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Ed Sargent united politics and conscience

By Tom McPheeters
and Vincent Potenza

Edward H. Sargent Jr., the honorable man of Albany County politics for 16 years, died Sunday after a long illness.

Sargent, who represented Bethlehem in the Albany County Legislature since 1968, the year the legislature was formed, was one of the few Republicans who was able to consistently affect the course of county-wide issues. He was seen by members of both parties as a conciliator and a man of conscience, often voting against the majority of his own party. His impact on Bethlehem in the years (1979 to 1982) that he served as chairman of the town's Planning Board was equally as far reaching and individualistic.

"He was a real honest person," said his close friend Charles Redmond, who succeeded him as chairman of the planning board. "A good person, whether socially or politically."

"We didn't always agree, and that's a compliment," added Bernard Kaplowitz,

who served with Sargent in the legislature and later became Bethlehem Republican chairman. "I never met anyone so dedicated to the fact that he served the people who elected him."

Sargent had battled illness for the last several years, but had planned to run for reelection this fall, and had told friends that he was looking forward to better health.

He died at Albany Medical Center at age 67. A memorial service is planned for 4 p.m. Thursday at Delmar Presbyterian Church under the direction of Meyers Funeral Home. Contributions may be made to either the Delmar Presbyterian Church or St. Peter's Hospice.

Edward Haynes Sargent Jr. was a graduate of Albany Academy and Cornell University. He received his doctorate from Cornell in 1952 and taught at the State University at Albany from 1954 to his retirement Jan. 1, 1980, as a professor emeritus of educational philosophy and history.



Edward H. Sargent Jr.

His interests ranged far from the political scene to music and the arts, but

colleagues noted that he liked nothing better than to combine his love of teaching with his political duties. He often escorted foreign students on election nights, and he was instrumental in setting up Albany County's internship program.

He served on the Blue Cross board of directors and was a member of the Senior Service Center of Albany, Info Line, the Tricentennial Commission of Albany County and the University Club and a member of the board of the Council of Community Services. He was a baritone soloist with the Delmar Presbyterian Church choir and sang at numerous gatherings.

He was a first lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps and served in the Pacific Theater from 1942 to 1945. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; two daughters, Pamela Sargent of Johnson City, N.Y., and Constance Sargent of Guelderland; two sons, Scott Sargent of Hermosa Beach, Calif., and Craig Sargent of Rotterdam; and by two grandchildren.

Sargent was chairman of the Bethlehem Planning Board at a time of massive revision in the town's zoning map and ordinance, when pressure from residents forced town government to address the problem of apartment buildings.

A new zoning designation was created for apartments of up to four units and several areas of town were rezoned with the new designation, replacing the "special exception" procedure that had caused so much controversy.

The planners acquired the power of site plan approval for buildings of two units or more and later on the same power for certain commercial properties.

This all required long board meetings and a great deal of discussion. Sargent often said he was proud of how much talking went on at these meetings, and in his capacity as chairman he was known to encourage dialogue among board members and to solicit input from residents in attendance.

He made himself available to those residents when the board was not in session, and it was not uncommon to see him walking around the Tri-Village area inspecting proposed building sites and stopping to talk to neighbors.

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The competition at Bethlehem's Elm Ave. Park was heated at poolside as these two entrants sweat it out in last weekend's three-hour tan event. There was wetter (and more strenuous)

action in the pools at the Dolphins' swim meet. Story and another photo on page 20.

Tom Howes

Owens-Corning contract okayed

Workers at Owens-Corning Fiberglas in Selkirk have voted not to go on strike over the company's proposed change in their contract's expiration date. The vote affected more than 200 members of Local 77 of the Glass, Pottery, Plastics and Allied Workers employed at the plant.

According to Tony Kennah, president of Local 77, Owens-Corning wanted to move the contracts expiration date from Aug. 1 to spring as part of a new contract. Union members walked out in 1981 over the same issue and stayed out some 15 weeks, Kennah said.

But union members voted last Friday not to take that course this time around, accepting the proposed contract with the duration change.

The actual figures of the voting were not released under an agreement between union and management.

Bicentennial duplexes: half approved

By Vincent Potenza

At least half of the controversy over duplexes proposed for the Bicentennial Woods subdivision off Feura Bush Rd. seems to have been resolved as the Bethlehem Planning Board approved site plans for two of the four proposed buildings.

Conditional approval was granted by the board last Tuesday night for two duplexes to be located on Jefferson Rd. in the development, the conditions being landscaping to screen the structures and driveways from the street. That landscaping will be worked out among board planning consultant Edward Kleinke, Building Inspector John Flanigan and Lindsay Boutelle, surveyor and civil

engineer representing the developer, Vincent Riemma of ABCO Builders.

Residents of the subdivision in attendance at last week's meeting who dubbed themselves "a council of four sent by some 30 families in Bicentennial Woods" labeled the plans for the two duplexes "unsightly," because one of the driveways stretches down a long panhandle to Jefferson Rd. They asked the board to reject the proposal on those grounds.

Board members had trouble with that interpretation, however. "My driveway is 200 feet long, and I don't think it's unsightly," board member T.E. Mulligan said.

Boutelle had at first presented the

board with a site plan that called for a shorter driveway, but it necessitated an easement through land owned by the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. and the board vetoed that proposal in a 3-2 vote.

After the board approved the alternate long-driveway plan with the stated conditions, one of the residents asked if the public would be invited to the meeting of Kleinke, Flanigan and Boutelle to discuss the details.

Chairman Charles Redmond replied, "if you mean what kind of bushes and trees, where and this high or that high, no."

"I was just asking a question," the resident replied.

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New clerk for town court

Marie Oaks, clerk of the Bethlehem Town Court for the last 17 years, is retiring, and her deputy, Barbara Hodom, has been nominated to replace her.

Mrs. Hodom, a 16-year Delmar resident who has been the deputy clerk for five years, knows she's stepping into a pressure-cooker job — but one that provides constant variety and challenge. Since she started five years ago, the criminal court load has just about doubled. State-mandated records keeping requires about seven separate pieces of paperwork for each charge. And the constantly changing law forces clerks as well as judges to keep learning.

The two town justices, Roger Fritts and Peter Wenger, handle vehicle and traffic cases, criminal cases (felony charges are passed on to Albany County Court) and some small claims cases. The most recent criminal case night produced some \$3,500 in fines that must be accounted for and banked within 48 hours.

The night schedule and the increasing case load may mean some changes in the way the clerk's office operates, and also Mrs. Hodom's schedule.

She's already looking at a new records keeping system — suggested by a neighboring town court clerk at a recent seminar she attended — and expects that



Barbara Hodom

within a few years the Bethlehem court records will be computerized. But that won't cut down on the constant flow of information.

"I talk to the judges every day — sometimes four or five times a day," she said. But eventually she may start staffing criminal court herself, on the theory that it's easier to follow what goes on in person than to pick it up second hand. If that is successful, the office may also staff vehicle and traffic court at night, she said.

□ Sargent

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The tone of the meetings he chaired was always very informal, and he encouraged residents to come before the board informally to discuss whatever plans for development they might have before they invested a lot of time and money in projects the board would not approve.

