

Wish list for plaza

Movie theater top choice

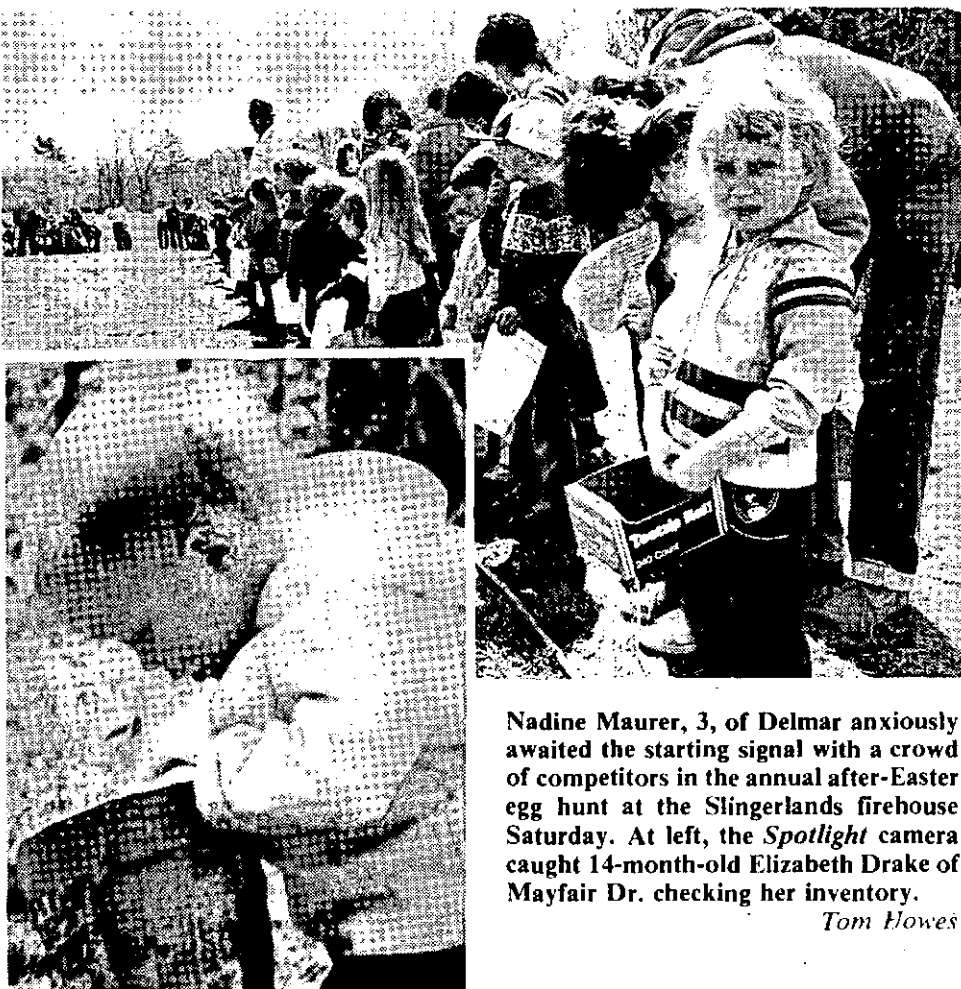
Early returns in a Delaware Plaza Merchants Association survey show strong sentiment around Bethlehem and New Scotland for adding a movie theater to the plaza when the Grand Union moves to the former Denby's store there, leaving 27,000 square feet vacant.

Suggestions have been coming in since *The Spotlight* published a survey form at the end of March. Many people used the survey space to comment as well as make suggestions, including a number who criticized the appearance of the plaza. "The plaza on the whole looks very seedy," wrote one. "The main shopping area for Delmar should look much better than it does!"

"Before any new shops are added, you would do well in cleaning up the appearance of the existing shopping center," one respondent wrote.

One advocate of a movie theater wrote, "I am tired of sending our young people always to Albany for their recreational needs." Another respondent observed, "The town needs some sort of decent entertainment for children and adults."

A department store was a close second to the movie theater, with one writer wishfully suggesting, "The best addition would be Bloomingdale's!" A restaurant



Nadine Maurer, 3, of Delmar anxiously awaited the starting signal with a crowd of competitors in the annual after-Easter egg hunt at the Slingerlands firehouse Saturday. At left, the *Spotlight* camera caught 14-month-old Elizabeth Drake of Mayfair Dr. checking her inventory.

Tom Howes

or delicatessen so far is No. 3 on the list, with suggestions ranging from a kosher deli to a Mexican restaurant. A number of respondents opted for a shoe store, while others wanted men's and women's clothing shops, a cheese/gourmet shop, and a store specializing in linens and towels.

As of Friday, there were nine votes for a roller skating rink and seven for a crafts store. Nine respondents favored a camera store and five want to see Price Chopper at the plaza. Other respondents were looking for services such as a

Bethlehem Public Library branch, a United Parcel Service branch, and a branch of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, the brokerage house.

Some respondents, apparently pleased to be asked their opinion, filled both sides of a sheet of writing paper and several included sketches to support their suggestions. A number had several suggestions, including some who knew what they didn't want: "Please, no more banks or real estate agents — we have one per person in town already," and "Get rid

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BETHLEHEM

Town to study water problem

As the rain came down, and down and down, Bethlehem officials confirmed last week that the current sewer extension project has not solved many of the town's drainage problems.

Supervisor Tom Corrigan estimated Friday that between 500 and 900 basements were flooded last week. Many situations were the result of individual problems — sump pumps that quit, blocked drains, etc — but many were the result of an antiquated system in which roof and basement drains are tied directly to the sanitary sewers.

"We're going to have to do a study on that," Corrigan said.

The situation is normal — the last serious flooding was five or six years ago, Corrigan said, but there is no expectation that the sewer work now in progress around town will make things better. In some cases, new sewers may simply compound the problem.

In the older sections of Delmar and Elsmere, once served by the Delmar-Elsmere Sewer District, the problem is storm drainage tied into sanitary sewers. All that volume goes to the old town sewage treatment plant on Rockefeller Rd., now a pump station. The pump station can handle the extra flow during a heavy rain, said Corrigan, but the pipes leading to it are too small. Possible solutions include a new feeder line to the pump station and a house-by-house program to find alternative ways of draining storm water, he said.

The recent wet weather put a damper on Bethlehem's plans to flush water mains. The work has been rescheduled for May 3, 4 and 5.

Business vs. residence: round 2

By Vincent Potenza

What constitutes a "profession?" What's the difference between a "profession" and a "business?" Is it the nature of the work, the presence of "customers," or the employment of other people?

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals last Wednesday night found itself confronted with those questions at a public hearing for Allan DeFazio, owner and operator of School Pictures, Inc. DeFazio was before the board to request a variance so that he could operate his business from his home at 260 Elm Ave., Delmar.

The issue of what is and is not an acceptable use of residentially zoned property is a sensitive one in Bethlehem, where even a small encroachment can be seen as a threat. Recently, neighbors successfully fought off a use variance request that would have permitted lawyers' offices in a house on Delaware Ave.

The DeFazio case differs from that controversy in several respects — the owner lives in the building, his business is not easily categorized and the town's ordinance is not specific in regard to what businesses are eligible for a variance. There may also be the question of whether DeFazio needs such a variance, or whether his operation can qualify as an "accessory use" that requires no approval by the Board of Appeals.

According to testimony at the hearing, DeFazio has been operating his business for almost two years, and before that was doing it at his previous residence at 36 Carolanne Dr., Delmar.

DeFazio was before the board for a use variance — permission to use property for a purpose not permitted in the

zoning ordinance — because Bethlehem building Inspector John Flanigan had ruled that what DeFazio has been doing is not a permitted use in a residential area.

DeFazio said at the hearing that running his business from his home involved employment of two clerical workers and the pickup and delivery of film and occasionally equipment. Although he is in the photography business, he said, no photography or processing of film of any kind is done on the premises. The pictures are taken in over 200 area schools by 10 part-time photographers who drop off or mail the film to his residence, from where it is shipped elsewhere for processing, he told the board.

Pickups and deliveries to his home are made by UPS once or twice a day, he added.

The "office" for School Pictures, Inc., according to DeFazio's testimony, was originally intended for use as a family room, as shown on plans submitted to the town for a building permit about two years ago. His business had just grown, he said, and though he had looked for office space outside his home the cost, financial and emotional, appeared prohibitive.

DeFazio told the board he didn't think the point was critical because he had been doing the same thing on Carolanne Dr. for 12 years and nobody had complained.

Flanigan, however, began his testimony to the board with a letter from Benjamin and Barbara Meffert, of 278 Elm, which was sent to both DeFazio and Flanigan in June of 1981, stating that they had heard rumors that DeFazio was planning to operate a business in the residential area and that they were opposed to the idea.

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Niagara Mohawk crews struggled Monday to right these transformer-laden utility poles on Beaver Dam Rd. in Selkirk. The wet weather was responsible for other damage as well. *Spotlight*

□ Plaza

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of OTB (the off-track betting outlet) — it keeps me away from that end of the center."

Those who sounded off about the plaza's appearance included a resident who wrote: "Before any new shops are

added, you would do well in cleaning up the appearance of the existing shopping center. Plant some flowers and trees; clean the sidewalk and make repairs to curbs, etc. For a supposedly affluent suburb, the present center is a disgrace in appearance and upkeep." Others termed the plaza "second class," "dowdy" and "an eyesore."



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□ Business, residence

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Flanigan inspected the DeFazio residence twice and issued two letters of warning — one in October of 1981 and another in March of last year — telling the DeFazios that the business was in violation of the zoning ordinance. DeFazio had requested the variance as the result of such pressures, Flanigan said.

Then the board began asking questions. Member Thomas Scherer wanted to know if the family room hadn't really been intended for office space from the beginning.

"It was in the back of my mind," DeFazio replied.

Another board member wanted to know how much parking space was available at the site. DeFazio said that because of his horseshoe driveway and the setback of the house from the roadway there was enough room for fifty cars.

Board member James Ross explained that the board has two considerations in granting a use variance — can the applicant demonstrate hardship, and will the variance change the character of the neighborhood? "How much did your land cost you?" he asked DeFazio.

DeFazio said \$27,000.

"And your house?" Ross asked.

"About \$215,000" came the reply.

DeFazio and his attorney, Jed Wolkenbriet, maintained that, as the business's only salesman, he spent a lot of time away from home. An office away from home, they said, would constitute a hardship in DeFazio's personal life.

When the floor was thrown open for comments, two neighbors — one former, one current — agreed with DeFazio's contentions.

Francis Ferro, who was DeFazio's next-door neighbor on Carolanne Dr., said he never experienced any inconvenience from the business.

Barbara Barnes of Elm Ave. said the same for the DeFazio's current location.

But other neighbors had a different point of view. An attorney for the Mefferts said the business was clearly in violation of the zoning ordinance, and that his clients hoped if the variance were granted care would be taken to protect

the character of the neighborhood.

Planning board member and former town historian T.E. Mulligan of 265 Elm was more direct. "I've never met you face to face before tonight," Mulligan told DeFazio, "and I think that says something." He went on to call DeFazio's business "unneighborly," saying he was, as a private citizen and member of the planning board, categorically opposed to a business in a residential area. Mulligan said he wished DeFazio's business well, but not on Elm Ave.

Two other neighbors echoed Mulligan's comments.

DeFazio, after taking all this in, finally addressed the issue of "profession" as stated in the zoning ordinance. He said he didn't see any difference between his business and that of a doctor or lawyer as far as impact on the neighborhood was concerned. He said he resented the implication that his business would more appropriately be conducted in a CC-Commercial (retail) zone, as had been inferred during the course of the hearing, because that was for a photographer's studio, and he had no studio in his home.

The zoning ordinance, under Article VI, "Accessory Uses," states that: "A store, trade or business shall not be permitted as an accessory use in any Residence District except that the office of a doctor, surgeon, dentist, teacher, engineer, architect, musician, lawyer or other professional person may be located in the dwelling occupied by said professional as a residence . . ."

