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In pursuit of excellence

By Ann Treadway

For many years, area parents planning their children's summer activities have decided to send them to Camp.

And taking tennis lessons from Don Camp of Delmar has meant, for most of them, the development of both good technique and a lifelong love of the sport.

Camp has been retired for three years from his job as an English teacher at Bethlehem Central High School, but he's still teaching the rudiments, and the finer points, of tennis to both children and adults. Nowadays, he gives lessons year-round because of indoor facilities and his own more flexible schedule.

Tennis is not, however, Camp's only retirement activity. He's a good example, in fact, of those lucky people who welcome the end of structured work days for the opportunity it allows to pursue personal interests. Don Camp has always had his own agenda of challenges to master, and retirement has allowed him to expand and enjoy a range of activities that many a younger person would be hard put to emulate.

He plays golf, for instance, three or four times a week from spring through fall, scoring regularly in the 80's even though he didn't become interested in links shot-making until he was in his 40's.

He goes trout fishing at this time of year "whenever it rains," getting up in the wee hours of the morning to wade local streams and try out different lures.

He cultivates a large garden, growing about 20 different vegetables and "giving a lot of food away" since he first joined a neighbor in such an ambitious planting program five years ago.

He is an expert bridge player who has introduced the intricacies of contract-making to many enrollees in Bethlehem Continuing Education courses and still enjoys "a good social game" at least once a week with his wife, Marian, and friends.

He bowled twice a week for many years, in two local leagues, maintaining an average of over 180 in both, until a cataract operation two years ago curtailed that activity.

Now his eyesight is fully restored and he reads three newspapers and about 15 magazines regularly, visiting the Bethlehem Public Library near his home almost daily to take advantage of its extensive periodical collection. He reads only non-fiction. His explanation for that — "I don't feel the need to escape" — perhaps provides a good clue to his whole outlook on life.

"I like being active and feeling responsible for everything I do," he said during a recent interview. He is also quick to point out that "work around the house" should be at the top of his list of retirement activities — because his wife is still working as Bethlehem town clerk and "the sharing of responsibilities" was something they carefully planned when he decided to retire at the age of 62.

Camp taught Bethlehem Central English classes for 35 years, so thousands of local youngsters have learned grammar and writing skills from him. But he'll probably always be best remembered for his 20 years as coach of the BCHS boy's tennis team, from 1958 to 1978. During that period, the BC team had the longest winning streak in high school records: 90 in a row, over seven years, in Suburban Council competition. (The record was broken this year by another BC team, Coach Jack Whipple's swimmers.)

Earlier in his teaching career, Camp coached BCHS basketball teams to four winning seasons, including an undefeated one, and an overall record of 53-22. The time and effort required for that coaching task, however, interfered with his ability to spend adequate time on classroom responsibilities (especially the grading of compositions) so he had to give it up.

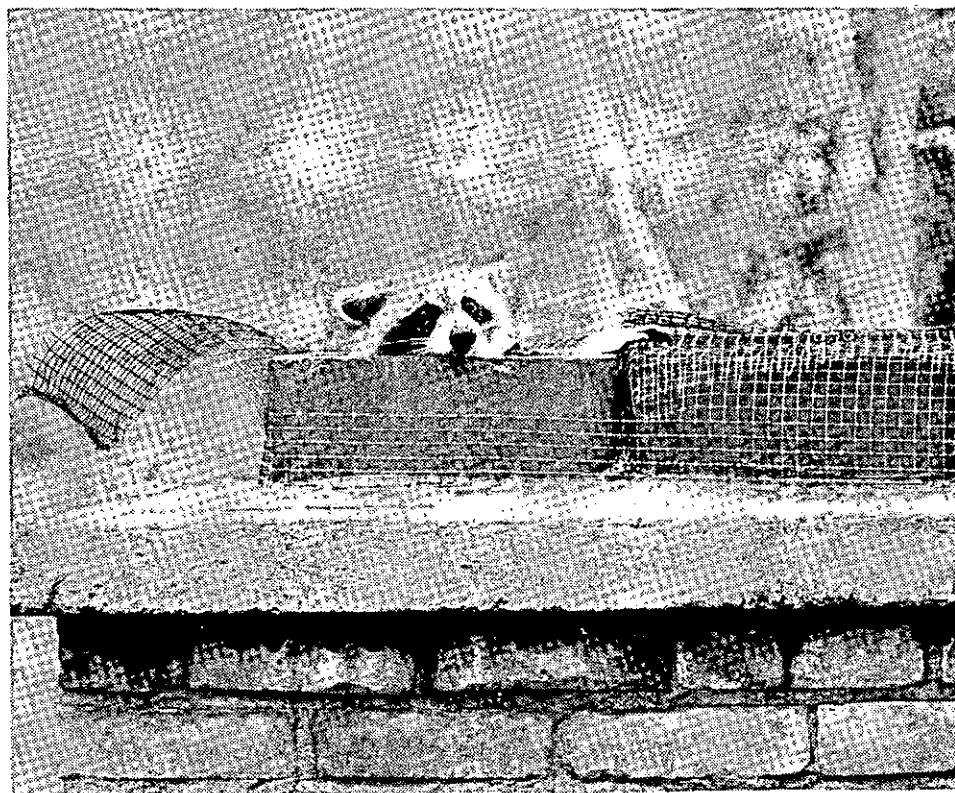
No research is required for the reporting of these coaching statistics, because Don Camp remembers — just as he can tell you the score of a tennis match he played three or four years ago. Partly this is evidence of his strong competitive spirit, and partly it reflects his methodical approach to all he does. Camp will never confuse one tennis pupil with another, for example, because after each lesson he goes home and records what strokes were worked on, what weak areas need future attention, and what teaching techniques he can use to improve that player's game.

He takes pride in his pupils' successes and also in his own ability to compete on

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Don Camp



Not for rent: one-bedroom apartment, heat included. It was business before pleasure last week when chimney sweep Gary Menia had to evict this disgruntled raccoon from comfortable residence in the Harry Smith chimney at 74 Marlboro Rd., Delmar. Accepting her fate, the raccoon scampered into a wooded lot nearby, presumably on the look-out for another piece of real estate.

Tom Howes

DeFazio variance denied

By Vincent Potenza

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals has informally denied an application for a use variance that would have permitted Allan DeFazio, owner of School Pictures, Inc., to operate the business out of his residence at 260 Elm Ave., Delmar.

The application was the subject of a long public hearing on April 20, when DeFazio claimed that his business involves employment of two clerical workers and the pickup and delivery of film. He said at the hearing that he has no studio and does no film processing in his home.

DeFazio and his attorney, Jed Wolkenbreit, maintained at the hearing that DeFazio had conducted his business in a similar fashion at 36 Carolanne Dr., Delmar for 12 years, had never heard any complaints, and had a substantial investment in the current operation on Elm Ave. DeFazio was the sole salesman for the business, they said, and spent a lot of time away from home. An office also away from home would constitute, they said, a financial and emotional hardship. And, DeFazio told the board, his experience at Carolanne Dr. had led him to believe that his present operation and location would not cause any problem.

But Building Inspector John Flanigan opened the hearing by stating that he had informed DeFazio as early as Oct. 9, 1981, that such an operation in a residential district would be in violation of the zoning ordinance.

All but one of the area residents testifying at the hearing said they disapproved of the business in their neighborhood.

One previous neighbor (on Carolanne Dr.) said the business had given him no reason to complain, and the Albany County Planning Board had no objection to the granting of the variance with restrictions on the number and working hours involved in utilizing outside help.

At the hearing, DeFazio and Wolken-

breit claimed that the business may fall under the "accessory use" provision of the zoning ordinance, for which the businesses of a "doctor, surgeon, dentist, teacher . . . or other professional person" is a permitted use in a residence. DeFazio said he didn't see any difference between his business and that of a doctor as far as impact on the neighborhood was concerned.

But Board Attorney Donald DeAngelis opened discussion of the case at the board's meeting last Wednesday (he wasn't present at the hearing — Town

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NEW SCOTLAND

Junkers: how fast will the town move?

By Tom McPheeters

Both Fred Carl and New Scotland officials say something is going to be done about the lot next to Carl's New Salem Garage, which neighbors complain is an eyesore. But neither side is saying when, and somehow the neighbors don't seem convinced.

At issue is one lot with an old house and garage to the east of the thriving Saab and Subaru dealership. Most of the available land on the property is filled with cars in various states of disrepair and clearly visible to the neighbors. But because Carl's business has grown so big, seeming to dwarf the rest of the tiny hamlet that nestles under the Helderbergs, other issues are pushing through. Central among them is the town's resolve in enforcing its laws on zoning and on junk cars.

The town board heard the complaints of about a dozen New Salem residents at

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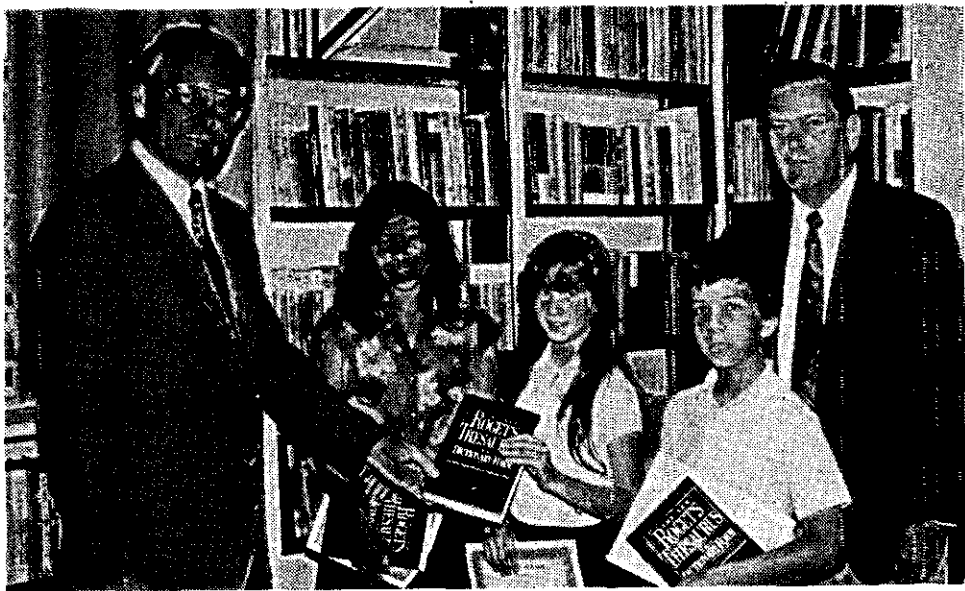
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BC union files charges

By Caroline Terenzini

The Bethlehem Central Teachers Association has filed an improper practices charge against the school district relating to negotiations just underway on a new contract.

The current three-year contract between the district and its approximately 230 teachers is due to expire June 30.

The charge, signed April 26 by BCTU chief negotiator Gordon Molyneux, a teacher at the high school, alleges that the district is refusing to negotiate in good faith and under the state's Taylor Law. The document alleges that Joseph Kelly and Thealon Associates, Latham, hired by the district as its negotiators, does not have the power to negotiate and further that, under the Taylor Law, Kelly should represent the "executive" (the superintendent) rather than the school board, a policy-making body.

Molyneux said the charge was filed with the state Public Employment Relations Board after the school board rejected an appeal to meet with the teachers' negotiators to "discuss ways of settling a labor dispute, such as a varia-

tion of arbitration." Arbitration is in the Taylor Law for police and fire fighters, but not for teachers and civil service employees, Molyneux said. The board's response that it was not in favor of arbitration prompted him to "look at the situation" and file the charge, Molyneux said.

District officials Monday declined to comment, deferring to Kelly. Kelly said the board is not in favor of interest arbitration. "My sense is that the board wants to make the decisions," he said. "They don't want to turn the responsibility over to a third party." It is also understood that the possibility of arbitration removes an incentive for moderating demands, since an arbitrator tends to choose the middle ground between two positions.

A pre-hearing conference on the charge has yet to be scheduled. If that fails to resolve the issue, then a hearing will be conducted, Kelly said.

