

School budget squeeze getting tighter

Bethlehem: no bottom line, no copies

By Caroline Terenzini

Is it necessary or is it really necessary? That's the way it was put when the beleaguered Bethlehem Central school board got down to brass tacks and BTUs in a budget work session last Wednesday.

The gloomy outlook for getting to a balanced budget without some painful decisions appears in broad outline in a "no-growth estimate" worked up by district business manager Franz Zwicklbauer. According to his figures, which assume the present level of services and program, the "no-growth" total is \$750,000 more than the current budget. And, if assumptions about state aid, the year-end fund balance and the total of taxable property in the district hold, that would mean a tax rate increase on the order of 13 percent.

This would tack on \$18 per \$1,000 assessed to Bethlehem tax bills and \$31 per \$1,000, (depending on what the state Board of Equalization and Assessment does this year) to tax bills that go out to New Scotland residents in the Bethlehem district.

An increase this large clearly would sit well with no one, and board members have said hard decisions will have to be made to bring the tax increase, if indeed there is to be one, down to the level of recent years. A balance will have to be found between an acceptable tax boost and acceptable cuts in the program and services, several

board members have already said. While the "no-growth" figures are pie-in-the-sky (a frequently heard phrase these days), they serve to illustrate what the board — and district taxpayers — are up against this year.

Which is why board members went to the operations and maintenance section of the 1983-84 budget proposal with a heavy hand last Wednesday, chopping out, for example, \$115,000 earmarked for repair of the tennis courts at the high school and middle school. And, guided by an engineering consulting firm (HA2F in Clifton Park), the board decided to take advantage of the dual-fuel capability in five of the district's seven schools and burn more oil next year instead of the now more costly natural gas.

But for most other outlays the district

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Voorheesville: elementary staff cuts

By Tom Howes

Computers that teach and teachers who won't be teaching were the dominant topics at the Voorheesville Board of Education budget meeting Feb. 14.

But when the discussions approached midnight with the pointer only on page 2 of the budget summary, board members called a recess and scheduled another session for 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, to continue the dialogue.

Despite pressure from a group of parents opposed to teacher cuts, the board defended the proposed elimination of 2½ grade school positions. Superintendent Werner Berglas argued that a decreasing number of students in the first and sixth grades enabled the board to reduce those grades by one section each and still maintain the school's class-size standard.

One-half of a position would be lost in

the music department as well. Responding to criticism that the department would then be insufficiently staffed, Berglas assured listeners that he could "recommend maintenance of the current level of instruction with one-half less teacher."

Berglas also recommended that one fifth-grade section be added to accommodate an increased number of students. Addition of a new section would reduce the loss of teaching positions to 1½. Berglas stressed that the move would be accomplished by redeploying teachers currently employed in the district.

The draft budget also contains funding for a variety of computer hardware to be used for both administrative and educational purposes.

Although the district already owns a modest complement of computer equipment and has computer literacy courses,

available, the long-term goal is to create a computer department in the school, according to Berglas. With the hardware proposed in the draft budget, (the specifics of which are as yet undetermined), Berglas hopes to extend the sixth grade computer literacy program into the seventh grade next year, and increase student access from elementary school through the 12th grade.

For instructional purposes the computers are multi-func-

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Voorheesville school board hears parents in budget session that lasted 'til midnight.

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Village sewers: no referendum, no crowd

By Nat Boynton

For a widely publicized forum with a pivotal impact on village taxpayers currently and in the next several generations, the Feb. 17 informational session on Voorheesville's controversial sewer proposal was a dud.

Village officials were astonished to see more than 600 empty seats in a 700-seat

auditorium at a detailed presentation of a projected \$2-million sanitary disposal and waste treatment complex affecting 486 households.

"I couldn't believe it," said Mayor Milton Bates, gazing from the front row at the sparse audience scattered among rows of empty pews in the Voorheesville High School theater last Thursday.

On a clear night with a bright moon bathing bare roads, even the mounting by-plays in an emotional village election campaign failed to draw more than a token turnout of the people who will have to pick up a substantial tab for a public work village leaders see as a necessity for the well-being of generations to come.

The small turnout at the presentation chaired by William Clarke, for four years head of the citizens advisory committee appointed by the village board to oversee preliminary studies on the sewer situation, heard a bombshell dropped at the outset of the session, to wit: villagers in the affected areas will not be able to cast a vote later this spring for or against the sewer proposal.

Such a referendum, explained Clarke and Bates, cannot be held under state law, according to a legal opinion received at village hall only a few days prior to the hearing.

That revelation not only surprised the audience, but threw a curve at candidates in a three-way contest for two village board seats on the March 15 ballot for eligible village voters.

All three were in the hall. Incumbents Joseph (Larry) Dedrick and Richard Langford took the microphone to assure voters they would respond to the sentiments of the majority of their constituents when the issue comes to a vote of board members. Their challenger, Charles P. (Pat) Arthur, sat in a rear seat and did not speak.

Other than village leaders, only eight persons addressed the microphone to make statements. Other residents have until March 3 to file written statements or voice opinions at the village offices.

At the hearing, the opposition to the controversial proposal anticipated by village officials failed to materialize. "I think most people, even though they are concerned with the cost, realize that in the full perspective, there is really no other alternative (than sewers)," commented one longtime observer.

Most of the speakers at the formal session and those who raised hands at the informal question period that followed were in favor of the sewer proposal in varying degrees, but there were also some negative opinions.

Said William (Leo) Burgeon, 100 Maple Ave.: "I hate to see the village divided by this proposition."

Added William H. Schaff, 11 Voorheesville Ave.: "There are deficiencies in the (Clough, Harbour) report. The sewage needs are overstated, there's a lack of data on the adequate water

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Steven Schreiber



Peter Luczak



Mrs. William Blackmore, seated at center, president of the Delmar Progress Club, is heading a campaign to obtain the donation of a good upright or baby grand piano for the Community Room at the Bethlehem Public Library. Other club members helping are Mrs. Robert Blabey, left, and Mrs. Joseph Zimmerman, second vice president, right. John Hodges, library director, conferred with club members about the donation. The gift would be tax-exempt and a plaque bearing the donor's name will be displayed. Anyone who has a piano to donate may contact Mrs. Blackmore at 439-9152 or Mrs. Blabey, 439-5812.

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doesn't have that flexibility. "You've got an awful lot of projects that have to be done," Zwicklbauer told board members. "There's no way this budget can maintain these buildings. You've got a bond issue coming."

Board President Bernard Harvith has expressed reluctance to ask district taxpayers to approve a debt issue, but he acknowledged this may have to be considered.

Board member Robert Zick emphasized the need to distinguish between repairs and capital projects, and the need to know the probable payback period of any project before allocating any funds. But not all projects can be delayed. For example, movement has been identified in the walls and floors at the Middle School along the stair hall, which was added in 1968, but how much is shifting and how fast isn't clear. Board members asked for more information before putting in a budget figure.

The 11 observers in the audience at the budget work session at the Educational Services Center in Delmar made it a standing-room-only crowd, and extra chairs had to be brought in. This unusual degree of public interest apparently is due at least in part to debate over public access to the budget proposal at the board's Feb. 2 meeting, when Martin Horn of Delmar and John Dearstyn of New Scotland asked that copies of the draft be provided them. The district, however, stuck with the previous practice, which has meant copies are available for public inspection during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the administration building, but cannot be removed without paying a fee of 25 cents a page for copies.

Horn then asked, in a letter on behalf of the Hamagrael Home-School Association steering committee, that a copy be provided to the association. The board Wednesday was divided on the wisdom of having copies of the budget proposal elsewhere in the district, with Harvith observing that as budget numbers change, revised pages must be inserted in the 50-plus-page plan and "we'd never catch up with them if we had copies floating around," he said. Board Vice President Sheila Fuller added, "We're open to input, but we haven't asked the community to come in and revise the budget process."

Zick was of a different opinion: "People may have some good comments. I think it's great that people want to know what's going on. What's wrong with letting them know?" And board member Robert Ruslander sided with him: "Big brother always seems to know what's best and I'm not sure that's right. The ultimate decisions are going to be policy decisions on what has to go. People may not agree with the decisions we make, but people ought to know more about the decision-making process."

Board member Jed Wolkenbreit said he would vote in favor of a motion by Zick that a copy of the budget draft be placed in the custody of the principals at each of the district's schools provided that a representative from each school then attend the budget sessions "to hear the whole story."

With Harvith cautioning that such an arrangement would "cause no end of trouble," with difficulty in keeping the various copies up-to-date and difficulty in providing answers to questions about the budget draft on the spot, the board voted down Zick's proposal, 4-3.

Horn said later he intended to pay for a copy of the draft budget that he would donate to the Hamagrael Home-School Association. He added, "I believe the people on the school board are extremely earnest and take their job very seriously, but sometimes they can't see the forest for the trees."

In other business, the board:

- Agreed to explore the possibility of job-sharing at the elementary level.
- Expressed support of a request by Bonnie Cohen of Delmar that the district consider transporting children from at least two elementary schools to the United Methodist Church, Delmar, for an after-school child care program expected to begin in September. Mrs. Cohen said she will discuss specifics with the business administrator.

Babe Ruth elects

Robert Cronin has been reelected president of the Bethlehem Babe Ruth organization. Other officers are Dennis Battle, vice president; Ben McFerran, secretary; George Vichot, treasurer, and Pete Kasius and Ed Lawson, directors of equipment and grounds maintenance. Spring tryouts for 13-, 14- and 15-year-olds are planned in March, with the date and place to be set.

Family ski race set

The nation's largest family ski competition, the Equitable Family Ski Challenge, will hold regional run-offs Sunday at Gore Mountain, North Creek. Winners from eight regional competitions statewide will be invited, all expenses paid, to the national championships in Vail, Colo., for three days of competition and special events.

BIRTHS



St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Mark Louis, to Patricia and David Willey, Delmar, Jan. 26.

Girl, Megan Eileen, to Donna and Peter Fish, Selkirk, Jan. 28.

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A rare victory for GOP in county legislature

By Susan Guyett

In a rare show of weakness, Democrats in the Albany County Legislature failed to muster enough votes to pay an engineering firm \$16,500 for emergency repairs to a county-owned building.

Republican legislators fiercely argued at last week's session against paying Clough, Harbour and Associates for the engineering work done at 28-40 Howard St. But it was not the Republicans' objections that sent the proposal down to defeat. With six Democratic legislators absent and two Guilderland Democrats joining the 12 Republicans, the resolution lost because a simple majority of 20 was required for passage. The vote was 19-14.

The Democrats are expected to bring the engineering bill before the legislature again when their ranks are returned to normal size and can assure easy passage.

The work involved repair of concrete at the Howard St. building, which had become dangerous to the safety of county Social Service employees and to patrons at Barker's Restaurant, a county tenant, according to County Attorney Robert Lyman. Concrete was falling on desks in the Social Services department and in the restaurant, he said, causing an emergency repair situation. In addition, all of the work was done evenings and weekends at overtime prices so as to not disrupt the department's and the restaurant's business.

The legislature has already approved payment of approximately \$40,000 to the construction firm that did the actual repair work.

Republican objections to the engineering fee ranged from the fact that Clough, Harbour did not submit an itemized bill for the engineering work to the belief that no emergency existed because the building was in disrepair when the county purchased it a few years ago.

Republican Minority Leader W. Gordon Morris, Jr. of Bethlehem argued that the \$16,500 bill would be coming on top of an \$18,500 fee paid to Clough, Harbour last year to examine the same building. Morris said the county would be paying twice for engineering work on the same building and should get a credit from the previous fee.

Legislator Edward Sargent, R-Bethlehem, questioned whether the county was using too many outside consultants. "Maybe we have to do some restaffing

and get an expert in our own employment," he said.

Republican Legislators Sue Ann Ritchko and Michael Ricci also voted against the proposal.

Objections by Republican legislators also helped stall a proposed \$1.48-million contract for a hot water heating system for Albany's Clinton Ave. housing project.

Morris wanted to know where the money to pay the contractor would come from. "There is not enough money in the account," he said, referring to the county budget notation mentioned in the resolution. When Lyman assured him the county had the money to pay Micheli Contracting Inc. of Rensselaer, Morris was not satisfied. "The resolution should let us know where the money comes from," he said. "We want to know when we vote."

When the vote was taken, Morris and Sargent abstained because they had inadequate information. Ricci and Ritchko voted no. Four Democrats also cast negative votes and the legislature's chairman quickly sent the resolution back to committee before the roll call was finished. The Democratic leadership saw that they did not have enough votes to carry this resolution, either.

In other actions, the board approved moderate hikes in the Albany County Airport parking lot fees. The changes would raise both the short and long-term parking fees, which have not been changed since 1979. Under the rate changes, short-term prices would be 75 cents for the first half hour, 50 cents for each additional half hour to a maximum of \$7.50 a day. Under the long-term fees, up to four hours would cost \$2, four to eight hours \$3, eight to 12 hours \$4, and 12-24 hours, \$4.50. The weekly rate would go up \$2.50 from \$20 to \$22.50.

Sargent supported the fee hike, noting that as a regional airport, residents from counties other than Albany should help pay to keep the airport services functioning.

Orthodox speaker coming

Eastern Christianity will be the topic of discussion at the Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tafrytown Rd., Feura Bush, on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. Father Stephen Natsis, pastor of the St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church in Albany, will assume the pulpit.



Clifford E. Montgomery

On chamber board

Clifford E. Montgomery of Glenmont has been elected to the board of directors of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. He is manager of employee and community relations for General Electric Co.'s Noryl Products Department in Selkirk.

Hospital benefit slated

"A Toast to the Turn of the Century" is the title for the St. Peter's Hospital Auxiliary annual fund-raising gala planned March 12 at the Albany Country Club. Highlight of the evening will be raffles with the prizes including an original work of art by Ugo Machi, a weekend at Cape Cod and a bicycle built for two. Over the past 75 years the auxiliary gala has raised thousands of dollars for the hospital. Persons interested in tickets may call Mary G. Wood, 439-7982.

Elsmere writers published

Peter and Jill Furst of Elsmere, anthropologists at the State University at Albany, have recently published "North American Indian Art," which includes more than 200 color plates and many black-and-white photographs. The Fursts traveled thousands of miles visiting museums and archives throughout the United States and Europe to gather material for their book, the second published jointly by the couple. The work depicts American Indian art primarily of the 19th century, with regional classifications.

Speaker in Delmar

The Delmar Progress Club drama group will hear Patricia B. Snyder, producing director of the Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, Albany, at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, at Bethlehem Public Library. The director is a founder of the Empire State Youth Theater Institute, which was merged with the Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza Performing Arts Center Corp. last spring to form the ESIPA.

Symphony special coming

Ralph Black, vice president of the American Symphony Orchestra League based in Washington, D.C., will lend his voice to the 1983-84 subscription renewal effort in a pre-intermission presentation at concerts on March 4-5.

The concerts feature Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 (Pastorale), the "Scottish Fantasy" for violin, harp, and orchestra by Max Bruch, and Walter Piston's Symphony No. 2. Guest soloist for these concerts is Emanuel Borok, assistant concertmaster of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. The performance on March 4 is at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. On Saturday the performance will be at the Palace Theater at 8:30 p.m.

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Lutheran Church, Delmar. Campus Life is a Christian club for students in grades 9 through 12 at Bethlehem Central and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk high schools. The ice cream came from the Toll Gate Restaurant, Slingerlands. Tom Howes

Lay academy forms

A lay academy, organized to offer courses of a seminary quality to people of the Capital District, will begin this March in Schenectady's Stockade section.

Called the Lay Academy of Schenectady, the evening school will offer a series of ordered courses in the areas of Biblical studies, theology, contemporary ethics, Christian life and the family, and church history.

The academy, according to its organizers, has been structured to serve the general church community in continuing to develop responsible and informed Christian leadership.

The first three courses will begin in the first week of March and continue weekly through mid-May. They will be taught in lecture rooms provided in the Poling House of the First Reformed Church of Schenectady.

Classes will meet once a week (except for the last week of March) from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for 10 weeks. Tuition for each class is \$70. For information or to obtain a brochure and registration form, call 377-2202. Registrations must be received by Feb. 15.

Essay contest

Eighth graders in area public and private schools are invited to submit entries in the second annual Knights of Columbus patriots essay contest. The contest theme is "What One Nation Under God Means to Me," and essays should be 500 words or fewer.

The first place winner will receive a \$100 U.S. savings bond and a U.S. flag for his or her school; second prize is a \$75 savings bond and third, a \$50 bond.

Entries are due April 16 and should be mailed to Chairman, 1983 Essay Contest, Msgr. Looney Assembly, 4th Degree KofC, c/o Knights of Columbus Council 173, 375 Ontario St., Albany, N.Y. 12208. Last year more than 125 students representing eight school submitted essays.