An "accessory use" is defined as " . . . subordinate use . . . customarily incident to and located upon the same lot occupied by the main building."

The accessory use clause may become an issue in the case despite Flanigan's interpretation of the ordinance and DeFazio's application for the variance. If as seems likely, the board does not grant the variance, there is always the possibility of appeal. And DeFazio appeared convinced of the correctness of his position.

"I hope we don't get any more use variances for a while," one board of appeals member said after the DeFazio hearing. "They're always a problem."



This lawn in Selkirk was a lake Monday; not an unusual sight throughout the area after a wet weekend that also left many basements flooded.

Spotlight

Havenwood hearing brings up more water, drainage problems

By Vincent Potenza

The Bethlehem Planning Board held a public hearing last Tuesday night for the proposed Havenwood subdivision, 12 lots of approximately three quarters acre each to be located in the vicinity of North Helderberg Parkway and Mayfair Dr. in Slingerlands. Local residents took the opportunity over almost an hour and a half to give the board, developer Kent Jenkins and his representative, surveyor Paul Hite, an earful.

The subject was water, standing water — according to the testimony of the residents standing as deep as three feet on their property.

Havenwood has been in the works for some four years, mostly because of drainage problems at the site, which, by Hite's admission, are considerable. It has been very difficult, he said, to come up with a drainage plan that was acceptable to the town.

The problem, Hite said, is that the site is a remaining undeveloped parcel in an otherwise developed area that has an existing drainage problem — a fact the residents confirmed. The only way to solve Havenwood's problems without contributing to anyone else's is to construct some type of retention system for the site, Hite said.

Just where that retention system would be located, how it would work and who would be responsible for its maintenance has been a bone of contention with the town's public works department, Hite said. He added that he believes those

difficulties have been resolved with the latest plan.

But the residents asked the same questions and didn't buy the answers they got, asserting that Havenwood would only add to their problems. They unanimously opposed the project.

The board took no action on the proposal.

North Beth elects

The North Bethlehem Fire Department installed new officers at its annual dinner April 16 at the Italian Benevolent Society of West Albany. Officers are:

Directors for three years, George Mears, Richard Wood and Charles Bender; president, George Mears; vice president, Kay Kellerman; treasurer, Paul Koettel; secretary, Norm Kellerman; sgt at arms, Lionel Harris and Milton Chiboucas.

Also, Chief, Joseph Fahd; first assistant chief, George Mears; second assistant chief, Richard Wood; chief of fire police, Milton Chiboucas; captain of fire police, William Thomas; fire captain, Paul Koettel; 1st lieutenant, Frank DeCerce; 2nd lieutenant, Phillip Schwepenhauser, and 3rd lieutenant, Charles Bender.

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Teaching slow readers: expert, teachers differ

By Nat Boynton

Are remedial reading programs in New York State effective?

No, says a State University expert, but Bethlehem reading specialists say his criticisms don't apply to their system.

Richard Allington, a Glenmont resident who is chairman of SUNY's Department of Reading, says that the way remedial reading programs are set up now, poor readers are actually being taught to read poorly. That's because of the difference in instruction, whereby for good readers teachers tend to emphasize meaningful discussion of stories read, and for poor readers the focus is on words or letters, he says.

Then there's the question of equal time for quick and slow readers. "An equal amount of instruction time leads to an unequal amount of reading learned," Allington contends. "In actuality, the bottom end gets the least amount of teaching. Good and poor readers differ in their ability at least as much in the way they are taught as in their aptitude."

Allington presented a paper on the results of his research on remedial reading programs at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association last week in Montreal.

Allington also discovered a lack of coordination between regular reading classes and remedial reading classes, which are attended daily at different times by some students. That lack of coordination is not being corrected in training programs, he said, and new teachers are inheriting ineffective strategies.

Margaret Cronk, one of the Bethlehem Central School District's three reading specialists, says she agrees with some of the statements in Allington's paper. With the slow readers, she says, "you literally have to go back and re-teach the basic skills" in order for them to grasp the concepts.

Cronk, who is based in the Glenmont elementary school, believes the key is to build confidence in the pupils in her remedial classes so that they have the feeling of accomplishment. "When they have confidence, they make more rapid progress — at least, the average progress

they had not been making previously."

Her counterpart in the Slingerlands school, Betty Singer, says Bethlehem schools do provide extra time for supplementary reading programs, mostly during "independent time or workbook time." Sometimes remedial reading students, however, may miss a social studies class or a science class to get additional reading instruction.

Beth Domski, remedial reading specialist assigned to Elsmere and Clarksville grade schools, said she was familiar with Allington's precepts, which she said he has been publicizing for some time. Allington, she says, seems to emphasize the weaknesses in the school districts he studied in his surveys.

The Bethlehem district, she insists, "doesn't follow that pattern." She points to the three staff positions occupied by Cronk, Singer and herself, whose function is to work exclusively with children identified as slow readers.

Domski feels the key ingredient in a successful remedial program is communication between the classroom teacher and the reading specialist. "There has to be coordination between the teachers," she contends. "This varies from school to school and teacher to teacher. My role is to meet the needs of the students. We try to zero in on their weaknesses."

To the observation by Ann Reardon, Bethlehem Central's first district-wide reading coordinator, that present-day teachers take full advantage of technological advances, the Bethlehem specialists say they do to some extent.

Says Betty Singer: "We have the kids read fun literature, enjoyable stories, usually with a cassette or tape following the text in the book," she says. "It's a way to develop fluency and improve the reading rate. We also have access to an Apple microcomputer."

Adds Beth Domski: "The computers are here and the programs are here, and I use them as a source of motivation. We need more programs keyed to our needs. The programs I've encountered haven't been that helpful. After all, you have to be able to read to follow directions on how to use the computer."

More changes needed?

Richard Allington's contention that remedial reading programs aren't doing the job struck a responsive chord with Ann Reardon, a retired Bethlehem teacher who served as the school system's first district-wide reading coordinator.

Mrs. Reardon, who lives in Delmar and keeps in touch with many of her former associates, tends to agree with some of Allington's criticisms, but she points out that in order to help teachers and administrators of today, "it would have been wiser to put this in context with a technological approach."

"It seems to me that today with the computer and other technological advances, it would be very helpful to gear this approach to helping make better readers," she observed. "The teacher today no longer torments the kids with 8, 9 and 10-tables, she teaches them to use the calculator or the computer. In reading, a teacher today, I would hope, would probably use an entirely different approach for the youngster. The smaller kids today have video games at home, their parents have a home computer, and they should use these rather than the book and drill exercises."

In nearly two decades of teaching first grade in Slingerlands, Mrs. Reardon gained wide recognition as an exemplary elementary school teacher, leading to her selection as the district's first reading specialist.

But Ann Reardon is skeptical that present-day teachers take advantage of the technologies available in 1983. "This was my own thinking eight years ago (when she retired), but eight years have



Ann Reardon

gone by and there are a lot of changes."

Speaking of changes, Mrs. Reardon recalled that in 1949-50 Bethlehem parents pressured the school board into a sweeping reorganization and upgrading of their school system. They replaced the superintendent, most of the principals and many teachers, bringing in top-quality administrators who scoured the country for teachers to build the Bethlehem system into one of the best in the state in the Fifties and early Sixties. Mrs. Reardon came to Slingerlands from Honolulu, and others came from Minnesota, Pennsylvania and other states.

"From what I can see today, it might be a good idea to do the same thing again, change the whole administration and bring in administrators who can give us creative leadership, administrators and principals who are steeped in the new technologies and research."

Bloodgood takes office

George A. Bloodgood, Jr. of the Delmar Fire Department is the new president of the Fire Police Association of Albany County. Serving with Bloodgood are William Thomas of the North Bethlehem Fire Department as vice president and Kay Kellerman, also of North Bethlehem, as secretary. Irving

Leonard of Elsmere Fire Co. A is financial secretary and treasurer for the association.

The officers were scheduled to meet Tuesday, April 26, at the North Bethlehem Fire House. The next regular meeting of the association will be Wednesday, May 25, at the Delmar Fire Department's main station. A State Police sergeant will be the speaker.

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Board eyes new energy savers

By Caroline Terenzini

The Bethlehem Central school board last Wednesday heard two proposals for saving money by automating energy consumption in the district's seven schools.

Three representatives from American Bell, a newly formed subsidiary of AT&T, proposed a six-year lease arrangement using a computer and phone lines that, they said, would save the district \$480,000 in energy costs in that time period. The district's cost over the six years would be \$106,000.

However, neither American Bell nor Richard Welter of Encon Services and Supply in Delmar, who also presented a proposal, was willing to guarantee any savings when pressed by board president Bernard Harvith. Both presenters said "there are too many things beyond our control" to make it possible to guarantee any savings.

Welter and Thomas DuBuc of Northeast Temperature Protection and Control, Gloversville, proposed that the district purchase separate control systems for each of the buildings, working through an engineer. Their cost estimate, excluding engineer's fees, was \$25,000 to \$30,000. A decision on whether to install an energy management system and what kind is up to the board.

In other business, the board:

- Heard a report of a state Education Department surprise audit of the district's lunch program that termed the staff "cooperative and efficient" and the facilities "immaculate." The auditors did cite guidelines that require raising the price of an adult lunch to \$1.35 plus tax. This price increase will be effective by May 2. The auditors visited the high school and Elsmere Elementary School.

- Heard from Superintendent Lawrence Zinn that an underground pipe at the Middle School had burst, leaving two-thirds of the building without heat



For Hamagrael School's annual after-school activities production of *Critter Capers*, an original play, 20 children dressed as animals Friday. Among them were, from left, Kirsten Hassenfeld as Cecelia Chimp, Tim Cornell as Marvin Monkey and Randi Wolkenbreit as Dancer Deer.

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during school hours April 18, but that classes were conducted in heated sections of the building. Zinn said the pipe was replaced by that evening.

- Approved the American Intercultural Student Exchange program as a recognized exchange program eligible to enroll foreign exchange students at the high school. It was reported that the federal government allows a maximum of four foreign students at a high school at one time, and a maximum of two from any one country.

- Learned that the district has received a transportation safety citation from the

state for the 1981-82 school year.

- Rejected for lack of four affirmative votes a request for an extension of a maternity leave without pay. The vote was taken twice, the second time to include board member Jed Wolkenbreit, who had been detained on business. Board member Robert Zick was absent.

- Granted swim coach Jack Whipple, a physical education teacher, a sabbatical for the first semester next year. Whipple will continue to coach during that time.

- James Guiliano, an English and EXCEL teacher, was granted a sabbatical leave for the second semester.

Delmar fire elections

Luis DiLillo was elected chief of the Delmar Fire Department in voting April 7. Officers will be installed at the department's annual dinner May 14 at Crossgates Restaurant.

Others are: first assistant chief, Amos Bastiani; second chief, William Wright; captain, Charles Preska, and lieutenants, William, Scott Quintana, Robert Junco and Paul Woodin.

Also, quartermaster, Dave Rice; assistant, Kathy Cooke; rescue squad captain, Elwin McNamara; rescue squad lieutenants, Robert Boyea and John Smith; fire police captain, LeRoy Cooke; and fire police lieutenant, James Shanley.

Also, president, James Carazza; vice president, Joseph Wendth; secretary, Michael Roberts; treasurer, Peter Applebee; chaplain, George A. Bloodgood, Jr.; delegate, Gerald Day and alternate delegate, LeRoy Cooke.

On musical program

Two Delmar soloists will be on an artist program sponsored by the Monday Musical Club of Albany Sunday, May 1, at 2:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Sts., Albany. Eleanor Haverly, soprano, and Helen Schoenthal, mezzo soprano, soloists at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar, will be accompanied by Keith Williams, organist at the Delmar church, in works by Mendelssohn and Pergolisi. The concert is open to the public.