Meanwhile, a negotiating session is scheduled for Monday, May 16.

□ Don Camp's retirement

the court with much younger people, but knee and feet injuries — and the more recent eye problem — have made him restrict his playing schedule.

"You've got to have a little luck when it comes to good health," Camp noted, but he works at keeping in good condition by doing 20 minutes of hard exercising every morning and taking frequent long walks.

Another retirement activity he enjoys is the writing of weekly letters to his mother and two daughters. "One of my goals as a retiree was to become closer to my family and I have," he said.

His mother, now 88, still lives in Aston, near Binghamton, where Camp grew up. His older daughter, Linda, is married to David Strebel, a physical education teacher and tennis pro in Honeoye Falls, N.Y., a suburb of Rochester. The Strebels have won Rochester mixed doubles titles, and he is currently the New York State men's singles indoor champion. Linda also teaches tennis and Nautilus classes, and they have two children, Geoffrey, 10, and Jackie, 6.

The Camp's younger daughter, Trisha Gingras, now lives and works in Eliot, Maine, with her two children, Adam, 12, and Andrew, 3. Don and Marian Camp also had a son, Donny, who was killed in a highway accident in 1967 at the age of 25 after he had graduated from college, served in the Air Force and gotten married. The pain of that personal tragedy was still apparent as Camp recently related how he and his wife were notified of it during a dinner party at home.

They look mostly to the future, however, and to the time when she too retires so they can enjoy their hobbies together. According to Camp, his wife is "very good at" many of the same activities he enjoys, such as golf and bowling and bridge. But her value to Bethlehem Town government takes precedence for the time being.

Don Camp's tennis exploits, both as player and teacher, may be what most people in our community will always identify with his name. His most recent accomplishment, though, might well be noted by those of a certain age: retirement can be a wonderful way of life.

Student pianist in concert

Katherine Louise Talmage, a senior at Bethlehem Central High School enrolled in the Octavo School of Musical Art, will be presented in a piano graduation repertoire Sunday, May 15, at 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Talmage of Delmar. The Octavo graduation will be held June 12 at the Women's Club in Albany.

Auxiliary slates installation

Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will install officers at a banquet May 14 at the Crossgates Restaurant. Outgoing president Judi Woodin will

install Vicki Bastiani, president; Pat Carazza, vice president; Maureen Wright, recording secretary; Paulette Heffernan, corresponding secretary, and Carol Berry, treasurer.

Win a bike

The Clarksville PTA is holding a raffle, with the drawing to be held at the regular PTA meeting Tuesday, May 17 at the elementary school.

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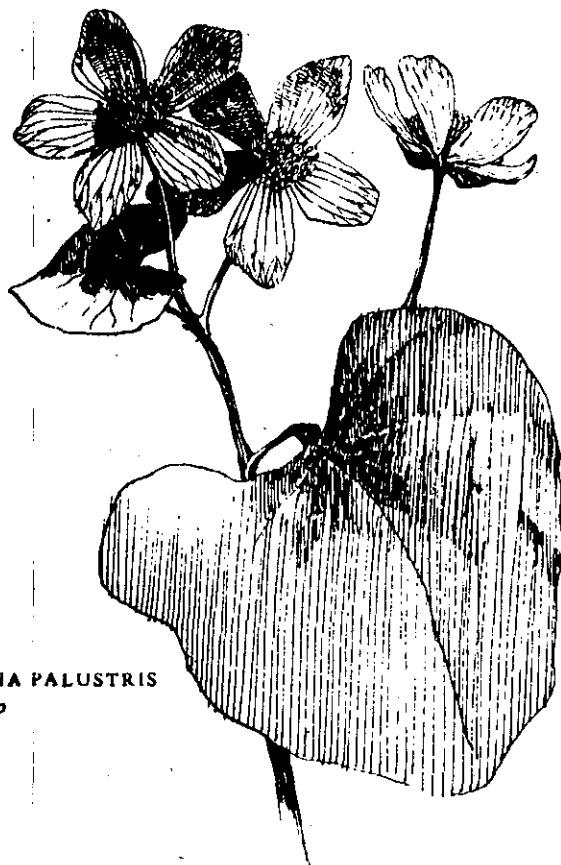
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Friday was cleanup day at Slingerlands Elementary School, and at the end of the day teachers and students took a moment to remember two departed members of the school community. A magnolia tree was planted in memory of the late Mrs. Ruth Killion, who was Principal David Murphy's secretary. In the picture, Murphy shows students a rhododendron bush planted in memory of fifth grader Lisa Newell, who died during the school year.

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Enrollment may mean traveling

Current enrollment figures show there are more Bethlehem kindergartners-to-be in the Glenmont area than can be accommodated at the Glenmont Elementary School so, when school starts in the fall, some of them may be attending the Slingerlands school. District Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn told the Bethlehem Central school board last Wednesday he hopes there will be enough entering pupils in a certain area so that assignment to Slingerlands school will mean a bus ride only three-tenths of a mile longer than if the children were attending the Glenmont school. Enrollment

figures, however, frequently change over the summer.

In other business, the board decided to ask organizers of a proposed after-school program to attend the May 18 meeting to provide details on their transportation need so the board could make a decision on whether the district will provide busing.

In presenting bids on tires, Zinn noted that bid prices obtained directly were equal to or lower than the prices under state contract, and in some cases significantly lower.

Havenwood plans approved

By Vincent Potenza

The Bethlehem Planning Board has given preliminary approval to the proposed Havenwood subdivision, 12 lots to be located at Mayfair Dr. and North Helderberg Parkway in Slingerlands.

At a public hearing for the project held at the board's April 19 meeting, area residents vigorously objected to the proposal, claiming the development would add to existing drainage problems, which they said are severe.

The plan for Havenwood, as described by surveyor Paul Hite for developer Kent Jenkins, involved a water runoff detention system (not a retention system, as earlier reported in the *Spotlight*) that would detain excess runoff from rain until it could be adequately channelled away.

The consensus of the board at last week's meeting was that, while the residents had a valid point, the board was only considering the general concept of Havenwood in granting preliminary approval for the subdivision. If the practical problems — drainage foremost among them — could not be resolved to the satisfaction of the town's Department of Public Works, then final approval

would not be granted.

Board members unanimously granted the preliminary approval.

The board also held a public hearing for Carmelo and Helen Crisafulli and their proposed Chriswood subdivision to be located across from Bleau's Towing Service on Elm Ave. in Selkirk.

One neighbor in attendance objected to the proposal, stating that she experienced difficulties with her well water supply the last time a house went up nearby.

No one in attendance spoke in favor of the proposal, and the board took no action on the plan.

Teens to clean up park

Teens from Bethlehem Central will be cleaning up trash, raking leaves and planting flowers at Bethlehem's Henry Hudson town park from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. The work-a-thon, which will include pledges for each hour worked, is sponsored by Campus Life, the non-denominational youth organization stressing a balanced-life philosophy. The pledges will be used to provide scholarships to summer camps and conferences.

Free mulch, wood chips

Saturday is the day Bethlehem residents can pick up free mulch for their gardens along with wood chips, but because of the recent wet weather, the traditional plastic bags won't do the job.

The town hall announcement proclaiming May 14 as Garden Day at the town highway garage on Elm Ave. East cautioned that the compost of rotted leaves and the wood chips tend to be wet and heavy this year, hence require sturdier containers. The leaves are from the annual fall cleanup.

The compost will be there for the taking between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Master gardeners from the Albany County Cooperative Extension will be on hand to provide tests on soil samples for a 50-cent donation between 9 a.m. and noon.

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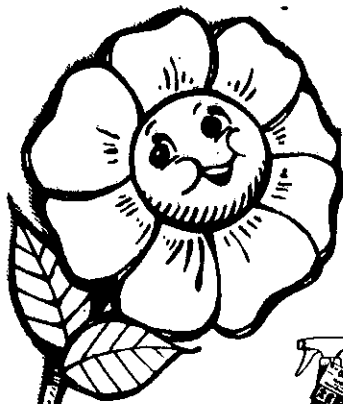
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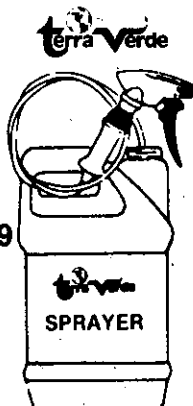
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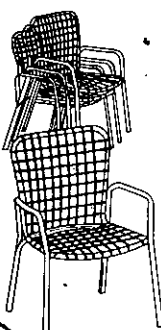


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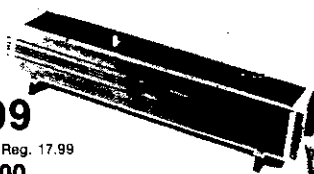
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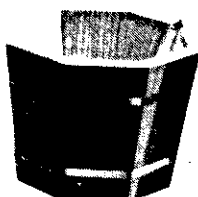
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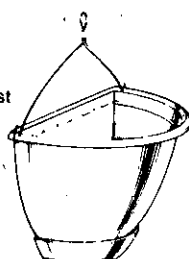
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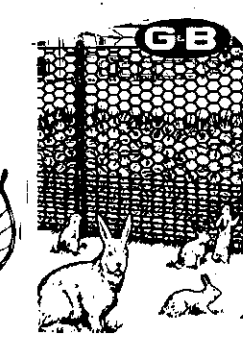


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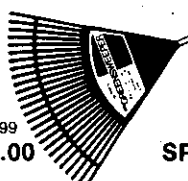


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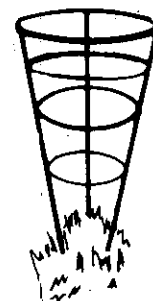
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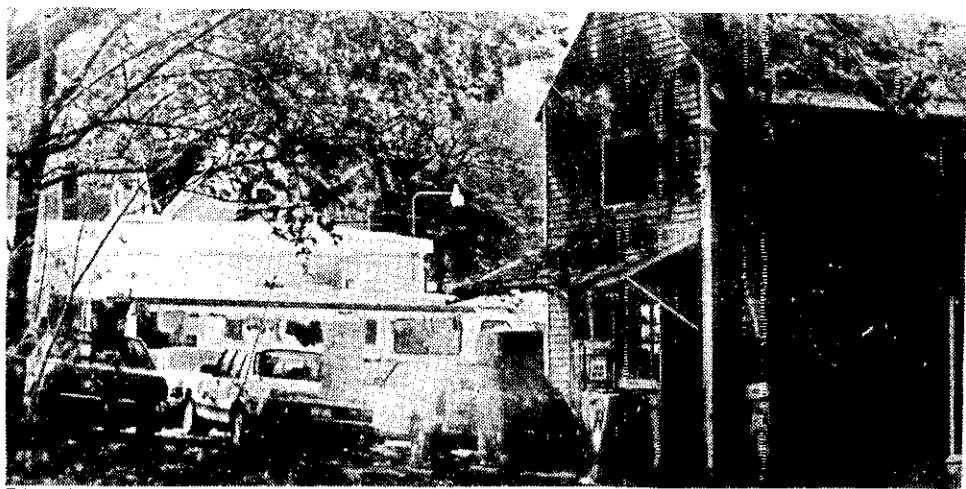


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The view from New Salem South Rd. — an old house and garage, many cars and, in the background, Fred Carl's New Salem Garage. Carl says none of the cars on the lot, which he owns, are junk; all are awaiting repairs.

Nursing home to 'stroll'

Residents of the Good Samaritan Home of Delmar are participating in a "stroll-a-thon" to be held from May 16 to June 12. The purpose is to promote walking as a beneficial health practice for the residents and to raise funds for the Salvation Army's soup kitchen. The residents discussed several charitable agencies before deciding on the Salvation Army.

An open house to "kick-off" the stroll-a-thon will be held at the Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, May 14 from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. The community, families and friends are invited to attend and to sponsor residents at this time. Donations may also be

mailed to the Resident Council of the Home.

School hosts senior citizens

The School Community Advisory team of Bethlehem Central High School is planning its second annual Senior Citizens Day May 17. Members of area senior citizens groups have been invited to take part in the event, in which student "guides" take the visitors through a portion of their school day.