Scholarship offered

The Panhellenic Association of Albany is offering a \$500 scholarship to a qualified student planning to attend a four-year accredited college. Forms may be obtained at local high school guidance offices or by contacting Mrs. Stephen Fletcher, 439-6445. Applications must be returned to the guidance office by March. The scholarship is awarded on need and academic standing.

Fund honors founder

The University Foundation fund, established in 1972 to support lectures and workshops for the business community, has been renamed in honor of its founder, the late Reno Knouse of Delmar. Knouse, professor emeritus at the State University at Albany, died Oct. 4 while vacationing in Greece.

Director honored

Sister Ellen Lawlor, R.S.M., executive vice president and director of St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, has been named recipient of the first Clifton D. Thorne Award for "leadership in health."

The award was established by the Health Policy and Administration Consortium of the Capital Area in memory of the late Clifton D. Thorne of Delmar, president of Blue Cross of Northeastern New York from 1975 to 1982. Consortium members represent the faculties of Albany Medical College, Empire State College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Russell Sage College, the State University at Albany and Union College.

Sister Ellen has been chief administrative officer at St. Peter's Hospital since 1970, and during her tenure a number of programs have been instituted, including the hospice program, an alcohol treatment and rehabilitation center, and Albany's South End Clinic. The award will be presented tonight in a ceremony at the State University Performing Arts Center.

Student on stage

Barb Allgaier of Delmar appeared recently in the LeMoyne College senior class production of Cole Porter's musical, "Anything Goes." She had the role of Mrs. Harcourt in the performance at the Syracuse college.

Evangelist in Glenmont

Evangelist Gordon Campbell will preach the gospel at an apostolic church rally set for Saturday, March 5, at 2 p.m. at the Solid Rock Church in Glenmont. For details, call 439-4314.

Elected by Lions

Lloyd G. Palmer has been named third vice president of the Bethlehem Lions Club. Palmer was top salesman for the club's light bulb sale, which raises funds for sight conservation projects.

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Growth of alarm systems puts town board on alert

Last year 321 false alarms came into the radio room at the Bethlehem Police Department. About 60 were from residential burglar-fire alarms, the rest from commercial alarms. All required a response by a police officer.

At the same time, the number of new alarm systems, each with its own terminal fixed to the wall next to the dispatcher, grows every year. "Down the road we will have that whole wall plastered with equipment," Supervisor Tom Corrigan told town board members.

Before that happens, the town is considering two steps: a new, more sophisticated alarm console, and a new local law that would, for the first time, regulate all alarm systems in the town and charge fees for installation, annual use and false alarms.

The town board got its first look at the new law, drafted by Safety Commissioner Ralph Tipple, at its last meeting, and agreed to discuss it again tonight (Wednesday). First reaction was favorable, with the only hesitation likely to

come on the fee structure Tipple is proposing.

Councilman Robert Hendrick said he wants to be sure the new law does not deter anyone from installing an alarm. "I think these early alarms — speaking from a firemanic point of view — are the greatest thing going."

Tipple is proposing two classes of fees. Commercial establishments — the ones most likely to tie directly into the dispatcher's board — would pay \$25 for an application fee, \$50 in annual fees and \$25 for each false alarm. The false alarm penalty would be charged only when the signal came from the establishment, Tipple said; a fault in the wiring at the station or along the way would not call for a penalty.

Residential fees would be \$15 for installation, \$25 annually and \$15 for false alarms.

Tipple said he doesn't think the fees will deter anyone. "If they're able to put in that expensive a system, they're well

Subdivision approved

The Bethlehem Planning Board has granted preliminary approval for the Woodrow Estates subdivision to be located to the north of Beacon Rd. The proposed 17-lot tract is owned by Carl and Audrey Halvorsen.

The board also sent word informally to Supervisor Tom Corrigan that it did not approve a request from Robert Finke to rezone 3.5 acres on Rt. 9W at the Coeymans town line from B-Residential to Commercial zoning. Finke, who had previously been before the town board of appeals, is seeking to expand his contractor equipment business at the site.

Variations granted

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals has informally granted three variations to Elizabeth Potter, 2 Maple Terr., Delmar. The board granted Mrs. Potter variations for the front yard, side yard and percentage-of-lot-occupancy provisions of the town zoning ordinance for construction of a garage addition.

The board last Wednesday also received a new application from Joseph Bogdanowicz, who requested a variance from the percentage-of-lot-occupancy provision of the zoning ordinance to permit construction of an addition to his home at 1605 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands.

able to pay that fee," he said.

Corrigan said the direct dial type alarms (the system automatically dials the police) are becoming more popular. Bethlehem should consider buying a more sophisticated system that prints out the necessary information on each alarm. That would require standardizing all alarms tied into the police — something that should not be a problem since there are only four alarm companies that do business in the town, he said.

In other business, the board:

- Set two new fees for the town's Elm Ave. park next summer. There will be a new husband-and-wife season pass for \$35, in between the \$45 family pass and the \$25 individual pass. And there will be a new 50-cent charge for people who want to use the pool after 5:30 p.m. All other fees remain the same, Corrigan said.

- Decided to hold a public hearing March 2 at 7:30 p.m. for the new ambulance district in the Selkirk Fire District. The district is facing a May 1 deadline to get on next year's tax rolls.

- Set a second public hearing March 9 at 8 p.m. regarding the extension of the Elmwood Park Fire District (the old North Bethlehem district) to a small area of Guilderland and New Scotland near Schoolhouse Rd. and the Thruway.

A sesqui fling for New Scotland

A Founders Day celebration April 9 will close out the observance of the Town of New Scotland's sesquicentennial year. A bag piper will herald an observance at the town hall, Rt. 85, and a costume dance is planned that evening at the Clarksville Firehouse. Highlights of the evening will include judging of a beard and mustache-growing contest, and awards for the best period costumes.

For Austen fans

The Evening Division of Russell Sage College will offer a weekend mini-course called "Jane Austen: Sense and Sensibility" on March 18, 19 and 20. Classes will be held on the Albany campus, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. The course will examine the life, the work, and the time of Jane Austen, English writer who chronicled life in the beginning of the nineteenth century in provincial England.

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Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

Feb. 20, 1958

The opening of Delmar's newest business, the "65 Delaware Avenue Markets," makes Gutman's Meat Market and the Tri-Village Fruit Stand a pleasant one-stop market combination for local shoppers. Joseph Gutman is the proprietor of the meat market, Charles Shafer the proprietor of the fruit store, and soon Bob Martin's new sales and service garage will open at the west end of the building.

Feb. 21, 1963

A group of homeowners in the Delaware Ave. section of Elsmere has formed an association with the objective of investigating the status of town planning and to provide representation for homeowners in zoning matters, improve the appearance of Delaware Ave., minimize traffic congestion and increase support for local businesses. Robert Biggane has been named chairman of the committee to hold an open meeting in the near future, assisted by John R. Atwater, Price Chenault, Emil T. Hinkle, Jr., James Hoppe, Lawrence V. Kavanaugh, Frederick Kirchner, William E. Seymour, Alex W. Snow, Reuben Warrell and John A. Williamson.

Feb. 22, 1968

Gregg Awards for Bethlehem Central Senior High School students in the typing and shorthand classes of Mrs. Robert S. Westervelt have been received. Shorthand winners include Virginia Heinrichs (100 words a minute), Ann Manilenko (80 words a minute), Deborah Cass, Bonnie Flynn and Rita Spinosa (60 words). Transcription test awards (dictation at 60 words a minute and transcribing two letters in 20 minutes) went to Joann Dill, Patricia Foley,

Carol Hansen, Blanche Hathaway, Terry Kinns, Kathleen Klein, Paula Lotze, Judith Peterson and Sally Raymond. Typing awards were won by Linda Donovan and Diane Guzik.

Feb. 22, 1973

Joanne R. Smith has been named Bethlehem Central Senior High School's 1973 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. She remains eligible for state and national honors.

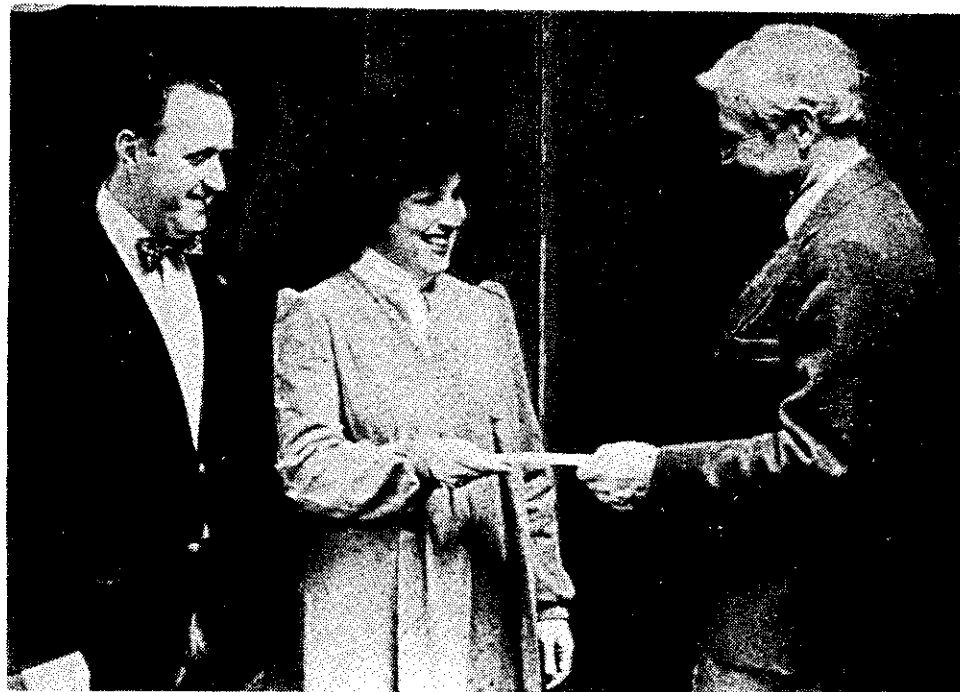
Tulip Queen search on

The Albany Tulip Festival committee is beginning the 35th annual search for a Tulip Queen to reign at its five-day celebration in May. Contestants must be between the ages of 18 and 23, permanent residents of Albany County, and have never been married. Prospective Tulip Queens are asked to send a photograph, which cannot be returned, and a brief resume to the Albany Tulip Festival Committee, Tulip Queen Contest, P.O. Box TULIP, Albany 12201. The deadline for entries is April 8.

Symphony lists 'previews'

Four "previews" for Albany Symphony Orchestra performances are scheduled this spring. All will be at the Albany Public Library, 141 Washington Ave., beginning at noon. On Thursday, March 3, Scott Cantrell, senior producer at WKRT-FM and lecturer in music history at the State University at Albany, will discuss the music of Piston, Bruch and Beethoven. March 24 the preview will feature Pole Baytelman, pianist, and Dominick Argento, composer.

Dr. Richard Balsam, program chairman for the orchestra's board of directors, will discuss Mahler's First Symphony on April 28. On May 19, Malcolm Frager, pianist, and John McCabe, pianist-composer, will speak and perform. The previews are free and open to the public.



Dr. Bronna Romanoff of Delmar receives a check from Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan after the highly successful campaign by holiday carolers that raised more than \$3,000 in Bethlehem for Ronald McDonald House in Albany. Dr. William Cromie, executive secretary for the house, looks on. Ronald McDonald House opened last summer as a home-away-from-home for families that have children undergoing treatment in Albany Medical Center of St. Peter's Hospital.

Singers raise voices and cash

A "sense of neighborliness" in the Town of Bethlehem is credited with an impressive \$3,000-plus raised by holiday carolers for Ronald McDonald House in Albany. Dr. Bronna Romanoff of Delmar, who organized the Bethlehem effort, said nearly 100 caroling groups signed up, ranging in size from four to 50 singers, making the town far and away the biggest participant in the greater Albany area.

Ronald McDonald House opened last July as a home away from home for families that have a child undergoing treatment at Albany Medical Center or St. Peter's Hospital. With seed money from McDonald's owners and operators in the area, who have pledged \$25,000 for the first five years of operation, many volunteers got the project underway.

The house can accommodate nine families at a time, and has a supply of cots if the family is an usually large one. Priority is given to families of the critically ill or injured, and the fee is \$8 a day per family or whatever the family can afford. The kitchen has several stoves and sinks and a supply of staples. The only paid staff member is the house manager, so the project is almost entirely dependent on volunteers in the community.

Dr. William Cromie, executive secretary for the house, brought the idea of caroling as a fund-raiser with him from St. Louis. Volunteers were enlisted in sections of Albany, in Loudonville, Menands, Cambridge and Greenwich, as well as Bethlehem, and they collected more than \$5,000 caroling throughout their neighborhoods the week before Christmas. Town of Bethlehem singers provided over \$3,000 of that amount, so Dr. Romanoff already is looking ahead to next Christmas and will welcome calls from volunteers at any time at 439-2186.

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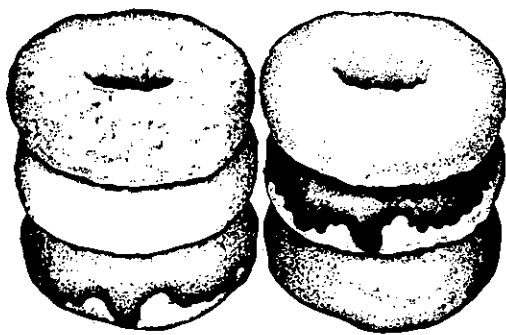
The Second Milers, a group of Bethlehem retired men, will get together Wednesday, March 9, at noon at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar. Following the luncheon Robert Hill, president and general manager of WHRL radio station, will speak.

Workshop on framing

Deborah Morris, proprietor of Delmar's Village Frame Factory, will give tips on framing to the next meeting of the Bethlehem Art Association on Thursday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the Adams House, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Admission for non-members is \$1.

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A challenging hobby grows from 'mistake'

Caroline Terenzini

A table top strewn with blue ribbons being sorted first catches the eye, then the myriad African violets in many hues.

The plants and the ribbons they won belong to George and Margaret Rodenhause of Delmar, who share the hobby of growing the gesneriads. Rodenhause, a master gardener for the county Cooperative Extension, said he became interested in African violets some 17 years ago, when he "made the mistake" of attending an evening course taught by the curator of Longwood Gardens, near Wilmington, Del.

"Like most people do, we started with half a dozen, thinking they were pretty," he said. Today the Rodenhause have about 150 African violets.

"It's a rather rare plant, which is why hobbyists are so interested in it," Rodenhause said. There are only 20 main species, compared with perhaps 25,000 for the orchid, but there are some 14,000 African violet varieties registered with the African Violet Society of America, he said.

While several species look like the field violet, the African violet is not a true violet, Rodenhause said. He added that people still travel to Tanzania to get the plants, which grow along brooks in the Usambara Mts. — and only there.

Rodenhause said the captive plants can flower year-round "as long as you provide the right conditions." A basic rule: never let the plant sit in water, he said. Water should be tepid, according to a Cooperative Extension guide Rodenhause wrote. "Test it on your hand. If it is comfortable for you, it is good for your plant." Regular and balanced feeding, and good light are needed, too. Some of Rodenhause's plants are near a west window, while others on shelves have their own fluorescent light.

While the plants respond to TLC, "you can get plants in the supermarket that can stand abuse," he said.

African violets come in every color but yellow (and orange), and they have no fragrance. Among fanciers, a goal is to produce a yellow African violet and a fragrant flower. Not all the hybridizing going on is a good thing, Rodenhause said. "Some of it is only to prove you can do it. But making them different doesn't necessarily make them better."

Rodenhause, who attended the Philadelphia Museum School of Art, was a free-lance commercial artist before his retirement. He also had always liked nature and spent a lot of time outdoors,

he said. Being in art and design, "it all fell into place." Hence the houseful of beautiful flowering plants, as well as other healthy and happy-looking green growing things. The Rodenhause's home also is brightened by molas, which are colorful designs in cloth sewn by women on islands off Panama, and by photographs and paintings by their three grown children.

The Rodenhause spent five years in El Salvador, where a daughter lives. When they moved there, they decided to take some 40 African violet plants, which were allowed into the country only under the most stringent regulations. Their roots had to be washed clean and then wrapped in moist spagnum, and they had to be certified disease-free and pest-free by a plant inspector here. "They traveled with more papers than we did," Rodenhause said with a laugh.

Growing the plants in the warm Central American climate proved tricky, too. The Rodenhause experimented with various soil mixes and had to resort to a fan to keep the temperature cool enough. Water, which was supplied to the house only two hours a day, came out of the ground warm because the country is a volcanic area. Which was fine with the violets, since they like warm water.