He continued to emphasize this aspect of the board's dealings with the public after he stepped down as chairman some months ago to assume the role of a regular board member.

But he was known to be less patient with professional builders and developers, and many left the meetings he chaired with red faces or woeful expressions.

The board under Sargent's administration accomplished much in dealing with sensitive issues. But perhaps the most poignant and characteristic of his acts as chairman occurred when the board voted 5-1 to deny a developer permission to build two duplexes in a residential area — against the advice of the board's attorney and after an outpouring of opposition by local residents at a public hearing.

"Sometimes the morality of a situation comes before its legality," Sargent said at the time. To no one's surprise, the state Supreme Court later overturned the board's ruling.

In the county legislature, Sargent

concentrated on social service issues and played a major role in the construction of the Albany County Nursing Home. But he was best known for his work on the Albany County Jail, and particularly for his championing of the reform efforts of former Sheriff John J. McNulty Jr. in the late 1970s.

McNulty, the old-style Green Island Democrat whose independent power base brought him increasingly at odds with the Albany Democrats who controlled the legislature, found an ally in the Bethlehem intellectual.

"He was effective because he worked hard," McNulty said Monday. "And we both felt that we were elected by the people and we were working for the people."

After McNulty stepped down, the two kept in touch, and Sargent continued to have an impact on jail administration because of his personal contacts and continued interest. The last time they saw each other, McNulty said, was three months ago when Sargent arranged for him to tour the jail to see the changes that had been made.

At the close of its meeting Monday night, the legislature passed a resolution marking Sargent's passing. It said, in part: "Ed served as a legislator, but as a Republican nor as a Democrat, but as a person deeply committed to do his very best for all the people of his district and the county."

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DOLLHOUSE MINIATURES

A one vote difference

Ed Sargent was one of the few Republicans in Albany County who could have a real impact on county-wide issues. So there is more than a little irony in the fact that his death should also have an impact on several county-wide issues in the months to come, and quite possibly on the November election.

POLITICS

Although political leaders on both sides were reluctant Monday to talk about a replacement, the facts speak for themselves. The county charter gives the legislature the power to make the appointment, and that means that there will be a Democrat representing the 35th District, which (after reapportionment) will cover part of Elmsmere, Glenmont and the Selkirk area. More than likely that will be Thomas J. McCord, who the Bethlehem Democrats had already designated to run against Sargent, but the actual choice is up to the legislature and thus the county leadership.

McCord, a Glenmont resident, is (like Sargent) a Ph.D. who is research director of the Traffic Safety Institute of SUNY Research Foundation. His wife Pat ran for town supervisor two years ago.

The interim appointment would give McCord a leg up on the November election, but any Democrat running in Bethlehem still faces long odds. More important, it would mean that the Democrats in the legislature would have a much firmer grasp on the magical two-thirds majority — a majority that has both practical and symbolic implications.

On a practical level, the Democrats need the two-thirds majority to pass bond issues. Two of those issues — to rebuild county (and some city) roads, and to expand the Albany County Jail — had become hopelessly snarled in a partisan battle that has at least one eye on November. The Democrats of late have been having a good deal of difficulty mustering the kind of unity they used to take for granted, and it's probably no accident that that dates from the long hospitalization and death this spring of Erastus Corning. Allegedly lost the vote of South End legislator John Tucker, who disappeared (allegedly) from the area, and the Republicans have tied up his successor, Sanford Tanksley, with legal challenges. Then it was a mini revolt by old guardsman Eddie Perone, which ended only when he got the other job he wanted. And finally, comments by Judge John J. Clynne, among others, about Colonie Democrat Thomas Callaghan's "soft on crime" stance on the jail extension got Callaghan so riled up he announced he would side with the Republicans.

For the first time in years, it seems, the Republicans were making a dent in that solid, often arrogant "machine" that runs Albany County. And for the first time it seemed as if minority leader Gordon Morris's no-quarter-given philosophy was paying off in a way that could generate enthusiasm and momentum for the Republicans in November.

All that is changed now. With another vote on their side, the Democrats can afford to skip Tanksley's vote and let Callaghan sit in the corner until he cools off. Look for the road issue to be reintroduced in slightly amended form (but still with city streets attached), so that it can be passed again without Tanksley's vote. And it's quite possible that the jail expansion will be introduced again as a memorial to Sargent, who made the jail of his special projects and had indicated before he died that he would vote for the expansion.

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There appears to be another Conservative primary in the making this year. Bethlehem Republicans, who have been pretty successful in recapturing the Conservative line from the county organization that allegedly takes its orders from downtown, has filed petitions to force an "Opportunity to Ballot" in all three Bethlehem legislative districts. That means that nobody's name is on the caucus, but that registered Conservatives can write in a candidate. The Democrats say they'll contest that primary, with the new 36th District (no incumbents) the likely battleground.

With less than 50 enrolled Conservatives in the town, this all seems rather pointless, but party professionals believe (with good evidence) that many more people use that line in November.

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The Bethlehem Democrats still have not given any hints as to their candidates for town offices in November. They're not late, though. Unlike the Republicans, who circulate petitions and thus had to file in July, the Democrats use the caucus method. They have to Sept. 20 to make their decisions under state election law.

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Bethlehem Republican Chairman Bernard Kaplowitz, who underwent bypass surgery recently, says he's feeling fine and expects to ease back into work in the next several weeks.

Tom McPheeters



Bob Oliver, left, and Ed Dominelli, co-chairmen, flank Peter Merrill; chairman of the Bethlehem GOP's annual steak roast fund raiser at Picard's Grove. The event is today (Wednesday) and tickets are still available at the gate. Tom Howes

Two drinking drivers jailed

Two persons picked up by Bethlehem police last week for driving while intoxicated ended up in Albany County Jail. They were among seven people, four of them town residents, picked up on drunk driving charges by Bethlehem police last week.

On Sunday, Paul Lucia, 23, of Westerlo, was jailed after a records check revealed that his DWI arrest on Delaware Ave. was a felony charge, since he had been convicted of the same charge in 1981.

Correction

Police said a Feura Bush man used "abusive and obscene language after his arrest Wednesday on Delaware Ave. He also refused to take a breathalyzer test. Town Justice Peter Wenger sent the man to jail in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

Jay Adam Rosenbloom's name was incorrect in a picture caption in last week's *Spotlight* about "Babes in Arms," a Straw Hat program at the Egg last weekend. Rosenbloom played the press agent.



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1983-84 Tri Village Area Directory

Unfortunately the new issue of the 1983-84 Directory contained errors of page numbers referring to the ads listed in the "Advertisers Index."

A corrected copy of the "Advertisers Index" may be picked up at the Spotlight or the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

We regret any inconvenience this error may have caused.

BC tax rates are boosted

By Caroline Terenzini

Its credibility was a big concern as the Bethlehem Central school board wrestled with the bad news that the district's tax base is, in fact, some \$600,000 less than was projected back in April when the board put together a budget for its current fiscal year, which began July 1. The board last Wednesday finally voted 4-3 to revise the tax rates that had been publicized before the May budget vote rather than to bank on a forecast of higher interest rates to provide the money needed.