Mini-vacations for seniors

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Organization sponsored a three-day trip to Brown's Hotel and resort near Ellenville for its members last week. The event was among the day trips, theater trips and mini-vacations sponsored by the group. Information on all such outings is available at the weekly meetings from 12:30 to 4 p.m. each Thursday at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

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Nicoll Sill work to begin soon

By Tom McPheeters

The Madonna Realty group, after two years of on-again, off-again interest and some dramatic last-minute twists and turns, has finally won the right to buy and restore the Nicoll Sill house, but it will take some more high drama — as well as a lot more cash — to bring Bethlehem's oldest building back to its former splendor.

The Bethlehem Town Board last week accepted Madonna's \$21,515 bid for the 248-year-old building situated near the town sewage treatment plant off Rt. 144. Moments earlier, Cocymans boat yard owner Jerry Finke had withdrawn his bid of \$24,500.

"I was just up there and it was like standing in a shower," Finke said.

The Madonna group seems to be aware of what it is getting into. Their spokesman, former town historian T.E. Mulligan, asked for and received a special arrangement that will permit the group to get to work within the next several weeks on the more urgent repairs. That arrangement is necessary because the sale won't be final until a 30-day permissive referendum period has run its course.

Beyond those initial repairs, the Madonna group's plans for the building are only slightly more specific than Finke's. Diane Lee Fontaine, president of the Schenectady-based company, told the town board that Madonna is not actually in the business of buying and selling real estate, but has under taken similar restoration projects in other places. There are a number of investors, many from the New York City area, she said.

Mulligan, who will be project director for the Nicoll Sill restoration, said the first step (following stabilization) will be to work on the 1840 wing, which is to be "completely rehabilitated using modern techniques." The group plans to have an apartment ready for occupancy this winter.

As for the rest of the building, Mulligan said all of the interior partitions put in between 1927 and 1960 will be removed, and as much of the interior plaster and detail saved as possible. The Madonna group does not plan to use the restoration plans prepared for the town by architects Mendel, Mesick and Cohen about 10 years ago. Those plans were based on the use of the building by a number of community groups and called



Diana Lee Fontaine and T.E. Mulligan has some anxious moments as they wanted for the town board to make a decision on selling the Nicoll Sill house last week. On the cover: Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz reads the law. *Spotlight*

for a new central staircase.

Current plans, said Mulligan, are to restore the building along original lines and turn it into "the most prestigious antique mart in the Northeast."

Those plans almost never got a chance because for most of last Wednesday's meeting it looked very much as if Finke, not Madonna, would be the new owner of the building. The town board had made it very clear the week before that it did not want to attempt to pick between buyers on any basis except money, so when the bids were opened and Finke's \$24,500 announced, Councilman John Geurtze immediately moved that it be accepted. (The week before, Finke had bid \$21,250, so the new Madonna bid topped that by only \$15 — "It was a principle," said Mulligan later. "We didn't want to get into a contest.")

But Finke had also put a clause in his bid stipulating that the assessed value for taxes of the property be kept at \$500. How long would that go on, asked Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz.

"Until he's in a position to build," explained Corrigan.

That didn't satisfy Kaplowitz, who questioned first how much tax revenue

the town (as well as other taxing districts) would lose of the property were not assessed at its full value. Some hasty calculations revealed, however, that the difference in tax revenue was still less than the difference between the Finke and Madonna bids.

But that led to other questions, most insistently from Polly McIntyre, an employee in the town assessor's office, who told Kaplowitz and the board that state law doesn't permit town boards to give the sort of tax abatement Finke wanted.

Kaplowitz disappeared into the next room and came back moments later with a law book. After reading for a few minutes, he said, "I think that one clause is not something you could agree to."

Moments later, Finke withdrew.

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Audit findings given to town

Three years ago, when the Town of Bethlehem was renovating the old Delmar Elementary School as the new town hall, the town board was required to transfer funds from a special fund to pay for the work. But the process, says a state audit released last week, the board failed to allow the voters of the town to petition for a referendum on the project.

Hardly a fatal error, since there had already been one other opportunity (not taken) for a permissive referendum on the new town hall. But the error was one of several cited by the auditors from the state Department of Audit and Control in the report, which covers the period from Jan. 1, 1980, through Dec. 31, 1981. Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Monday the reports give the town a chance to correct faulty procedures.

Other errors cited by the auditors include some receipt and collection accounts that should have been handled by Corrigan rather than the comptroller's office, insufficient accounting of fixed assets and accounting gaps in the purchase order system.

Hearing on car lot

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals last week held a public hearing for John E. Bergmann, who requested a variance to permit a used car lot at 50 Delaware Ave., Elsmere, near Nassau Tires.

Town Councilman Scott Prothero, in attendance at the hearing, objected to the proposal, as did the Albany County Planning Board. The county board, in a letter to the board of appeals, said it saw no hardship in the case.

No one spoke in favor of the proposal.

The board received a new application from Walter Prichard, Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, who requested a variance from the width-of-lot provision of the zoning ordinance for the construction of a single family home at his premises.

The board set a public hearing for the request at 8 p.m. on May 4.

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Barbara Pickup 767-9225



Learning the computer

Kathleen Whitcomb and Laura Showers, math teachers at the RCS Junior High School, attended a two-day workshop at BOCES in Albany recently. The workshop's focus was to acquaint teachers with a program designed in Florida that deals with equipping the students with skills to use computers to solve problem situations and gives the students an accurate concept of the role of computers in society.

The two days were spent working through the entire program, including hands-on activities. The materials received are written on a seventh grade level and would be appropriate for junior high students.

Kindergarten sign-up changed

Attention parents of children beginning school for the first time in the fall: there has been a date change for kindergarten registration for youngsters who will attend the A.W. Becker Elementary School. The new date is 1:15 p.m. Monday, May 9 at the school.

On the same day the Ravena School will be having a double registration

period, the first beginning at 12:50 p.m. and the second at 2:05. Although you may register your child at either building, it is recommended that you do so in the building that serves your area. Registration day will have two purposes: to register the child for school, and to orientate the children to the building, their future teachers and to the school bus.

Students will visit classrooms and take a short bus ride. Parents will meet with school officials to complete registration forms and to register the kindergartener for diagnostic screening.

Bake sale on wheels

The United Methodist Women are having a traveling bake sale. They will begin 10 a.m. Saturday, April 30, in the South Bethlehem post office parking lot. The women will offer a variety of home baked goods. Selling from the back of a pickup truck in that location, they will then proceed to different sites in the South Bethlehem area.

Booths still available

The Bethlehem Historical Association has planned a tailgate sale for Saturday,

May 21, at the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd. Some space is still available in rental booths. The fee is \$10. For information call 439-1448 or 767-9919.

Iowa tests coming up

Attempting to make sure their children are well rested and in attendance for exams, many parents have expressed the wish to be "forewarned" regarding the scheduling of the Iowa Basic Tests. The Becker School has announced that kindergarten through fifth grades will be tested during the week of May 9.

Methodist women meet

The United Methodist Women will hold their regular monthly meeting Wednesday evening, May 4, at the South Bethlehem United Methodist church.

An invitation is extended to adults and children to join them for the meeting at 8 p.m. The program will feature the film *Mays' Miracle*, the story of a multi-handicapped child. Devotions will be led by Alice Haskell.

Refreshments will be served, with Roberta Osborn and Mary Dushek acting as hostesses.

The menu for Senior Projects of Ravena beginning April 28 will be: Thursday, beef stew, cole slaw; Friday, tomato soup, fish fillet; Monday, roast chicken, baked potato; Tuesday, pot roast, mashed potato; Wednesday, cheesburger, french fries; Thursday, sauteed liver, potato pancakes.

FEURA BUSH

Grant expands water district

An additional federal grant of \$118,800 will enable the Town of New Scotland to complete Phase 3 of the Feura Bush water system.

Bids for construction of the proposed extension west on Rt. 32 to the Rowe Rd. area will be opened on May 3, according to Ronald H. Laberge, Albany civil engineer and municipal planner managing the overall project. The new grant from the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) will also cover a 200,000-gallon storage tank near Rowe Rd.

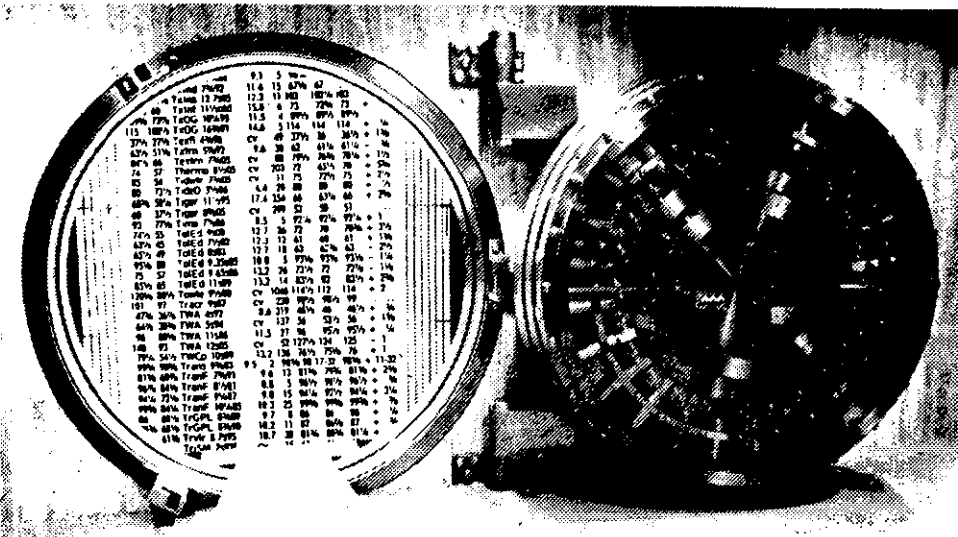
Town Supervisor Stephen P. Wallace said the total project will serve 160 families and will cost a total of \$940,000. The final phase is scheduled to be completed by this fall, Wallace said.

In August the town received a FmHA grant of \$543,900 to begin development of a distribution system for municipal water service.

FmHA will also provide an additional loan of \$21,200 at 7 1/2 percent interest. A loan of \$256,000 was approved last August.

Phase 1 of the project was completed last fall. Phase 2 is currently under construction.

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Town to step up DWI patrols

Bethlehem, which already has a well-deserved reputation as a good place to avoid if you're drinking and driving, is getting ready to really roll out the unwelcome mat.

The town is in line for a \$12,600 grant that will finance extra police patrols aimed directly at the drinking driver. The town board authorized Public Safety Commissioner Ralph Tipple to apply for the funds from the Albany County Stop DWI Program at its April 13 meeting. Tipple explained the object is to reduce alcohol-related accidents in the town by putting extra patrols on the road when it counts. "We pick the hours for the patrols," he said.

Tipple said \$9,800 will be used to reimburse the town for overtime for officers on DWI patrol at \$20 an hour (roughly the town's cost), Tipple said. The rest of the money covers the town's extra clerical work, he said.

Supervisor Tom Corrigan said that already Bethlehem's stepped up traffic and DWI patrols have resulted in a noticeable drop in blood alcohol levels in persons arrested. "That's part of the

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program - that's one thing we look for," Tipple said.

In other business, the board:

- Received the annual report from Bethlehem video, which has the cable television franchise for Bethlehem, Voorheesville and New Scotland. The company is part of Adams Russell cablevision, which serves 14 area communities, and which reported an after taxes profit of \$145,757 for 1982.

- Received an official order from Albany County limiting truck traffic on Font Grove Rd. to five tons.

- Authorized Corrigan to complete an agreement with Rosen-Michaels for the extension of the town water district to Chadwick Square's new addition. The agreement, nearly a year in the making, will permit the developer to avoid installing a new main for the entire

subdivision at this time. A \$7,000 letter of credit is required.

- Approved 90-day extensions for sewer project contractors Anjo Construction for pump stations and John D'Giulio Inc. for force mains. The delays were caused by poor weather conditions, Corrigan said.

- Set a public hearing on a local law containing flood plain controls and regulations for May 11 at 8 p.m. Land along the Normanskill and Hudson would be affected by the law.

- Authorized Corrigan to negotiate for a parcel of land in the town's Henry Hudson Park now owned by Frank Foster of West Haven, Conn.