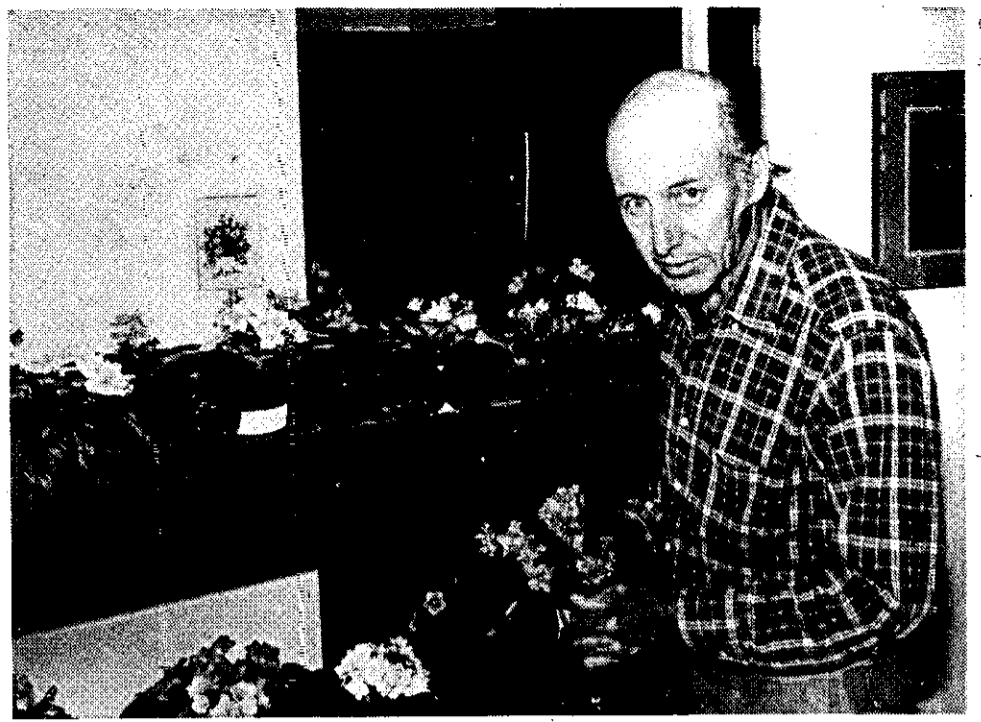
The Rodenhause returned to the United States about three years ago, leaving the African violets behind. But they have no lack of them now.

"It's a challenging hobby, but very satisfying," said Margaret Rodenhause. "And it's the only way we can have summer in winter here."

Rodenhause, who is vice-president of the African Violet Society of Albany, is co-chairman of the "Holidays with Violets" show planned for March 26 and 27 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 375 Ontario St., Albany. The show is jointly sponsored by the African Violet Society of Albany, which has meetings during the day, and by the Capital District African Violet Society, which has evening meetings.

On college team

Kris Attarian of Glenmont, a starter on the St. John Fisher College JV basketball team, led his team in scoring with 23 points in a recent 76-74 loss to Nazareth College, a crosstown Rochester rival. Attarian also was credited with seven assists, three steals, nine rebounds and a blocked shot. The team was 8-8 going into last week.



George Rodenhause of Delmar displays one of his prize-winning African violet plants. Rodenhause, vice president of the African Violet Society of Albany, is co-chairman of "Holidays with Violets," a show scheduled March 26-27 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Albany.

Fitzgerald memorial founded

A scholarship fund has been established in memory of Shawn Fitzgerald, son of William and Dolores Fitzgerald of Elsmere. Fitzgerald, a 1974 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, attended LeMoyne College, in Syracuse. He and his new bride died last August in an auto accident in Texas.

Contributions to the fund may be sent to Linda Schiavo, Oxford Heights-Windsor 11, Albany 12203. Checks should be payable to the Shawn Fitzgerald Scholarship Fund. The scholarship is to be awarded annually to the outstanding senior athlete at Bethlehem Central.

Learn vital signs

The Albany Area chapter of American Red Cross will conduct a self-help course on vital signs at the Chapter House, Hackett Blvd., Albany, on Feb. 25 and 28, from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will learn to take temperature, pulse, respiration and blood pressure by pacing themselves through a series of steps that combine self-learning with workbooks, practice by the student and testing. Cost for curriculum materials and supplies is \$7, which is payable before the first session. To register call 462-7461.

Fitness for all ages

New sessions of four Albany YMCA fitness programs begin the second week of March. For seniors, the Y offers a gym and swim program which meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. A program for all age and fitness levels begins March 7 with early morning, noon and evening classes for a variety of work schedules. The YMCA's aerobic dance program will produce measurable increases in strength, flexibility and endurance, and for the very young, a Tiny Tot Swim program is available for children 3 months to 2 years of age.

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AT&T's divestiture of New York Telephone 10 months from now will be the focus of a full day's conference in Albany on March 2. The conference, titled "Deregulation of the Telephone Industry — Its Impact on the Community," is co-sponsored by the State University of New York at Albany, the Business Council of New York State, Inc., and the national Conference of Consumer Organizations (COCO), under a community service grant from New York Telephone.

Paul L. Gioia, chairman of the state Public Service Commission, will be luncheon speaker at the event, which will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Thruway House, 1375 Washington Avenue, Albany. Audience participation will be encouraged. For information and registration, call 455-6128.



Kara Gordon

Theatrics at church

The Gordon College players, a traveling drama group, will make a stop at the Bethlehem Community Church on Elm Ave., Delmar, on Friday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m. They will perform two short Charles Williams plays, "The House by the Stable" and "Grab and Grace." The theatrics are free.

Welsh plan banquet

The St. David's Society of the Capital District will have its annual St. David's Day dinner on Sunday, March 6, at the Aurania Club, 25 So. Allen St., Albany. The social hour will start at 5 p.m. and the dinner at 6. Speaker will be Emlyn Griffith, president of the National Welsh-American Foundation, on the subject "Welsh Culture — Little Known But Long Remembered." Most of the program will be devoted to Welsh music. For information, contact John Jehu, 436-8946.

In talent show

Kara Gordon of Delmar will perform Sunday at the Turf Inn in Colonie. A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, she is with American Talent Promotions of South Bethlehem. She will sing songs she has written, accompanying herself on the piano, in a variety showcase beginning at 3 p.m. She studied voice with John Besson of Delmar and ballet with Lolo Liebman of New Scotland.

Jewish study series

Area synagogues and the Albany Jewish Community Center plan a series of adult Jewish studies programs and forums during March. Topics include "Issues of Life and Death: Judaism and Bio-Ethics" and "A Survey of Anti-Semitism." The sessions will be held at Congregation Ohav Sholom, New Krumkill Rd., Albany, beginning Wednesday, March 2. Interested persons should call 459-8000.

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Purim marks the anniversary of the deliverance of Jews from the bonds of the tyrant Haman in the days of the Persian Empire. The Purim story is recounted in the 10 chapters of the Scroll of Esther. It has become a symbol of the struggle of the Jewish people against its enemies, and of the Divine Providence which has been responsible for the survival of the Jewish people.

As a holiday redemption, its basis lies in the Arabian Nights theme recounted in the story of Esther. Esther, a poor Jewish orphan, is chosen in a beauty contest to replace the Queen of Persia. Her uncle, Mordecai, a despised Jew, rises to become the viceroy to the King. Haman, powerful leader, plotting to destroy the Jewish community, finds the world turned upside down as he is humiliated and hanged for his evil intention.

Purim has been celebrated since the 5th century before the Christian era following the exile of the Jews to Babylonia (later Persia). In the Persian Jewish community it has been the custom for many years for Jewish school children to celebrate the holiday by writing their own scroll (*Megillah*) to tell the story of the downfall of Haman and the redemption of the Jews in their own words. The Purim holiday became a model for establishing other private or local festivals that commemorated the deliverance of a Jewish family or community from an act of tyranny or a natural disaster. To date, more than 100 such special "purims" are recorded.

Another folk tradition involves the production of plays, known in Yiddish as Purim Shpiln. These popular productions were known for the plots which emphasize redemption from impending destruction and a parody of the Purim story. Purim became a time to dress in costume and masquerade.

The observance of Purim is marked by four traditions. The scroll is read in the synagogue on the night of Purim and the next morning (this year, Feb. 26-27). On the day of Purim Jews send gifts to the poor and exchange gifts of food among relatives, friends and neighbors. This was to fulfill the verse of the Bible (Esther 9:22) "They were to observe them as days of feasting and merrymaking and as an occasion for sending gifts to one another and presents to the poor." In the

afternoon a festive meal caps the celebration.

To initiate children into Jewish observance, they were brought into the synagogue for the reading of the Scroll of Esther. A custom developed of stamping the feet or making noise whenever Haman, the enemy of the Jewish people, was mentioned. A variety of noisemakers were devised through the ages. Children in Eastern Europe devised noisemakers which would explode when thrown to the floor.

Another custom is to eat *hamantaschen*, a pastry shaped in triangular form and filled with poppy seeds. The *hamantaschen* resemble a three-cornered hat, assumed to be part of the garb of royalty. The seeds were a reminder of the ten thousand talents of silver which Haman offered to the treasury of Persia as a bounty for the destruction of the Jews. Other filling, besides poppy seeds, is also used. Pastry and feasting is the order of the day.

Purim, for all its festival frolicsome carnival air, has its serious side, too. It reminds Jews of the danger inherent in powerlessness and underscores the need to act in their self interest if they are to survive. Only when Esther exercised her influence was Haman defeated, and only when Mordecai organized his defense did the Jews triumph.

In the United States, Jewish survival and security necessitated for many years a strategy of accommodation. For fear of inciting antisemitism, Jews did not assert their own interests too boldly. Jews were, in a sense, like Esther, who originally did not reveal her ethnic identity to the King. And in fact, to step lightly on the matter of our ethnic identity made sense because Jewish interests often coincided with those of the liberal democracy we sought and found in America: political equality, economic opportunity, an orientation toward the future, religious tolerance, cooperation and sympathy between peoples, pride in mutual success, cultural pluralism.

In desire to enter fully into the mainstream of American culture, Jews made some choices that have since been reevaluated. After the assertion of ethnic identity by black Americans and after the isolation that engulfed Israel before the Six Day War, American Jews began to

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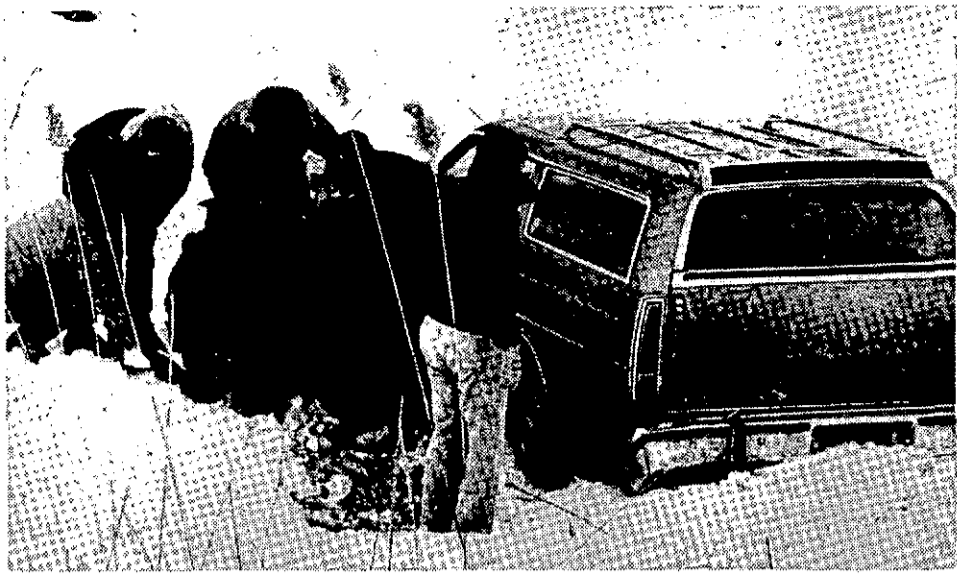
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Paramedics assist Eileen M. Brooks, 41, of 10 Hartwood Dr., Elsmere, after the station wagon she was driving went over a guard rail and down an embankment on New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, below the Blue Cross building at 2:25 p.m. last Tuesday. Mrs. Brooks told Bethlehem police she lost control while trying to close the window on the passenger's side. She was released after an examination at St. Peter's hospital.

Gary Zeiger

ask searching questions: Had we perhaps bought our way into American values at the cost of our Jewish souls? Did the isolation of Israel mean that only Jews would help Jews? Thus in response to the political climate of the late 1960's, the primary concerns of American Jews shifted from efforts to improve society in general to efforts to strengthen the Jewish community. Money and activity began to shift from social welfare to Jewish education, culture, and religion. Jews became more intent on the transmission of Judaism from one generation to the next, on the Jewishness of institutions sponsored by the Jewish community, on questions of spiritual strength and religious renewal, and on the survival of the State of Israel.

It seems to me that much conflict is related to this cultural transformation. Older Jews are still engaged with the goal of "making it," with being accepted as Americans and successful as Americans. But, younger Jews already feel part of

American culture and want now to reclaim their Jewish identities. The younger generation does not shirk from asserting Jewish interests in public debates or in the operation of institutions and organizations sponsored by Jews.

Still, there is wisdom in the advice of the older generation, who remind that Jewish interests tie into those of the general society in liberal democracies and, particularly, into care for poor people and for old people. Lately, a balance has been sought which will enable Jews to assert their own needs and to make valuable contributions as Jews to the American policy. This perspective and balance is expressed by concern with the spiritual life, Jewish institutions, and Jewish education on one hand, and with intergroup relations, political activism, and social commentary on the other.

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NEWS FROM SELKIRK AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM

Barbara Pickup 767-9225



Mr. and Mrs. Egon Reichmann, of Selkirk has the pleasure of watching their son and daughter skate to victory last weekend.

Claus and Monica Reichmann, members of the Capital District Speed Skating Club, participated in the speed skating championships at Lake Placid. Claus, well known for two national records he holds, broke two new Northern New York association records. He won three of his five events, including the 1,500-meter and 5,000-meter races.

Monica, Claus's 17-year-old sister, took second place in overall women's competition for the weekend.

Claus, a national team member, has been training in Lake Placid in anticipation of tryouts for the Olympic speed-skating team.

An informational meeting for parents of 8th grade students at RCS Junior High School will be held March 3 at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be conducted by Eleanor Marsh, Junior High School guidance counselor, and will be directed toward planning the 8th grade student's schedule for the 9th grade at the Senior High School. She will discuss course selection, program planning and graduation requirements. An opportunity will be provided for questions at the conclusion of the presentation.

The Hudson Valley Little League is still accepting registrations. Any boy or girl wishing to be on a baseball or softball team who has not yet signed up may do so by calling either Bob Gallagher (756-8428) or Hank Mormile (756-2455).

Age limit for baseball is 6 to 12 years of

age. Softball teams are comprised of boys and girls 6 to 15. Tryouts and selection of teams will take place in March.

Winners of the eight prizes given during regular Little League registration at area schools were Steve Barbic, Selkirk; Henry Mormile, Jr., Ravena; John Fuller, Selkirk; Donna Phillips; Melissa Barry, Ravena; Shane Weidman, Selkirk; Becky Romagnoli, Ravena, and Cory Familaro, Ravena.

With a menu of delectable German cuisine and dancing from 9 to 1 a.m. German Night at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge promises to be an enjoyable evening. Benefiting Cerebral Palsy, the affair is scheduled for Feb. 26, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a Dutch treat cocktail hour. Tickets for the dinner-dance may be obtained through the BPOE Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk.

A successful Superintendent's Conference Day was held at the RCS Senior High School on Jan. 31, according to Principal Victor J. Carrk. The day was devoted to "Computers in Education" and gave the staff an opportunity to observe and have "hands on" experience with various computers.

Charles Friday, New York State Management Information Services, was the keynote speaker. Others who donated their time and services were Mrs. Susan Ralston, business teacher at Bethlehem Central High School, Lois Parker and Gary Marcus of Radio Shack, Scott Holden, Math and Science teacher at RCS, and Robert DeSarbo and Robert Wade, principal and vice principal at the RCS Middle School.

Mrs. Lena Constantine of Beckers Corners, Selkirk, was first-place winner in the baking contest conducted by the Committee for Women's Activities for the Bethlehem Grange. Mrs. Eleanor Dahl took second place Feb. 12 in the local level of the statewide competition.

As local winner, Mrs. Constantine is now eligible to enter the county contest.

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Candidates claim village forum was rigged

A scheduled Meet the Candidates forum scheduled for March 2 in Voorheesville was shelved by the League of Women Voters when two village trustees running for reelection declined to participate.

A campaign spokesman for Joseph (Larry) Dedrick and Richard Langford said the League sponsors had unknowingly played into the hands of Charles (Pat) Arthur, the candidate challenging the incumbents. Arthur, they said, had contacted the LWV to arrange the program.

"Unfortunately, and without the knowledge of the League of Women Voters, this 'event' was shaping up to be a classic political set-up," the statement by Harvey C. Huth said.