SCAT chairman Tom Shaw said that following visits to classrooms, the students and their guests will share their experiences in a discussion period, then the students will treat their visitors to lunch in the school cafeteria.

□ New Scotland's junkers

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its meeting last Wednesday. The residents were informed that Carl has been served with a letter from building inspector Walter Miller, and that the letter was the first step in an overall enforcement plan.

"We've got to get our ducks in a row," explained Town Attorney Fred Reister. "Step one has been taken. Step number two is if he continues to use it to store cars to cite him for a violation."

But Miller wasn't at the meeting, and neither Reister nor Supervisor Steve Wallace had seen his letter at that point. The letter to Carl, dated May 3, says simply: "It has been determined that you will need a Spec. Use Permit if you wish to expand your business to include the corner lot. I am referring to the lot that you have a demolition permit for removal of the dwelling."

Miller said Monday he has no plans to


take any action against Carl and is waiting for Carl to make the first move.

Carl said Monday he does plan to demolish the buildings on the site, an old (currently occupied) apartment house and a garage structure. He said he plans to blacktop the entire lot and fence it so the cars will not be visible. "I would say it's going to look 100 percent better," he said.

But Carl didn't say when he plans to do the work, and added he has no plans to apply for a special use permit because he doesn't think he needs one. All of his property, including the corner lot in question, is in a commercial zone, and all of it was acquired 20 years or more ago — before New Scotland had a zoning code. Two or three years ago, he said, the same issue came up when he tried to add an office onto the garage building and was turned down by the zoning board. At



Junk cars, says some residents of New Scotland, are a problem all over town. Here a scene on Bullock Rd.



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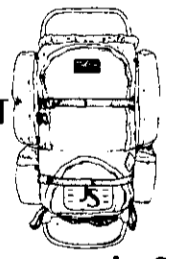

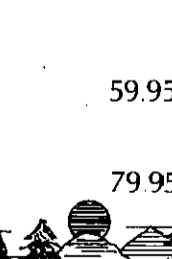
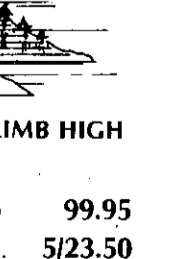
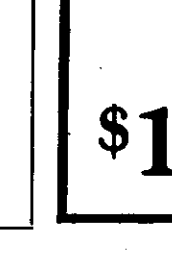
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that time, Carl said, he took the town to court and won.

Miller said he didn't remember the case, and zoning board attorney Fredrick Edmunds refused to comment.

At the meeting Wednesday, the New Salem residents recounted their frustrations in getting action — they had been referred by the town board to the zoning board and by the zoning board back to the town board.

"We're not getting anywhere," said Courtland Wenk, who lives on the other side of New Salem South Rd.

Carl said Monday the Wenks have had an old car in their back yard for five years. "There are junk cars all over this town," he said. "I don't know why they're picking on me."

The junk car subject did come up at the meeting, but Reister offered little hope for immediate action there, either. The town attorney said he wants time to redraw the junk car ordinance to make it "more effective." When several people expressed surprise, he replied: "I'm telling you as a lawyer I think I could have a good time with any attorney who tried to enforce that law."

Industrial arts on display

James Hladun, Voorheesville High School industrial arts teacher, and Russell Miller, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk teacher, are co-chairmen with George Bedell of Averill Park of the 15th annual industrial arts project exhibit at Colonie Center this week. The exhibit, sponsored by the Capital District Industrial Arts Association, is on for four days, Wednesday through Saturday, May 11-14.

Power work planned

Niagara Mohawk will be rebuilding two sets of power lines in the Voorheesville area this year to accommodate a growth in load demand in the area, a utility spokesman has announced. The projects are part of the company's \$19.4 million Capital Region construction budget for 1983.

Two 5,000 volt distributor lines will be rebuilt to accommodate 13,200 volts. They are on New Scotland Rd. between Clipp and South Rds., and New Salem Rd. between Martin Rd. and Rt. 85.

Voorheesville News Notes

Lyn Stapf 765-2451



Elementary spring concert

Music will fill the air this evening (Wednesday) when the Voorheesville Elementary School spring concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Clayton Bouton Junior-Senior High. Performing in the annual program will be the fifth grade chorus under the direction of Thomas Baker, the sixth grade chorus directed by Cynthia McDermott, and the fifth and sixth grade bands led by Lydia Tobler. The public is invited without charge.

Landscaping the patio

To help in the chore of sprucing up the yard, the Helderview Garden Club will present a program on patio landscaping directed by the Garden Shoppe. The public is invited to attend when the monthly meeting is held on Thursday, May 12, at 7 p.m. at the Voorheesville Methodist Church.

New program at St. Matthew's

Spring has always been a time of rebirth. With this in mind it's fitting that the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese has chosen this time to lay the foundation for an innovative project. Meetings to help set the groundwork for the Renew Program have been held for the past three weeks at St. Matthew's Church. Over 100 people from seven local churches including St. Matthew's of Voorheesville, St. Thomas of Delmar and St. Patrick's of Ravena have been meeting on Tuesday evenings to prepare for the Renew program to be introduced to people of the diocese on Oct. 9.

The purpose of the program is to promote spiritual renewal through the fostering of deeper community spirit. To accomplish this core teams have been trained so that they may return to their parishes and carry out the objectives of the program. Training leaders at the Voorheesville session have been Voorheesville residents Brennan and Marie Hill. Active in the church, Marie is a teacher of religion at Holy Names

Academy and chairman of St. Matthew's Human Concerns Commission, while Brennan, author of several authoritative books on religion, is one of the three-member team whose full-time job it is to oversee this important project.

Pre-schoolers busy

Children at the Community Nursery School of Voorheesville have been busy as bees this spring. With the school's first annual "Spring Thing" fundraiser successfully behind them, the children and their parents have been hosting Mother's Night. Morning mothers were honored last Thursday while mothers of afternoon students will be feted this Thursday, May 12, at a dinner prepared by the pre-schoolers. After serving their homemade

soup and hand-ground peanut butter, the children will spend an hour or so showing Mom what they do at school.

Coming events to finish out the school year, which ends May 26, include visits to the Indian Ladder apple farm, St. Peter's Hospital and the Voorheesville Elementary School to discuss bus safety.

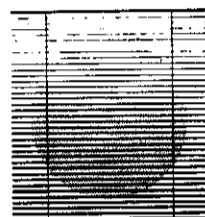
Mini reminders

Final reminder that this Saturday, May 14, will be the last spring pick up.

Still a few more days to sign up for the adult summer tennis league. The league, which will begin the end of June, practices week night evenings at the village courts. To register, contact Jeanne Petre at 765-4264 or Jean Fitzgerald at 765-4626. Deadline is this Friday, May 13.

Carnival time

Slingerlands School is holding its spring carnival this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the elementary school. In addition to the usual carnival features — games, moon walk, pony rides and food and drink — magician James Gosch will give a special show at 1:30 p.m.



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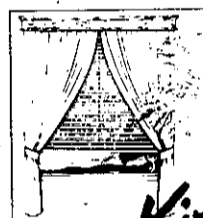
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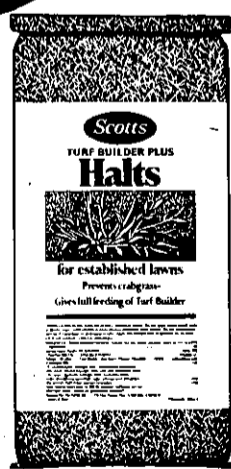
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DeFazio variance

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Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz filled in for him) by saying that, had he been present, he would have cleared up the accessory use question straightaway.

"Before you even get to the question of whether or not he (DeFazio) is a professional," DeAngelis said, "the business is disallowed because he employs outside help."

(DeAngelis agreed afterward that the ordinance is hard to read on this point — the section in question is paragraph two of Article VI. It opens with a sentence that is eight lines long, contains 11 commas, and uses the word "except" three times — twice to allow some uses, then once to disallow others — in this case, DeFazio's.)

Therefore, DeAngelis continued, even as a "professional" DeFazio was in violation of the ordinance. According to DeAngelis, a doctor would be in violation if he had an office in a residential zone and employed a nurse.

Board member Thomas Scherer noted that DeFazio had said at the hearing the space presently being used as an office was slated on the building permit to be a family room, but it had been "in the back of his mind" to eventually be the office. "The intent was there," Scherer said; "and he tried to camouflage it. He defied our laws . . ."

Board member Kathleen Becker asked Flanigan, "Didn't Mrs. DeFazio tell you that she knew they were in violation of the ordinance but that they weren't going to stop?"

Flanigan: "They knew they were (in violation) and just said, 'Do what you have to do.' So I did."

Then the board confronted the central issues in granting a use variance — hardship and effect on the neighborhood.

DeFazio had testified at the hearing that he had spent over \$200,000 to get his home and business at their present location, and that, though he had looked for outside office space, the cost was prohibitive.

"It's a self-created hardship," Chairman Charles Fritts said last Wednesday. "John (Flanigan) told them before they moved in it would be in violation and they did it anyway."

Flanigan said he had issued the DeFazios a temporary certificate of occupancy because he had inspected the site and found a finished family room, "panelling, carpet, the whole bit. Their lawyer told me 'No office, no office.' Two weeks later Ed (Assistant Building Inspector Edward Dominelli) and I went back and there it was. Desks, phones, everything."

Board member Orin Barr asked Flanigan about the phone lines: "He

(DeFazio) said he has three phone lines coming in for the business. It sounds like quite an operation."

"The phone system is better than the one we have here," Flanigan said, referring to town hall. "It's beautiful."

Scherer noted that spending a lot of time away from home on business was not unique to DeFazio's situation. "So do I," Scherer said. "I manage."

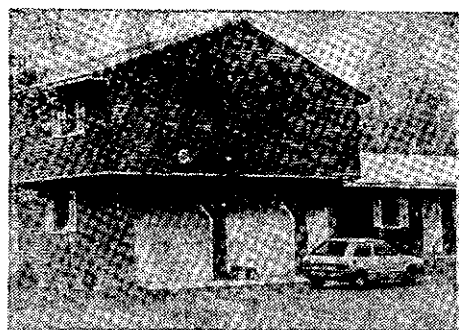
Impact on the neighborhood was dealt with more quickly. "The one neighbor who testified in his behalf lives 'way around the corner," Flanigan said. Fritts cited the pickup and delivery of film by UPS ("two or three times a day," DeFazio had said at the hearing) as annoyance enough for neighbors.

"I think he underplayed the photographers coming and going, too," Flanigan said. "Down in the basement where he said he just stores the equipment there're signs that say this school here and that school there . . . it's really too organized."

"So," Fritts said, summing up. "It seems the consensus is that we have a self-created hardship because he could've come to us about John's ruling before he started but didn't. And then there's impact on the neighborhood. Anybody care to make a motion?"

The application was unanimously rejected.

Then came the problem of enforcement — if DeFazio was in violation of the ordinance, how long would he have to



The DeFazio house

comply? (In other words, stop conducting business from his residence.)

Board members settled on 60 days after adoption of the formal resolution denying the variance, which will most likely be at its next meeting, May 18.

But if DeFazio appeals the board's decision, which seems likely on the basis of his testimony, School Pictures, Inc. may have an Elm Ave. address for a while longer.

"If he appeals we'll probably let it go until he gets a decision," DeAngelis said after the meeting. "You begin to get into the question of irreparable harm — would forcing him to move his business irreparably harm him? I think we'd wait."

Retired teachers meet

Assemblyman Richard Connors (D-Albany) will be the speaker at a meeting of the Albany Area Retired Teachers Association Thursday, May 19, at 12:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library.