A revised estimate of state transportation aid left the board with the need to come up with \$53,500, which meant adding 72 cents to the Bethlehem tax rate estimated in April and \$1.21 to New Scotland's. The new figures are a tax rate of \$151.23 per \$1,000 assessed in Bethlehem and \$254.73 per \$1,000 for district taxpayers in New Scotland.

Board member Robert Zick said "Part of the ridiculous situation we find ourselves in" is due to the state's requirement that school districts adopt a budget by the end of June while assessors are not required to have a total assessed value until Aug. 1. "We were in touch with the assessor's office all along and went at it with the best information we had," Zick said. "It's important people realize the intangibles we have to work with."

Board members John Clyne, Bernard Harvith and Robert Ruslander argued for adding to the budget's interest income rather than changing the publicized tax rate. "We ought not to go back on our word to taxpayers," Clyne said.

"The community has come to expect the tax rate will be unchanged," Ruslander declared. "It's a question of credibility."

Board President Sheila Fuller disagreed: "I'm not comfortable with telling the community we have other ways to deal with this. That's also a question of credibility."

As board member Jed Wolkenbreit saw it, "either way we've got a credibility problem. I think it would be gambling with interest rates and just deferring a problem."

Franz Zwicklbauer, district business administrator, also didn't want to change the interest income estimate. "This past year's interest rate drop bit me and I don't want to be bitter again," he declared. Interest income during the district's 1982-83 fiscal year fell \$106,000 short of expectations. "We have the entire heating season to go and we don't know what repairs we may have," Zwicklbauer said. "You're also negotiating with the instructional staff — who knows if the budgeted funds will be adequate? This

could cause us to be near or in deficit by next June and that is something we ought to avoid. If we start running deficits, we're not going to have an A rating with Moody's" and that would mean higher borrowing costs for the district.

Board member Marjory O'Brien said the amounts to be tacked on would not mean an "unconscionable increase. I'm less concerned with the image if the board than with the solvency of the district," she said.

Wolkenbreit added, "It's all going to come out in the wash, if we have a deficit at year end. It's the same dollars coming out of the same pockets."

Harvith noted that the situation had occurred before, but with lesser impact, and the budget had then been adjusted to compensate for the lower-than-projected tax base.

Clyne expressed concern about what taxpayers will say next spring when tax figures are announced, but Mrs. Fuller countered: "We're much better off biting the bullet right now. It's poor fiscal management to tell voters in April that we're running a deficit."

Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn also favored revising the tax rate figures published in the spring, noting that budgets are "getting tighter and tighter." He told the board members: "I would want to know from you where we are not going to spend \$53,5000 we had budgeted."

Zinn said the district normally announces a range for the projected tax rates before the budget vote and should be careful to do so next year, to allow for what is unknown at budget time.

In other business, the board:

- Voted to accept a bid of \$7,595 from Uniform World Inc. to supply 50 uniforms for the high school's marching band, with delivery by Oct. 10. Bids from several suppliers on different components of 43 microcomputer systems also were accepted.

- Received a report from Janet S. Whitaker, chairman of the school volunteer program, noting that 1,005 volunteers contributed nearly 20,000 hours of service in the schools last year.

- Learned that high school Principal Charles Gunner is coordinating plans for the observance of the 50th year of Bethlehem Central High School. Gra-

duates previously came from Delmar High School.

- Learned that kindergarten enrollment at present is 12 above the number projected, with 229 would-be kindergarteners signed up. Zinn alerted the board that some entering students therefore may have to be assigned to a school other than the one nearest their home.

- Postponed discussion of its policy on door-to-door solicitation until its next regular business meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 6.

□ Duplexes

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But the duplex question shifted into a higher gear as the board moved down its agenda to discussion of a rezoning request from A-residential to AA-residential by the same group of residents, and this time the emphasis was on two more duplexes proposed for Manor Dr. in the development. This would require, according to a ruling by the board at its last meeting, resubdividing three lots into two that would be large enough to accommodate the town's zoning requirements for the buildings.

Discussion of the rezoning request itself was brief. Flanigan informed the board that the vast majority of the lots in the development were "barely, minimum A" in their size, and that he estimated perhaps six of the lots met the size requirements for AA zoning.

"I don't see how we can recommend a rezoning when hardly any of the lots meet the requirements for the new zone," board member William Johnston said. This seemed to express the consensus of the board, though no informal vote on the recommendation was taken. Board members, as they have several times in recent years, discussed the possibility of revising the zoning code itself, but came to no conclusion.

The "council of four," however, still had plenty to say, decrying Riemma's intention to resubdivide the lots on Manor Dr. Riemma had never told anyone they had talked to that he intended to build duplexes in the development, they said. "This represents an implied covenant," one of the residents maintained, "that the development would consist of one-family, owner-occupied homes, and that's why I plunked \$70,000 into mine." Legality was not the point, the resident continued, but "morality, and ethics. Lying isn't just telling a falsehood — you can also just

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Computer bug hits Bethlehem

The computer bug apparently has bitten a number of Bethlehem Public Library card-holders, judging from the library's new Apple IIe has been getting since it was plugged in July 11.

Carol Ann Desch, head of reference and information services at the library, said 115 people have been "validated" (trained) to use the Apple to date and nearly 50 more names are on a list for upcoming orientation sessions. Dubbed the Apple Corps, the expanding legion or validated town residents includes people from age 13 (the youngest permitted to use the machine alone) to 86, although the majority are in the 30-60 age range, according to library data.

"We are serving adults and that's what we set out to do," Desch said, while observing that the library doesn't keep track of the number of children using the machine with adults. Children under age 13 may use the computer if accompanied by an older person who has taken the two-hour orientation class.

The library has a modest selection of software (with requisite manuals), including the introductory "Apple presents...Apple" and the Apple Writer word processing program. Users may bring in their own programs and blank discs, too. The Apple IIe is equipped with two disc drives and an Epson printer, and blank mailing labels and letter-quality paper are available for purchase at the circulation desk or users may bring their own. Apple Corps members may reserve one hour a week on the machine, but may pick up an unreserved hour if they're in the library. In the first two weeks, the Apple was in use 75 hours.

Public libraries have been offering computer time for about the past two years, Desch noted.

Caroline Terenzini



Paul Donovan uses the Bethlehem Public Library's Apple IIe. The micro is available to anyone with proper training in its use.

RCS refigures its tax rates

The tax relief granted to Atlantic Cement Co. by the Town of Coeymans means a redistribution of the burden among taxpayers in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District. The \$600,000 reduction in Atlantic's assessment means an estimated additional \$3.29 on the tax rate for Town of Coeymans residents, raising the rate to \$148.27 per \$1,000. For New Scotland property owners in the district, \$4.52 will be tacked on for a total of \$204.40 per \$1,000; in Bethlehem, the estimated rate is \$121.36 per \$1,000, up \$2.69, and in New Baltimore, \$120.82, up 47 cents. District Clerk Charles Emery said he still has not received the tax rolls from two jurisdictions, so the figures are estimates. Voters in June approved a \$9.7 million district budget for 1983-84, plus a special proposition authorizing a \$25,000 outlay for microcomputers in the school. Atlantic Cement and the town in July negotiated an agreement that will lower the company's assessment by \$600,000 for 1983. An additional reduction of \$375,000 is due for 1984.