Joanne Esposito, a Guilderland member of the League identified as the contact person for the forum originally scheduled for next Wednesday at St. Matthew's Church, refused to talk to a reporter after stating that the League had not issued any notice of such a meeting.

Arthur called the *Spotlight* Friday to say that the meeting had been cancelled because "the other candidates declined to appear."

A representative of St. Matthew's Church confirmed that it was Mrs. Esposito who had called the church office to make preliminary arrangements for the meeting.



Langford



Dedrick

The village election is scheduled for March 15. On the ballot are three candidates for two seats on the village board.

The statement by Huth, who is co-chairman with Philip Joyce of the Committee to Reelect Our Trustees, said that Arthur's campaign workers had contacted the League "to arrange a public forum without the courtesy of contacting the other candidates." The statement also said that Arthur's committee violated League rules when they allegedly "publicly announced this meeting without the league's prior approval."

According to Huth, the background information solicited from the candidates was limited to education and occupation, implying that the fact sheet would

focus on the fact that Arthur had a college degree and a high position on the State University staff, while Dedrick and Langford were high school graduates.

Dedrick is a plumber and steamfitter by trade, is a former village fire chief and has been active in civic and recreational organizations. Langford is employed by Suburban Propane, Dedrick is seeking his second term on the village board, Langford his third.

"We must frankly acknowledge that our candidates' strengths and values to their community lie not in their formal education and the impressiveness of their occupations, but rather in the depth and permanence of their commitment to their neighbors and their community," the statement said.

The statement continued:

"It is most unfortunate that the Pat Arthur campaign organization would try to use an outstanding group such as the League of Women Voters to effectuate a classic political set-up without the League's knowledge. We are convinced that Voorheesville has no room for such a biased political forum. As they have in the past, Larry Dedrick and Richard Langford will always be available to their constituents and will provide more than ample opportunity for residents to meet and discuss issues of concern with them."

Bethlehem building on rise

John A. Flanigan, building inspector for the Town of Bethlehem, sees a definite upturn in building in the town, with six permits issued since the first of the year compared with none in the same period of 1982. At the same time, he said, there's an air of caution around buyers, and while mortgage rates have come down considerably from the 1982 peak, "nobody's willing to take a big jump yet."

Flanigan's figures show the number of permits issued for alternations and additions reached an all-time high in

1982, evidence that people would rather add on than take on heavy mortgage costs through a move. During the year, 58 permits were issued for construction of new, single-family homes, compared with a high of 171 five years earlier, in 1977. "I didn't think we'd come out as well as we did last year," Flanigan said, noting that the market for higher priced homes held up fairly well during the past year. He added that commercial construction remained at a low level last year, with only nine permits issued compared with 21 a decade ago.

Schools

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tional, able to be used as teacher aides in non-computer related subjects, in instruction about computers themselves, in computer assisted instruction (in which the student learns directly from the computer), and in data processing in conjunction with BOCES.

Berglas noted that a significant portion of the funding would fall under BOCES aid. While additional staff would most likely be needed at some point, he said the immediate needs of the department would be handled by existing staff members.

For the school's administrative needs, Berglas is recommending the purchase of a Radio Shack unit that could be plugged into BOCES' available on-line service. Although there would be no savings in personnel, the computer would increase the quantity and quality of information to the school offices, and also save time.

In other action, the board approved a motion empowering Berglas to contact Fiscal Advisors, Inc., the district's legally required advisor, in an attempt to sell the elementary school bond issue before July 1. Due to changing federal regulations, schools will have to sell registered bonds after July 1, rather than the bearer bonds used in the past. Registered bonds would cost the school district several thousand more dollars because the cost of transfer reverts to the issuers. School district bonds move two or three times a year.



Karen S. Wright

Best of 350

Karen S. Wright, teller at the Elsmere office of Key Bank N.A., has been selected as the bank's Teller of the Year.

Approximately 350 tellers annually compete for the award. Twice during 1982 Miss Wright was chosen Teller of the Quarter. For achieving the honor, she wins a one-week all-expense-paid trip to a vacation site of her choice, a \$250 cash award, and engraved certificate. She will also be honored at an awards dinner hosted by Key Bank's president and chief executive officer, Victor J. Riley, Jr.

Miss Wright, a resident of Glenmont, has been an employee of Key Bank since 1980. She is a graduate of Berne-Knox-Westerlo High School, and serves as a consul for the Albany chapter of the American Institute of Banking.

Tax help at center

The trials and tribulations of filling out tax forms will be tackled step-by-step at a two-part program set for Mondays, March 7 and 14, at 7 p.m. at the Albany County Resources Development Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville. The first session will go over the short form of the 1040A, while the second program will decipher the long form.

The fee is \$2 per session. To register, call 765-2874 by March 4.

Berger to retire from school board

J. August Berger, senior member and longtime president of Voorheesville Central school board, will step aside when his term ends in June.

Berger, a prominent Voorheesville resident long active in village civic organizations, has served on the board for 25 years. He was president of the board from 1975 to 1982.

Candidates for the board have until April 11 to file petitions at the school district office for the annual election and budget vote May 11. Petition forms must have signatures of 25 residents of the district, and are available from the district office, 765-3313.


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□ Sewers

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quality, and the report is biased against us."

And Peter Luczak, a resident of the older section of the village who has spearheaded a citizens' action group, expressed "a sense of frustration" over the ruling that bars the referendum villagers had been expecting.

Steven Schreiber, a neighbor of Luczak on Pleasant St. who served on the citizens advisory committee set up to conduct referential surveys and neighborhood informational meetings, said the sewer proposal "represents what may be the last chance in the foreseeable future to get federal assistance to solve our wastewater problems."

Failure to take advantage of federal and state aid, if and when available, he said, would lead to escalating costs in the future and "a continued deterioration" of the village environment.

"It seems short-sighted to say, as some have said, that we can just do as we are doing and get by," Schreiber said in a statement filed with the board. "Such a view looks only at today and not tomorrow."

The preliminary report by Clough, Harbour which has been available to the public for several months, recommends the takeover of the beleaguered private sewer system in the vast Salem Hills subdivision and extending it to certain contiguous sections of the "old" village

Sewer survey at a glance

Summary of the engineering analysis by Clough, Harbour and Associates:

- Voorheesville can expect steady growth.
- There is no evidence of aquifer contamination.
- Individual septic systems will continue to fail.
- Most septic systems in the village cannot be rehabilitated.
- Municipal sewers are needed in the center village.
- It is feasible to extend the Salem Hills system.
- System should come under village jurisdiction.

where septic problems are most apparent. The expanded collection system would utilize the existing Salem Hills treatment plant on Vly Creek.

In a climate of diverse opinions, all agreed that village approval of the project is contingent on state and federal funding under a formula covering approximately 87 percent of the categories eligible for financial aid.

Two members of the village board whose seats are not on the 1983 election ballot, Mayor Bates and Trustee Daniel Reh, declared themselves in favor of the proposal, contingent on government funding. The fifth member of the board, Trustee Douglas DeDe, was out of town.

Bates told the audience that negative action on the proposal "would be like letting the roof cave in and the house fall apart before you leave it to the kids."


But the mayor had an encouraging word for citizens disappointed at not having a chance to vote on the proposition. "If the project goes through," he said, "the village will have to have a bond issue, and that calls for a referendum."

New role for Shumaker

John Shumaker of Glenmont, dean of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts at State University of New York at Albany, has been named acting vice president for research and educational development.

Shumaker came to Albany in 1977 from Ohio State University, where he was associate dean of the College of Humanities. He received his doctorate in classical studies from the University of Pittsburgh.

Voorheesville News Notes



Lyn Stapf 765-2451

Keeping with the season of Lent, the Henry Tiger Memorial ecumenical service will be held on Thursday, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the New Salem Reformed Church, Rt. 85. Rev. Johannes Meester, pastor of the church, will conduct the service, assisted by Fr. Arthur Toole of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Rev. Gregory Pike of the New Scotland Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Richard Hibbert of the First United Methodist Church.

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, the interfaith service rotates among the four local churches. It was named in honor of Henry Tiger, an active Kiwanian who was instrumental in initiating the first ecumenical service prior to his death several years ago.

Lent is here and Easter is just around the corner. For those who would like to get a "jump" on the Easter bunny and make their own holiday candy, the Continuing Education Program is offering a one-night course on candy-making to be taught by Voorheesville's own "candy lady," Marilyn Dergosits of Kandy Korner. The class will be offered on Tuesday, March 1, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the high school. Participants will learn how to make their own molded and hand-dipped candies. A special fee of \$5 will be charged, and additional supplies may be purchased that evening.

Also offered will be a one-night class on estate planning on Wednesday, March 2, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Directed by local attorney Thomas Dolin, a specialist on estates and wills, the class will deal with wills for the average person, how to avoid probate, and recent improvements in the estate and death tax law. A \$5 fee will be charged.

A three-session course entitled Conservation and Solar Gain for Northeastern Homes will be held on consecutive Monday nights, Feb. 28, March 7 and March 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. Bob Muller of Energy Associates will discuss insulating and weather techniques for homes and how to retrofit to allow solar energy to pick up part of the heating load. The fee for this course is \$10.

All courses are offered at the high school. Those wanting more information may contact the school at 765-3314 for additional facts and to register.

Richard Leach, health coordinator for the Voorheesville Central School district, announces that during the month of March there will be a special drug

education program for 6th grade students and their parents on the subject of drug and alcohol abuse. The workshops will be held in the elementary school cafeteria from 7 to 9 p.m. on the four Tuesdays of the month. The first session, scheduled for March 1, is an introduction for parents only, while both parents and students are invited to attend the other three sessions together. Topics for the last three weeks are: March 8, The Generation Gap: Why People Use Drugs and Alternative Choices; March 15, Barriers to Family Communication and Family Meeting; March 22, Decision Making and Assertiveness, featuring a panel of high school students. Besides Leach, group leaders for the four-week workshops will be Nancy Haller and Marilyn Blum. The project aimed at prevention is being run by the school district with assistance and information provided by the Preventative Treatment Program of Albany County.

A reminder to those who are planning to attend the New Scotland Democratic Committee's first annual dinner-dance at the Heavenly Inn on Friday, March 4, that reservations must be in by Monday, Feb. 28. To obtain tickets, call Thomas Dolin at 765-4085, Jo Anne Donohue at 765-4400 or Sharon Boehlke at 439-4498.

Grade school boys interested in taking part in the Pee Wee Wrestling program can register for the program on Wednesday, March 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the high school gymnasium. Wrestling will begin the following week on Wednesday, March 9 and continue every Wednesday and Thursday through April 7. Boys in grades 1 and 2 will practice from 6:30 to 7:15; grades 3 and 4 from 7:15 to 8 p.m. and grades 5 and 6 from 8 to 9 p.m. No special equipment is needed, and boys are to wear shorts or pants and sneakers. Registration forms are available at the elementary school. For information contact Dick Leach at the high school, 765-3314.

WANTED! The present members of Osborne Corners 4-H Club are looking for former members of the club to share their upcoming 50th anniversary celebration. The oldest 4-H club in the county, Osborne Corners is scouting for former members so that they may celebrate their golden jubilee with those who helped support and sustain the club over the last five decades. Any former member interested in taking part in the festivities is asked to call Cheryl Appleby at 765-4363 or the Springers at 765-2954.

Village sewers at a glance

- Estimated total cost is \$2,340,000.
- With federal and state funding, cost to the village would be \$640,000 for construction and \$820,000 interest for a total of \$720,000.
- First-year cost would be \$166,000, of which \$91,000 would be for debt service and \$75,000 for operation and maintenance.
- A total of 486 household units would pay an approximate annual rate (average) of \$342.
- Charges would be based on property assessments and water usage. Example: a property assessed at \$10,000 would be charged \$73, plus \$132.80 for a usage rate of 200 gallons per day. A property assessed at \$25,000 using 250 gallons a day would be charged an ad valorem (valuation) levy of \$182.50 plus \$162 for water usage.

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

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

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

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

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.

THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

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

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

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 Advise-ment, 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 23
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 school-age 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.

Outdoor 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 Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon, \$10 fee for five sessions. Information, 439-9314.

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

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.

Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands Fire Hall, 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.

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 town issues. All residents welcome.

55-Alive Mature Driving Course, two-day course sponsored by AARP at Bethlehem Public Library, 1-4:30 p.m. information, 439-1381.

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.

Henry Tiger Memorial, service at New Salem Reformed Church on Rt. 85, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

55-Alive Mature Driving, two-day 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.

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Music Mobile, 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.

Elks German Night, to benefit cerebral palsy, Bethlehem lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 6:30 p.m.

Eastern Christianity Talk at the Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Rd., Feura Bush, 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

"Children of a Lesser God" (Tony Award winner about deaf woman and a hearing man in love), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Feb. 26, 8 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

"The Homesteaders" (a "New American Play" presented by Capital Rep), Market Theater, N. Pearl St., Albany, Feb. 26 through March 20, Tuesday through Saturday, 8 p.m., Sundays, 2 p.m. Tickets, Community Box Office or theater box office, 462-4534.

"I Love My Wife" (musical comedy on sexual revolution), Schenectady Light Opera Company, March 4-5, 10-13, 8 p.m.; March 6, 2 p.m.

DANCE

The Paul Sanasardo Dance Company (modern dance), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Feb. 25, 8 p.m. Box office, 473-3750.

MUSIC

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

Pianist Findlay Cockrell, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, Feb. 24, noon concert.

State Music Teachers Assn. pianists play Brahms, Rensselaer County Council on the Arts, Troy, Feb. 26, 3:30 p.m. Free.

Helderberg Madrigal Singers (sacred and secular), Eighth Step Coffee House, 362 State St., Albany, Feb. 26, 8:45 p.m.

Soprano Anne Turner and colleagues in faculty showcase concert, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, Feb. 26, 8 p.m.

Duo-pianists Anthony and Joseph Faratore, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Feb. 26, 8 p.m. Community Box Office, Siena College box office and at the door.

Sharon, Lois and Bram (Canadian family entertainers presented by Old Songs), St. Mark's Community Center, Rt. 146, Guelderland Center, Feb. 27, 3 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra (Beethoven, Walter Piston and Bruch's "Scottish Fantasy" with soloist Emanuel Borok), Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, March 4, and Albany's Palace Theater, March 5, 8:30 p.m. Tickets, 465-4755.

FILM

"Loves of a Blonde" (Milos Forman's early work in Czechoslovakia), Albany Public Library, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.

"The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman" (TV version starring Cicely Tyson), Albany Public Library, Feb. 27, 1 p.m.

"Imagination" (multi-media space fantasy of celestial effects narrated by William Shatner), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, March 2, 7:30 p.m.

ART

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

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

Thom O'Connor, 20-year print retrospective, University Art Gallery, State University at Albany, through March 25.

Paul Davis Photographs, Diemel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, through March 11.

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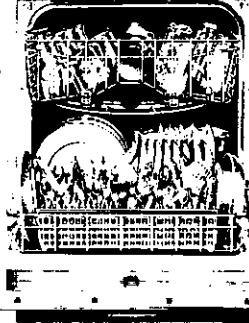
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Sunday Afternoon at the Movies, "The Devil and Daniel Mouse" and "Saturday Night Fever," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

Bible Film, "The Creation," Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., \$5 registration for three-month series, 439-9929.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Delmar Progress Club music group, Bethlehem Public Library, 1:30 p.m.

RCS Parents Advisory Committee, discussion of extracurricular activities and new minimum standards in English, Becker Elementary School, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

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

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

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

Drug Prevention Workshop, sixth grade parents, Voorheesville Elementary School cafeteria, 7-9 p.m.

Preschool Storyhours, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Bethlehem Public Library, 10, 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

Voorheesville Board of Education, special meeting to discuss proposed budget, Clayton Bouton district offices, 7 p.m.

Candymaking Course, Clayton Bouton High School, 7-9:30 p.m. \$5 registration, 765-3314.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

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

Tri-Village Lenten Bible Study, speaker Rev. Mark Bratrud on "Who is Jesus? Christ the Messiah," Delmar Presbyterian Church, Delaware Ave., 9:30 a.m.

Bible Film, "The Creation," Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. \$5 registration for three-month series, 439-9929.

PeeWee Wrestling Signup, boys grades 1-6, Clayton Bouton School gym, 7-8:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Board of Education, budget preparation for transportation, insurance, debt service, benefits and general support, Educational Services Center, Adams Pl., Delmar, 8 p.m.

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

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

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, on ambulance service district for Selkirk Fire Dept., Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Joseph Bogdanowicz, New Scotland Rd., to permit addition at premises, 8 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall.