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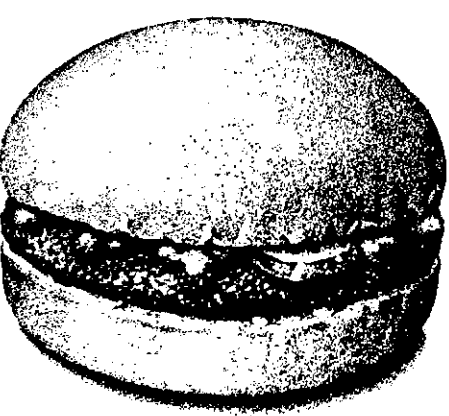
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But according to town officials the conflict didn't have to happen this late in the game. The issue could have been resolved much earlier, and that may be a lesson to other property owners unsure about the town's sometimes obscure zoning laws.

According to Charles Fritts, chairman of the town's Board of Appeals, his board is available and more than willing to rule on cases in which property owners and the building inspector disagree. Here's how it works:

On a form available at the building office at Bethlehem's town hall is an application for a variance — from the zoning ordinance or "from the building inspector."

If there is no question in your mind that what you intend to do with or on your property is not permissible under the town's zoning ordinance (copies of which can be obtained at town hall for a nominal fee), you apply to the board of appeals for a variance or special exception from the zoning ordinance, have a public hearing, and either abide by or appeal the decision.

If, after reading the zoning ordinance, it is not clear to you that what you intend to do will be a violation, talk to the building inspector or his staff members. If none of these people can convince you of your satisfaction that your interpretation is wrong, appeal to the board of appeals for a ruling.

The board of appeals will hold a hearing, Fritts says, examine your particular reasons and circumstances, then let you know in a reasonable amount of time whether they consider your interpretation justified. (This may spell the difference between hiring legal counsel or not. At any rate it should give you some indication of when it may be necessary and may therefore save you money.)

But the operative word is intend — don't wait until you have too much at stake. The board of appeals is available and, in the vast majority of cases, extremely expedient in handling its applications.

In the long run, the time and money you save will be your own, and the board of appeals will be happy to listen.

"That's what we're here for," Fritts says.

Vincent Potenza

Used car variance is denied

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals has rejected an application for a variance from the zoning ordinance that would have permitted John E. Bergmann to operate a used car lot on Delaware Ave., Elsmere, next to Nassau Tires.

Board members said at their meeting last Wednesday that Bergmann had failed to demonstrate hardship at the public hearing for the proposal held two weeks earlier.

The board also cited probable problems with traffic, since the site is located where Delaware Ave. converges from two lanes to one. The vote to reject the application was unanimous.

In other business, the board held a public hearing for Walter Prichard, Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, who requested a variance from the width-of-lot provision of the zoning ordinance so that he could sell some of his land for use as a single-family lot.

But confusion arose at the hearing when Prichard's neighbors said that drainage pipes from their property went right through the middle of the proposed building site. They unanimously objected to the proposal, and no one but the applicant and prospective buyer of the site spoke in favor.

The board took no action on the request.

Other business included an application for a special exception that would allow the Hess station on Delaware Ave. Elsmere, to install an additional fuel tank for the storage of diesel fuel. The board scheduled a public hearing for the case at 8 p.m. on May 18.

Another public hearing was scheduled 8:30 p.m. that same night for an application by Deborah and Dr. Martin McNally of 7 Darroch Rd., Delmar. The McNallys seek a variance from the front yard provision of the zoning ordinance so that they can join an existing privacy fence to their house with two columns.

Vincent Potenza

Strauss to give recital

Violinist Monika Strauss of Delmar will play her senior recital for the Music Department of the State University at Albany this Friday at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the University Performing Arts Center. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

Wildlife study Saturday

Wildlife of the wetlands will be the subject of an outdoor investigation scheduled at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, May 14, at 2 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. For information, call Susan Richmond, 439-5744.

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

THE Spotlight Calendar

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

American Legion meets first Mondays at Blanchard Post 1040, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, at 8 p.m., except July, August.

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Spring Concert, Voorheesville Elementary School pupils, at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Growing and Using Herbs, at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Soil testing at 7 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Slingerlands Fire District, at 8 p.m. second Wednesday of month, Slingerlands Fire Station.

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

Bethlehem Central School District Voting, on budget and board candidates, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Middle School.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

"High Noon", film to be shown at 1:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall, by Bethlehem Senior Citizen Organization. Free.

Spring Music Festival, Bethlehem Middle School, 8 p.m.

Humane Education Workshop, Part 2, for children 7 to 12, at Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

Delmar Fire Department Auxiliary, second Thursday of every month except August, at the firehouse, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

Bethlehem Memorial V.F.W. Post 3185 meets second Thursday of each month, post rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9836.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

Bethlehem Garden Club Plant Sale, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, beginning at 9 a.m.

Q.U.I.L.T., at Delmar United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Information, 482-0752.

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

Bethlehem Grange plans slide show by Visiting Nurse Association, 2:30 p.m. at the Grange Hall, Rt. 396, Selkirk.

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Junior Prom, Bethlehem Central High School, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. \$12 admission.

Glenmont Community Reformed Church 25th anniversary celebration, First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, dinner at 6 p.m. followed by program.

Father-Son Dinner, South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 6 p.m.

Men's Garden Club Plant Sale, flowers and vegetable plants, Key Bank's Delmar office, Delaware Ave., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Chicken Dinner, Bethlehem Grange Hall, Becker's Corners, Selkirk, 4 p.m.

Spring Carnival, pony rides, bake sale, raffle, games and magic show at 1:30 p.m., Slingerlands Elementary School, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

"Birding for Beginners", Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, beginning at 9 a.m. Free.

Salem Hills Garage Sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., off Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

"Cinderella", 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library, all ages. Free tickets available in children's room.

Campus Life Workathon, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Henry Hudson Park. Fund-raiser.

Garden Day, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bethlehem town highway garage, Elm Ave. E., Selkirk, soil testing offered. Take sturdy container for compost, wood chips.

Open House, Good Samaritan Home, Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, to kick off "Stroll-a-thon," residents' fund-raiser for Salvation Army's soup kitchen.

"Wetlands—the Overlooked Habitat", Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Free.

Awards Dinner, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, at Normanside Country Club, Delmar, cocktails 6:30, dinner 7:30. Reservations, 439-8008.

Delmar Fire Department Auxiliary Installation and dinner, Crossgates Restaurant. Information, 439-5004.

Heideberg Workshop Sampler, one-day outdoor classes, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Picard Rd., Voorheesville. Information, 482-9121.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

Recital, pianist Katherine Tallmage of Delmar, 3 p.m., United Methodist Church, Delmar.

Albany Therapeutic Riding Center Open House, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Martin Rd., Voorheesville, demonstrations, tour and refreshments. Information at 765-2022 or 765-2636.

Glenmont Community Church, 25th anniversary service, Selkirk Reformed Church, at 10:15 a.m.

Church Musical, "100% Chance of Rain," Delmar United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 16

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

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.

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

"Dracula" (fun and chills in this version directed by Doug deLisle for Schenectady Civic Players), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, May 11-14 and 16-17, 8 p.m., May 15, 2:30 p.m. Community Box Office.

"Nightingale" (new musical by Charles Strouse presented by Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, May 13 preview at 10 a.m.; performances May 15, 2 p.m., May 16 and 18-20, 10 a.m., May 20 and 21, 8 p.m., and May 21, 2 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg box office, 473-3750.

"Heaven Can Wait" (comedy presented by Albany Civic Theater), 235 Second Ave., Albany, May 18 through 29, Wednesday-Saturdays, 8 p.m., Sunday matinees, 2 p.m. Tickets at the box office or Community Box Office.

"Evita" (the Broadway musical blockbuster on tour), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, May 24 through 29, 8 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

MUSIC

"Spring Festival of Sound" presented by Albany Academy Music Department, Academy Chapel, May 11, 7:30 p.m.

Israeli songwriter Naomi Shemer, Madison Theater, Albany, May 12, 8 p.m. Tickets at Community Box Office or Temple Israel.

Racing City Chorus (barbershop group presents annual show with circus theme), Saratoga Springs Junior High School, May 13 and 14, 8 p.m.

Violinist Monika Strauss of Delmar, senior recital, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, May 13, 8 p.m.

Mendelssohn Club's spring concert, with the Thursday Musical Club of Schenectady, Chancellor's Hall, State Education Building, Washington Ave., Albany, May 13, 8 p.m. Tickets, call 439-9849 or at the door.

Albany Pro Musica (chamber music by Bach and Mozart), Trinity United Methodist Church, Lark and Lancaster Sts., Albany, May 14, 8 p.m.

Victor Borge and the Cleveland Orchestra, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, May 15, 7 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

Broken String Band (traditional Irish music presented by Old Songs), St. Mark's Community Center, Gunderland Center, May 16, 8 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra with soloist Malcolm Frager, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, May 20, 8:30 p.m., Palace Theater, Albany, May 21, 8:30 p.m. Reservations, 465-4755.

DANCE

Highland Dancing Competition, 18th annual traditional Scottish dance event. Doane Stuart School, Rt. 9W, May 14 throughout the day. Open to the public with Scottish food available.

Danceworks (lecture-demonstration by modern dance company from Boston), Arts Building, Union College, May 17, 4:30-6 p.m.

ART

Needlework '83 (works and demonstrations by Capital District Chapter of Embroiderer's Guild of America), Albany Institute of History and Art, through May 15.

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Hannakrois Chapter, D.A.R., 7:30 p.m., Bethlehem Historical Association's Schoolhouse Museum, Cedar Hill.

Bethlehem Memorial V.F.W. Post 3185 Auxiliary meets third Monday of month at post rooms at 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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

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

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

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

Selkirk Fire District Commissioners meet, 7:30 p.m., Selkirk Fire Co. No. 2, Glenmont Rd., Glenmont.

Bethlehem Public Library Trustees meet at the library, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 17

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

Book Discussion Group at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Senior Citizens Day, Bethlehem Central High School, student guides take senior citizens through a portion of the school day, including lunch.

American Association of Retired Persons, third Tuesday, at Delmar United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Delmar Progress Club spring dinner, with Scottish Highland dancers, Crossgates Banquet House. Reservations by May 11, 439-1327.

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

Spring Concert, Elsmere Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Spring Concert, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Clarksville PTA, Clarksville Elementary School, 7:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

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

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

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

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

Public Hearings, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of L.C. Smith, Jr. of Cohoes for permission to add diesel fuel tank to premises, Hess, 154 Delaware Ave., Delmar, and on application of McKneally, 7 Darroch Rd., Delmar, for permission to join existing privacy fence to structure at premises, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Delmar Fire District regular meeting third Wednesday, Delmar Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.

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

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Albany County Audubon Society, election of officers, directors, 8 p.m., Five Rivers Environmental Center, Delmar. Also, members' slide show.

Bethlehem Historical Association, slide program on wedding of Betsy Schuyler and Alexander Hamilton, 8 p.m., Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk.

Albany Area Retired Teachers Association to hear Assemblyman Richard Connors, 12:30 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library. Guests welcome.

Red Cross Bloodmobile, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School, Rt. 9W, Ravena.

Spring Band Concert, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m. Open to public, free.

Spring Music Festival II, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 8 p.m.

American Legion Luncheons, for members, guests and applicants for membership, post rooms, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Thursday, noon.

Humane Education Workshop, Part 3, for children 7 to 12, Bethlehem Public Library, at 4 p.m.

League of Women Voters, 7:30 p.m., at Delmar Presbyterian Church, Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-5744.

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Bethlehem Historical Association Tailgate Sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Schoolhouse Museum, Cedar Hill.

Selkirk Fire Co. No. 3 Auxiliary Garage Sale, begins at 10 a.m. at the South Bethlehem firehouse.

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Transcendental Meditation lectures every Wednesday, free, Capital District TM Center, 277 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, 8 p.m.

Zonta Club of Albany, monthly meeting and installation of officers, Sheraton-Airport Inn, 200 Wolf Rd., Colonie, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

"The Image of Albany," architect John I. Mesick looks at 3½ centuries of city's development, Assembly Room, State Capitol (third floor), 7:30 p.m.

Retired Teachers Association, Eastern New York State zone, annual meeting of executive committee, Bavarian Chalet, Rt. 20, Guiderland, registration 9 a.m., meeting 10 a.m., followed by luncheon. All members welcome.