In other business at the RCS board meeting Aug. 1, Wayne Fuhrman, a new member, proposed creation of a community relations committee of the board. Prescott Archibald, serving his 25th year as board president, will name committee members at the Aug. 15 meeting. Fuhrman and Marie Muller, another new comer to the board, also urged that the board change its policy concerning timing of executive sessions, holding them at the end of the regular business meeting, if possible. The practice of adjourning to executive session in the course of the agenda discourages public attendance, they said.

Learn about wildflowers

A field study of wildflowers common to the Capital District will be offered at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, Aug. 20, at 10 a.m.

"Wildflower Identification," the last in a four-part series of adult education workshops in natural history, will cover the historical, mythic, culinary and medicinal aspects of wildflowers everyone should know.

This adult education workshop is open to the public free of charge to reserve space by calling the center at 457-6092. Outdoor apparel will be necessary.

omit the truth. As far as we know this information (about the duplexes) was never volunteered to anyone."

"We were told that if we didn't back off we'd have duplexes all over the place," another resident said. "The rezoning request was made out of a sense of frustration."

Board members informed the residents that a public hearing would be necessary

for the resubdivision of the lots on Manor Dr. and that residents would have the chance to be heard then. The date for the hearing has not yet been set.

In other business, the board:

- Approved a site plan for a two-family home on Russell Rd., North Bethlehem, submitted by Anthony Marchio.

- Considered preliminary plans for a

two-lot subdivision for Christine Bunt on Glenmont Rd., and set a public hearing for the proposal for 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 9.

- Held a public hearing for its own site plan rules and regulations, which have been in the making for over a year. Board members had little to say about the much-seen rules and no one in attendance spoke for or against the proposal. The board did not vote to adopt the rules.

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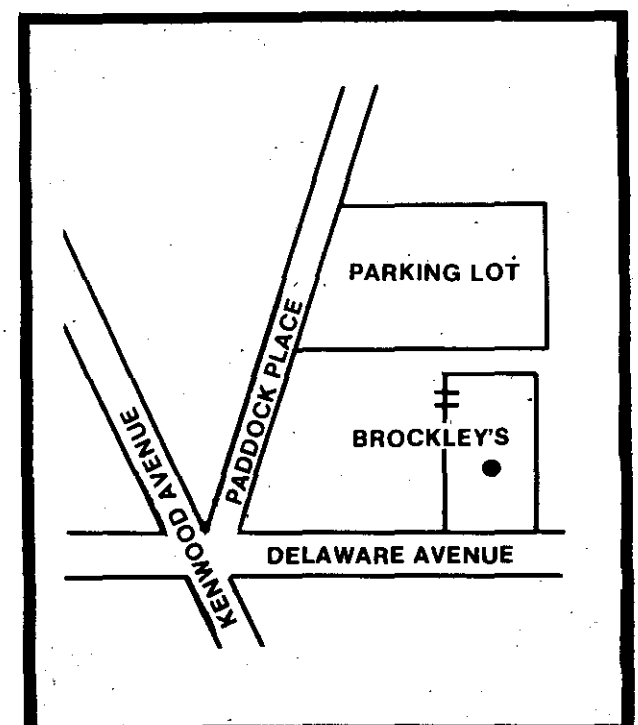
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Picking hops in the Helderbergs

For many years hop raising was one of the important agricultural enterprises in the Capital District. While hop culture was much greater in Schoharie County, the largest hop farm in Albany County was located on the Beebe farm in Knox. Hops were only one source of the farmers income; others might be dairying, sheep raising, apple and vegetable culture and other minor produce as cheese and butter.

Hop yards required much work and planning and ranged from an acre or more to larger plots of several acres. Many farms had a hop house, which was a barn type structure of one story, used for curing and storing of hops and housing of the equipment. Much of the materials used in hop culture had to be made by hand on each farm.

A hop plant is a twining vine that grows on an 18 to 20 foot pole, much like climbing beans. New plants are started from the runners of roots, similar to the way strawberry plants are increased. In spring the plants were set in hills about six feet apart, in rows seven feet apart, in order to allow a horse to get through for cultivation. The plant is a perennial and starts coming up about the middle of April.

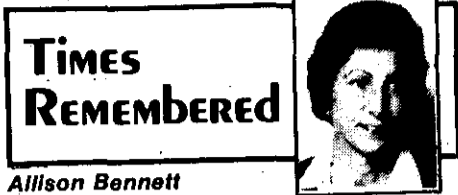
Hops were used in the brewing of beer, in malt and yeast and certain medicinal components. You could even make a brew of Hop Tea.

Poles to support the plants were set in place in May and by June the tying began. The vines were tied to the poles about two feet above the ground and trained around the pole. About seven feet above the ground a nail was driven into the pole and hop twine tied to it. Men who were skilled in twining took a large ball of the heavy twisted material and twined it from pole to pole. When the vines grew heavy on the pole and twine there could be great damage to the crop from the occurrence of a sudden wind or hail storm.

The hops themselves were actually cone-type flowers of the vine, firm, rounded, pale green in color, about the size of a small walnut. Each year the ground in the hop yard had to be cleaned from the waste hop vines and leaves. The poles also had to be cleaned and stacked for next year's use.

Hops began to be harvested in late August and, if the crop was abundant, the picking could last into October. Pickers might be local people who hired themselves out to the farmer, much like migrant workers of today. Many pickers came by train from the cities to the Capital District. They would be picked up at the railroad station by the farmer and boarded at the farm while they were employed in the harvest.

The farm housewives had to work long



Allison Bennett

hours in advance to prepare the huge quantities of food consumed by these "helpers". Fruit and applesauce cakes, pickles and preserves and salted and smoked meat was stored on the swing shelves in the cool damp cellars with their dirt floors. Extra bedrooms were pressed into service and even attics and rooms over woodsheds and workshops were fitted out for sleeping quarters.

Farm boys and girls who never strayed too far from home looked forward with anticipation each year to the arrival of the "city pickers." There were evenings of singing, parties, outdoor chicken roasts and Hop Jigs.

The pickers would arrive at the fields about seven in the morning, and found the hop boxes already in place. These boxes were eight feet by four feet and 24 inches deep, and partitioned to make four boxes. Pickers were paid about 50¢ per box. One of the major hop yards in Berne belonged to George and Joseph Haverly and yielded over 900 boxes of hops.

At harvest time the rough, prickly vines were cut above the ground and a "tender" pulled the heavy poles down with a jack. This pole of hops was carried to the picker, who was instructed to "pick it clean", with no leaves or vines in the box. A good picker could fill five boxes a day. When a box was full a cry "Sack a box" brought the tender to scoop the hops into a large sack, to be picked up later in a wagon and carted to the hop house. A ledger was kept of each pickers endeavors so that there could be no errors at payday.

One of the interesting sidelights of hop picking was the finding of a kissing loop. This was formed by a vine that turned around upon itself, making a perfect loop. Whenever a male picker found one of these he cut it from the vine and searched for some fair maid upon whom he could bestow a kiss or two.