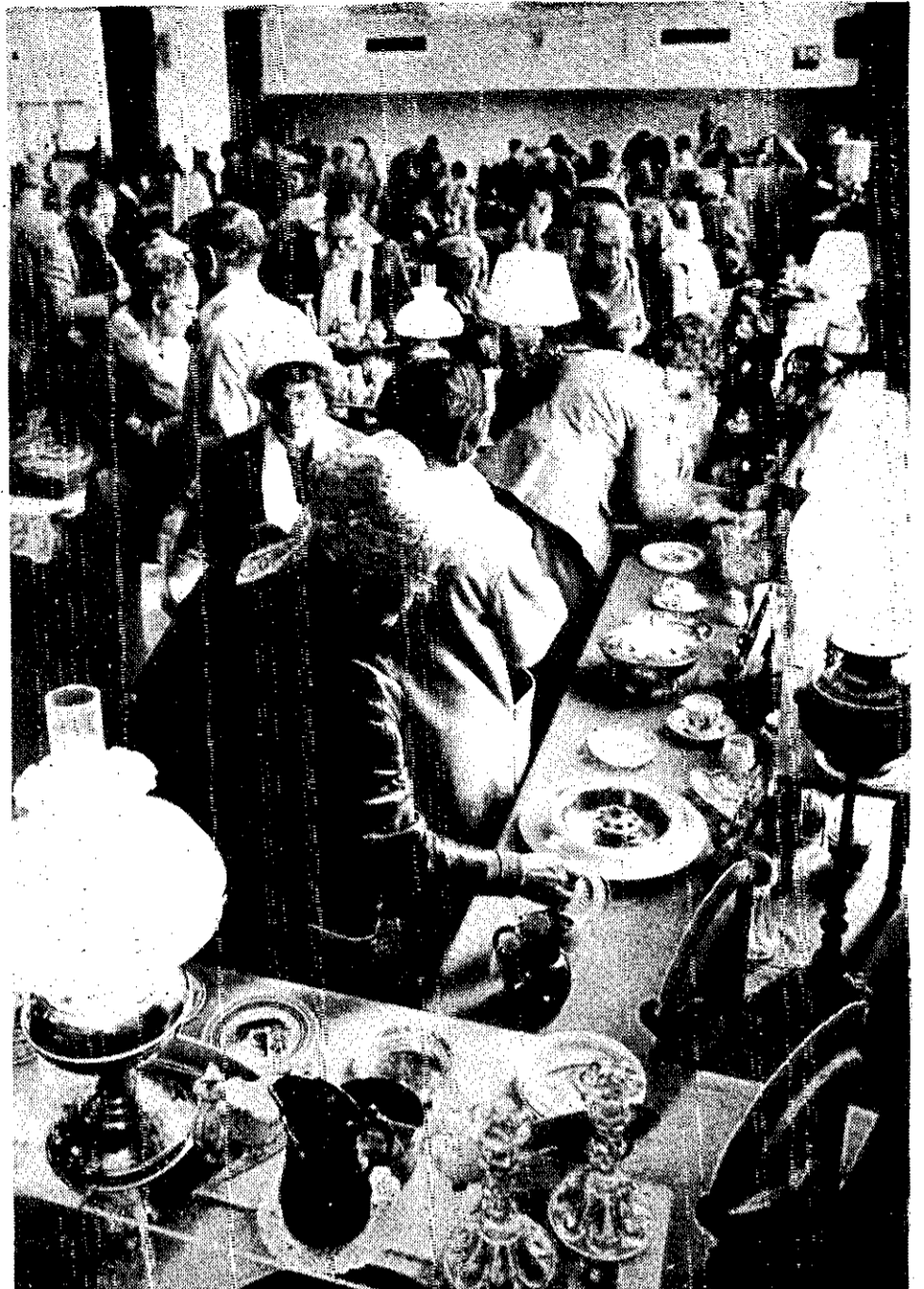
Estate Planning, Clayton Bouton High School, 7-9:30 p.m. \$5 registration, 765-3314.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

R-C-S Eighth Grade Parents Meeting, at the school, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Art Association, framing program, Adams House, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. \$1 for non-members.

Animals Program, children ages 13-18 learn about problems facing animals today, first four Thursdays in month, Bethlehem Public Library at 4 p.m.



Hundreds of people with an eye for antiques browsed at the annual antiques show and sale sponsored by the Tawasentha Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. The weekend show was at the Bethlehem Central High School. Tom Howes

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

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.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Woman's Club of Albany Card Party, at the clubhouse, 725 Madison Ave., noon.

Jawbone Reading Series, published Canadian poet Sylvia Barnard, SUNYA Humanities Lounge, noon-1 p.m. Free.

Women's Drama-Discussion, "Getting Out" by Marsha Norman, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m. Information, 457-8606.

"Thursday Topic," SUNYA-State Museum-sponsored lecture on "Crime and Individual Responsibility," Empire State Plaza, 12:10 p.m. Free.

Health Fair, Empire State Plaza concourse, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Cornell Club, regular meeting with speaker Frank Ferro, Tom Sawyer Motor Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 12:15 p.m.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, meeting for teenagers and parents of children with the disease, 50 Colvin Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 482-2498.

Health Fair, Empire State Plaza concourse, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Health Fair, "Kids' Day," Empire State Plaza concourse, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Free.

Sexual Harassment Workshop, to teach women how to deal with harassment on the job and take legal action, Tri-City Women's Center, 196 Morton Ave., Albany, 1-4 p.m. Information, 434-3755. Free.

Church Ham Supper, Helderberg Reformed Church, Guilderland Center, 3 p.m.

Conscience and Law Conference, panel discussions and workshops, Albany Law School, 80 New Scotland Ave., 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Free.

Local History Lecture, "Henry Burden and the Burden-Iron Works," State Museum, 10 a.m. Free.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27
Free Contradancing, music by "Second Fiddle," State Museum, 2-4 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28
VA Medical Center Retirees Assn., VA Hospital auditorium.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

Study Skills Workshop, RSC evening division students learn "Test Taking Skills and Test Anxiety," Russell Sage Campus Center, 140 New Scotland Ave., 5-6 p.m. \$2 fee; 445-1717.

Jawbone Reading Series, feminist Judith Fetterley, assistant professor at SUNYA, Humanities Lounge, noon-1 p.m. Free.

PACCT (Parents and Children Together), for children who are or will be open-heart surgery patients and their parents, Colonie Town Library, Albany-Shaker Rd., 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

Epilepsy Association, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett sts., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Noon History Lecture, "Steam and Shell: The U.S. Navy in 1912," State Museum; free.

Nutritional Concerns Conference, workshops for those working in nutrition and health areas and consumers, Americana Inn, Colonie. Information, 765-2874.

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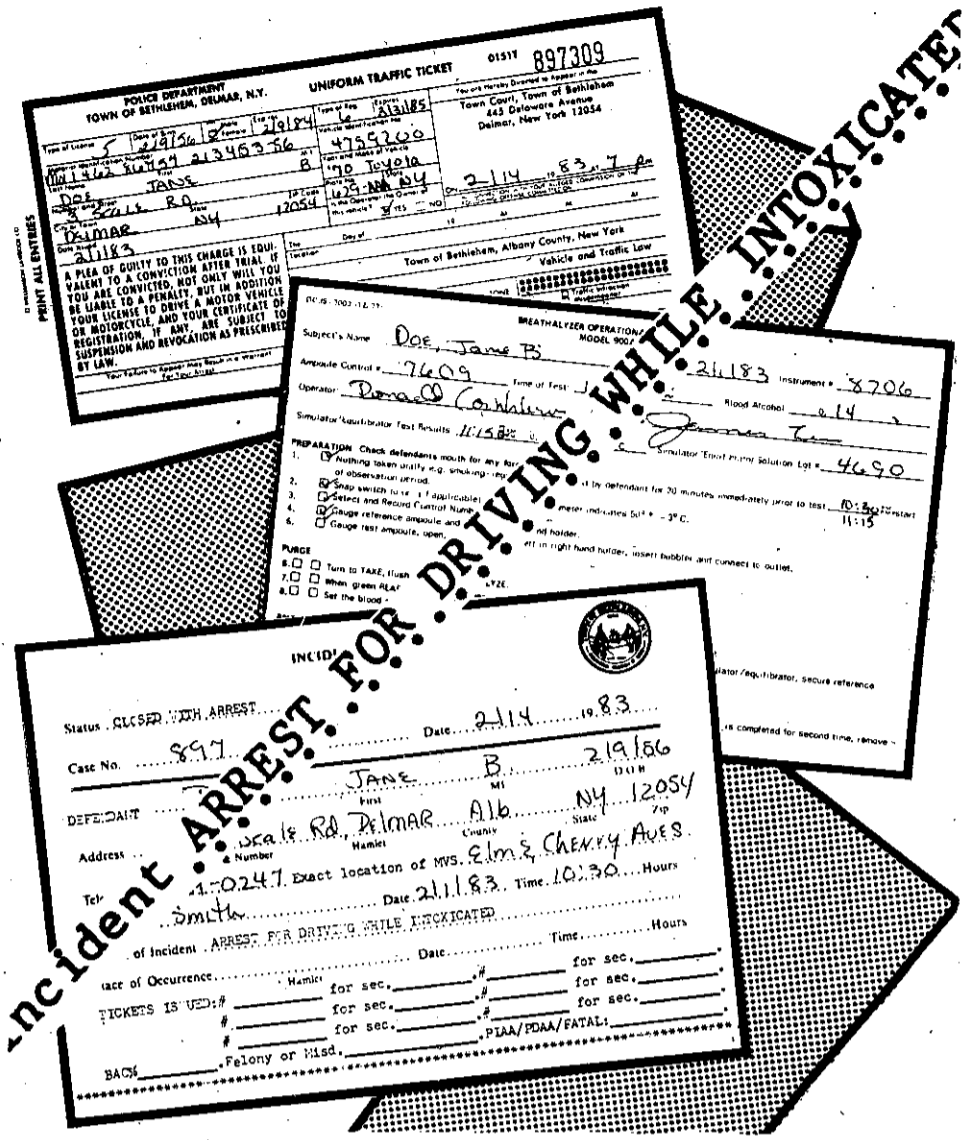
My children know when I mean business. A glare of my eye, a bend in my brow, a bite in my voice, and the usually relaxed homey atmosphere snaps to sudden attention and obeys the laying down of House Law.

These occasional calls for civic obedience in the family usually work swiftly and effectively, perhaps because they are occasional. Were they the order of everyday in the home, I suspect the family would not snap to attention so much as it would snap from the tension. Besides, I think if I were to continuously demand compliance from my kids, giving them little room to breathe or let their hair down, I would be breeding mutiny and rebellion.

Conversely, if I were lax in upholding standards of behavior in the home or I withheld punishments for misbehavior, I would be breeding a disdain for law and order — namely, anarchy. Such a state of laxity and neglect in a family situation is bad enough, but when it occurs in an entire segment of society, the consequences can be nationally devastating.

Such has been the anarchy fomented by our drunken drivers over the years, a group whose lethality ranks only second to cancer, according to the Stop DWI Program of the Albany County Traffic Safety Board. Until recently, the laws of the land allowed inebriated persons to slip in behind the wheels of their highway machines and the nation seemed only to wince when innocent souls were pulled out from under the wheels of those machines. Where there were laws attempting to curb these manslaughters, the enforcers of the laws could do little more than mop up after the damage had been done, and file a report.

I often wondered why patrol cars weren't simply stationed outside the taverns of our froth-bitten land to deter those who were unfit to drive while apprehending those who drove off undeterred. Scandinavian countries do



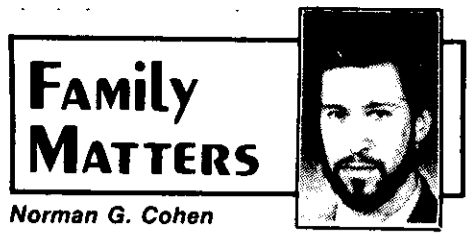
it, probably because their alcoholism rates have been reaching greater highs than their intoxicated citizens.

From past experience it seemed that apprehended drunk drivers would merely suffer public embarrassment and token fines at most, but more often were kicked loose and told to kick the habit. Oh yes, there were "risk pools" of the insurance

carriers and cumulative point counts of state motor vehicle bureaus. Yet, none of those measures measured up to the task of reducing alcohol-related deaths and injuries on the highway.

Recently, however, something has shaken us off our barstools and onto the wagon of safe, sane and sober driving down the asphalt trail. Our nation's leaders seem to mean business. They have glared at us with hard statistics. They have put muscles into the arm of the law. They have crashed down the judges' gavels to resound into the hungover ears of our intoxicated drivers whose auto crashes will forever resound in the memories of their victims' survivors.

The country has finally opened its media-mouth and is shouting slogans and warnings up the freeways and toll roads



Family MATTERS
Norman G. Cohen

to the country lanes and one-lane bridges. Citizens have worked up a head of steam to blow the beer-heads off the street. They have organized and focused their furled brows at the offenders and have been heard straight and sober.

The nation appears to be responding. Our national attitude is shifting. Even now drunk driving is seen more often as a criminal offense. Some states and some local jurisdictions have even gone so far as to mandate jail sentences for first offenders. Even restaurant and bar owners are being prosecuted when their patrons leave only to cause a personal injury traffic accident while under the influence. A friend of mine is at the barrelpoint of such a lawsuit, and his restaurant is of the upper crust, not neighborhood corner variety.

Another example that the letter of the DWI law is now being taken from the same alphabet for rich and poor, famous and obscure, is the fact that one of New York State's first applications of its revised and stiffer law for drunk drivers was tried on the then governor's son. I accept that as a solid sign our leaders mean business.

A few results to document the effect of our changed national attitude, our public response to a laying down of the law of the land: in the counties around the New York State capital, the number of traffic accidents increased from 2,273 in 1981 to 2,539 in 1982; yet, the number of alcohol-related accidents decreased from 275 to 250 over that same period, a reduction of 2.3 percentage points, or an absolute reduction of 9.1 percent. On New Year's Eve, a notoriously drunken driving period, almost 300 people who would have driven illegally called the Albany Safe Ride Program, sponsored by Stop DWI, and received an uneventful trip to their home.

It seems that a trend has begun to redefine DWI to mean "Driving With Intelligence." Long live our leaders and our active citizens who have contributed to a substantial change in our national value structure. We are all more likely to survive our drive home nowadays thanks to them. And from the comfort and safety of my typing chair in the security of my own home, my car in the garage, I raise my glass to all of you who distinguish between drinking and driving.



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By Nat Boynton

In the accelerating deterioration of network television entertainment, it was refreshing to have ABC come up with *Winds of War*.

Despite its faults, which included some historical transpositions and Ali MacGraw, *Winds* has to be rated four or five levels above the pap we are fed, pap that makes it harder and harder to find something worthwhile on the commercial networks. It takes some kind of mindlessness to stomach *Dynasty* (we gave up on *Dallas* long before the who-killed gambit) and some of the other prime-time soaps deserving of oblivion.

Whoever said "there's no accounting for taste" uttered a classic that can be directly applied to the TV ratings. The

all-important ratings, a media monstrosity in its own right, give an alarming cross-section of the American family, as witnessed by the lofty stature of juvenile vacuums the likes of *Fall Guy* and *Magnum*.

The most astonishing title in the latest Top Ten is *Love Boat*, a near-unanimous choice for the most rapid and most predictable show on the tube. This sugar-coated series, written for the junior high school audience, is exceeded only by *Fantasy Island* for sheer insipidity.

With even *M*A*S*H*, like some of baseball's superstars playing two years beyond the year they should have retired, the question arises: if all this junk is such junk, where do we go for quality entertainment on video?

There are three possible alternatives: (1) leave the dial on Channel 17, moving only when some specific program you have no interest in comes on; (2) concentrate on the documentaries, specials and other non-sudsy program-

ming on the commercial networks, and (3) sort out the programs that put a premium on good writing along with realistic casting and good filming.

Examine, for a moment, the inspirational scripting of the first half-dozen years of *M*A*S*H* in the days of Col. Henry Blake, Frank Burns and Trapper McIntyre, and any typical episode of the late-lamented *Mary Tyler Moore*. Where is that level of writing found today?

Good writing, which is also hard to find in books published in recent years, gave a special distinction to *Lou Grant*, a late great. That show had everything... remarkable casting, realistic content, excellent dialogue... and it is regrettable that Ed Asner, a top professional on camera, had to embarrass his sponsors and fans by overdoing political activism to the degree it killed one of the best shows on TV.

For good writing and the kind of realism in story that don't always wind up in a predictable good-guys-always-wins

scenario or a ridiculous *Hart to Hart* chase for 10 screen minutes, the closest approach currently is found in an unlikely spot on the dial. In a dreary collection of cop series, *Cagney and Lacey* comes in as a refreshing symptom that all is not cereal on television.

It takes a while for the quality of this weekly hour to penetrate. These two female detectives in midtown Manhattan are not only superbly cast, but it's not always certain to the viewer where the script will take them. The show, incidentally, is written by women.

And for a pleasant spoof on the dreary stereotypes of cops and/or private eyes relentlessly tracking down bad guys, there is *Simon and Simon*. You don't see these people in the Top Ten in the ratings, but compared to the *Love Boat-Fall Guy* ilk, they could be on *Masterpiece Theater*.