Brown Bag Wellness Seminars, discussions on stress, smoking and adolescent sexuality, Albany Medical Center, Sampson Auditorium, 12:30-5 p.m. Information, 445-3421. Continuing Friday.

Colonial Council Home Economics Fair, displays of student projects and awards, Lansingburgh Junior-Senior High School, 320 N. 7th Ave., Troy.

Concerned Friends of Hope House, self-help and support group for parents of substance abusers, every Thursday at Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

Albany Tulip Festival begins at noon with traditional scrubbing of State Street. Also, Tulip Flower Show opens at Albany Institute of History and Art to run through Sunday.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

Annual Preservation Awards presented by Historic Albany Foundation, Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government, 411 State St., Albany, 5:30 p.m.

Fund Raiser for Empire State Youth Orchestra, cocktails and prizes, Albany Hilton Hotel, 6-9 p.m. Tickets \$15. Reservations, 371-4458, 899-2609 or 382-1130.

Tribute to Women by Albany YWCA, Thruway House, Washington Ave., Albany. Information, 438-6608.

American Association of University Women state convention, with former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm speaking at Friday evening banquet and conferences Saturday and Sunday, Americana Inn, Colonie.

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Pinksterfest, Albany's traditional spring celebration, opens two-day run in Washington Park, with tulip pageant and coronation of tulip queen at noon, Kinderkermis (children's fair) 1-4 p.m. at the Lake House and crafts, food and music until 6 p.m.

Commencement, College of Saint Rose, Convention Hall, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 10 a.m.

Spaghetti Dinner, VFW Post 8692, Old Karner Rd., Colonie, \$3 per person, 5-8 p.m.

Dream Workshop, Eckankar, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, 2 p.m.

Association for Retarded Children, Albany County chapter, annual dinner with cocktails, dinner and dancing at the center, 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 6 p.m. Tickets \$10, call 434-2141.

Bird Walks at George Landis Arboretum, Esperance, 7 and 10 a.m.

Recorder Workshop, sponsored by American Recorder Society, Frederick House, Rt. 146, Guiderland Center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information, 462-4666 or 473-7605.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

Pinksterfest continues with live entertainment all afternoon, Washington Park, Albany (in case of rain Sunday only, festival moves to Concourse, Empire State Plaza), noon-6 p.m.

Nature Conservancy field trip at Wellborn Woods, Saratoga County, led by Sigrin Newell and Laura Paris, meet at 1:30 p.m. at Waterwheel Cheese Store, Rt. 29, Mosherville.

Bagel Run starts at Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., 2-mile family run, 9:30 a.m.; 10K run at 10 a.m. Registration at the center or prior to the races.

Mercy House open house, to show off shelter for women in crisis, 12 St. Joseph Terr., Albany, 2-5 p.m.

Open Auditions for "The Mikado," scheduled for production at SUNYA in late September, Room B-78, Performing Arts Center, 1-4 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. Monday.

MONDAY, MAY 16

Joseph Sisco, former State Department undersecretary, to speak on the Middle East, Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, 8 p.m.

Vital Signs, American Red Cross self-help course, Albany Chapter House, Hackett Blvd., 9 a.m.-noon. Registration, 462-7461.

TUESDAY, MAY 17

Schenectady Antique Radio Club, monthly meeting, Schenectady Museum, Nott Terr. Heights, 7 p.m.

RID (Remove Intoxicated Drivers), with Albany County Stop DWI coordinator Denis Foley, Colonie Central High School, Hackett Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 869-3201.

Interest Rates and the Stock Market, noon talk by E.F. Hutton executive Mark S. Gardner, Albany Public Library.

Albany Artists Group, meeting and demonstration of watercolors by William Byron, West End Presbyterian Church, Central Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Frank Lloyd Wright Lecture, SUNY-Buffalo professor Jack Quinan speaks on the Larkin Administration Building, State Museum, Albany, 8 p.m.

American Association of University Women, Albany monthly meeting with speaker Nancy Cozean and installation of officers, Italian Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension, Albany, 5:30 social hour, 6:30 p.m. dinner. Reservations, 439-0476.

Wood Engravings from Lewis Carroll, illustrated lecture by illustrator Barry Moser, Albany Public Library, 8 p.m.

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Officials for a day

Eight RCS Senior High School students took part in Youth Government Day sponsored by the Bethlehem Lodge of Elks No. 2233, Selkirk, on May 3. Invited to visit various government agencies in the Town of Coeymans and Village of Ravena were Christine Broadner, Debbie Brodrick, Christine Holloran, Wendy Hoose, Richard Kinley, Mary Micazzi, Owen Mudge and Frances Pomakoy.

Visiting the mayor's office, police department, judges' chambers, sewage

treatment plant, water treatment facility and the assessor's office, each department head gave an explanation of the duties the particular office entailed. After observing a segment of their daily routine, the students were escorted by the officials to the Elks Lodge.

Welcomed by Exalted Ruler Norman Mokhiber, the group joined students from Bethlehem Central High School who participated in Youth Government Day in Delmar. The youths enjoyed a dinner shared with many of Bethlehem, Coeymans and Ravena officials, including Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corri-

gan, Ravena Mayor Baily and Coeymans Supervisor John Biscone.

Garage sale at firehouse

The Ladies Auxiliary of Selkirk Fire Co. No. 3, South Bethlehem, will hold a giant garage sale on Saturday, May 21, beginning at 10 a.m. at the South Bethlehem fire house. The sale will offer baked goods, refreshments, clothing, household items and an endless list of other articles for purchase. Anyone interested in renting table space or wishing to make contributions to the sale may do so by contacting, Cindy Van Kempen at 756-8303.

Visting nurse to visit

This evening, May 11 at 7 p.m. the Ladies Auxiliary of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge has invited June Champney, director of development for the Visiting Nurse Association of Albany, Inc. to narrate a 35-minute slide presentation entitled "Nursing and More." This is a timely and informative program concerning the care of the elderly and services available to them. Anyone interested is welcome. The program will be held at the Elks lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk.

Historic wedding on screen

Susan May, site director of the New York State Office of Parks and Recreation, will give a slide presentation on the wedding of Betsy Schuyler and Alexander Hamilton in the Schuyler Mansion at the May 19 meeting of the Bethlehem Historical Association. The public is invited to the meeting at 8 p.m. in the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk. Refreshments will be served.

Sports picnic Sunday

Hoping for fair weather, the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem Youth Group has planned outdoor activities for their next gathering. Scheduled for Sunday, May 15, the teens hope to enjoy a picnic in the woods, softball and other outdoor sports.

Open to all Junior and Senior High

school students, the gathering will begin 6 p.m. on the church grounds.

Gala at Cedar Hill

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Crangle are co-chairmen of the Bethlehem Historical Association tailgate sale, which will be held at the Cedar Hill School House Museum grounds, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Cedar Hill, on Saturday, May 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visitors may browse among antiques, craft booths, plants and herbs, good used clothes and books, white elephant item, home-baked goods and a genealogy table. Refreshments will be available. Committee chairmen include Mr. and Mrs. James Vandervort, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Alford, Helen Denny, Marie Weidemann, Mary Van Oostenbrugge, Florence Christoph, Mary Ann and Josephine Twardowsky.

Home-style dinner at Grange

The Bethlehem Grange is having a baked chicken dinner at the Grange Hall, located on Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, Selkirk, Saturday, May 14, at 4 p.m. The public is invited. The Women's Activities Committee will have a variety of items offered for sale in the Old Store during the evening.

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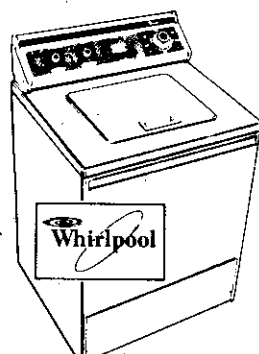
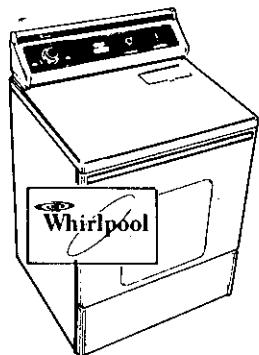
The Hannakrois Chapter of the DAR will hold their regular monthly meeting May 16 at the Bethlehem Historical Museum, Rt. 144, at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Ronald E. Newton will present a slide show entitled, "Samplers in DAR Museums." The program will also include a memorial service for past members.

This week's menu

The menu for Senior Projects of Ravena beginning May 12 will be: Thursday, hot turkey sandwich with gravy, baked sweet potato; Friday, macaroni and cheese with diced ham; Monday, sloppy joe on bun, french fries; Tuesday, BBQ chicken, steamed rice; Wednesday, beef tips in gravy, O'Brien potato.

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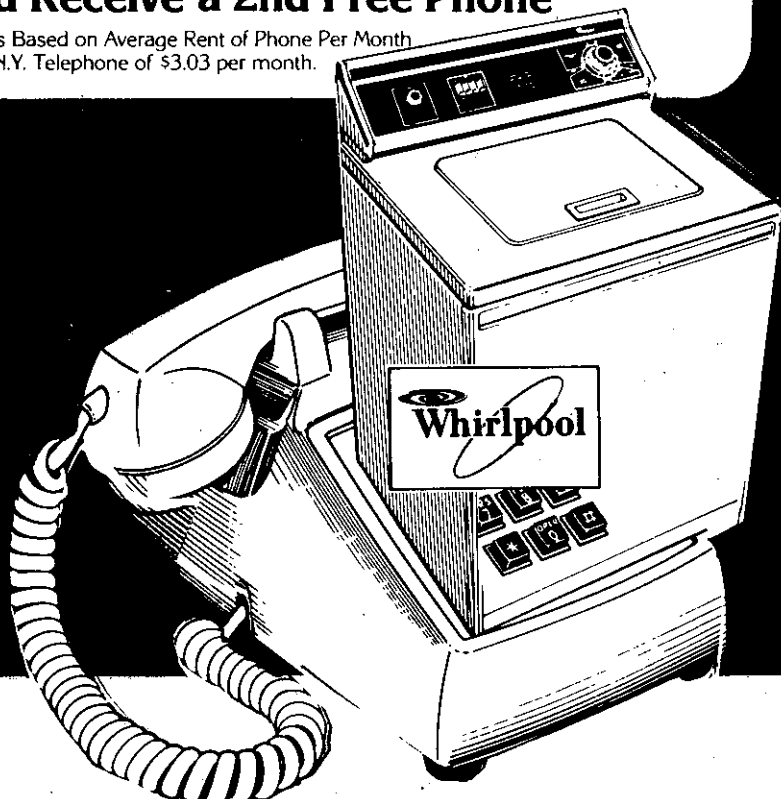
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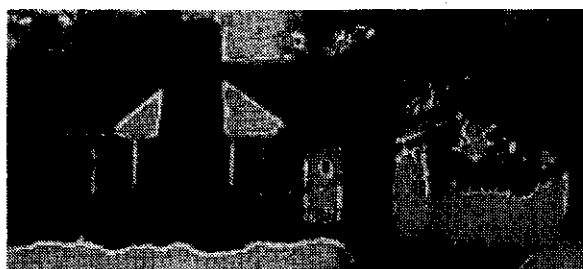
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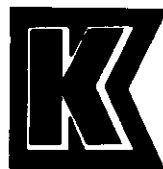
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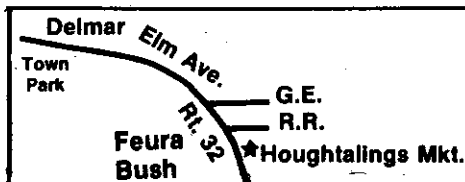
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RCS names top seniors

Victor Carrk, principal at the Ravena Coeymans Selkirk Senior High School, has announced the names of the valedictorian and salutatorian for the class of 1983.

Owen Schuyler Mudge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Mudge, Clement Ave., Ravena, is valedictorian of the RCS class of 1983. Owen earned the honor by maintaining a three and one-half year average of 94.55 percent. While in high school, Owen has been active in many extra curricular activities, including stage and concert band, and president of the concert band this year. He has been in the National Honor Society for three years and president during his third year. He is also a recipient of a New York State Regents Scholarship.

