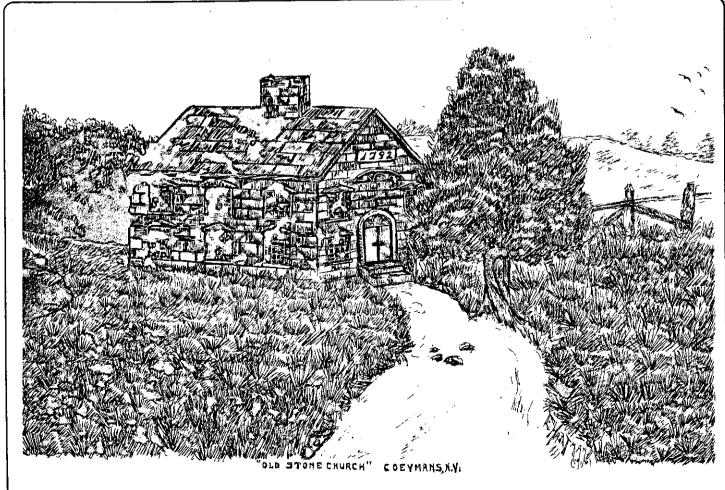


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