At the hop house the bags were hauled by pulley to the upper section of the house, which held a raised platform of heavy slats that was covered with a mesh known as a kiln cloth. A catwalk surrounded the platform, which was

several feet above the barn floor. This slatted platform allowed the heat from the furnace below to dry the hops overnight.

One person was employed to stoke the furnace and he usually slept in the hop house, as the hops had to be turned once during the night. When they were thoroughly dry they were scooped up for bailing, and put into a huge press that had been lined with burlap. After the press, the bales were sewed up with heavy twine and taken to the railroad station to be shipped to distant breweries.

Some were taken by wagon down the mountain to Albany. Beer brewing was one of the major industries of that city for many years. By the 1890's the brewers of Albany were producing over one-half million barrels of beer each year.

The hop pickers worked long and hard at their task, but they also found time to relax. Farm boys and girls who never strayed too far from home looked forward with anticipation each year to the arrival of the "city pickers". There

were evenings of singing, parties, outdoor chicken roasts and Hop Jigs held in a barn or hop house.

On the weekend a dance would be held in town at a local hotel or town hall. New friends were made, old acquaintances were renewed and sometimes a romance began in hop picking time. A quote from the Altamont Enterprise in 1886 states: "Villagers who have been away hop picking are returning, laden with shekels and a determination never to go hop picking again."

Why did hop production cease in the regions around Albany? Prohibition played a part, but even before that the crops here were not as productive as those grown in the states of Idaho, Oregon and Washington. Improved transportation facilities made it feasible to bring the hops from these western states. Hops are also now imported from England, Germany, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia. Hops are still very much used in the production of beer, but they are no longer home-grown in Albany County. Even the breweries have moved on to other locations.

Credit: Certain information taken from "Schoharie County Historical Review".



Hop pickers in the Helderbergs, ca. 1885. The hop vines can be seen hanging on their supports on either side of the picture. Notice the ladies are wearing or holding garlands of the hop vine.

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Cool jazz

This Sunday the Concert in the Park series will be certain to heat up a hot August night when the cool jazz quartet, "Straight Ahead," appears.

Playing bebop and latin jazz the group includes Larry Vernon on vibraphone, Michael Lampkin on piano, Ray Miller on bass and Camile Morin on drums.

Each of the members of the group has come into the group with quite a background in the jazz field. Vernon has appeared at the Van Dyke in Schenectady and most recently with the "Hudson River Moonlight Band" at the Empire State Plaza. Lampkin just finished an engagement at the Saratoga Room at the Gideon Putnam Hotel with the commercial group "Prelude." They have previously appeared in the concert series as a duo. Lampkin especially has ties to Voorheesville since his family lives here.

The two other members of the group also have impressive credentials. Miller is part of the "Prelude" group while Morin has played with Ira Sullivan and recently recorded an album with jazz guitarist Dick Garcia. He is also part of the Don Nikolski Orchestra.

The concert is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. at the George Hotaling-Evergreen Park.

For those who are counting, only four more summer concerts remain. On

Friday, Aug. 19, Gospel singers Wayne and Arlene Thomas will appear, while two days later on Sunday, Aug. 21, the concert will feature the "Fortunes" a top 40's rock group.

The final two concerts will offer the musical talent of several Voorheesville artists. On Thursday, Aug. 25, two young rock bands are scheduled while the final concert on Sunday, Aug. 18 will feature "Home Town Talent."

Field day

Get ready for fun and games; kids! Terry Barlow, director of the Summer Recreation Program for Voorheesville, invites all children between the ages of five and 13 to the end of the summer Field Day to be held on Friday, Aug. 12, from 9 a.m. until noon at the playground behind the village hall.

The morning activities will include various games and contests, including a free throw competition, a Kool-Aid chug-a-lug contest, and three-legged race. Children will be divided into two categories according to age, with ribbons being awarded to those who place in the top three positions for each event.

The festivities will mark the end of the summer playground program, which began the last week of June. During the summer season Barlow and his assistants, Bob Flynn, Linda Lennon and Maria Michelle, have been in charge of directing

and supervising the popular program.

Acting workshop

Voorheesville librarian Nancy Hutchinson also has an invitation for area youngsters that same day. Beginning at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 12 the library is offering an acting workshop for children. The program, which will take place at the library, will be taught by Mary Murphy and will teach the basics of acting, mime and improvisation. Students going into the fourth grade this fall and older are eligible to participate.

Although the program is the last special event to be offered in conjunction with the Summer Reading Club, interested parties need not be members of the club to attend. Pre-registration is NOT required. Those interested need only come to the library on Friday to take part in the free afternoon of fun.

Upcoming movies

Keeping to the philosophy that the library has something for everyone this week's Wednesday Movie will be "Carve Her Name With Pride." The story of Violette Szabo, an English agent with the French resistance during World War Two, the movie begins at 2 p.m. today, Wednesday.

Next week the younger set will be happy to see the return of that loveable honey bear as the summer festival presents "Winnie the Pooh and Tigger, Too." The delightful Disney cartoon tells the tale of how everyone in the Hundred Acre Woods learn to accept Tigger — bounce and all. Due to the popularity of the Pooh films this movie will be shown twice on Aug. 17 at 2 p.m. and again at 4 p.m. Also on the same bill will be a showing of the movie "Terror by Night," starring Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce as Holmes and Watson. This one-hour movie will be shown only once, at approximately 2:30 p.m.

To the ballgame

Cub Scouts in Pack 73 were singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" on Tuesday, Aug. 9, as the boys traveled to

the new Heritage Park to see the Albany-Colonie A's play the Reading Phillies. The outing was the Cubs last meeting before school resumes in September.

Pool is closing

Many Voorheesville residents are sure to be singing another song soon and that is "How Dry I Am." A good number of people, young and old alike, will certainly miss the pool at the high school after it closes for the summer this Friday. Since the pool opened for public swimming and Red Cross lessons at the end of June the refreshing waters have been THE place to be during this long, hot summer.

Besides giving the school a chance to ready the pool for classes in the fall, the closing will also give the hard working summer swim staff a much deserved vacation. Bud and Shirley Tetrault, Dick Freyer, Tom Wight, Scott Humphrey, Tammi Tetrault, Jenny Kirchen, Vickie Long, Adrienne Long and Laurie Pierce all of whom were instrumental in the operation of the pool this summer.

Another ending

Although some of the sounds of summer will continue through August, some very pleasant sounds will cease this Thursday when the summer band program sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland will officially end. The program, which began shortly after the end of school, operated on Tuesdays and Thursdays giving young area musicians ages 12 to 18 a chance to participate in both large and small ensembles.

Lydia Tobler, Voorheesville music teacher, assisted by her husband, Leonard, directed the summer program. The public is invited to their "last rehearsal and open house," to be held on the front lawn of the elementary school on Thursday beginning at 9:30 p.m. Performing during the morning will be the concert band, the largest of the groups, which will play "All that Jazz" as well as other numbers. Also playing will be the stage band, scheduled to give their rendition of such numbers as "The Theme from Hill Street Blues."

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School board rewrites goals

By Lisa Zenzen

A three-and-one-half-hour special session of the of the Voorheesville Central School District Board Aug. 1 yielded a reworded list of program priorities, several of which resulted from a recent survey conducted by the district.