Owen is planning a career in engineering and has acceptances at R.P.I. and Cornell.

Wendy Ann Hoose, this year's Salutatorian, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hoose of Onesquethaw Creek Rd., Feura Bush. She earned the honor by maintaining a three and one-half year average of 94.35 percent. Wendy is presently editor of the school newspaper

and has participated in three varsity sports — tennis, track and softball. This year she is in a special program as an intern for county government. Throughout her high school days she has also participated in Student Council, Honor Society, German Club, Art Club, the RCS Model Congress, has served in a tutoring program and was statistician for the basketball team. Her college major will be in the biological sciences or ecology.

Birding for beginners

An outdoor introduction to bird identification will be offered at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, May 14, at 9 a.m. "Birding for Beginners" will investigate the tricks and tips of birdwatching, relying on "field marks," habits and habitats. The program is open to the public and is free. Participants should wear hiking shoes. Binoculars and field guides will also be appropriate. In case of inclement weather, an indoor program is scheduled. For information, call 457-6092.

Handicapped open house

The Albany Therapeutic Riding Center will sponsor an open house on May 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The center is located on Martin Rd., Voorheesville.

There will be demonstrations of riding for the handicapped by students, tour of the Center and refreshments. Information will be provided as to student enrollment and volunteer activities.

For information, call 765-2022 or 765-2636.



John V. Pittz

The aging celebrate

This is national Homes for the Aging Week and a full calendar of events is keeping residents and staff of the Good Samaritan Home in Delmar busy. A concert by the Delmar Community Orchestra and a movie matinee will be followed today (Wednesday) by a Gay Nineties party and another nostalgic party Thursday with musicians from the Senior Citizens Center in Albany.

On Friday morning there will be a shellcraft program led by Karen Cook, activities leader. An open house Saturday from 1:30 to 4 p.m. will climax the week-long observance.

Race set at JCC

The Albany Jewish Community Center Bagel Run will be held Sunday, May 15, at the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd. in Albany. The main event will be a 10,000 meter run at 10 a.m. There will be a 3,000 meter family fun run at 9:30 a.m.

Sailor of the year

Yeoman First Class (SS) John V. Pittz, a Bethlehem native, has been named the Defense Intelligence Agency's Sailor of the Year for 1982.

Pittz was cited for his "Demonstrated selfless devotion to excellent . . . and exemplary performance of duty in one of, if not the most, demanding and pressure-packed environments in the military intelligence community." He is the senior administrative specialist of a team of five non-commissioned officers, whose duties include the preparation and presentation of highly sensitive daily current intelligence briefings to the chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of Defense, U.S. Congress, and other high-level defense agencies.

Pittz graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1968. He attended one year of SUNY at Cobleskill and worked at R.T.A. Dist., Inc. in Albany.

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Movies just down the road

Keith Picard and his partners have definite ideas about what a movie theater should be. Their new venture, the Spectrum Theater, is just a five-minute drive from the Bethlehem town line, and the new owners see the Tri-Village area, along with Downtown Albany, as their logical market.

But the Spectrum, the old Delaware Theater reborn, clearly won't be everybody's answer to movies in Delmar. It won't necessarily be aimed toward "family entertainment" and it definitely won't be a "baby sitting service," says Picard.

What they hope it will be is an event, "an exciting place."

The theater, with a new interior to match its new name, will show first-run movies, mostly English-language, but often not the standard Hollywood fare. "They're films that might not come up here," said Picard, one of the four owners of the Spectrum. The same group has been operating the Third Street Theater in Rensselaer for several years now, successfully showing a mixture of

foreign films and domestic revivals.

The Spectrum opened Friday with "Lianna," a new movie by Schenectady native John Sayles. Following that will be "Star Struck," a new Australian movie starring Gillian Armstrong ("My Brilliant Career" and "King of Comedy"), a recent release starring Robert DeNiro and Jerry Lewis that never made it to the Capital District.

The new owners have cleaned up and painted the inside of the theater, put in a new refreshment stand with an old fashioned soda fountain and installed lighting in the parking lot at the rear of the building. Later in the summer there will be a cafe in the adjoining building.

"We've put a lot of work into making people feel comfortable," said Picard. "It's going to be an exciting place."

Chamber cites 3 firms

Three Bethlehem business firms will receive 25-year community service awards at the annual awards dinner of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Saturday, May 14, at the Normanside



Mrs. Alan Hilchie, left, Mrs. James Tate and Mrs. Gerald McGregor are helping to tag items donated by more than 100 families for the Panhellenic Association benefit garage sale to be held on May 21 at 39 Alden Ct., Delmar. Panhellenic awarded four college scholarships during the past year.

Country Club. Plaques will be presented to Bud Jones Service, Burt Anthony Life Associates and Roberts Real Estate.

Speaker will be Dr. Robert Arm-

strong, chairman of the chemistry department at Russell Sage College, Troy, on the impact of acid rain on the Capital District.

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Pitching keeps RCS in running

Two fine pitching jobs have put Ravena in a contending position in Colonial Council baseball, but the Indians will need help from other teams and their own defense to make a run for the roses. They stood 4-2 entering this week.

The tribe got two games in last week despite unfavorable meteorology, losing 6-1 at Lansingburgh in the late innings, and bouncing back from a 6-0 deficit to shock Watervliet at home, 7-6, Friday.

Jeff Bivona had a no-hitter going into the seventh at Lansingburgh, but the Indians were trailing by 2-1 on infield throwing errors. In the seventh, the home team used a couple of bunts and another misplay to pad the lead, and when the first ball Bivona permitted to be hit through the infield fell safely, the game was out of reach.

Donny Baker went the distance in Friday's thriller, surviving a shelling in the first inning. Down 6-0 in the third, Baker settled down and blanked Watervliet on one hit over the last four frames.

His teammates erupted for all seven runs in the fourth, and seven was all Baker needed. Sam Chalk opened with a double and Jeff Driscoll walked. Four straight singles delivered four runs and there were two on with one out when Jay Askew emptied the paths and knotted the count with a two-run double. Askew scampered home with the winner on a passed ball.

There will be no days off and no practice from now on unless the weather intervenes. Ravena had back-to-back games with Schalmont Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, a makeup with Mechanicville at home Thursday, and a scheduled trip to Cohoes Friday. Next week it's Lansingburgh at home Monday and another makeup with Cohoes at

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In between, the Indians are committed to a Saturday doubleheader in a non-league tournament at Gloversville. Coach Bob Lammly indicated that if the team still had a shot at the Colonial crown by that time, he may forego his first-line pitchers and rest their flippers for the league race next week.

Gearing up for competition

The Elsmere Fire Company "A" championship drill team has been working over the winter reconditioning and modifying its drill team truck to ready themselves for state competitions this summer.

Last year, in addition to winning their seventh consecutive Central New York State Conference championship, the Elsmere drill team went to the state championships in Olean and came home with a trophy — a rarity for any rookie team in the state championships.

The team is now constructing a training arch at the town fire training grounds to practice for various ladder events. Team members are looking forward to the challenge of running motorized ladder events this year.

"Most of our men have kept themselves in top physical condition over the winter and we are coming into this new season with a strong team and a better equipped racing truck," said team Captain Kevin Shea. "We hope to do well this year. However, we are always looking for new men for our team and we invite anyone interested to join the Elsmere Fire Department."

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Weather, manpower make Blackbird week tough

Voorheesville's backlog of washed-out games and its deficit in the Colonial Council baseball standings continued to grow last week.

From the local standpoint, the only race left is with the calendar. The Blackbirds played only one game all week, and that one was on Saturday. They have a game every day this week, weather permitting, and they are scheduled to play in a tournament at Johnstown this Saturday.

The freak weather, including a sudden downpour five minutes before a home game, overshadowed two other news items, the return of the vagabonds and an unusual forfeit to Schalmont.

Five starters who took vacations during the spring break were sentenced by Coach Bob Crandall to a punishment of sitting out one game for each game they missed. That total was two, but the penalty was reduced to one game when the miscreants paid penance by additional work on the field.

The quintet was serving that sentence Saturday by being restricted to the bench while the remaining nine players were doing combat duty against Schalmont on the home diamond. The team was three runs down with one out in the bottom of the sixth when a Blackbird struck out, and in self disgust, hurled his bat away McEnroe-style.

That demonstration brought banishment by the umpire, reducing Voorheesville's active roster to eight players.

Crandall was immediately faced with the option of forfeiting the game or backing off from his announced disciplinary action.

He forfeited, thus earning a mixture of respect and disgruntlement from his cast.

"It was a very difficult decision," he said later. "To play would be unfair to the rest of the team and the program in general, and to play one would be unfair to the other players under suspension. I'm trying to build a program in Voorheesville. I'm trying to find out who wants to play baseball and who doesn't."

He is certain to find that out this week with five, maybe six games on the card, including home engagements with Mechanicville today (Wednesday), Lansingburgh Thursday and league-leading Albany Academy Friday.

Against Schalmont the Blackbirds turned in a good game despite limited manpower. Gerry McNamara started on the hill, but pulled a thigh muscle pitching to the second batter. Jim Meacham replaced him, and held the visitors in check for four innings while the Blackbirds built a 2-1 lead.

Meacham would have escaped the fifth frame with no worse than a 2-all deadlock, but an infield error with two out led to two more runs. Schalmont pushed around another tally in the sixth, making it 5-2 leading up to the flying bat incident.

Meacham looked like his old self on the slab, and lashed out two doubles in three trips.

Softball team has balance

"The varsity softball team is definitely a well-balanced team," says Voorheesville Coach Budd Tetrault. "We have some outstanding seniors and some pretty good younger players, too."

When he talks about seniors, four girls are in mind. Karen Trieber, Jodi Decker, Cheryl Burns and Donna Throop have been playing the game for four years now. They are the backbone of the line-up. The other players range from ninth grade to 12th.

Tetrault thinks that the team has good hitting and fielding. He needs the pitching to hold up to make the team competitive.

Bad weather has caused many cancel-

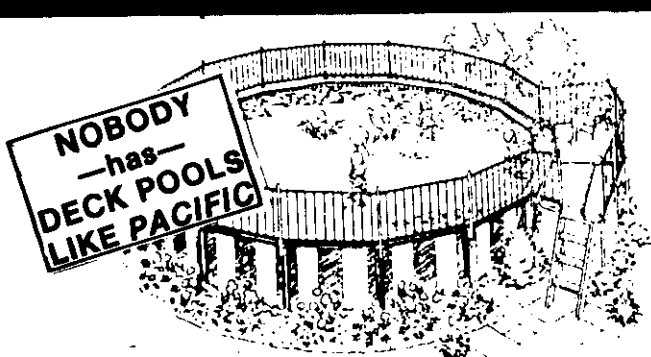
led games and practices. Also, some players left school on vacation. With these people gone, the number of players was lowered.

Going into this week, the team's record was 2-3, with wins over Waterford and Watervliet, and losses to Schalmont, Lansingburgh and Mechanicville.

In the Waterford game, the Blackbirds were behind 11 runs in the second inning, and won by 24-17. Trieber, Tracey Deschenes and sophomore Terry Balfe each had a double and single and Maureen Hensel had a double. Balfe, pitching for the first time, held Waterford in check in the late innings.

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got a ribbon for running in the children's races — a quarter-mile and an eighth-of-a-mile. Tom Howes

Stockmans win again in Delmar

A mother-daughter tandem from East Greenbush won the team prize for the second year in a row in the third annual Owens-Corning Mother's Day race for women and girls Sunday. Inge Stockman, 21-year-old Union College student, won the 3½-mile race in 21 minutes 18 seconds, and Anny Stockman, 50, was eighth in 23:23 over the Hamagrael course in Delmar.

Also placing high among the 228 finishers were Elaine Barnabe of Delmar, fourth in 22:39; Colleen Nyilis, Bethlehem Central senior, ninth in 23:31; Judith Swasey of Slingerlands, 14th in 24:31, and Beatriz Poole of Glenmont, 15th in 24:33. The event was sponsored by Owens-Corning Fiberglas and the Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club.