Meanwhile, with the unlikely prospect that things will improve, we can offer gratitude (and checks) to Channel 17.

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Voorheesville

By Vinnie Reda

Voorheesville High School wrestling coach Dick Leach proved to be a great handicapper of the Class C Section 2 championships, but he would rather have had his rankings thrown slightly askew.

They were not, and Hoosick Falls, Mechanicville and Corinth — Leach's predicted favorites — finished ahead of his Blackbirds at the two-day event Friday and Saturday in Corinth.

"We've been close all year, but no cigar," said Leach, whose team had finished a close third the week before to Mechanicville and Albany Academy in the Colonial Council championships.

Voorheesville's 153 team points last weekend, behind winner Hoosick Falls' 188 in the multi-team meet, far from signified failure, however. No less than six Blackbirds reached the final four of their respective weight classes, earning them berths in this Saturday's Sectional finals, which begin at 11 a.m. at the RPI field house.

"That's the most kids we've gotten through in about seven or eight years," said Leach. "So while we could have done a little better, I have to be pleased with many of these kids' showings."

Voorheesville actually had four No. 1 seeds going into the tournament — the most of any school in the meet — and three escaped upset. Shawn Sheldon pinned Watervliet's Brian Fields in just 56 seconds to win the 105-pound title, and defending 112-pound king Jeff Clark had an even easier time, winning the division by forfeit due to his opponent's injury.

"Frankly, at that level, you don't even entertain the thought that Shawn or Jeff might lose," said Leach.

That concern had to exist, however, with 155-pounder Tom Hannmann. "Tommy's never gotten through a semi-final before," said Leach. Hannmann did this time, then decided Brett Miner of

Hoosick Falls 10-4 in the final.

The upset occurred at 138, and it came from one Jerome Dacchille of Tamarac High, who on Friday had upset the No. 4 seed. On Saturday he did it to Voorheesville's Matt Beals, who'd been riding a 24-3 yearly record up to that point.

"Matt was really in control much of the match," said Leach. "But he tried to bring the kid over on his back one time and the kid turned him and suddenly he was behind 5-2 and struggling to get back in it the rest of the way." Beals fell short, losing 7-5 to Dacchille, whose luck ran out in the finals.

"Matt probably wouldn't lose to this kid if they wrestled another nine times," commented Leach.

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Beals may get his chance to test his coach's theory this Saturday, since he still qualified, going on to grab third place on a pin of third-seeded John Kulesa of Schoharie. Also advancing will be Class C fourth-placer John Ryan at 177 pounds and second-place (at 119) Jeff Genovesi, who lost to Fonda's Gary Gifford in the finals.

And at RPI, said Leach, there will be no sure things, even for Sheldon and Clark. Sheldon may have to contend with either Rick Florio of Mont Pleasant or Phil Mosso of Amsterdam, both highly regarded.

The glamor match of the tournament shapes up as defending champ Clark and Mont Pleasant's Tony Bellai, last year's state champion at 105. "Jeff beat Tony last year at 112, but now I think they're both more suited to that weight. It will be a tough match. Either could have gone on to win the state title."

Sectional meet president Rick Poplaski of Bethlehem Central agrees, "but disagrees with those who find that unfortunate. "Heck no — that makes that contest alone worth the price of admission."

As for Leach, he can look with some satisfaction to a 13-4 season, based on a strong corps of underclassmen. "There were a lot of juniors on the team," said Leach, "so maybe we'll be ready to make that extra step up next year."

Bethlehem

As usual, the Class A Sectionals in wrestling for Bethlehem Central High School proved to be somewhat of a "heavy" burden, said Coach Rick Poplaski.

"We always seem to be loaded in the lower weight classes, and especially from 119 to 132, but after that we seem to always have a problem," said Poplaski by way of partial explanation for his team's sixth-place showing with 104 points, far astern of host and winner Burnt Hills' 237 in the two-day event last weekend.

"We obviously did not get as many top finishers as we would have liked, but there were no shocking disappointments either. The ones who did well were the kids I thought had a good chance of moving on."

The top four places in each weight class move on to Saturday's Section 2 finals at the RPI fieldhouse (11 a.m.) and there will be four BC grapplers among them.

Most prominent is Paul Callanan, BC's sole victor in the Class A tournament, via a 4-3 win at 119 pounds over Mont Pleasant's Shawn Talbot. "Paul did a nice job, wrestling very steadily, which is what he often does," said Poplaski. "He always stays on an even keel, and that's what makes him a good tournament wrestler. We think he's got an outside shot in the finals (and therefore qualifying for the state meet at Syracuse March 4-5). His weight class is pretty evenly distributed in terms of talent."

The big disappointment was the upset of fourth-seeded Mike Tinsman by Burnt Hills' David Watson in the early rounds at 98 pounds. But advancing to RPI will be Dave Carlson at 132, via a second-place finish, and third place finishers Rob

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Van Aernam (112) and Wayne Peschel (126).

"Mike's loss was just one of those things," said Poplaski. "He did get fifth place, as did Rich Jadick at 167, and so they'll also go along as alternates. You never know what might happen."

Poplaski says his chief worry will be for next year when, like before this one, he saw a lot of good light men developing, but few biggies.


"We had an excellent junior varsity, but now we just have to hope some people grow enough to get in the upper weight classes. It's an interesting phenomenon in our school: I can count on one hand the kids over 200 pounds who are good athletes in any sport."

Volleyball at Southwood

The Easter Seal Society will be hosting its annual Volleyball Marathon on Saturday, March 12, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Southwood Tennis and Health Club. Teams will be scheduled for two-hour time slots in the following categories: men's, women's or mixed; power or recreational; 6, 7 or 9 players. Unlimited substitutes are allowed. Each team will play against three teams of similar skill within the two hours.

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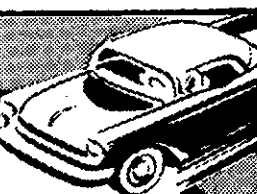
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Beachhead secure at New Hartford: BC 18-0

When Bethlehem Central's talent-rich swimming team piled off the yellow school bus after a 95-mile ride to take on one of the strongest teams in central New York, they had a lot going for them.

Such as support: a chartered bus of parents and rooters, every seat filled, and in the stands at New Hartford High School, three alumni who in their day at 700 Delaware Ave. had contributed to Bethlehem's spectacular pool dynasty.

Such as incentive: the overwhelming determination of Jack Whipple's young team, led by juniors and sophomores, to keep one of the state's most distinguished win streaks intact in the pool where the Eagles experienced their last defeat.

That was six years ago to the day, but last Friday before a packed house, the Eagles soared to new heights. They rolled up a surprising 30-17 lead in the first four events and won going away, 76-51.

New Hartford, 12-2 on the year and defeated only by Liverpool and Union-Endicott, the state's ranking No. 1 and No. 4 pool powers, was favored to end Bethlehem's 97-meet win streak in the tank where BC had lost back in 1977. Going into the season's critical test, Whipple had told his boys that to win they must take both relays and not permit New Hartford's established superstars to capture more than six of the eleven events.

He also indicated that, given BC's superior squad depth, the meet would evolve on the bridge-table strategy of the rival coaches: when to play your aces, and when to use trump cards.

Whipple opened by leading an ace. He sent his best quartet in to the 200-yard medley relay. On the New Hartford side, Coach Jim Cameron gambled on winning the relay without his top star, senior Ron Quimette, conceded by Whipple to be unbeatable. Cameron's game plan was to save Quimette for two sure firsts in individual events and to anchor the last relay, which might be pivotal.

Whipple's move paid off. John Demarest, Doug Schultz, Matt Holland and Dave Young whipped the tank into a froth in 1:44.9, the best clocking by Section 2 swimmers this year.

Quimette showed his stuff in the next event, taking the 200-yard freestyle in 1:52.1, but in the third event the crowd got an early indication of BC's strength when Whipple chose to send his two best all-around swimmers against Greg Albarico, New Hartford's sophomore standout, in the 200 individual medley. Schultz and Holland then shocked the home gallery with a 1-2 finish in 2:05.3 and 2:07.7.

If there were any doubts the Eagles were on their way, the fourth event laid those to rest. New Hartford's Jeff Friedell, an established Section 3 butterfly and backstroke champion was a

surprise entry in the 50 free. The tactical move by Cameron, however, misfired when Friedell lost to Demarest by two-tenths of a second. Demarest's time was 23 seconds flat.

New Hartford won the diving and Friedell came back to take the butterfly in 55.5 ("Fantastic," said Whipple), but the tone of the meet was clear. With the 100 free coming up, Cameron had to hold Quimette out for the backstroke and the final relay because Friedell had been used in the legal maximum of three events. Quimette's absence opened the way for BC's Young and Knute Hvalsmarken to sprint to a 1-2 finish in a dead heat in 52.4, Young getting the judges' decision.

When freshman Pierre LaBarge and sophomore Eric Patrick turned in a first and second in the 500, the die was cast, but there was still drama to come.

Quimette made a shambles of the backstroke, winning in 56 seconds flat. That was eight full seconds in front of three other swimmers, but the New Hartford ace was almost two seconds shy of returning a local name to the record book. In his final appearance in his home pool, he had hoped to erase the 54.2 set by Bethlehem's Ken Neff in 1979.

BC's John Henahan and Jim Krajeck and New Hartford's Jay O'Hara had a three-way photo finish in that order by judges' ruling.

Albarico and Schultz staged the best race of the night in the breaststroke. They were head to head all four laps, and the decision went to the one whose arm touched the wall in the right phase of the final stroke. That turned out to be Albarico in 1:03.7.

Going into the final relay the meet was over as far as the team winner, but not the heroics. In the 400-yard freestyle relay it was Young, Patrick, Rob Leslie and Matt Holland; the latter assigned to the unenviable chore of swimming the anchor leg against Quimette. Holland had a great split: he hit the water about half a body length ahead, but Quimette started catching him in the first fifty yards and pulled even as they made the final turn. Let Whipple tell the story from there:

"Matt must have seen out of the corner of his eye on the last turn that they were even. He decided he wouldn't be caught. He got the lead back in the last lap, and won by a touch."

The time was 3:31.9.

That gave BC six events to five for the hosts, an 18-0 mark for the season, and 98 straight in dual competition. This weekend it's the Easterns at Lawrenceville, N.J., for five Eagles—Holland, Schultz, Demarest, Young and Hvalsmarken. Whipple wants to prepare his freestyle relay foursome for the sectionals March 4-6, and also give his wards some tuning in individual events without making a bid for the team championship monopolized by seaboard schools from Florida to New England.

Rivalry may last a long time

For Bethlehem Central swimmers, the meet at New Hartford was not just your ordinary swim meet.

Apart from the importance of the score to both teams, there was an abundance of spirit, highly competitive but still friendly.

When the meet, an emotional one, was over, parents of New Hartford team members served cookies, soda and coffee to swimmers, their parents and visiting fans at a reception at the school. The two teams have been meeting each year since 1975 on an alternate home-and-home basis, raising the possibility Bethlehem parents may return the compliment next February in Delmar.

Also on hand were three former BC swimmers, Mike FitzPatrick and Bill Reagan hitchhiked to the meet from Rochester, where Mike, a student at Cortland State, was visiting Bill. Jim Clyne was on the bus chartered by BC parents for the trip.

(The day before the meet, Jay Henahan, star of the previous three teams, called from Gambier, Ohio, where he is a member of the Kenyon College varsity, to chat with his ex-teammates.)

Coach Jack Whipple was openly enthusiastic about every swimmer on his roster after the convincing Bethlehem victory. Besides the swimmers who won events, he had praise for several performances that were crowded out of the newspaper accounts of the meet. For instance:

- Scott Apicelli, who was second to New Hartford superstar Jeff Friedell in the butterfly. "Scott had a fabulous 57.2, that's two full seconds off his previous best time. It puts him in contention for the sectional title in the fly against (Rich) Kidwell of Hudson Falls."

- Rob Leslie, who scored a surprising second in the diving. "Rob is our No. 3 diver, and he was super with 190.80 points, the highest score by a BC diver this year."

- Matt Holland and Doug Schultz. "These guys can do everything for a team. Holland is a coach's dream because he can be the swing man, going where he's needed. Schultz is at his best when he has to be."

As for the streak, it's stationary now at 98 until next season. If the pattern continues, the string should run into the middle hundred and teens by the time Rome, New Hartford and possibly other Central New York powers get in the way next February.

Relay sparks BC track

By Julie Ann Sosa

Hammer, Ainsworth. The girls' 3,000 relay team. They have been Bethlehem's only point winners in recent indoor track meets. With more talent, first-year coaches Robert Collen and Pam Clary could go from having an improved team to a fine one.

At Union College's Dutchman Games, a showcase for 45 teams from Central New York, the fairer sex from BC more than fared well, placing ninth overall. The undefeated girls' two-mile relay team of Chris Ainsworth, Jenny Warren, Colleen Nyllis and Laura Koban broke the tape in a season best 10:06.6, five seconds ahead of second-place Washingtonville. Ainsworth put her cross-country endurance to work by coming back from the mile and the relay for a third in the 3,000 meters in 10:52. The boys' team was blanked.

Guptill's roller skating rink was the unlikely site for the Suburban Council championships last week. Times and

Bethlehem teams scores suffered on the poor track, but BC's 3,000 relay quintet won again despite a mediocre clocking. Ainsworth and Nyllis went 2-3 in the individual 3,000. They finished in 11:09 and 11:13 respectively in the footsteps of cross-country nemesis Laurie LeMena of Shaker.

For the boys, junior Pete Hammer placed in the 1,000, 1,600 and 3,200 with recuperation measured in minutes, not hours. He was a stride behind the winner in his specialty, the 3,200, and was sixth in the 1,000. In only his second mile this season, Hammer was fourth in 4:43.7, just four seconds behind Burnt Hills star Miles Irish. BC sophomore David Ashe didn't win a medal in the 50 hurdles, but his 7.8 clocking placed him well in the fastest heat.

Does Collen think any Bethlehem rumors have a chance to go to the state meet in March? "Definitely the two-mile relay, Ainsworth and perhaps Hammer in the two-mile, where he won't have to face Irish," Collen said.

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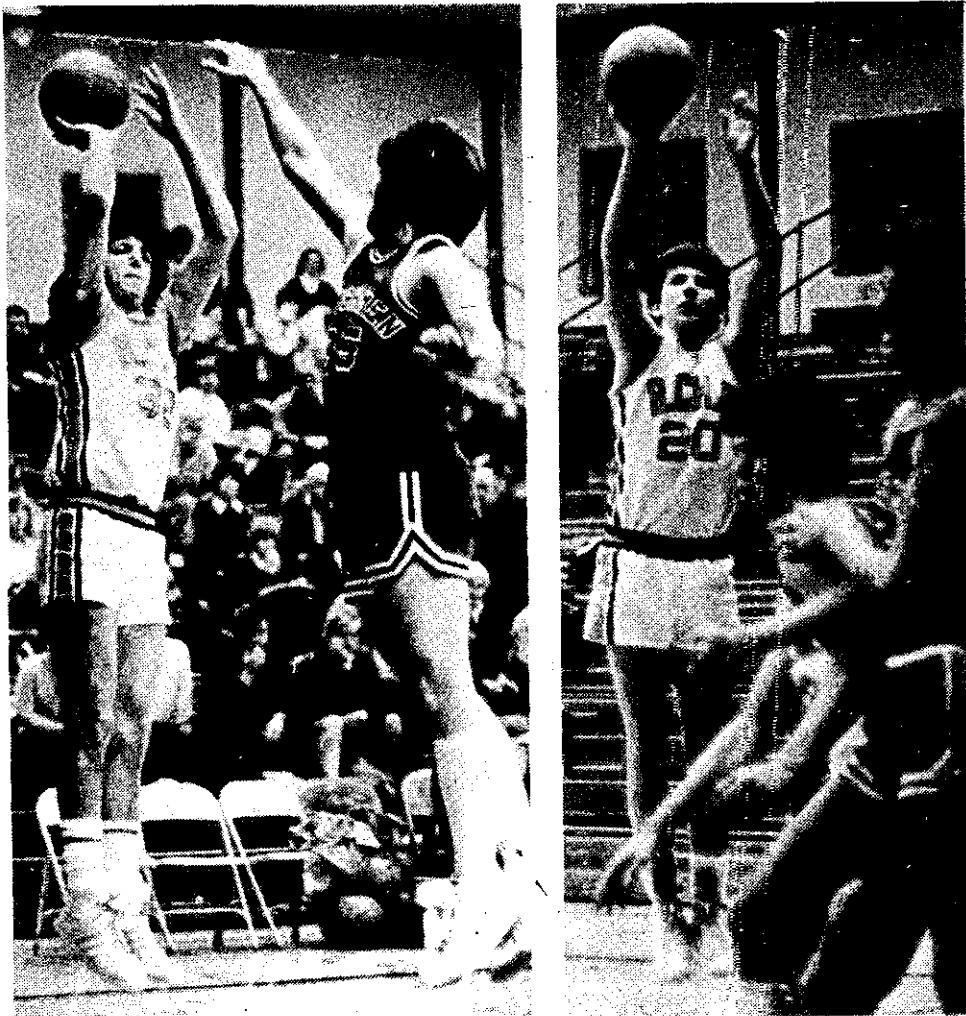
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Jim Lockman (32), left, and Dan Piazza (20) shooting from outside as Bethlehem Central won its first and only league game in its final outing. Both shots were good as BC trimmed Guilderland, 54-43. On the cover: senior Dave Talmage gets the victors' spoils — the net after the final home game. R.H. Davis photos

BC finds first victim in last league game

The Eagles of Bethlehem Central may have been fed to the wolves this week, but at least they had their week to crow.