While the priorities had already been established, the board spent a large amount of time rehashing phrasing of each one. The priorities were not listed according to importance, and they cover a wide range of areas. Study habits, self-worth and self-understanding, social and educational atmosphere, recognition and responsibility of sharing problems, student awareness and appropriate involvement in school governance to develop their sense of responsibility and belonging, consideration of Regents Educational Reform proposals as they may affect the school in light of existing curriculum and the evaluation process prescribed for the teaching staff passed 7-0 with their new phrasing.

The area of most concern for district residents, according to John McKenna, was the self-worth and self-understanding concept. Ann Balk was concerned with the ease of getting an intellectual grasp without really understanding the problem.

"The world today is full of these slick,

psychoanalytical terms," she warned. "I think we need some help on this one."

Another area belabored over was recognition and responsibility of problems. The board decided on the phrasing: "to encourage and promote greater parental participation in the activities of the Voorheesville Central School District in order to encourage a sense of identity and responsibility for the problems of the school and potential solution." One of the few citizens in the audience pointed out that activities don't necessarily encourage parental sharing in problems, but McKenna stopped the discussion because it moved into implementation of the priorities.

The last snag in the discussion came in the curriculum issue, and was mainly a result of the board's not being fully aware of its development process, later explained by Superintendent Werner Berglas. "It's a priority item; people have been talking about it," said Joseph Fernandez.

The board decided to have the priorities listed in the *Helderbarker*, to have a board member speak to the staff at a meeting, and to have each board member come up with ideas in the next weeks on the implementation of the priorities.

It was suggested that priorities be highlighted in the *Helderbarker* to distin-

guish them from its usual content. But some concern was expressed that the priorities aren't necessarily solutions. Berglas suggested using his superintendent's column to explain what's going on.

The board also unanimously voted to keep the year-old High School Advisory Committee and establish an Elementary School Advisory Committee composed of a board member, students, administration, faculty, parents and members of the community. Parents and members of the community could express their desire to be on the committee by telephoning the school, an invitation to be published in the *Helderbarker*.

A subcommittee was formed to make plans for a search committee to fill three vacancies that will result from retirement plans at the end of the coming school year. Elementary School Principal Robert Farrell, Assistant Principal Roger Kallop and Kenneth George, guidance counselor at the high school, will be retiring, according to Berglas. Berglas, Fernandez and Peter Ten Eyck will be reporting at the Oct. 11 meeting, which was changed from Oct. 10.

A committee of the board was established to study an evaluation process for all employees. Stephen Schreiber, David Teuten and Balk volunteered for the committee and it was unanimously estab-



Dee and John Shuff of Slingerlands were among 12 diners who feasted recently at the Heavenly Inn on a gourmet meal bought through WMHT's auction.

lished.

A vote on the Committee on the Handicapped was deferred to the next meeting, Aug. 8.

A continuation of the Transportation Committee was passed 7-0. The committee is made up of about 10 people: a member of the PTSA, bus drivers, the head mechanic, teachers from the grade school and high school and the athletic director.



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

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

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

New Scotland Landfill, open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays only. Resident permit required, permits available at Town Hall.

Bethlehem Landfill, open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday, closed Sundays and holidays. Resident permit required, permits available at Town Hall, Elm Ave. Park office and town garage, Elm Ave. East.

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.

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.

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

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, Bethlehem Town Hall, Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-noon. 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.

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.).

Preschool Storyhour for children ages 3-5, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays through Aug. 11, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library.

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.

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

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

School Age Playgrounds for grades 1-6, games, arts, crafts, storyhours and special events, weekdays through Aug. 19. Clarksville, Hamagrael, 9-11:45 a.m.; Glenmont, Elsmere and Slingerlands, 1-3:45 p.m.; Becker School, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:45 p.m. See bus schedule for transportation. Free.

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School), 9W south to Dowerskill Village, Dowerskill Village to Rt. 396 to Beaver Dam Rd., along Beaver Dam Rd. to Rt. 144, north on Rt. 144 to Clapper Rd., Clapper Rd. to Halter Rd. via Rt. 144 and turn around.

South on Rt. 144 to Maple Ave., west on Thatcher St. to Cottage Lane, cover Cottage Lane to Maple Ave. to Beaver Dam Rd. to Rt. 396, west on Rt. 396 to South Albany Rd., north on South Albany Rd. to Bell Crossing Rd. and Jericho Rd., Jericho Rd. east to New Road (Long Lane), Long Lane east to Elm Ave., Elm Ave. East to Rt. 9W and turn around.

Elm Ave. west to Fairlawn, Fairlawn to Elm Ave. Park. Bus will return to North Bethlehem, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area from Elm Ave. Park via the same route at approximately 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Bethlehem Board of Appeals, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Evening on the Green, the Short-Straw String Band plays foot-tapping bluegrass, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals on application of Anthony J. and Ida S. Catalano, 17 Orchard Street, Delmar, New York for a Variance to permit construction of a fireplace at premises. Bethlehem Town Hall, 8:00 p.m.

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

Town Auxiliaries Picnic, Slingerlands Pavilion, New Scotland Rd., 6 p.m. Bring your own place setting; information, 482-0303.

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

"Carve Her Name With Pride," movie for teens and adults, Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

Children's Entertainment, folk-singer, storyteller and magician Jerry Vovcsko performs, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

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

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

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

THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

area arts

A capsule listing of cultural events easily accessible to Bethlehem - New Scotland residents, provided as a community service by the General Electric Co. plastics plant Selkirk.

THEATER

"The Lion in Winter" (student production of James Goldman's comedy), Junior College of Albany, Second Floor Theater, Aug. 12, 13, 19 and 20, 8 p.m., Aug. 14 and 21, 2 p.m.

"Merrily We Roll Along" (Stephen Sondheim's musical staged by summer theater group of Schenectady Civic Players), Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady, Aug. 12 and 13.

"Write Me a Murder" (Frederick Knott's twisty thriller), Woodstock Playhouse, Rts. 375 and 212 in Woodstock, Aug. 10 through Aug. 21, Tuesday-Saturday 8:30 p.m., Sunday 7 p.m., 2 p.m. matinee Thursday and Sunday. Reservations, (914) 679-2436.

"African Folk Tales" (children's theater), Woodstock Playhouse, Aug. 13, 11 a.m.

"Finian's Rainbow" (the leprechaun and the crock of gold) Mac-Haydn Theater, Chatham, through Aug. 14 Wednesday-Friday 8 p.m., Saturday 5 and 8:30 p.m. and Sunday 2 and 7 p.m. Reservations, 392-9292.

"Alice in Wonderland" (children's theater at Mac-Haydn) Aug. 12 and 13, 11 a.m.

"Play It Again, Sam" (Woody Allen comedy presented by Washington Park Theater Company), Grand St. Theater, Grand and Madison Ave., Albany Aug. 11-14, 8 p.m. Information, 463-3566.

"The Comedy of Errors" (Shakespeare & Company do Shakespeare on the lawn at The Mount, Lenox, Mass.), through Aug. 27, Tuesday-Saturday 8 p.m. Reservations, (413) 637-1197 or 637-3353.