Gardening lectures set

The Albany County Cooperative Extension will present a series of three free gardening lectures at the Bethlehem Public Library. The Wednesday evening programs begin at 7 p.m., when soil samples can be tested. The discussions follow.

Dates and topics for the lectures are April 27, "Landscaping Home Grounds"; May 4, "Growing and Using Herbs"; and May 11, "Vegetable Gardening Basics."

For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Art association moves

The Bethlehem Art Association, turned out of the recently sold Adams House, will meet at the Bethlehem Public Library on Thursday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. Barbara Messina, a noted local artist, will demonstrate water color painting.

The meeting is open to the public for a \$1 donation. For details, call Lorraine Shapiro at 439-5069.

Court rejects Zautner appeal

Developer G. William Zautner has lost his appeal of the Bethlehem Board of Appeals' condition and safeguards for his Beacon Estates subdivision on Beacon Rd. in Glenmont on a legal technicality.

A letter to the board last Wednesday from its attorney, Donald DeAngelis, said state Supreme Court Justice Edward S. Conway dismissed Zautner's appeal "upon the legal grounds of lack of jurisdiction."

"Mr. Zautner failed to give the town the minimum twenty (20) days notice of the proceeding as specifically required by the statute and the case was dismissed because the court was legally unable to take jurisdiction of the matter."

Since the 30-day statute of limitations has expired prior to Zautner's commencing a valid lawsuit, the letter went on to say, it was DeAngelis' position that Zautner was barred from renewing the appeal.

Another public hearing was held for the New York State Association for Retarded Children, which recently purchased the Adams House and requested a variance to permit parking in the existing lot across the street.

Sally Peyrebrune, representing the Upper Delaware Association of Delmar, read a letter approving of the proposal. The Albany County Planning Board indicated in a letter that it had no objections and the variance was informally granted by the board.

The board also informally granted a special exception to Bedros Karian, Winne Pl., Glenmont, for a change in lot line at his premises.

Other variances were informally granted to Paul M. Hoole, 7 Rowland Ave., Delmar, and David and Sharon Bixby, 22 Nathaniel Blvd., Delmar, so that they could build additions to their homes.

Well, that didn't work either

Such is the reputation of the Bethlehem police that one Albany driver tried to sneak through town early Sunday morning — as fast as he could with his lights out.

It didn't work. Phillip M. Caiozzo, 198 Picotte Dr., now faces a felony driving while intoxicated charge and a possible jail sentence. Officer Wayne LaChapelle reported clocking Caiozzo's car at 104 miles per hour on Rt. 144. When he asked Caiozzo why he was speeding with his lights out, LaChapelle reported, the answer was that he was drunk (another colloquialism was used) and didn't want to get pulled over in Bethlehem.

The arrest was one of two felony DWI charges made in Bethlehem last week. William Zeh, 28, of 207 Fissette Dr., Feura Bush, was charged after he was stopped on Delaware Ave. The felony charge comes with a prior DWI conviction within the last 10 years, and carries a potential penalty of not less than a \$500 fine and up to four years in jail and five years on probation.

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Southbound for success

By Lyn Stapf

To many, country music is symbolized by the ballad — a sorrowful song lamenting things lost — but Southbound, a newly formed country band from Voorheesville, is singing no sad songs now since they are winners many times over in what seems like a cinderella story — country style.

Week before last the group, together only eight months, beat seven other bands in the Capital district "playoffs" of the Wrangler Country Showdown at the Convention Center at Empire State Plaza, Albany. The eight bands competing that night represented over 40 bands who had previously vied in sectional contests held in parts of Massachusetts, Vermont the greater Capital District area. Capturing top honors at the contest sponsored by Wrangler and FM country music station WGNA, the group won Wrangler western wear, \$300 and the right to represent the area in the state competition to be held in Syracuse on July 28. The winner of that contest will go to Nashville for the national competition, billed as the No. 1 amateur contest in the nation. The prize is \$50,000, recording contracts and guest appearances.

Voorheesville residents, Southbound is an interesting combination of talented musicians. Three are college students, two attending Hudson Valley and the other in his last year at Pharmacy. Another has a bachelor's degree in agriculture and is presently working on a farming complex and the other is a grade school teacher with a master's degree in administration. Two are in their late teens, two in their early 20s and one, as the country song puts it, "is on the hard side of 30." Two are married, one with children.

Although their friends and families know them otherwise, they are introduced as Bobby "Slave" on lead guitar, "Billy the Kid Montana" on bass guitar, Dave "Ruddick" on guitar, "Diamond Doug Fitzgerald" on drums and Dave "McCall" as lead singer.

Only months old the roots of the group go back several years when "McCall" wowed Voorheesville with his impersonation of Kenny Rogers at the PTSA show while Bobby and Billy's brother Kyle played in the back-up band. When the show was over the musical relationship



Southbound hoped our reporter wouldn't use their proper names, but they did supply this photo . . . Without the usual left-to-right identifications.

ended until last spring, when a band that Billy and Bobby were playing with needed a singer and Dave was recruited.

A short time later the trio left the group they were playing with, added new members and Southbound was born.

Referring to their music as "progressive country," the band follows the current trend in country music sound. As Billy puts it, "It's less twangy and more sophisticated."

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Stressing harmony in their music, Southbound performs songs by such country music masters as Larry Gatlin, Alabama, Ricky Scaggs and, of course, Kenny Rogers. They also play some of their compositions, including *Part of Me Died* and *Too Long, Too Far*.

Besides sound the content of their music is important to the group. Striving towards greater mass appeal, they refuse to do anything that is offensive saying, "We want to appeal to kids as well as their grandmothers. You just never know who's going to be in the audience that you might offend." And judging by the response of their fans, affectionately referred to as "the rowdies," the band's philosophy of music is "right on key."

Although July 28 is months away, the band is wasting no time waiting for the big day. Last weekend they finished a stint at Trotta's on Delaware Tpk. and

from there will go to their "home away from home." Texas North in Latham, where they got their start. "They believed in us when few others did and we owe them a lot for that," said one member.

Other dates in the future include playing for two WPTR "invitation only" country music parties in May, and playing at Nashville North in Saratoga and The Painted Pony in Luzerne. Recently they were asked to play at a country music festival in July in Leeds, where they will be appearing with country greats Porter Wagoner and Johnny Rodriguez.

Locally they are scheduled to participate in the "Concert in the Park" series in Voorheesville, which promises to be a nostalgic highlight of their summer, since their appearance in the park last August marked the public debut of the group. "We owe a lot of thanks to the people of Voorheesville," they confess. "They're good people and they've given us a lot of support."

Support hasn't been limited to home town folk. In their climb they have picked up quite a following of fans, many of whom showed up at the Convention Center last week toting the symbol of the group, the Confederate flag. "Even now they're getting buses together to follow us to Syracuse in July," they disclose. "It gives you a real good feeling to know that people care about you that much."

Recording offers are in the works, but "McCall," the old man of the group who acts as booking agent and spokesman, says they're not rushing into anything. "I've seen too many groups make the mistake of moving too fast. I don't want to wind up with a cellar full of my own records and a lot of regrets."

VOORHEESVILLE

School board race draws 5

By Tom Howes

April showers bring May — candidates? Who knows. But something has the blood stirring in five village residents, now candidates in the May 11 election for J. August Berger's school board seat. Berger has chosen to retire after 25 years on the board.

Richard H. Bisnett, 44, of Evergreen Dr. has added his name to the list to make a field of five. *The Spotlight* has already profiled Stephen Schreiber, Mary Ann VanRyn, Richard Rose and Bruce Martelle.

Bisnett is an associate tax evaluation engineer for the state Division of Equalization and Assessment. He and his wife Jane have two daughters in the 10th and 11th grades, respectively. The Bisnetts have lived in the community for 14 years.

Bisnett considers himself a constructive disciplinarian, a believer in the benefits of discipline. A stricter working environment for both students and teachers, he said, would ease pressure, thereby improving the learning process.

He feels discipline at school isn't just a school problem. "There should be more parent involvement," he said.

Bisnett hopes to see prayer back in school, though he acknowledges that it could be a long road. "But if you don't start someplace, you don't get anywhere," he said.

If elected, he would also try to sharpen the budget, decreasing expenditures whenever possible.

The school board's annual meeting is set for May 10, 7:30 p.m., at the high school. The budget vote and election is the following day.

To lecture on China

Albany County legislator Sue Ann Ritchko of Delmar will present a slide-lecture program on communist China at a tea sponsored by the women of the St. Stephen's Church on Wednesday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. She will discuss the long-term effects of the Chinese birth control policies.

The women of all Tri-Village parishes are invited to the tea. For information, call Marjorie Whittam at 439-5610.

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Camp bus in village

Parents of Brownies and Girl Scouts in Voorheesville whose daughters are planning on attending Camp Is-sho-da in East Greenbush will be happy to hear that there is now a scheduled stop in Voorheesville for the second session running from July 18-22.

Previous to this announcement the only time the camp bus was scheduled to stop was during the first nine-day session. Now due to the large number of Voorheesville scouts registered for the second session, scout officials have added the additional Voorheesville pickup, at the Voorheesville Methodist Church. The exact time will be announced later, but approximate time is 8:30 a.m.

Parents anticipating signing up for this session are advised to do so as soon as possible. Buses are limited to a maximum of 60 girls, and the bus is rapidly nearing capacity. Those wanting more information are asked to call the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council office, 439-4936.

Chosen for stage

Although all students in 1-6 at the Voorheesville Elementary School get their day on stage in their yearly classroom plays, several third graders recently received the chance to perform with EBA (Electronic Body Arts) when the professional dance troupe presented their production of *GERMS* at the school earlier this month. The dozen students were chosen in advance by their homeroom teachers, briefly practiced with the troupe and became a vital part of the production sponsored by Theatre Fun for Young People. Acting as an army of viruses were Erin Sullivan, Scott Porter, Joey RACE, Brian Goldstein,

Katey Ramsey, Pam Harms, Rachel Killar, Cathy Dedrick, Nicole Solomos, Elicia Ellsworth, Troy Hanlon and Laura Blanchard. By the way, their performance was absolutely contagious!

A reminder to those enjoying their spring vacation: there are several events at the library this week. This afternoon (Wednesday) there will be two vacation movies shown at 2 p.m. All are invited to see *The Rag Tag Champs* and *The Electric Grandmother*.

Also this evening at 8 there will be a meeting of the board of trustees at the library. This meeting is open to the public.

Benefit sale Saturday

The Community Nursery School of Voorheesville invites everybody to swing into spring at their first annual "Spring Thing," to be held on Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the home of the Vinsons, 8 Francis Lane, off Altamont Rd.

The combination garage sale, bake sale and craft sale will offer a variety of items including handmade toys and gifts. Many of the craft items such as soft frames and boxes are ideal as presents for Mother's Day. Reasonably priced, the items are expected to move quickly, so shoppers are urged to get there early. All are welcome.

More honors

Honors in the district were not limited to the Honor Society this month. At the high school, senior Sandy Van Buren placed third in a typing contest recently held at Maria College in Albany, where contestants had to type three business letters, complete with corrections, within

20 minutes. She will receive a plaque at a May awards luncheon. Other students from Voorheesville who participated included Kim Elmendorf, Joanne Elmen-dorf, Susy Hempel, Patty Kieper, Val Houk and Sandy Peragrine.

At a recent Colonial Council senior high mathematics contest at Waterford high school, Voorheesville's team placed first in their level. Comprised of Scott Applegate, Meg Rogers, Frances Spreer and Ed Volkwein, the team earned second place in the overall competition behind Mechanicville, the winner for the past four years. Applegate received a trophy for placing second in the individual math 12 competition.

Other Voorheesville teams participating were: Math 11, Dianne Jackson, Sharon McKenna, Pete McMillen and Vicki Ross; Math 10, Ed Hampston, Betsy Rourke, Alissa Van Zutphen and Jim Volkwein; and Math 9, Vivki Chamberlain, Jill Guyer, Beth McMartin and Donna Mesching. Advisors were Karen Boyea, John Sittig, Bernadette Spargo, Pat Sauer and Janice Wysocki.