That came about last Tuesday when, by a 54-43 score over Guilderland, the Eagles side-stepped a non-victorious Suburban Council season with a regular-season-ending triumph.

"I'll tell you, we've played better overall than we did in this win," said Coach Gary Przybylo, who saw his team finish 1-14 in the council and 3-15 overall. "We played better in the losses to Mohonasen and Scotia, and certainly in our game at Saratoga. "But the difference was, this time, when we got the lead, we didn't commit turnovers."

At least they didn't after a minute and a half gone in the final period. At that time Bethlehem had seen a 33-29 third-quarter margin crumple amid an 8-0 Guilderland blitz.

"I called time out and said a few choice things," said Przybylo.

This time the offense responded smoothly and the Eagle defense tightened, hammering Guilderland 21-6 the rest of the way. They were led overall by Howard Thompson's 16 points and Mike

Mooney's 14.

"And also Jim Lockman," said Przybylo. "He did a fine job off the boards (13 rebounds), and there were a lot of clutch rebounds and clutch plays in there."

The BC squad probably needed such play from the opening tap last night (Tuesday) at Shenendehowa High School when they opened the Class A Sectionals against the 19-1 Plainsmen, rated one of the best teams in the state.

"Let's be honest," said Przybylo, "I'd be very surprised if we won the ball game — or for that matter came within five to eight points. They beat us really badly the last time we played and I'd like to not see that happen again. I don't want my kids to be intimidated. If you can stay with a team for a while in a game, you begin to grow and that other team begins to grow more leery of you."

"We did that earlier in the year against Saratoga. We were down five with just a minute and a half to go before they stretched it to 12. But we gave them something to think about."

This week could end a long season, but Przybylo prefers the positive: "I've said all along — watch out for us next year."

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Girls squeak into Sectionals

It wasn't weird enough that the Bethlehem Central boys' basketball squad finally won one, but its female counterpart was upset twice last week in fourth-quarter disasters. Unlike last year's fatal run of losses on the road at the end of the season, this year's nearly suicidal streak disappointed the home crowd, but left the team's 9-6 Suburban Council record sufficiently intact to secure a ticket to March Sectionals. Also qualifying were Colonie, Guilderland, Shenendehowa and Saratoga.

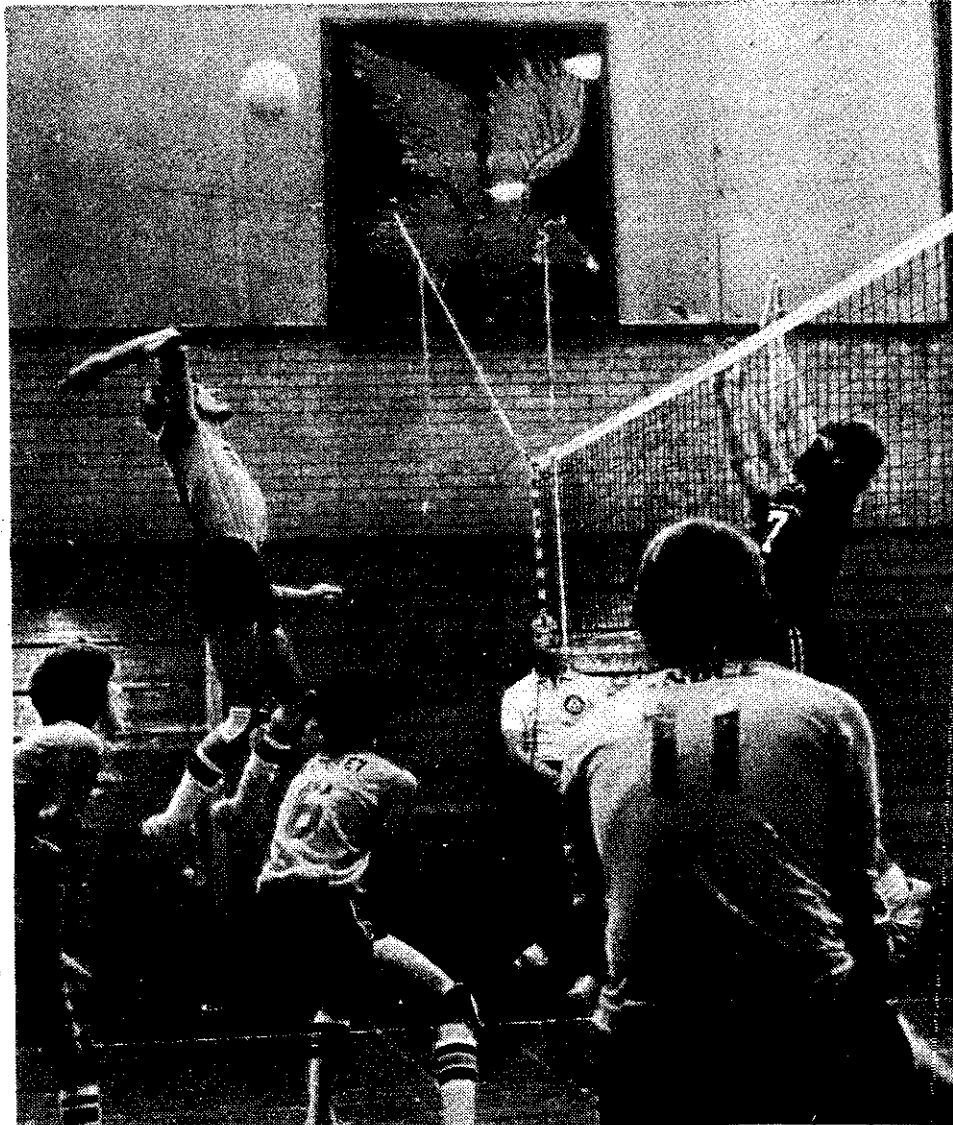
Saratoga (6-6) made the long trip to Bethlehem worthwhile, winning 47-43, although the Eagles controlled the game going into the final three minutes. In the end, BC couldn't handle its one-and-one

opportunities at the foul line, and made only 12 percent.

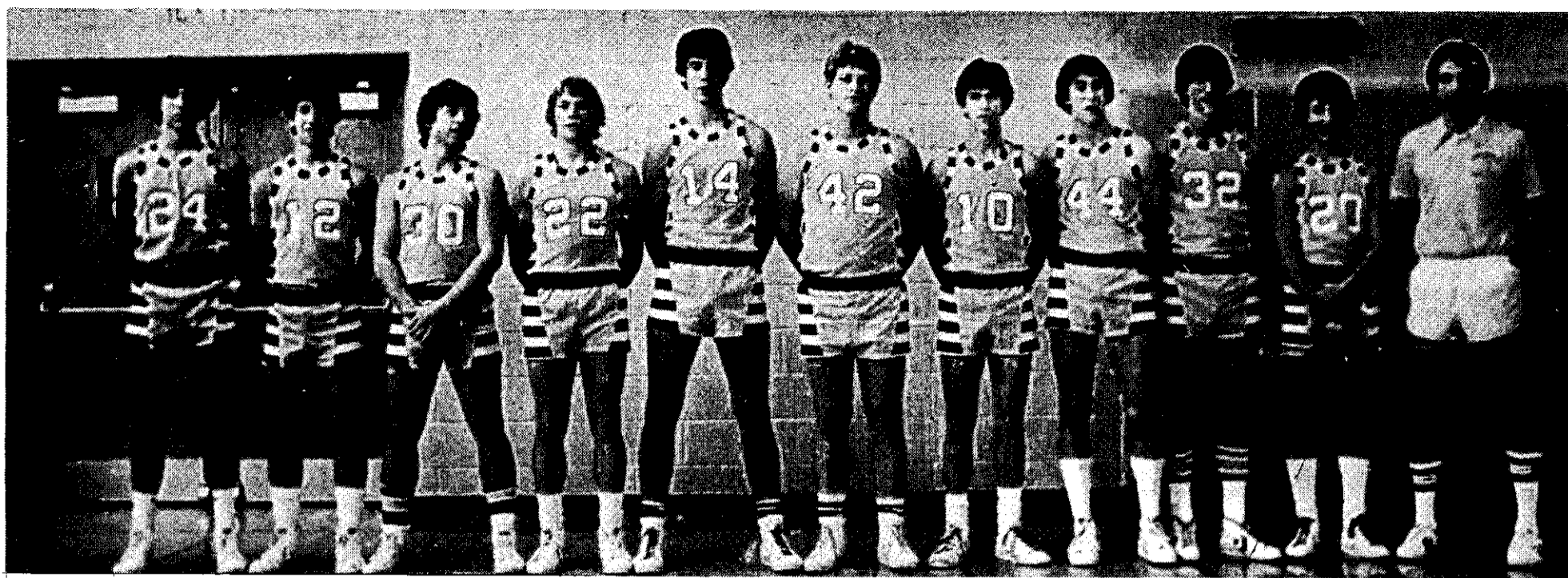
Behind the shooting of Kim Zornow, who had 17 points, and Cathy McNamara, who added 14 and picked off a host of rebounds to win the Lady Eagle award, the team outscored the visitors 36-34 from the field, but were outdone 13-7 from the charity stripe.

Burnt Hills (7-8) ended the BC schedule on a bad note last Friday by drubbing the favorites, 52-44, scoring 19 points in the final quarter. The Eagles had only eight points in the last minutes. Point guard Kelly Burke was the scoring leader with 12, thanks to sharp outside shooting. Maggie Fitzpatrick had 11.

Julie Ann Sosa



Suburban Council volleyball action: Bethlehem Central's Scott Gravlee goes high for a spike against Colonie in a BC home game. Tom Howes



Voorheesville's 1982-83 basketball varsity, undefeated in a 20-game regular season schedule and champions of the Colonial Council, interrupted preparations for the Sectionals by posing for this team portrait by a *Spotlight* photographer. From left:

John Zongrone, Chris Hogan, Dave Haaf, Jim Meacham, Mike Lewis, John Schultz, Dick Lennon, Ray Donnelly, Ken Hunter, Jeff Rockmore and Coach Chuck Abba. Absent was John Minozzi.
Tom Howes

Now it's a new season for Blackbirds (20-0)

Whatever happens in the Sectionals, no one can ever take away Voorheesville's 20-0 sweep of the 1982-83 basketball schedule.

Will that momentum continue tonight (Wednesday) when the Blackbirds take the floor at Linton High School, Schenectady, against Watervliet in a Sectional Class CC quarterfinal?

Coach Chuck Abba thinks it will, and the 11 players who have given the school the best basketball team in its history are determined to put icing on the cake.

"We've got our hands full with Watervliet, even though we've beaten them twice in our own league," says Abba. "They are the defending champions, and they will have extra motivation to beat us. They are a good, solid

Opens lecture series

Dr. Matthew Elbow of Delmar, a professor of history at the State University at Albany, will be the first lecturer in a five-session course on the Middle East offered by First Church in Albany. The opening session will be tonight (Wednesday) at the church, 56 Orange St., one block south of the Palace Theater. The "Wednesdays in Lent" programs begin at 7 p.m. Other electives in the series for adults are "Judaism and the New Testament," "Death with Dignity," and "Understanding and Building Friendships."

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team, and we'll have to play well."

The matchup at Linton is the second game on a program that opens with Greenville and Corinth. Watervliet earned the ticket with a weekend win over Canajoharie in the first round of the tournament.

The Blackbirds not only played well in their final league game, but they put on a precision performance that served as an appropriate summary of this glorious season. They were ahead from the first buzzer to the last in a 61-52 triumph at Lansingburgh. They methodically widen-

Booster breakfast slated

The Voorheesville Sports Booster Club will sponsor a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 13, from 8 a.m. to noon at Voorheesville High School. Donations for adults are \$2.75, and for children under 12, \$1.75.

In college play

Tennyson Bardwell, son of Clayton and Mary Bardwell of Delmar, has a role in a Carnegie-Mellon University production of *R.U.R.*, a fantasy-satire about robots, by Karel Capek. Bardwell is a senior drama major at the university of Pittsburgh.

ed an early 8-4 lead and stood 30-21 at the half. When the home team trimmed the champions' bulge to six with 1:30 left, Jim Meacham meshed a couple of free throws to thwart any further insurrections.

"It was a nice way to put a cap on the season," said Abba. "We beat a good team on their home floor. I'm so happy for the kids. They had to perform and execute well, and they did that all year. The defense was excellent. It was a very fine game for us."

Abba had praise for Dave Haaf, who

came off the bench and had nine points, his best scoring effort of the year. "He gave us a big lift in the third period," said Abba.

Mike Lewis, the champions' take-charge guy, had another productive game, scoring nine points, working the boards and contributing a strong defense. Lewis neutralized Marty Safford, one of the league's standout players, and took away his inside effectiveness.

Dick Lennon directed the offense, as usual, and John Zongrone contributed another steady game.

A merciful end for Indians

A game they should have won and a game they shouldn't have played ended the Ravena Indians' basketball season on a low note, according to Coach Tim Tucker.

"It was an old story — we had the game and then committed too many turnovers," said Tucker of his team's 63-59 loss to Waterford at the Siena Alumni Recreation Center on Feb. 14.

Against LaSalle Institute in Friday's Class B Sectional opener, a few idle passes could never have meant very much. The Cadets breezed to a 16-2 lead, and pulled away from there for a 75-42 massacre of the Indians. Unlike previous losses for the 3-15 squad, Tucker saw little to take cheer about in this finale of

the 1982-83 season.

"I had said before we shouldn't have even been in the tournament, but I was given the choice way back in December," said Tucker, who added his team played very much like they didn't belong.

"But what can you say? It's been a rough year. But the young kids — Mike Mizener, Kevin Hoffman and De Bowie — are sophomores and they give us something to look forward to, and Donnie Baker, our steady influence all year (12 fo the team's 45 points versus LaSalle) is a senior next year.

"So when I look at a lot of clubs this year and see that they're senior dominated, I have to feel pretty fortunate to have this group going into next season."

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 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 2, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Joseph C. Bogdanowicz, 1605 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York for a Variance under Article VIII of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit construction of addition at premises, 1605 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, Town of Bethlehem.

CHARLES B. FRITTS
 Chairman
 Board of Appeals
 (Feb. 23)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, upon motion of the Town Boards of the Towns of Guilderland, Bethlehem and New Scotland, pursuant to the provisions of Article 11 of the Town Law a public hearing will be held in the matter of the extension of the Elmwood Park Fire District to embrace the following described territory:

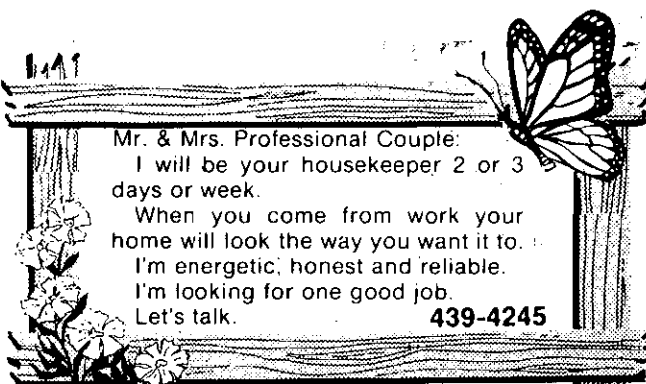
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Dated: February 9, 1983

Jane Springer
 Town Clerk of the
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Marion T. Camp
 Town Clerk of the
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Corinne Cossac
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Letter from Mrs. Ritchko

Dear Friends and Readers:

Starting with this issue, you will no longer see my report on the Albany County Legislature in the *Spotlight*. This is not my decision, but that of the *Spotlight*, which initially asked me to write the column. Editor McPheeters tells me that in view of the coming November elections, he feels a potential candidate should not cover the County Legislature for the *Spotlight*.

I regret his decision, because I enjoy the close contact with all my very good friends in this area. I do want to thank all of you readers who gave me such strong support and continuously expressed their appreciation of my work and my integrity in trying to explain the many complex issues that confronted us.

I promise to keep on with my efforts to work for good government, and to throw what light I can on the intricate processes of county government and the effect it has on all of us.