MUSIC

"A Night on Broadway II" (Pine Orchard Artists Festival), Palenville, Aug. 11, 12 and 20, 8 p.m.

"Werther" (Jules Massenet opera performed by Lake George Opera Festival and sung in English), Queensbury Auditorium, Glens Falls, Aug. 12 and 17, 8:15 p.m., Aug. 20, 2:15 p.m. Reservations, 793-3858.

"From Broadway to the Met" (performers from the Glimmerglass Opera Theatre of Cooperstown in an evening of song), Guggenheim Pavilion, Institute on Man and Science, Rensselaerville, Aug. 12, 8 p.m. Free.

Brad Logan and Peter O'Hearn (guitars and vocals), outdoor performance at St. Peter's Church, 107 State St., Albany, Aug. 12, 12:05 p.m.

Jazz at the Pillow, Wynton Marsalis, Jacob's Pillow, Lee, Mass., Aug. 14. Tickets and information, (413) 243-0745.

The Quartet Program (summer chamber music program at Emma Willard performs Mendelssohn, Faure and Brahms), Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, Aug. 16, 8 p.m.

DANCE

Dance Commodity (modern dance company from New York), Nott Memorial, Union College, Schenectady, Aug. 12 and 13, 8 p.m.

Ballet '83: New Views and Debuts, Jacob's Pillow, Lee, Mass. (take Exit 2 off Mass Pike, Rt. 20 east), through Aug. 13 (Tuesdays 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays 8 p.m., Fridays 8:30 p.m., Saturdays 2 and 8:30 p.m.) Ticket information, (413) 234-0745.

Joyce Trisler Danscompany and Calck Hook Dance Theatre, Jacob's Pillow, Aug. 16-20.

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AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Plaza Dancing, music by the Phil Foote Band, outdoors at the Empire State Plaza, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Elderly and Health Care Lecture, Carnegie-Mellon professor on "Shades of Gray: Old Age, American Values and the Federal Policies of the 1980's," Albany College of Pharmacy's lecture hall 110, 8 p.m. Free.

Empire State Games Open in Syracuse, local athletes compete for Adirondack Region through Sunday televised daily on WMHT.

Congressman Samuel Stratton In Town, 23rd district representative holds office hours for constituents to voice views, Leo O'Brien Federal Building, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 465-0700.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

Empire State College Information Session, faculty and representatives answer questions about SUNY degree program, at 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 4 p.m. No appointment needed.

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



The Royal Hanneford Circus will be appearing at this year's Altamont Fair, Aug. 15-21.

"Red Pony," family film, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Free.

Insect Field Study, last in adult-outdoor education series, Five Rivers, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 457-6092.

Open House-Rehearsal for Kiwanis-sponsored music program, Voorheesville Elementary School, 9:30 a.m.

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

Children's Acting, for Summer Reading Club grades 4-7, Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m. Free. Information, 765-2791.

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

Farmer's Market, fresh produce and crafts, St. Thomas the Apostle Church parking lot, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Fridays.

Children's Field Day, fun and games for kids 5-13, Voorheesville Village Hall playground.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Elvis Night, Elks Lodge 2233, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 8 p.m.

Chicken Barbecue, Clarksville Community Church, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$5.50 adults, \$3.50 children.

Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast, Elm Ave. Park, 9 a.m.-noon. \$3 adults, \$2 children. Information, 767-2783.

Buffet supper, Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush. Reservations, Julia Chamberlain, 439-1878.

Concert on the Green, local rock group "Strange Anatomy," Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m. Free.

Soccer Camp, family session ends week-long workshop taught by English soccer coaches, BCHS fields, 9 a.m.-noon. \$75 registration for week; information, the Tilroes at 439-7571.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum, special Bethlehem House artifacts display, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, summer Sunday hours 2-5 p.m. through Oct.

Concert in the Park, "Straight Ahead" jazz band, George Hotelling-Evergreen Park, Voorheesville, 7 p.m. Free.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

"Under Summer Skies," dance to benefit Schenectady Red Cross and Proctor's, with Doc Scanlon's Rhythm Boys, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, 6-10 p.m. Tickets \$10 at Proctor's, 346-6204.

National Polka Festival, three days of music with star Bobby Vinton headlining, at Hunter Mountain, Rt. 23A. Information, 263-3800.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Sunflower Fair, handcrafts, Christmas decorations, gifts, summer produce, baked goods, at Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Village Picnic, Rensselaerville Park, noon.

Monk's Festival, horse and pony rides, country store, craft booths, at the Priory of St. Benedict, Northway Exit 25.

Flight '83 Air Show, U.S. Navy Blue Angels and air thrill show, Schenectady County Airport. Information, 372-5656 or 374-2499.

Wheelchair Sports Exposition, disabled athletes give demonstrations and lessons to aspiring athletes confined to wheelchairs, HVCC, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. \$4 registration and special CDTA bus transport to and from college; information, 482-2022.

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Flight '83 Air Show, U.S. Navy Blue Angels and air thrill show, Schenectady County Airport. Information, 372-5656 or 374-2499.

Coeymans Hollow Picnic and historical displays, Little Red Schoolhouse, Rt. 143, noon-5 p.m.

Flea Market-Crafts Fair, Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Williamstown Traveling Theater, the Other Stages act out "Mandrill," 3-5 p.m.; the Oz Band sings music from the 50's to the 80's in concert, 6-8 p.m.; outdoors at the Empire State Plaza; free.

MONDAY, AUGUST 15

Altamont Fair, seven-day fair at the Altamont Fairgrounds, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Expectant Parents' Night, hospital tour and staff on hand to answer questions, St. Peter's Hospital cafeteria, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-1515.

Cross-Country Running Race, 4.25 mile course through Tawasentha Park, sponsored by the Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club, 6 p.m. Information, Mark and Judy Boyer at 489-2053.

"Putting on the Ritz," summer dinner dance sponsored by senior adult department at Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., 5 p.m. Information, reservations, 439-6651.

Seniors' Daytime Vacation Begins, three weeks of daytime fun at Shady Lodge on Lawson's Lake sponsored by Senior Service Centers for those over 60; information, 465-3322.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

Altamont Fair, at the Altamont Fairgrounds, 10:30 a.m.-11 p.m.

Farmer's Market, Tuesdays at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany.

"Exporting Testimonial" Breakfast, corporate representatives on hand to encourage exporting from the Port of Albany, sponsored by Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce, Quality Inn Hotel, Albany, 8 a.m. Reservations, 434-1214.

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

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

Children's Movies, "Winnie the Pooh" and "Terror by Night," Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m.

Bethlehem Republican Steak Roast, committee-sponsored festivities and food, Picard's Grove, New Salem, 1 p.m. Information, 439-2807 or 439-6461.

Boys' Junior Tennis Tournament, round-robin style and skill events for players under 18, sponsored by town and BTA, Bethlehem Middle School courts, 8:15 a.m. Registration, 439-4131.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

Summer Reading Club, children in grades K through 3, Voorheesville Public Library, 3:30 p.m.