Students from the elementary school were also busy earning honors outside of the school district when they attended the Olympics of the Mind competition held at Sand Creek Junior High School. The program, designed to give gifted students an opportunity to compete with one another in creative-problem solving activities, is held yearly and is open to students from many Capital District schools.

The "Miner's Helper" team comprised of Chris Dell'Acqua, Bobby Sarr, Joe Kraemer, David Mistretta and Mike Storm took second place in their competition, while Jenny Kraemer, a member of the Pirates and the Queen's Treasure team, took first place in the spontaneous questions portion of the competition. Other members of her team were Christy Champion, Lisa McClelland, Julia Poploski, Tammy Ariza and Dyan Barile. Coaching the teams were Willima Sarr, (Miner's Helper) and Donald Otterness (Pirates and Queen's Treasure).

Football registration starts

Guilderland Pop Warner Football will be holding sign-ups for their fall program on Saturday, April 30, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Hebrew Academy on Western Ave., Guilderland. Boys and girls between 9 and 14 and in the weight range of 65 to 135 pounds are eligible to participate in the program, which begins in early August and is open to Voorheesville residents.

There will be a registration fee of \$30 per child, and \$5 for each additional child in the same family. When registering, parents are requested to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate, a recent photo of the child and, if possible, the child, so that he/she may be weighed in. Anyone having further questions is asked to call Ron Kitler at 355-5843 (days) or Gerry Gordinier at 765-4815 (evenings).

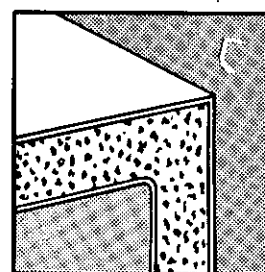
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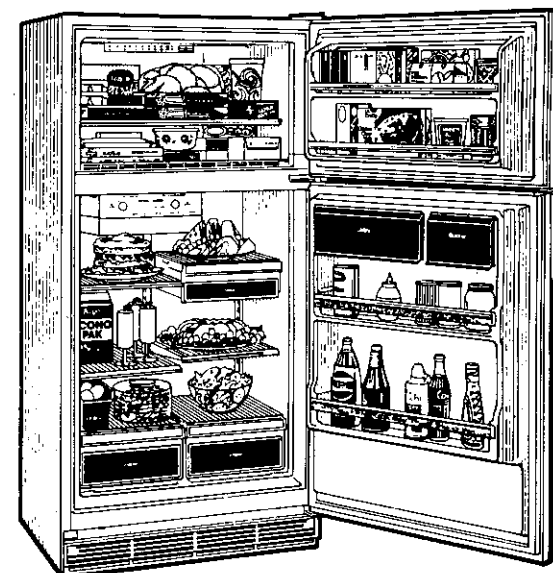
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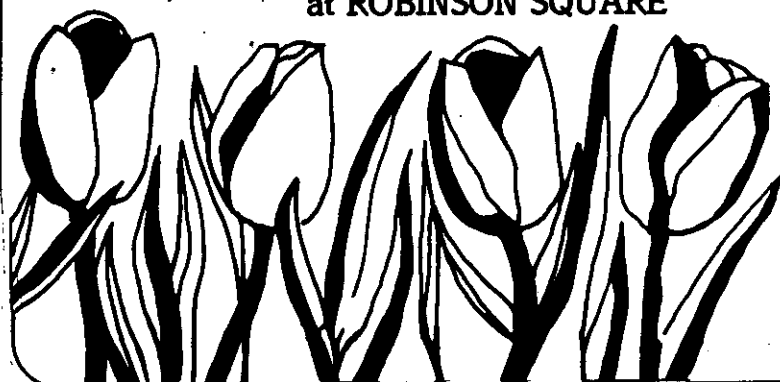
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Village of Voorheesville, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board, second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

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.

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.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

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

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

Children's Mural-making, two-day workshop for children over 7, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Cooperative Extension Gardening Lecture, "Landscaping the Home Grounds," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free soil testing.

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

Library Board of Trustees, Voorheesville Public Library, 8 p.m.

Children's Vacation Movies, Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m.

Environmental Education Workshop, for teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Center, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Free, preregistration, 457-6092.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

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

Bethlehem Senior Citizens meet every Thursday at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 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, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

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

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

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

Delmar Progress Club, annual meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Planning Board, on application of Helen and Carmelo Crisafulli, for approval of subdivision "Criswood," Elm Ave., Selkirk; Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Delmar Home Crafts Club, buffet meeting, Bethlehem Town Park warming area, 6:30 p.m. Reservations, 439-7306.

Voorheesville Candidates Night, with candidates for open Board of Education seat, Voorheesville High School library, at 7:30 p.m.

Basketmaking, for children over 7, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 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

"The Music Man" (Schenectady Light Opera Company gets out the 76 trombones), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, April 28-May 1, 8 p.m.

"Brecht on Brecht" (a celebration of the German dramatist through poetry, songs and scenes from his plays, presented by Skidmore Theater Dept.), Skidmore Theater, Saratoga Springs, April 28-May 5, 8 p.m. Reservations, 584-5000.

One-act plays by Washington Park Theatre Company (Charles Wagner, John Mortimer, Christopher Fry and Harold Pinter), Capital District Psychiatric Center, Albany, April 29 and 30, 8 p.m. Reservations, 457-8606.

"Chapter Two" (Neil Simon by Riverview Productions), St. Andrew's Dinner Theater, 10 N. Main St., Albany, April 29, 30, May 1, 6, 7 and 8, dinner at 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 5 p.m. Sundays. Reservations, 463-1129.

"A Brivela Der Maman . . . A Letter to the Mother" (Yiddish theater by the Saidy Bronfman Centre, Montreal, Page Hall, 135 Washington Ave., Albany, April 30, 8:15 p.m. Tickets at Albany Jewish Community Center or at the door.

"She Stoops to Conquer" (full-blown production by SUNYA Theater Dept. of 18th century comedy classic by Oliver Goldsmith), Performing Arts Center, April 28-30, 8 p.m. Reservations, 457-8606.

"Tribute to Maureen Stapleton" (staged readings from some of Miss Stapleton's most celebrated roles, followed by reception), May 1, 4 p.m. Reservations after April 25, 462-4531.

"Bad Habits" (Terrence McNally comedy presented by Second Act Players), Second Floor Theater, Administration Building, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, April 28 and 30, 8 p.m. Reservations, 445-1725.

MUSIC

Children's concert by Albany Symphony Orchestra (the "Nutcracker" and other favorites), Capital Rep's Market Theater, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, April 27, open rehearsal 9 a.m., performance 10:30 a.m.; Temple Beth Emeth, Academy Rd., Albany, May 4 and 11, 9:45 and 10:30 a.m. Information, 465-4755.

Albany Symphony Orchestra (Mahler, Janacek and C.P.E. Bach), Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, April 29; Palace Theater, Albany, April 30, 8:30 p.m. Community Box Office and theater box offices.

Marilyn Crispell, jazz pianist, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, April 29, 8 p.m.

Monday Musical Club, First Presbyterian Church, Willett and State St., Albany, May 1, 2:30 p.m.

Musical program on life of Molly Picon, Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., May 2, 7 p.m. Reservations at the center.

DANCE

Dan Waggoner and Dancers (ballet and modern), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, April 29, 8 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg box office, 473-3750.

ART

Old Dorp Quilt and Needle Art Show, First Reformed Church of Scotia, May 3, 9:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., May 4, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Walter Prichard, Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, to permit single-family dwelling at premises; Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

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

Cooperative Extension Gardening Lecture, "Vegetable Gardening Basics," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free soil testing.

United Methodist Women, at South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 8 p.m.

Senior Citizens' Bowling Luncheon, Del Lanes, Delmar, 12:30 p.m. Reservations, \$3.25, 439-1443.

Children's Storyhour, for 3- to 5-year-old animal lovers, Bethlehem Public Library, at 1:30 p.m.

Animal Care Workshop, four-part workshop on Thursday for animal lovers between 7 and 12 on pet care, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Kiwanis Soccer Registration, for students in grades 3 to 5, at Voorheesville Elementary School, 7-8:30 p.m. \$6 fee.

Church Tea, Slide Lecture on Communist China, with guest speaker Sue Ann Ritchko, for women of Tri-Village parishes, at St. Stephen's Church, 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-5610.

THURSDAY, MAY 5

Bethlehem Art Association, general meeting and watercolor demonstration, at new meeting location, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5069.

FRIDAY, MAY 6

Elmwood Park Fire District, first Fridays, North Bethlehem firehouse, 307 Schoolhouse Rd., 7:30 p.m.

Elsmere School Fair, 5-8 p.m.

Children's Films, for preschoolers, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; for school-age children, 4 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

Kiwanis Soccer Registration, at Voorheesville Elementary School, 9-11 a.m., \$6 fee.

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

Photography Workshop, basic rules of picture composition, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 1-3 p.m. \$3 registration, 457-6092.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

Mother's Day Road Race, 3 1/2-mile race for women of all ages, begins at Hamagrael Elementary School, McGuffey Lane, Delmar, noon. \$2 entry fee. Information, 456-0663 or 477-8087.

MONDAY, MAY 9

R-C-S Kindergarten Registration, Becker School, 1:15 p.m.

Spring Concert, Bethlehem Central High School.

TUESDAY, MAY 10

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

Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, spring luncheon and fashion show, Albany Country Club, Wormer Rd., Voorheesville, noon-3 p.m. Information, 439-2165.

Bethlehem School District's Annual Meeting, presentation of budget and board candidates, Bethlehem Central High School, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Bethlehem School District Vote on school budget and board candidates, Bethlehem Central Middle School, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

Second Milers, second Wednesdays, Delmar Methodist Church, 12:30 p.m., except June, July and August. Reservations, 439-3569.

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

Slingerlands Fire District, second Wednesdays at Slingerlands Fire Station, 8 p.m.

Cooperative Extension Gardening Lecture, "Vegetable Gardening Basics," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free soil testing.

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Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

Retired Business and Professional Men's Association, Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 1:30 p.m.

League of Women Voters of Albany County sponsors a forum on "Hazardous Waste: Decision for the '80's," Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-4162.

Home Buyers School, Albany Builders Assn. discusses how to choose a home and shop for a mortgage, Thruway House, Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Free; information, 785-0559.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

G. Gordon Liddy and Timothy Leary Debate, Union College Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m. \$3 tickets at Carnegie Hall box office.

Concerned Friends of Hope House, Capital District Psychiatric Center, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays.

American Association of University Women, antiques study group at home of G. Thayer, 1:30 p.m.

Health Care Talk, physician discusses "Health Care and Unnecessary Surgery," Union College Bailey Hall, Room 312, 3:45 p.m. Free.

Learning Specialist Lectures on teaching and learning to parents of primary school children, Albany Academy for Girls at 8 p.m.

"Lunch With the Arts," professor speaks on "Sharing Our Shaker Heritage" over lunch, College of Saint Rose, Picotte Hall, 324 State St., 12:15 p.m.

Farmers Market Sellers Meet, tips on merchandising, displays and insurance, Key Bank university branch, 7 p.m. Free.

Ravena Card Party and Fashion Show, sponsored by St. Patrick's Church, Knights of Columbus Hall, 7:30 p.m. \$3 tickets at door.

Empire State College Information Session, Environmental Conservation Building, 50 Wolf Rd., Colonie, 4 p.m.

Vanguard Preview, program chairman plays excerpt from next Albany Symphony Orchestra concert, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., noon.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

Altamont Station Squares, 16th anniversary dance with well-known caller Gloria Roth, former Guelderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, 7:30 p.m.

Senior Service Centers Honor Volunteers, annual recognition luncheon, Louise Corning Senior Service Center, Delaware Ave., 1 p.m.

Albany Friends of Jacob's Pillow, 183 Brevator St., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 489-2296 or 438-3664.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Metro Bike-a-thon, to benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, starts from Corning Preserve bike path, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Information about sponsor sheets, 489-2677.