Doubles decide Academy-Voorheesville match 2 days in a row

By Peter Fisch

In a match that paired the top teams of the Colonial Council, the Cadets of Albany Academy topped the Voorheesville Blackbird tennis squad on consecutive days last week by the score of 4-3.

Over the two-day period Tuesday and Wednesday, it was evident that both teams were extremely close in talent as the doubles match decided each contest.

No. 1 Alex Saez proved to be a key performer for the Blackbirds by registering double victories in both matches. Tuesday's battle saw Saez defeat his

opponent, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, in addition to teaming with Kevin Seim for a 1-6, 6-2, 6-2 doubles victory. On Wednesday, Saez was victorious 6-0, 3-6, 6-4 in the singles, and once again triumphed with his partner in the doubles, 6-3, 6-4.

Other singles victories were tallied by Ed Volkwein (6-3, 6-3) on Tuesday and Seim (6-2, 6-2) on Wednesday.

Surprisingly, neither final score involved the same players on each team, which further proves the closeness in talent of the two squads. "We were a good enough team to beat them," stated

Voorheesville coach Tom Kurkjian, "but it just didn't happen."

Fortunately, the Blackbirds won't have to worry about Academy at the Class C sectionals since the Cadets are ranked among the Class B schools.

On Friday, the Birds continued their domination of other Colonial Council rivals, and again showed depth by downing Ravena, 5-2. During the victory, nine different players contributed to the scoring. Voorheesville has used seven to nine different netters in almost every match thus far, except against

Academy.

Winners were Saez (6-2, 6-1), Ed Volkwein (6-2, 6-0), Pete Zeh (7-5, 7-6) and Jim Volkwein (6-4, 6-2). Seim and Rick Lennox turned in an 8-5 doubles win.

The Blackbirds, who own a 4-2 league record and are 5-2 overall, were slated to travel to Lansingburgh on Monday and to entertain Watervliet at home today (Wednesday). On Friday the team will play host to Cobleskill in a non-league match at 4 p.m.

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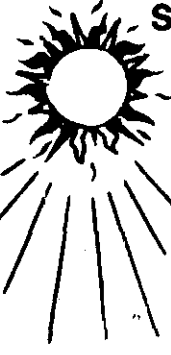
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Rain puts squeeze on Eagle hurlers

By Nat Boynton

Bethlehem Central baseball, like other teams and other sports badgered by the worst spring weather in a decade, got in two games last week as makeup dates became more difficult.

Section 2 schools must complete their regular schedules by May 23, which is a week from next Monday. The Eagles have played five of their scheduled 16 Suburban Council games, and as of Monday, when these lines were typed, there were 11 possible playing dates for 11 league games, not counting Saturdays.

Baseball being the game it is, the postponements put tremendous pressure on pitching staffs regardless of strength and depth. In BC's case, the pileup of playing dates is particularly unfortunate for a team lacking the hitting and fielding needed to counteract shaky pitching.

The Eagles took some further pounding in last week's engagements, losing home games to Colonie Thursday, 12-3, and Scotia Friday, 14-7. In each contest BC got off to a rocky start, giving up five runs to Colonie and three to Scotia in the first inning. Bethlehem showed some new life at bat, but not enough in catch-up situations.

Coach Art Ritchko led with his ace, but this time Rob Kistler couldn't get warm in gusty breezes and rain squalls. The junior righthander was tapped for several legitimate shots among two walks and two errors. Scott Myers, showing steady improvement, pitched the fifth and sixth, giving up two hits and one walk for only one run.

In adversity, Ritchko backed down from his announced disciplinary action against the two players who took vacations in the middle of the schedule.

BASEBALL

After permitting Howard Thompson to pitch the final frame against Colonie, he started Ed Radzynimsky against Scotia, and the senior righthander surrendered four passes and a single for three in the first.

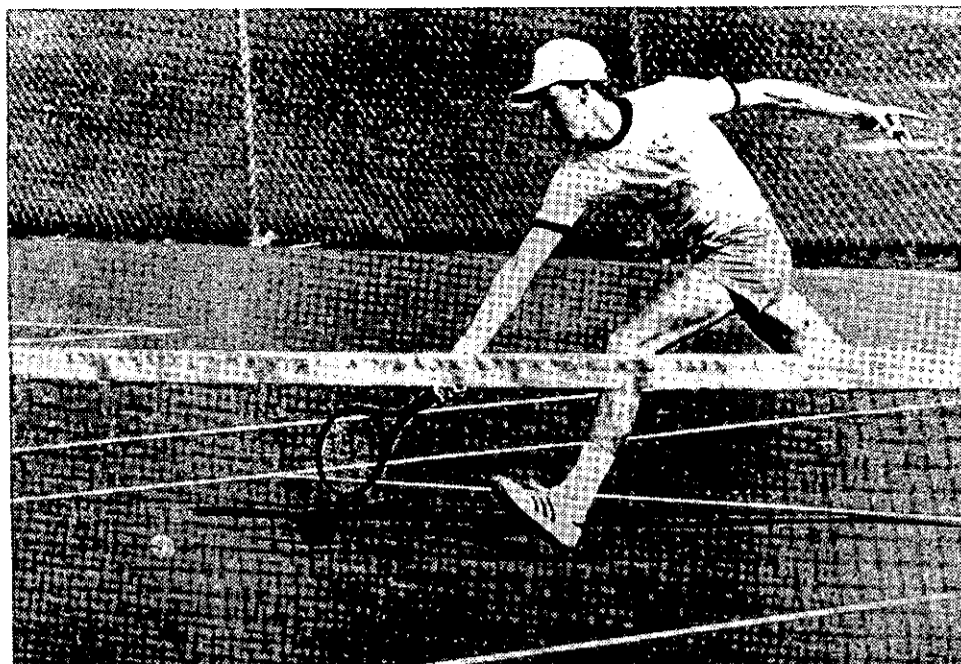
Mike Cronin, junior centerfielder, gave the Eagles a lift with several fine catches and a strong peg to catch a runner at third. He also had a double against Colonie. Warren Sutherland had two hits Thursday and Kistler had two of BC's nine singles Friday.

"Let's face it, the kids are taking a beating, but they're trying," Ritchko said over the weekend. "One of these days we're going to surprise some people. Cronin made some good plays and is starting to hit, (Kevin) Roohan will be a good ballplayer, (Rick) Bennett is improving every game, and Myers did a helluva job against Colonie."

At 0-5, Bethlehem's chief hope to salvage the season is to be a spoiler for the top teams. That would be a tonic.

Win mat titles

Three local wrestlers brought home gold medals from the Eastern Junior Greco-Roman world qualifying tournament at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., last weekend. Members of the Adirondack Three-Style Wrestling Association team who won their respective weight classes were Shawn Sheldon of Voorheesville, 105 pounds; Jeff Clark of Voorheesville, 114 pounds, and Alan Marwill of Delmar, 163 pounds.



Bethlehem's Mike Cole used this shot and many others to defeat Ray Ross of Mohonasen, 6-1, 6-3, in Suburban Council tennis last week. Tom Howes

BC tennis in 2 shockers

By Julie Ann Sosa

The Bethlehem Central tennis team wasn't itself last week. It lost twice, 7-2 and 9-0. As a result, its Suburban Council record is in critical condition at 4-3, which is still good enough for second place in the Blue Division behind Niskayuna (5-2). Both teams trail Gold Division leaders Shaker (6-0) and Shenendehowa (5-1).

BC's tennis players hadn't had their racquets in hand for awhile. They had only two team practices during vacation week, and then missed two matches due to inclement weather. Shenendehowa's mighty Plainsmen welcomed them back to the circuit last Wednesday with a convincing 7-2 win. Playing back from one-set deficits to save BC from its first shutout in its long tennis history were No. 2 Charlie Marden, who won 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, and No. 4 Tim Talmage (4-6, 6-4, 7-6). The rest of the team toppled in straight sets.

The 9-0 shutout loss that almost came to pass against Shenendehowa became a reality the next day at Niskayuna. This time everyone lost in two sets. Typical

scores included those of No. 1 Mike Cole (7-6, 6-3), No. 3 Andy Saidel (6-2, 7-5) and No. 5 Doug Cole (6-2, 6-0). No. 6 singles Jay Simard lost for only the second time this season, but was hampered by a heavily taped sprained ankle.

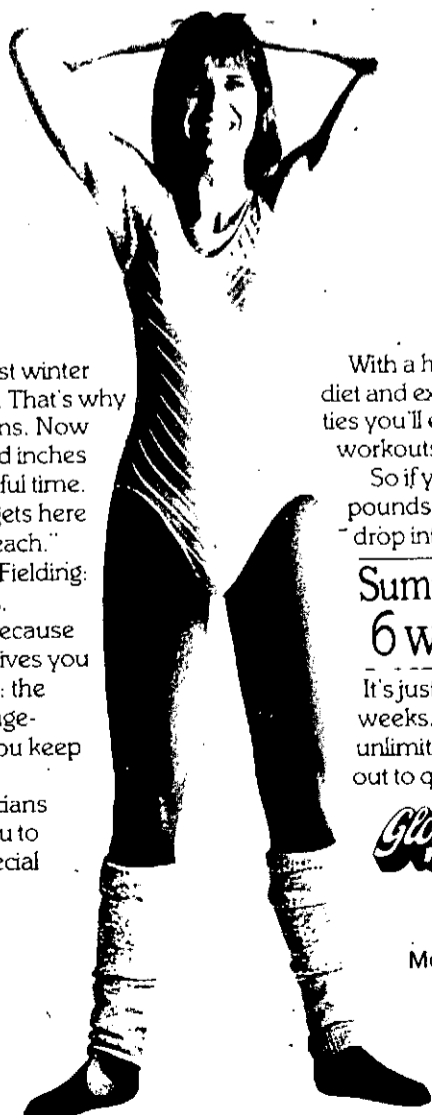
The Eagles ended the week on a somewhat sweeter note with a 9-0 win over hapless Mohonasen. Talmage, Doug Cole, Mike Ellenbogen and the No. 1 doubles team of John Demarest and Andy Tomlinson left their opponents at love at both sets. In fact, only eight games went in the Mohonasen win column.

BC is scheduled to play at Burnt Hills today and hosts Saratoga and Burnt Hills on Thursday and Friday respectively. Guilderland comes to BC Tuesday.

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Joanna Horn, 7, of Pine St. was first in the registration line of bikers of all ages and sizes at Bethlehem Town Hall Saturday. The occasion was Bike Day, which included safety inspections and a bike rodeo. On the cover: an unidentified biker wheels through the pylons on the rodeo course.

Bike day winners

Bicycle enthusiasts — more than 200 of them — turned out for the Town of Bethlehem's annual Bike Day Saturday at Town Hall. Bike Day is sponsored by the Bethlehem Police Department Youth Bureau, the Parks and Recreation Department and businesses and organizations in the town.

Although the emphasis was on bicycle registration and safety, most of the participants were eager to ride in the "Ghost Rider Rodeo" to show their knowledge of bicycle safety, and to be eligible for prize drawings.

Prize winners were:

Age 4 and under: First prize, a tricycle donated by Professional Auto Parts, Adam Pryor. "Consolation," or second-place prizes, went to Tivia Berman, Tera Holligan, Megan Holligan, Andria Krieger, Andrew Loux, Karen Pierce and Jenny Pryor.

Ages 5 to 7: First prize, a bicycle donated by the Bethlehem Lions Club, Garrett Tripp. Consolation prizes to Joanna Horn, Alesia Kahn, Karen Korenko, Christian Peterson, Brian Sack, Gregory Sack and Aaron Thorp.

Ages 8 to 10: First prize, a bicycle

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Ages 11 to 13: First prize, a bicycle donated by the Delaware Plaza Merchants' Association, Catherine Turallo. Consolation prizes to Paul Roney, Kevin Rowe, Susan Shayegani, Michael Sleurs, Dawn Tastor, Marion Weiss and Adam Weissburgh.