Sue Ann Ritchko

Delmar

Enjoyed the cabaret

Editor, The Spotlight:

My husband and I attended the Kum Quat Cabaret at Bethlehem High school this past Saturday night. We had a most enjoyable evening and I want to take this opportunity to send kudos to the wonderful performers of the school's big dance band who performed under the direction of Sam Bozzella. How my musician husband enjoyed this, as he has played for many years in dance bands.

The five sets of acting and musical acts of solo and group singing were fabulous. Everyone had a good time, and what is most important, the students who performed and the workers who helped in arranging the tables and staffed the refreshment tables should be commended for their appreciation of the good life. We hope they will all succeed in all their endeavors.

Mrs. Charles Kirchner

New Scotland

Mrs. Kirchner, who does not live in the Bethlehem Central School District, is postmaster of New Scotland 12127. The *Spotlight's* senior editor, filling in for the vacationing editor, recalls several delightful evenings with his wife at the Kum Quat when their daughter was playing in the BCHS jazz band almost a decade ago. It's nice to know such an enjoyable event is still going. NAB

A Lenten prayer

Editor, The Spotlight:

My starting and ending prayer each day is as follows:

I ask Jesus Christ to envelope me with his healing grace. I also ask him to help me in the practice of positive problem solving which leads to positive living. In addition, I pray that I shall never doubt the power of faith. "According to your faith be it unto you." (Matthew 9:29)

Thought you might like to publish this as a Lenten message.

Mrs. Viva L. Klim

Delmar

Eulogy for Ms. May

Editor, The Spotlight:

Patricia May, librarian for young adult services and programs at the Albany Public Library who died at her home in Delmar on Feb. 6 after a long illness, had been on the staff of the library since 1957. During her years of service at the library Pat was involved in many community activities and played a very important role in the library's public service programming. She was recognized for the personal attention and friendly concern that she gave to library users. For over 20 years she built and maintained lasting friendships with the teenagers she assisted.

She developed a variety of library programs, including book discussion groups for young adults, film programs, chess workshops and musical programs. Among her outstanding contributions was the work that she did on the library's Black History Month committee since it was established in 1966.

She was always on hand at library activities to do whatever she could to ensure their success, and gave many hours of her personal time beyond what was expected. Friends who may wish to make a contribution in her memory may send a contribution to the St. Peter's Hospital Hospice.

Edgar Tompkins, director

Albany

Village crew lauded

Editor, The Spotlight:

While watching the news over the weekend and seeing people in the nation's capital, Philadelphia and New York City shovel out from the recent snowstorm, I realized how lucky I am to live in a village where good public service is a way of life.

During our recent snowstorm, Voorheesville streets were plowed before the morning traffic, and were continually kept open during the day. In addition, the Voorheesville crew continued working the day after the storm to move back the snowbanks and clear intersections. We are fortunate to receive such good service and congratulate the Voorheesville crew for a job well done.

Jack Halligan

Voorheesville

Who's for what?

Editor, The Spotlight:

This letter is in response to your editorial of Jan. 19 (on the opportunities facing Gov. Cuomo to revitalize New York's business climate). Oh, for those halcyon days of yesteryear! Why is it that party loyalists be they Democratic or Republican insist on going into the past to find all their heroes? While Tom Dewey was governor business was booming, but not just in New York. It has been downhill since those days in much of this country and other parts of the world.

If you are going to mention states where business is moving, why not mention Massachusetts? Who is moving to Ohio and Pennsylvania? Let me talk to them before they go, perhaps they will change their minds. I lived in both states under Republican administrations that helped set the stage for their terrible economic situations of the present.

Who decided not to build better cars? Who decided not to invest in new steel plants? Who lent bushels of money to Brazil and Mexico? Who gave in to the steel and auto unions? Who cut back on graduate support in technology and science? Who dumped PCB's into the Hudson? Are you opposed to education, and for toxic waste? There is plenty of blame to go around, and we all have a share in it.

Perhaps big is our problem. Big business, big labor, big government, big lobbies, all working at crossed purposes on behalf of their own constituents that only coincidentally happen to be part of this state or country. Who is on my side? Is it IBM, CESA or some political party? We need high-technology jobs, more small dynamic business, more training and retraining, better educational systems and toxic waste cleanup. We also need bi-partisan cooperation, not the throwing of ancient political gauntlets.

Reynard K. McClusky

Delmar

Spending gluttony

Editor, The Spotlight:

I dare to leave for a moment the sunshine, warmth, small talk and travel sometimes identified with Florida to compliment you on your outstanding column about Gov. Cuomo's opportunities. As a piece of writing, it reassures me that all is not cookie sales and lost bicycles within the pages of the *Spotlight*. It is well said and to the point, and even better through its historical tracings. I would feel even better could you but advise that you have by now sent a copy to 25 or 50 or 100 editors across N.Y. State, and to the governor himself.

Also interesting was the article about Stan Raub by Ann Treadway. Unfortunately, either Raub or Mrs. Treadway or both missed the essential points about the teacher pension plan, which suggest the need for greater employee contribution or further reduction in benefits, since even their Tier Three benefits are double those normally obtained by the taxpayers who foot the bill. In round numbers Tier Three reduces the typical teacher pension from 66 percent of earnings to 45 percent of earnings. These numbers compare with typical pensions from industry which run about 26 percent of earnings.

In short, the employee unions are screaming because the pensions for the newer employees are only twice the size of those retiring from the private sector, instead of three times as large, as was the case before Tier Three, and which still is the case for such elite groups as transit employees, firemen and policemen of New York City, whose outrageous costs the rest of us continue to pay. At least the federal pensioners contribute 7 percent to their pensions, in contrast to the 3 percent paid by our state employees.

Further, if Mr. Raub is truly interested in the well-being of education, he will hopefully recognize NOT the need of juggling costs back and forth between property taxes and state taxes, but the need for protecting our whole tax base by reducing our ever-increasing gluttonous spending which still finds us the most expensive state per pupil in the nation.

Example: State Education Dept. 1982 press release cites ongoing 2.5 percent annual decrease in school enrollment, in the same breath calling for a 10.5 percent increase in education spending.

Keep up the good work.

John E. Duncan

Daytona Beach, Fla.

Sour on police

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Feb. 9 letter to the editor titled "Police ticket policy" struck a raw nerve when I read it. I was surprised at the intensity of my feelings and would have been remiss in not writing to you.

We all recognize the excellence of our police department and its vigilance against drunk drivers. However, I was involved in an incident similar to the one mentioned in the article.

I am a member of the board of directors of a state voluntary agency who attended a meeting of our Capitol District chapter's executive committee on Jan. 13 on Central Ave. In attendance were physicians (one of whom is president), a podiatrist, a nurse (who is a nun) and other professional volunteers. Our discussions ended after midnight and we left to return to our homes. Since the chairman is from Feura Bush, I followed him home. At this point, keep in mind that he is 70 years old!

I followed him to the Slingerlands By-Pass, stopped at the light at the corner of New Scotland and took a right onto New Scotland Rd.

As I passed the Hess station, which was closed for the night, I noticed a parked police car, gave it no thought, reached the corner of 140, stopped and took a left. Suddenly, behind me was a police car with lights flashing. I pulled over and waited. I thought perhaps one of my lights was malfunctioning. The officer approached the car and asked for my license and registration. I gave it to him. He went to his car and returned, and I asked why I was stopped. He asked if I knew what the speed limit was on New Scotland and I said I thought about 40 in that area. He said I had been clocked doing over 55. I said there was no way I could have been going that fast and he got upset, said he didn't make mistakes, and said this wasn't a courtroom and that's the way it was. Mind you that I'm over 40, driving an 11-year-old car and following a 70-year-old man who had long since disappeared down the road.

The officer seemed overly excited and I didn't care to make a scene out of this, so I took the ticket. As I continued, it dawned on me that I had been stopped less than 2 miles from where a young lady had been killed last summer by a DWI. However, it was obvious I was not intoxicated (I did not have one drink that day). I was outraged by the unfair penalty, so I decided to go to police headquarters. I spoke to the officer in charge who kindly listened to me, said there was nothing I could do except show up at court. While talking to him I noticed that the ticket had a mistake — the officer had put down a court appearance date for the week before.

When the chairman of the board called me the next day and I told him what happened, he was surprised and said he would be very glad to go to court to testify on my behalf.

I appeared in police court Jan. 18. This was my first exposure to police court. The place was overflowing when I arrived at 7 p.m. Around 8 p.m. court began. With the technical assistance of my neighbor (a lawyer), the charge was reduced because of the officer's mistake. On his advice, I pleaded guilty to a minor traffic violation, paid my fine and left. The thing that struck me the most was why in a town this size were there so many people in court!

What was the whole point of this exercise? It certainly didn't impress me as to the vigilance of our police force; it had the opposite effect, it left a very sour taste in my mouth. I felt humiliated by the conduct of the police officer, and for the first time since I've lived in this town I am seriously questioning the quality and

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professionalism of our police force. I have worked with a local volunteer organization and the police during Bike Day. All this incident did was to alienate and antagonize me for the following reasons:

- The officer had to know I was a resident; he didn't have to speak to me as to some stranger.
- There were not other cars on the road except for the one ahead of me (which I had been following).
- My ticket served no useful purpose.

The only conclusion I can reach is my ticket served *his purpose* — perhaps he had a quota to fill. Well, whatever, in that short period of time I have gone from being a booster of our police force to a member of the community who is very concerned about its powers, and who feels that some oversight or review committee should investigate its activities.

I am certain that my case is in no way unusual.

Gerald B. Curtis

Selkirk

Kudos for Job Corps

Editor, The Spotlight:

We wish to thank the Job Corps of Glenmont for the splendid party they served the Bethlehem Senior Citizens on Feb. 10. A perfect Valentine Party enjoyed by the club!

Marge Morlock, secretary
Bethlehem Senior Citizens



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Paramedics praised

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Jan. 20, a medical emergency occurred in our home, which required assistance from the Bethlehem Police Department and the Delmar Fire Department's ambulance service. We want to express our gratitude for the caring and highly professional assistance which we received at that time.

The members of the emergency squad and the officer who attended were very well prepared, and went out of their way to ease a difficult situation.

David and Alice Esmond

Delmar

Patricia Bielling bride

Patricia Anna Bielling, daughter of Mrs. Alice W. Bielling, 188 Rowland Ave., Delmar, and Michael F. Poli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Humbert Poli of Troy, were married Jan. 8 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar. Rev. William Gorman performed the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by Robert Verstandig. Denise McGrath was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Patti Poli, Terri Poli and Lisa Verstandig. Mark Ray was best man, and ushers were Robert Verstandig, Mark Verstandig and Mark Poli.

A reception at the Bavarian Chalet followed the ceremony.



Mrs. Michael F. Poli

Mrs. Poli is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. Her husband graduated from Averill Park High School.

Clarification

The headline on a Feb. 9 story reporting that the Bethlehem Central school board had renewed its contract with superintendent Lawrence Zinn was inaccurate in stating that Zinn was given a raise. A pay increase of \$3,500 is in the draft budget the board is considering, but the board has yet to vote on the proposal.



Mary Louise Zautner

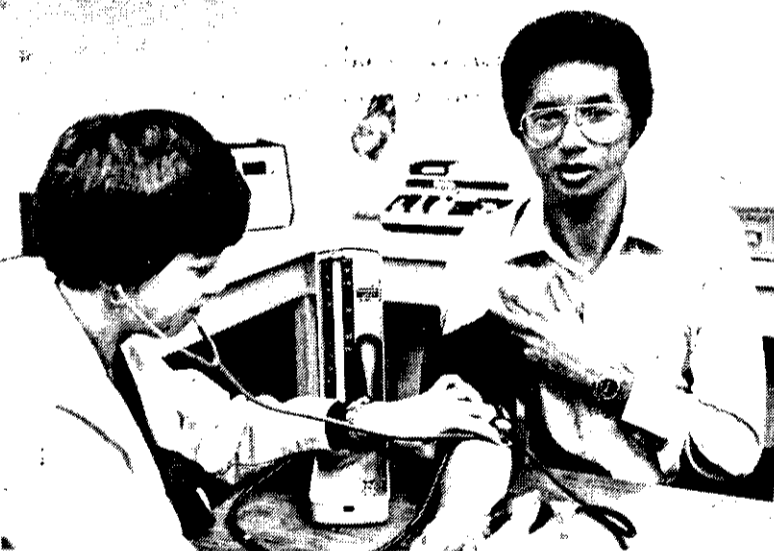
Zautner-Veltman

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zautner of Slingerlands have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Louise, to David Bruce Veltman, son of Mrs. Herbert Veltman of Delmar.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed at the Toll Gate Restaurant, Slingerlands. Her fiance is also a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is shop foreman for BPW Refuse, Delmar.

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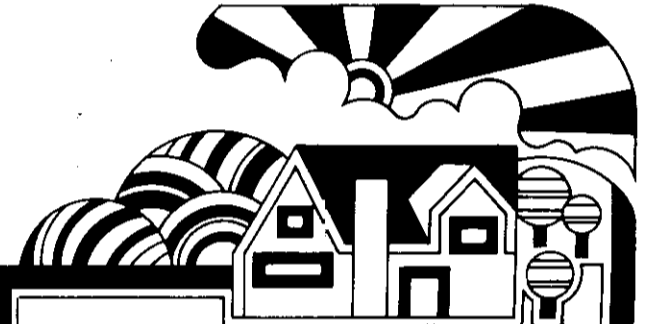
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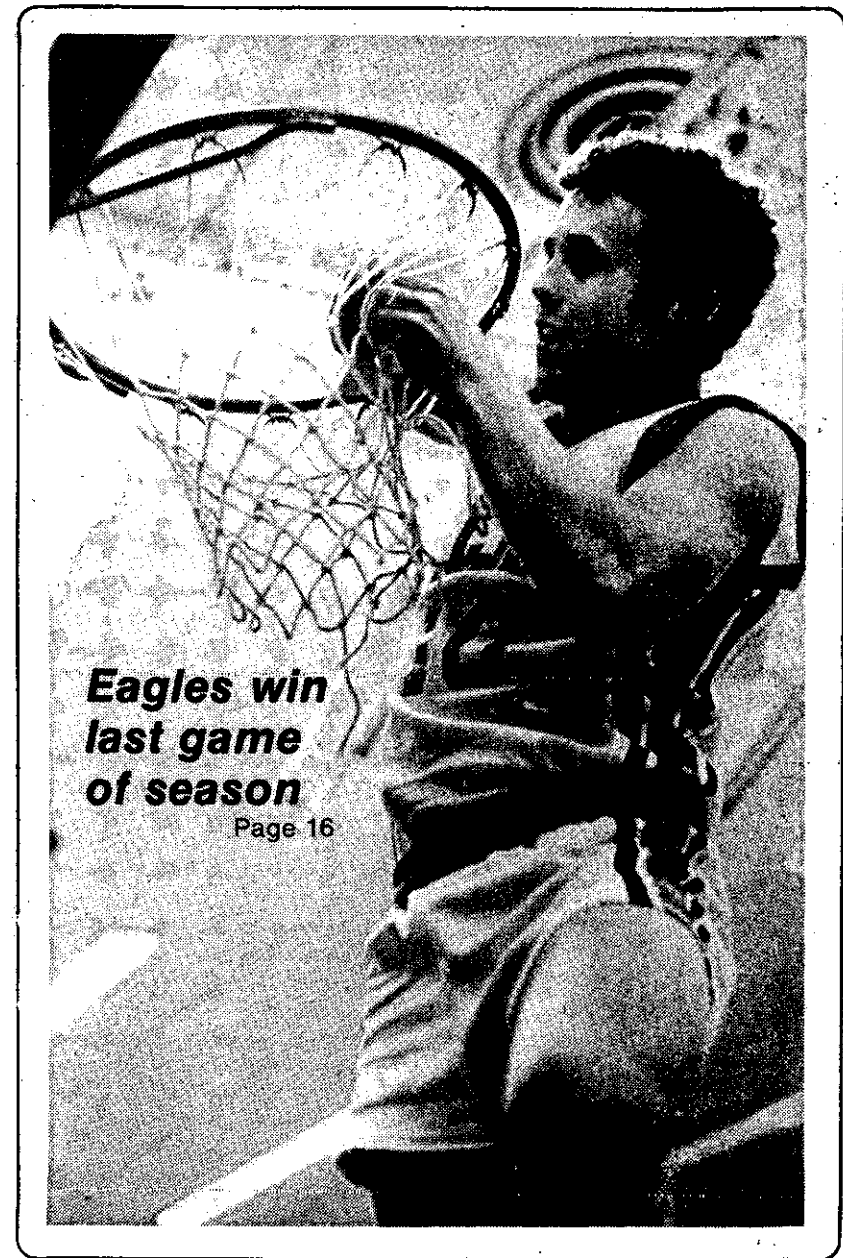
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