Color Photography Seminar, two-day workshop at SUNYA, information, 455-6121.

Solar House Tour, Capital Hill Improvement Corp. tour of urban solar homes; information, 462-9696.

Tools Project Garage Sale, V.F.W. Post, Hayes Rd., East Greenbush, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 477-8990.

Saratoga Dance-a-thon, to benefit PBS "American Playhouse" series, couples compete in several dance styles for \$100 prize, Skidmore College Starbuck Center, 9 p.m.-9 a.m. Sunday. Information, 584-5000 ext. 344.

Religious Healing Workshop, "The Healing Power of Jesus Christ," Catholic Central High School, North Troy, 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 1

Sugar Run for Diabetes, 5-km. run sponsored by RPI chapter, Psi Epsilon, 1 p.m. Information, 274-8408.

"Kirkin' O' the Tartan" Celebration, St. Peter's Church, State St., 10:30 a.m.; 56-part parade to leave Capitol steps for church at 10:15 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 2

Expectant Parents' Night at St. Peter's Hospital, parents-to-be meet hospital staff and tour labor and delivery suite and nursery, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-1515.

Legal Aid Society Anniversary Dinner, state Secretary of State Gail Shaffer keynote speaker, Turf Inn, Colonie; information, 434-3855.

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Parents and Cardiac Children Together (P.A.C.C.T.), for parents of children who have had open-heart surgery, Colonie Town Library, 7 p.m.

"How to Save Money on Your Phone Bill," tips given by Public Service Commission, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., noon.

Epilepsy Association, attorney speaks on "Epilepsy and the Law," at First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett sts., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

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How can I show my love when a neighbor calls to inform me that you and your friend pulled up a bunch of flowers from her garden two days ago?

How can I show my love when you stomp off to your room and slam the door when I refused to give you permission to go to an unsupervised party with your buddies?

How can I show my love when you argue loudly with me in the super market?

How can I show my love when you treat your brother as if he were the one who fired the shot heard round the world or the one who originally introduced the Black Plague to our species?

How can I show my love when on a Sunday morning the family piles into the car for a vacation trip and we run out of gas a block later because you borrowed the car last night and didn't bother to fill it up during your escapades?

How can I show my love when you and your friends come home after school leaving the house an absolute mess when we had repeatedly reminded you that this was the evening my boss and his wife were coming over for dinner?

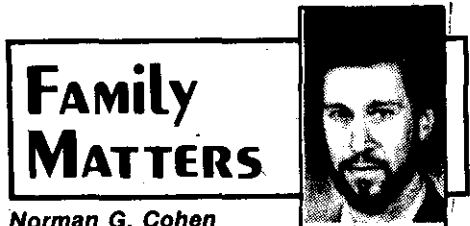
How can I show my love when you run outside to play with your pals after reluctantly visiting for ten minutes with your grandparents who came from across the state to see us?

MY PARENT:

How can I show my love when you don't let me explain that I came home late because my friend was about to run away from home and I talked him out of it?

How can I show my love when your bigness, your loudness and your anger all scare the heck out of me?

How can I show my love when you always seem to blame me for stuff that happens because I'm the oldest?



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How can I show my love when you seem to be so wrapped up in your own problems that you can't get away from them long enough to care about mine?

How can I show my love when you keep changing the rules in the house so that it seems I can never be right?

How can I show my love when you yell at me in front of my friends?

How can I show my love when the only time you show yours is when I do something that makes you proud of me?

How can I show my love when I really tried to do something to help the family and you tell me to stay out of it, that it's none of my business?

How can I show my love when I spent my own money on your birthday present and you say it's cute and then never wear it?

How can I show my love when I tell you I need materials for a school project due next week and you don't get them until the night before?

How can I show my love when you sign me up for summer camp without even asking me if I wanted to go?

How can I show my love when you forget to make my school lunch and then yell at me for not setting the dinner table?

How can I show my love when you're hardly ever around for me to show it?

How can I show my love when you don't show yours?

MY READERS, MY FRIENDS:

Showing love is one of the most important and most powerful forces in the world of mankind. To feel love is not enough; it must be shown and shared to have its effect. Like money in the bank,

love must be spent for its rewards to be realized.

However, when love is shown, there is the risk that it will be shunned or rejected or defiled. It is especially delicate and fragile during times when unloving feelings are being felt. But it is those times in particular when the show of love is most crucial, because it is precisely the love that will ultimately bring everyone through the crisis and back to the state of security and happiness we all seek.

The warmth of love can melt the ice of anger.

The softness of love can bend the steel of stubbornness.

The understanding of love can penetrate the blindness of prejudice.

The assurance of love can bring down the walls of fear.

The sharing of love can tighten the ties of strength between us all and make us part of one another, not apart from one another. If you feel love, then share it; if you don't, then borrow it from one who does until you make it your own, and then give it away. It will return to you.

New Elsmere officers

Elsmere Fire Co. A held its annual dinner April 15 at the Century House in Latham. Newly elected officers installed at the dinner are:

Chief, Anthony Morrell; first assistant chief, Thomas Rudolph; second assistant chief, George Kaufman; captain, Richard Webster; and lieutenants, Ned Costigan, Fred Everhart, Richard Watt and Peter Merrill.

Also, fire police Lt., Fred Lynk; president Kevin Shea; vice president, Stephen Wright; secretary, Richard Brown; treasurer, Michael Cirillo; director 1 year, Joseph Feller; director 2 years, William Martin.

Also, property clerk, Scott Anson, and chaplains, Rev. James Daley, Anthony Morrell and Scott Anson.



Author Robert J. Cline

Author at library

Author Robert J. Cline, whose first book, "The Tattooed Innocent and the Raunchy Grandmother," was recently published, will read from his work at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Bethlehem Public Library. The reading is part of the Library's Writer of the Month series.

Parts of "The Tattooed Innocent" were written in and around the Town of Bethlehem, including a section drafted in Friendly's Ice Cream Store on Delaware Ave., Delmar. That section came about when Cline, driving away from the Bethlehem Library, had a sudden inspiration. So, he stopped at the restaurant, ordered coffee and wrapped up a chapter.

Cline, who lives in Saratoga Springs, has an unusual preference for writing outdoors, and so parts of the book, his first, also were written at picnic tables in Thatcher Park and in other scenic Capital District sites.

The book is subtitled "An Adult Fairy Tale, Quite Grim," and has been called "a nutty and free-wheeling comic-tragedy." Which is what one might expect from a former comic book writer. "For a while I made my living writing comic books in New York City," Cline revealed. "Not great literature! Mainly the weird and science fiction types, with a few humorous and romantic ones thrown in for good measure."



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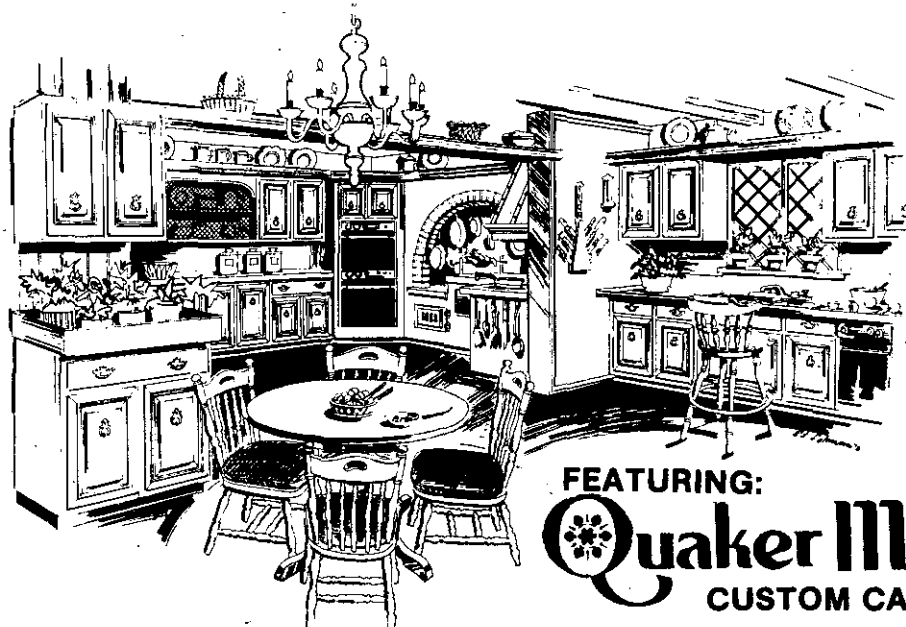
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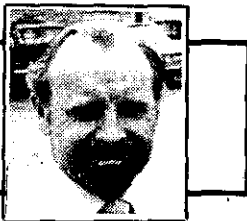
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Few anxieties, if any, can dominate our lives more than anxiety about the past. We may learn from our history but we cannot escape it. We may forget our history but we cannot undo it. We may be doomed to repeat our history but we cannot change it. Our past is an unchangeable component of our being. Only one thing can release us from the tyranny of the past. That one thing is forgiveness. God offers the answer to this deep anxiety. He is a forgiving God who recreates our pasts by forgiving them. By forgiving us He makes possible the changing of our past.

In Matthew's gospel, chapter 18 verses 21-35, Jesus addresses the subject at the request of the apostle Peter. An example of forgiveness is given in a parable our Saviour told. This parable sets the standard for forgiveness.

A careful reading of the parable will reveal two tremendous truths. The first has to do with our relationship with God. We are in tremendous debt, a debt so large that it can never be repaid but is forgiven when we seek God. The man in the parable owed 1,000 talents; that is about 9 million in dollars if the weight was counted in silver or 293 million if weighed in gold. The exact figures are unimportant but the meaning is clear — it was a tremendous debt that could not be repaid. All are in debt to God and our debt, no matter how great, has been paid by the Lord Jesus Christ by His sacrificial death upon the cross. The words of an old hymn are fitting "Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe." On the basis we can be forgiven.

The second point in the parable is that we are to forgive others. Ephesians 4:32 puts it beautifully. "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you." Until one has received and understood to some degree God's forgiveness of his own sin, he will have no basis for practicing

the forgiveness of others. Another minor point can be made. The offenses that people commit against us seem so small compared to the great debt that God has forgiven us. In fact, many hurts that we experience do not need forgiveness. They are so shallow that they should be shrugged off as part of the hassle of living in a crowded world. Annoyances, defeats and slights are to be overlooked. However, offenses like disloyalty and betrayal need forgiveness.

There are essentially three steps in forgiveness. *Suffering* — no one forgives unless he has been hurt. We hurt, we suffer, but we forgive. *Spiritual surgery* — the word forgiveness as used in the bible means to send forth or away. It means to separate the wrong doing from the person. In your mind you disengage that person from his hurtful act. You recreate that person in your mind, minus his offense. This is what God does in releasing us from our sin. He views us as holy or righteous, minus our sin. *Start over* — all the loose ends may not be together, but start over. Two alienated people start over where they can. That is reconciliation.

The alternative to forgiveness is to choose to stick with the past, to multiply its wrongness. If we do not forgive, our recourse is revenge. Revenge glues us to the past. Dooms us to repeat. Revenge never evens the score. How many Beirut does it take to equal a holocaust? How many put downs to equal a slap in the face?

Vengeance is having a video recorder in your mind, continually reminding you of the painful scene again and again. This is torment, prison. Forgiveness turns off the video tape of pained memory. Forgiving sets you free.

Why forgive? Because God has forgiven you. How do we forgive? Apart from God's grace it is impossible. The

grace to do it comes from God. The decision to do it is your own.

Two experiences, then, are necessary to overcome anxiety and deal with our pasts. To fully experience and appreciate God's forgiveness for us and to experience forgiving for ourselves and others. Being forgiven and forgiving — these will handle the past.

Auditions for choir

The Choir of First Church In Albany, Clinton Square, will be holding auditions from April 27 to May 5 for its spring season. The 40-voice mixed ensemble, in addition to providing music at the 10:00 Worship Service, presents several major musical works each year. This year a spring concert will include works of Vaughan Williams and Brahms.