Ages 14 to 18: First prize, a bicycle donated by Owens-Corning Fiberglas, Ed Hotaling. Consolation prizes went to Kelly Hart, Paul Hotaling, Mark Nathan, Aryan Shayegani, Lee Sleurs, Todd Smith and Chris Vanderloo.

Ages 19 and older: First prize, a bicycle donated by K-Mart of Glenmont, Betty Pryor. Consolation prizes were won by David Loux, Mary Minor, Leroy Rabi-deau, Frank Rice, Aussie Shayegani, Andrea Smith and Elizabeth Wolpaw.

Names of all those who did not win major prizes were combined, then a drawing was held for a "Great Protector" lock, with a retail value of \$28. Winner was Cory Cunningham.

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SUN., MAY 15, 9-5: 7/10 mile down Font Grove Rd., Slingerlands. Ping-pong, pool tables, exer-bike, games, clothing.

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DELMAR, Brookfield, 57 Wakefield Ct. May 13, 9-5, May 14, 9-noon. Variety, housewares.

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SAT., May 14, 9:30-3:30, 20 Bartlett Lane, Elsmere. Housewares, misc.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of the inhabitants of the above named school district will be held in the auditorium of Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on Tuesday, May 10, 1983 at 7:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The Board of Education will present at said meeting a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money that will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes. Copies of said statements may be obtained by any inhabitant of the district during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the annual meeting, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, and at the offices of the elementary schools, the Middle School, and the High School of the district.

The trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library will present at said meeting a detailed statement in writing of money which will be required for the operation of the public library for the period of July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984. Copies of said statements may be obtained at the reference desk of the library.

Petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1983, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Bernard E. Harvith, incumbent; and petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full

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term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1983; to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Marjory C. O'Brien, incumbent; and petitions nominating candidates for the office of trustee for the Bethlehem Public Library for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1983, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Theodore C. Wenzl, incumbent; must be filed with the Clerk of the School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, April 11, 1983.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that on Wednesday, May 11, 1983, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York, votes will be taken upon the following:

1. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

2. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Public Library and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

3. For the election of two members of the Board of Education of said Bethlehem Central School District, one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1983, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Bernard E. Harvith; and one for a full term of three years commencing July 1, 1983, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Marjory C. O'Brien.

4. For the election of one trustee to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1983, to fill the vacancy caused by

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the expiration of the term of Theodore C. Wenzl.

Cheryl Stees
School District Clerk
Dated: March 2, 1983

(May 11)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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 18, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of L.C. Smith, Jr., 403 Vilet Street, Cohoes, New York for a Special Exception under Article V of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit a modification to a previous Special Exception to permit the addition of one storage tank for diesel fuel at premises, Hess, 154 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, Town of Bethlehem.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(May 11)

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Thurs., May 12	Tennis, Saratoga, Home 3:45	Baseball, Lansingburgh, Home 4:00	Track, Boys, Voorheesville, Home 3:30 Baseball, Mechanicville, Home 3:30
Fri., May 13	Baseball, Mohonasen, Away 3:45 Tennis, Burnt Hills, Home 3:45 Softball, Scotia, Home 3:45	Baseball, Alb. Academy, Home 4:00	Baseball, Cohoes, Away 3:30
Sat., May 14	Track, Boys, Niskayuna Meet Track, Girls, Niskayuna Meet	Baseball, Johnstown, Away 11:00 Track, Girls, Middleburgh Invite., 9:00 Track, Boys, Mayfield Inviti., 10:00	Track, Boys, Eddy Meet (Sch.), Away 9:30 Softball, RCS Tourn., Home 11:00 Baseball, Gloversville Tourn., Away 11:00
Mon., May 16	Softball, Colonie, Away 3:45	Baseball, Watervliet, Away 4:00 Softball, Waterford, Away	Softball, Watervliet, Home 4:00 Baseball, Lansingburgh, Home 3:30
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Sports reporting

Editor, The Spotlight:

In response to *The Spotlight's* most recent coverage of the Bethlehem Central baseball team, it is our opinion that the newspaper's sports staff has once again done its best to discredit the young ballplayers in our community. This has also been true of *Spotlight* reporting on BCHS basketball and football. For some odd reason, our Bethlehem young people are cited as "less than talented" and "nothing special."

We have observed most of these young athletes from the time they began playing Little League. We have watched them develop and progress in the Bethlehem Babe Ruth League, and we fail to see how they reach our high school athletic programs as anything less than competent ballplayers. They have demonstrated competitive skills for approximately seven years, but for some odd reason they are no longer capable athletes upon entering interscholastic competition... at least that is the picture *The Spotlight* portrays.

It is one thing for a local newspaper to report winning and losing statistics on area sports activities, but it is quite another thing for a town newspaper to comment on the specific skills (or lack of skills) of particular ballplayers... whether by name or by inference. It is our opinion that a town paper has the responsibility to compliment the young athletes of the community (win or lose), and to do everything within its power to encourage the development and self-esteem of these young people. The mental attitude of the team is as important (if not more important) than the combined skills of the players. Portraying our kids as anemic, non-competitive losers is certainly not helpful for the creation of winning teams.

We would appreciate it if you would please inform the community as to what purpose or end this type of reporting serves?

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Name submitted

A re-reading of recent articles fails to find justification for your criticism. We have remained faithful to our policy of talking to each coach each week of the season, and consulting with him on finding positive things to write about while being realistic in reporting the adversity of BC teams.

We also report the coaches' statements, which are often a message to the community.

Your inclusion of our football and basketball reporting in your criticism of baseball stories we feel is particularly unwarranted. Both varsity coaches in those sports at BC say we have been "very fair" in our weekly reports.

NAB

Delmar women honored

Two Delmar residents will be among eight Capital District women who will be honored by the Albany YWCA at the Y's fourth annual Tribute to Women.

Martha Brown and Lee Lindstrom will be guests at a champagne reception Friday, May 13, at 5:30 p.m. at the Thruway House, Washington Ave., Albany.

Mrs. Brown, a retired home economist with the Albany County Cooperative Extension, helped bring nutrition education to low income families. She chairs the Eastern District of New York State Home Economists Association's legislative committee, the organization that nominated her for the "Tribute." In 1982, she helped create the Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Albany, a not-for-profit organization to counsel individuals and families with financial difficulties.

Mrs. Lindstrom was president of the St. Peter's Hospital Auxiliary from 1980 to 1982, and currently is secretary of the hospital's foundation board. After a 20-year affiliation with the United Way of Northwestern New York, she is now serving a two-year term as president.

Preserve Tier 3

Editor, The Spotlight:

A major issue facing the legislature is the public employee Coordinated Escalator Retirement Plan (CO-ESC).

Unless the taxpayers of New York State alert the governor and the lawmakers to the billions of dollars of taxpayers' money at stake, there is real danger that CO-ESC, or Tier 3, will expire on June 30. This must not happen.

We firmly believe that a pension plan which leaves a career public employee, after 30 years of service, with 100 percent of take-home pay upon retirement... and provides for escalation after retirement, is a fair, equitable and desirable plan.

When Tier 3 was created in 1976, the Kinzel Commission stressed the importance of coordinating taxpayer-financed benefits with Social Security. It said: "To ignore Social Security benefits would, in effect, be forcing the taxpayers of this State to fund two separate retirement programs for public employees. Such an approach, at best, is inequitable and at worst, would only assure a continuing fiscal crisis at all levels of government."

This year, state legislators are being urged by the unions to support two kinds of bills on Tier 3. One would do away with Tier 3 entirely; another is offered as a compromise, which is not really a compromise. It would eliminate integration with Social Security.

If the contributory feature were eliminated from Tier 3, the first-year cost to the taxpayers would be \$130 million. It would cost another \$200 million if all contributions which have been required since 1976 were to be returned. If integration with Social Security were to be eliminated, it would cost public employers \$900 million in the first four years.

The Permanent Commission on Public Employee Pension and Retirement Systems has issued a report on Tier 3 which recommends a continuation of the 3-percent employee contribution as a means of controlling employer costs. Those costs, by the way, are astronomical. In 1982, the taxpayers of New York State paid \$4.9 billion in pension costs for public employees. This means that taxpayers had to put aside *one half million dollars every single hour of the day, seven days a week, for 365 days in 1982 for public employee retirement benefits!* (See table below.)

The commission report contradicts itself when it supports retention of integration with Social Security and at the same time recommends Formula B, a flat rate formula, which is not integrated with Social Security. The Commission has not shown where the new money would come from, nor how the taxpayers could afford it if either of the two formulae they offer were to be adopted.

The Coalition for CO-ESC believes that the taxpayers of New York State

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Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

May 8, 1958

The Tri-Village Little League has placed a Help Wanted ad seeking a "dependable young man 15 to 18 years of age to be Junior Caretaker at the Little League ball park, 5 hours a day 6 days a week starting May 17 for 10 weeks, \$30 per week for cutting the grass, trash pickup, marking the field, etc. Applicants contact Bill Strong (phone number)."

The BCHS faculty has chosen Nancy Korn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Korn of Glenmont, to attend Empire Girls State to be held at the State University Teachers College, New Paltz. The Blanchard American Legion Post is sponsoring the delegate.

May 9, 1963

Colonial Acres, which presented their first homes one year ago, will exhibit five

new homes lifted from the pages of American history.

Mrs. Dorothy Hosey and her fourth grade pupils at the Delmar Elementary School visited Gov. Rockefeller at the Capitol and had their picture taken with him in the governor's office. The visit was part of their plans for a Children's Creative Center for the Albany area.

May 9, 1968

A proposed 82-unit luxury apartment building on Delaware Ave. north of Grant St., Elsmere, weathered a public hearing before the Bethlehem zoning board of appeals without a single formal protest. Developer of the \$950,000 facility is William B. Strong, who is calling it Governor's Hall. Strong has requested a special permit to construct the building in a CC-Commercial zone and a variance to provide parking on an adjoining tract in a B-Residential zone.

May 11, 1978

St. Thomas eighth graders have planted 700 trees at the Elm Ave. Park.

Joanne VanWoert, BCHS junior, pitched a no-hitter and a one-hitter in leading the Eagles softball team to victories over Colonie and Columbia. She stroked a home run in each contest and struck out 29 batters in the two games.

Post auxiliary to elect

The Blanchard Post Legion Auxiliary will hold a business meeting in the Elsmere post rooms on Tuesday, May 17, at 8 p.m. The annual memorial service and the elections of officers will also be held.



Kimber Berleue

Berleue-Dugan

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Berleue of Painted Post announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimber, to Robert M. Dugan of Raleigh, N.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dugan, 532 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Corning-Painted Post West High School, attended Corning Community College and plans to continue studies at North Carolina State University. She is employed by Corning Glass Works in Corning.

Her fiance received a BS degree in industrial engineering from Georgia Tech and is an industrial engineer at the Corning Glass Works in Raleigh. A wedding date of July 9 has been set.

Lois Bodian married

Lois Joy Bodian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bodian of Delmar, was married to Wayne Michael Pollaci, son of Mrs. Rachel Pollaci of Brentwood, N.Y., on May 1.

The ceremony took place at the Brentwood Country Club with Judge Anthony Corso officiating. The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Buffalo State College. She is manager of the womens department at Caldors, Riverhead, Long Island. Her husband is a graduate of Buffalo State College and is employed as a New York City policeman. They will live in East Patchogue, L.I.

National security the topic

The Bethlehem unit of the League of Women Voters of Albany County will examine the issue of national security at its May meeting. The information session will focus on the current U.S. military policies and goals and proposed alternatives to these.

The Bethlehem unit will meet on Thursday May 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Delmar Presbyterian Church, Delaware Ave., Delmar. For information call Susan Richmond at 439-5744.

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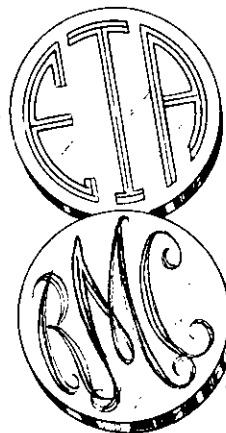
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