There are salaried openings for all voice parts, but there is a special need for tenors and basses. Interested singers should contact Mary Bon at 439-9238 or 463-4449 for information.

Kilts on parade

"National Heritage Sunday" and "Kirkin' O' the Tartan" will be celebrated at St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, on Sunday, May 1, at 10:30 a.m. A parade led by the Schenectady Pipe Band will march to the church from the Capitol steps at 10:15 a.m. Some 56 organizations and societies, including the Tawasentha Chapter D.A.R. and the Bethlehem Historical Society, will be marching along the parade route.

Free parking is available at the Empire State Plaza visitor lot.

Baked ham in Clarksville

The Clarksville Community Church, Delaware Turnpike, will celebrate the start of spring with a baked ham dinner on Saturday, April 30, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets to eat are \$5.50 for adults and \$3 for children.

BUSINESS

Trade show a money maker

Bethlehem Central's embryonic marching band stands to net between \$2,000 and \$2,200 for its band uniform kitty as a result of its organizational fundraiser earlier this month.

Robert Callaghan, chairman of the parents' association that sponsored Bethlehem's first annual trade show, made the estimate following the April 17 event at BCHS.

Callaghan said it would be another few weeks before a final accounting of bills payable and funds and donations still outstanding could be made. The main sources of revenue were rentals of 30 booths and gate receipts, he said. Attendance, according to a count of ticket stubs, was just under 600, favorable enough to warrant another trade show next year, he said.

Form new law firm

Jeffrey J. Sherrin of Delmar and Stanley B. Segal of Albany have formed a law partnership, Segal and Sherrin, at 90 State St., Albany. Sherrin graduated from the State University at Albany and received his law degree from Albany Law School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Law Review and a cum laude graduate. He was formerly a litigation attorney with a New York City firm and then was deputy counsel to the state Office of Mental Health and Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

Segal graduated from Union College and the New England School of Law. He is the son of former Albany City Court Judge Harold Segal.

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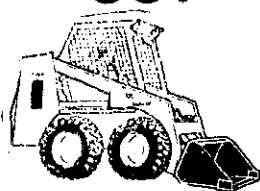
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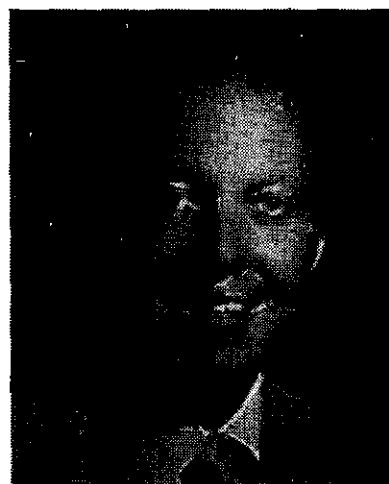
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Delmar swimmers in deep

Four Delmar swimmers found competition at the national level a bit too tough for medals, but gave a good account of themselves.

Sue Mallery, a member of the Bethlehem Central girls varsity, gained a seventh place in the AAU Eastern Zone championships at Syracuse, placing in the 100-yard butterfly in her age group with a clocking of 1:01.68. Her 25.60 in

the 50-yard freestyle earned her second alternate on the Eastern squad in the national meet.

The 13-year-old swimmer also set a new Adirondack District record for her age group in the 200-yard butterfly (2:18.03) but did not place. She also swam her personal best time of 2:23.65 in the 200 backstroke.

Drew Patrick, a 10-year-old Delmar swimmer, was selected on all three Adirondack District relay teams, which placed among the top eight teams in each event at the Syracuse meet. Jennifer Mosley, seeded a surprise fifth in the girls 10-and-under 50-yard breaststroke, finished 11th in 37.7 seconds, two-tenths of a second off her previous best time.

Kris Mallery, 12, sister of Sue, had personal best times of 59.84 in the 100 free and 6:00.02 in the 500 free.

Competing in the zone championships were 13 all-star teams from New England, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia.

Delmar physician elected

Dr. Samuel S. Ciccio of Delmar, was elected to the board of directors of the Health Systems Agency of Northeastern New York, Inc. (HSA/NENY) at the agency's annual meeting on April 4. Dr. Ciccio is vice president for academic affairs at Albany Medical College.

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BC softball strong again

By Julie Ann Sosa

It was 6-6 in the bottom of the seventh. There were two out and runners on second and third who were ready to run on anything Bethlehem batter Kelly Burke got a piece of. She cracked a line drive hard to the left side of Shenendehowa's shortstop who, miraculously, made the diving catch. The Plainswomen got out of the inning safely and won the game, 7-6, in the eighth, handing Bethlehem Central's softball team its only loss of the young season.

BC (3-1) is coming off an 8-6 season a year ago. But the team has been winning by convincing margins so far — 11-4 against Burnt Hills, 11-6 against Mohonasen and 11-3 over Scotia. It is still atop the Suburban Council's Blue Division with Niskayuna, the defending champion whom BC will meet twice in the schedule.

Since coming to Bethlehem, Coach Robert Salamone has seen his teams win one Suburban Council championship and two Sectional titles. He credits the town's summer Tomboys League with the same invaluable preparation that the Delmar Dolphins' program has given BC's undefeated boys' swim team.

A gotta-have-a-dream kind of coach, Salamone has done a lot with 13 girls who have only two varsity veterans and four seniors in their midst. Perhaps his strong spot is on the mound, where he goes through a rotation of three pitchers. It wasn't long ago that Joanne Van Woert and Anne Dalton combined for an unbeatable two-woman pitching staff. Last year there was Katie Cooper. This year the job is shared by seniors Maureen Walsh, (0-1) and Mary Malone (2-0), and junior Barb Cebry (1-0). Walsh is a veteran who combines a change-up and a fastball that Salamone deems one of the hardest in the Council. Malone, up from

the JV, and Cebry, back from an injury, are accurate, strike zone pitchers.

BC batting is improving with the help of the new batting machine that the softball and baseball teams share. Cebry, who has had several clutch hits and RBIs, and Burke, whose three-run homer against Shenendehowa was almost unheard of, wield the bat well. Burke leads off the order, followed by Malone and Colleen Nyilis. Their speed on the paths has gotten them several stolen bases.

The Eagles infield consists of Nyilis and senior Lisa Apicelli, who rotate between first base and the outfield; veteran Mary Brooks at second; Burke, a shortstop with an excellent throwing arm; Cebry, who spends her time off the mound at third, and Beth McGaughan, a catcher who blocks well. Joan Carpenter is a utility infielder, and Kelly Oathout comes off the bench to catch and field.

The BC outfield consists of Cathy Tartaglia, center; Shawn Dobert, right, and Alesia Harder, left.

Another victim for BC netters

Columbia distinguished itself last Friday as the third opponent to be blanked, 9-0, by the Bethlehem Central tennis team in only four Suburban Council outings. None of the mismatches went beyond two sets. Jay Simard, playing No. 6 singles, picked up his second 6-0, 6-0 win.

Perhaps Bethlehem, now 6-2, should look within its own ranks for a rivalry that is as hotly contested as any BC-Niskayuna showdown. The sparks flew as Mike Cole reassumed the No. 1 singles spot. He replaced Charlie Marden by winning a challenge match, 7-5, 5-7, 7-6 after a tiebreaker. The two classmates are



Even spectators had a hard time keeping dry during Sunday's road race in Slingerlands. On the cover: Pedestrian traffic was still heavy as runners swung through the Toll Gate underpass in the wettest and coldest of the five Blue Cross Classics.

Spotlight photos — Tom Howes

Northrup wins Blue Cross race

Dennis Northrup, a 24-year-old Selkirk redhead who established himself as the area's top road runner last year, won the fifth annual Blue Cross Classic Sunday in conditions described by the entrants as "horrendous" — rain, wind and bitter cold.

Northrup led a field of 450 in the 15-kilometer race in 48:36.30 six days after a strong effort in the Boston Marathon where he finished two minutes ahead of the women's champion who set a world record. Dale Keenan of Selkirk was fourth in 49:58.10.

Two Bethlehem runners placed high in the women's 15K. Carolyn Riley of Delmar was fifth in 1:09.14, and Judith Swasey of Slingerlands seventh in 1:09.55. Diane Page of Minneapolis, wife of ex-NFL football star Alan Page, won in 1:04.31.

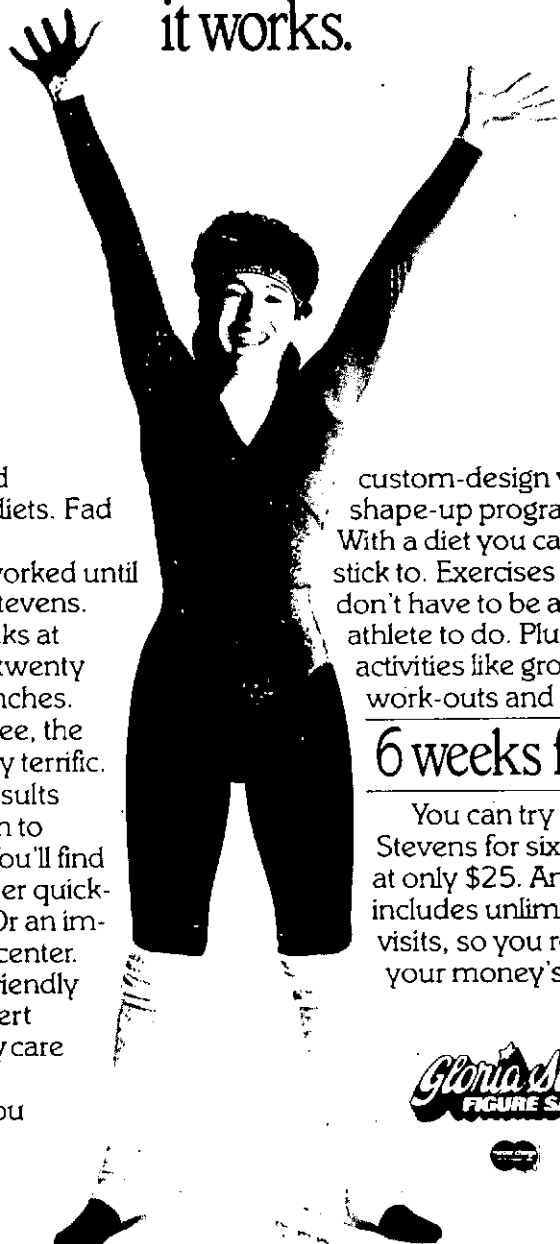
Mike Waldenmaier of Selkirk edged Jim Poole of Glenmont by three-tenths of a second to take fifth place in the men's 5.6-kilometer event, won by Herbert Gaige of Schuylerville in 17:37.80. Waldenmaier was clocked in 18:27.90, Poole in 18:28.20.

Ellen Mindel of Ballston Spa won the short-course women's race in 19:32. Complete results were not available, including those of two high finishers, Doris Davis of Elmsmere and Carol Turner of Delmar, due to trouble in the electronic timing devices.

Speed of fingers

Sandra Ellen VanBuren of Voorheesville is among winners in a recent typing and shorthand contest sponsored by the business division of Maria College, Albany. She will be honored at an awards luncheon May 11 for her third place finish in the typing competition. Twenty-two area schools were represented in the annual contest.

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Blackbirds show depth

The Voorheesville tennis team showed its depth by defeating Lansingburgh, 7-0, with nine different players.

(Small schools are permitted to use a player in both singles and doubles, whereas large schools, including the Suburban Council, may use a player only once in six singles and three doubles matches.)

No. 1 Alex Saez won by 6-0, 6-2. Ed Volkwein, at No. 2 won, 6-3, 6-1, and No. 3 Peter Zeh won, 6-0, 6-2. Kevin Seim, playing No. 4, was the victor by 6-0, 6-1, and Rick Lennox at No. 5 came off with a 6-1, 6-3 victory.

The doubles team of Brian McKenna and Dave Carver won, 8-0, and James Volkwein and Chris Siebmans won, 8-2.

The Blackbirds also won, 6-1, at Cobleskill, and 7-0 in a home match against Cohoes. At Cobleskill Saez lost to Tim Wales, 6-3, 6-3, while his teammates won the other six matches.

Bad weather has given the Blackbirds a real challenge next week, with back-to-back matches with Albany Academy, Tuesday at Academy and Wednesday in Voorheesville. The Blackbirds have a home match with Mechanicville this Thursday and travel to Cohoes on Monday.

Jenny Kurkjian

For produce sellers

Farmers who sell their wares at farmers' markets in the Capital District can get some tips of the trade at a meeting sponsored by the Albany County Cooperative Extension this Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Key Bank's university branch. Cornell University marketing professor Brian How will lead the discussion on merchandising and displaying at the markets, and Frank Becker of the Guilderland Mutual Reinsurance Company will talk about insurance needed by marketers.

Emphasis will be placed on the concerns faced by farmers who sell fruits and vegetables.

Soccer program changes

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland has some good news and some bad news for young area soccer players. First the bad news: the summer soccer program previously sponsored by the local men's service group will not be held this year, since it was felt that it was difficult to run an effective program due to sporadic attendance caused by vacations.

Now for the good news: the Kiwanis Club will sponsor a youth soccer program running from Aug. 22 until Sept. 30. Practice will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the elementary school. Boys and girls who are presently in grades 3-5 are eligible. Those who are now in the sixth grade will not be included in this program, but will be given an opportunity to take part in the fall soccer league at the junior high school.

Registration will be held on Wednesday, May 4, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Both registration sessions will be held at the grade school. Parents will be required to pay a \$6 registration fee at that time, which will cover shirts and insurance. A family picnic is also planned to take place at the end of the season, with the highlight being a father-child game.

Those who have not already received applications may obtain them from the elementary school office. Any questions concerning the program are to be directed to program chairman, Jim Hladun at 765-4241.

Lyn Stapf

Talk wins award

Edwin Collins, a senior mechanical engineering major at Union College, has received an award at the American Society for Mechanical Engineers' Regional Student Conference, held at the University of Rochester. Collins won a fifth place award of \$25 in the Regional Student Speaking Contest for his talk on the "Development of a Small Inertial Brake Dynamometer."

Collins is the son of Edwin and Sally Collins of 442 Kenwood, Delmar. He is a 1979 graduate of Bethlehem High School.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
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NOTICE is further given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem will conduct a public hearing on the aforesaid Local Law No. 1 at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York on the 11th day of May 1983 at 8:00 P.M. at which time all persons interested will be heard.

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Town Clerk

Dated: April 13, 1983 (April 27)

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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, May 4, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Mr. Walter Prichard, Kenwood Avenue, Glenmont, New York for a Variance under Article X, Width of Lot, of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit construction of a single family dwelling at premises, Kenwood Avenue, Glenmont, Town of Bethlehem.

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Thurs. Apr. 28 Track, boys, Ravena, away, 11:00		
Fri. Apr. 29	Baseball, Cohoes, home, 4:00	Baseball, Waterford, home, 11:00
Sat. Apr. 30 Track, boys, Gloversville Invit.	Track, boys, Draper Invit. 10 a.m.	
Mon. May 2 Baseball, Burnt Hills, home, 3:45	Baseball, Schalmont, home 4:00	Track, girls, Mechanicville/Germantown, home 3:45
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Softball, Guilderland, away, 3:45	Softball, Schalmont, home	Tennis, boys, Alb. Academy, home
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An honest approach

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to congratulate and support County Executive Jim Coyne on a difficult, honest and courageous decision concerning the evacuation plan, (Spotlight, April 20). Plan for a natural disaster, yes. Give people a false hope of security, no. To me this is one of Jim's greatest decisions.

The April 21 editorial in the *Times Union* takes Mr. Coyne to task for his position. "No one can possibly assert with any significant degree of confidence that there would be only a 'very slight' chance that any one would survive a nuclear war. 'There are other statements that question the facts on which he based his decision. What facts or materials does the newspaper have to support its position?"

I would like to give two quotations from a 1982 pamphlet, "Nuclear Weapons, A Public Health Concern," published by the Department of Public Health, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts. These were based upon their research and studies:

The only conclusion from these projects is that there is no effective medical or public health response to a nuclear attack on Massachusetts.

The Department of Public Health has come to the realization that only the prevention of a nuclear attack will save us and our children from an unimaginable future horror.

To the best of my knowledge our state Health Department has made no such study. Do we honestly believe it would be any different? Couldn't we accept the findings of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts?

Thank you, Jim, for your honest approach to the plan.

Edward H. Sargent, Jr.

Mr. Sargent represents the 36th Albany County legislative district.

No such animal

Editor, The Spotlight:

On page 2 of today's (April 20) *Spotlight* there is a news item which makes reference to "a bogus Key Bank official." Upon calling that bank I was advised that they have no such official.

A.J. Woehrle

Delmar

Criticism unfair

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to respond to a recent article published in the *Schenectady Gazette* criticizing the behavior and activities of the senior class of Voorheesville High School.

None of the accusations made are any different than the problems or traditional graduating class pranks encountered by the school system for the past five to ten years. Why the school would suddenly make a statement to the news media condemning this particular class is extremely disturbing. The spirit, unity, sportsmanship and friendship generated by this class of seniors is not often found in any school system.

To publicly criticize the Class of '83, two months before graduation — when no previous concern has ever been stated — is detrimental to the morale of the entire school and the community.

Most of the students in the Class of '83 have gone through their entire elementary and high school years together. The recent phenomenal success of the school's excellent basketball team came about not only through fine coaching and talent, but by the friendships of the team players and the support of their classmates and community.

They are a class to be proud of, to be celebrated and honored by the school and community, and to demean them publicly seems very unwarranted.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Gallagher
Voorheesville

Photo basics at Five Rivers

The Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, will host the third photography workshop in its four-part series on Saturday, May 7, from 1 to 3 p.m. The basic rules of photographic composition will be discussed and demonstrated. Registrants do not need their cameras for this class.

The registration fee is \$3. To sign up, call Five Rivers at 457-6092.

Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

April 24, 1958

Mrs. Clayton Koonce, president of the St. Thomas Altar-Rosary Society, has announced that Mrs. Alex Lesuk and Mrs. Clayton Smith will serve as co-chairman of the second annual card party and fashion show gala this spring.

The Bethlehem Central High School aquatic Club under the direction of Miss Martha Stafford will present its spring show of synchronized swimming and water ballet this weekend.

April 25, 1963

Mrs. Thomas Yemm, Mrs. John Bourke, Mrs. William Leslie and Mrs. Negley Norton are co-chairmen of the Delmar Presbyterian Church fourth annual Country Fair.

April 26, 1973

Percy Rochester, national youth director for the American Table Tennis Association, will begin a Friday evening table tennis clinic for Middle School students at the Youth Center. The program will include supervised table tennis games as well as coaching for competition. Beginning in July, the program will be extended to include Tuesday and Saturday sessions, and a

tournament is planned for May.

April 27, 1978

Just when it appeared that Bethlehem's annual school board elections would be a no-contest affair for the second year in a row, a 33-year-old Delmar mother of four has come along to make a race of it. Sheila Fuller, chairman of the Hama-grael Home-School Association for the last five years, is challenging Robert Ruckertstuhl of Slingerlands for a three-year term on the board.

Children's hours

The Bethlehem Public Library has a long list of children's programs on tap for the month of May.

Children over seven can start by making a May basket for someone special on Tuesday, May 3, at 4 p.m. On Friday, May 6, the library will be screening movies for children of all ages. Consultant the calendar for times and titles.

Young animal lovers have their own calendar of upcoming events. There will be a special storyhour for children between three and five who like pets on Wednesday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. Children ages seven to 12 can learn about responsible pet care, endangered species and animal problems at a four part "human education workshop" on Thursdays, beginning May 5.

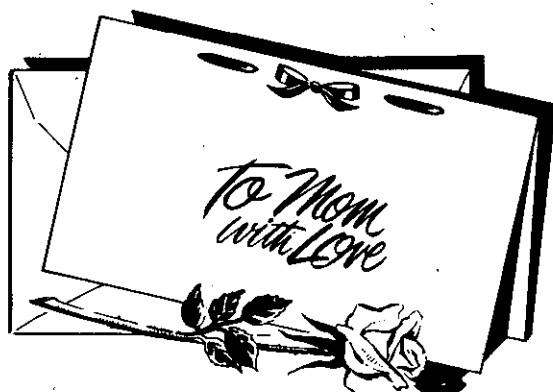
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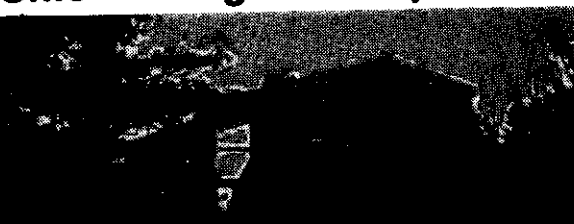
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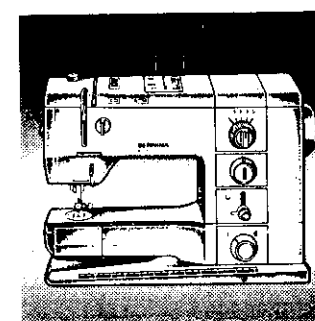
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Deborah Van Woert wed

Deborah Anne Van Woert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Van Woert of Delmar, was married April 9 to William Robert Phelan, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Robert Phelan of Albany. The ceremony took place in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar.

The maid of honor was Sheila Van Woert, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Elizabeth Van Woert, sister of the bride; Therese and Maureen Phelan, sisters of the bridegroom; Eileen Welch and Mrs. Kevin Tighe. The best man was John Ringleman, and ushers were Richard, Timothy, Mark and James Van Woert, brothers of the bride, and J.P. Norton. Thomas Phelan, brother of the

bridegroom, as a junior usher, and Christopher Van Woert, brother of the bride, was ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Catholic Medical Center school of nursing in Manchester, N.H., and is a nurse at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany. The bridegroom, a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College, is a respiratory therapist at St. Peter's.

LaForte-Hedderman

Mr. and Mrs. John LaForte of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Linda G. LaForte, to Dr. Robert J. Hedderman Jr., son of Mrs. Eleanor Hedderman of Slingerlands and the late Robert J. Hedderman Sr.

Miss LaForte graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and from the State University at Albany with a B.S. degree in nursing. She is a pediatric nursing instructor at the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing.

Her fiancé graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and from Lehigh University with a B.A. in biology. He received his medical degree from Albany Medical College and is currently a surgical resident at the Albany Medical Center.

An Oct. 22 wedding is planned.

Display on blood pressure

The Bethlehem Public Library will try to educate the public about the danger of high blood pressure, nicknamed the "silent killer," with a display from May 2 to 27. The display is sponsored by the American Heart Association, which also sponsors free monthly blood pressure screenings at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

Welcome wagon luncheon set

The Tri-Village Welcome Wagon spring luncheon and fashion demonstr-

spring luncheon and fashion demonstration will be held at the Albany Country Club, Wormer Rd., Voorheesville, on Tuesday, May 10, from noon to 3 p.m.

Members modelling spring fashions from Casual Corner, Colonie, are Marian Bonner, Helen Dasy, Judy Foran, Candice Gates, Anfel Green-

Foran, Candice Gates, Angel Greenhaugh, Beth Paolino, Lorraine Smith and Carol Swartz. Reservations must be received by Monday, May 2, mail only. Send to P.J. Montgomery, 28 E. Bayberry Rd., Glenmont 12077. For information call 439-5358.

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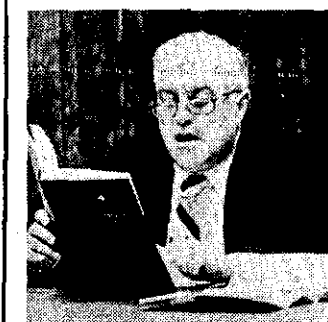
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