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

Naturefest '83, day-long festival of natural science and outdoor education events, displays and activities, Thacher Park, 1-9 p.m.; music by "Shortstraw," 5-6:30 p.m. Free admission, \$2.50 parking fee; information, 584-2000 or 872-1237.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

Summer Reading Club, children grades 4-7, Voorheesville Public Library, 3:30 p.m.

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

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



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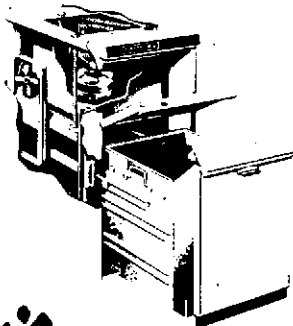
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Board investigates fire

By Lisa Zenzen

Only one issue put a snag in the otherwise smooth meeting of the New Scotland Town Board Aug. 3, and that was who started the fire July 27 next to the New Salem Garage.

Christopher Blackwell maintains the fire, 50 feet from his house, was started as a drill for the New Salem Volunteer Fire Department, a fact he said he verified with Fire Chief Patrick Hunsinger.

"I'm just surprised these people would do something like this," he said, explaining the fire exploded 10 feet in the air and his children were outside.

But Deputy Supervisor Wyman Osterhout said the siren went off and the firemen helping out at the preparation for the fair left, so the firemen did not start the fire.

It was finally agreed that the board will find out just who started the fire at a meeting with the department sometime in the future.

Otherwise it was business as usual.

The board announced that the contract for the Swift Road Water District was awarded to Cardi Contracting Co., Inc. of Balston Spa for \$92,000. That figure, however, will not stand because the three quarter mile water main will be increased from four inches to six inches. There will be three fire hydrants, but they won't be useful for fires initially due to lack of water pressure.

The proposed junk car and junkyard ordinances were touched upon, but the changes agreed to at the July 27 special meeting were not in proper legal form, according to Town Attorney Fred Riester. Up to two cars, at least 50 feet

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from the property line, and screened from a neighboring residence and the road, compose the major rule change.

In other business:

- The new volunteers were added to the New Salem Volunteer Fire Department. They are William H. Murdock Jr. and Scott A. Moose. The vote was unanimous.

- The board received two letters complaining of a car parked on a sharp curve on South Road. The matter will be looked into.

- The board will also take a look at refinishing the floor at the Senior Citizens Center. The center is in the process of establishing volunteer cleaning crews.

- Two culverts were left after road work was done on New Scotland Avenue, according to a resident, and the board will get an engineer to look at the situation. The land is graded and blacktopped, but that is all, the resident said.

- A vote was carried unanimously to allow Supervisor Steve Wallace who was on vacation, to sell wood cut in the process of creating the Feura Bush recreation center. Ideally, the superintendent could get the bidder to cut the wood also.

- The board decided to allow registration for voting to take place at the town hall only: "The cost factor warrants the move (from polling places)," said Board Clerk Corinne Cossac.



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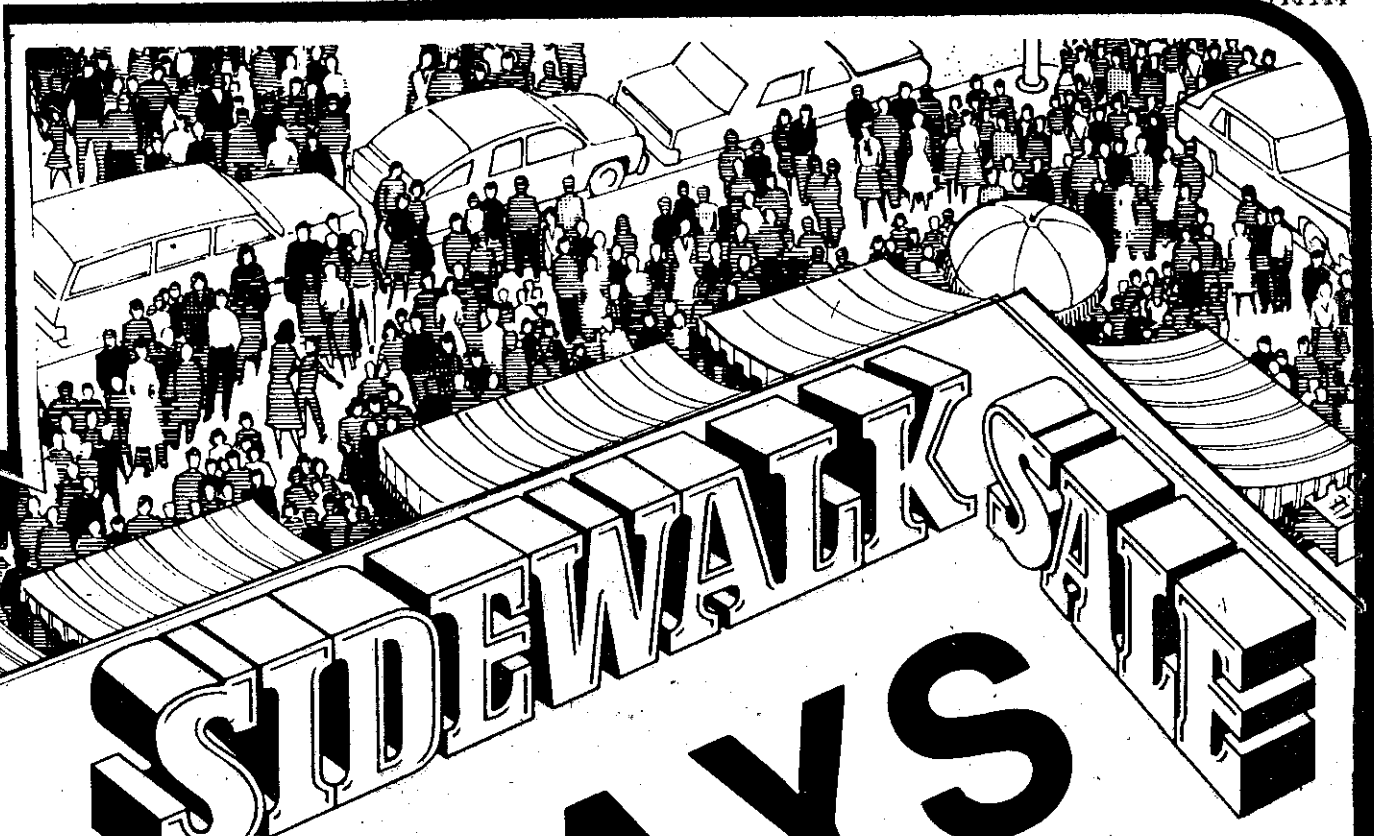
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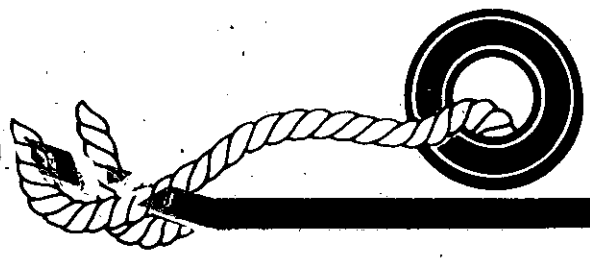
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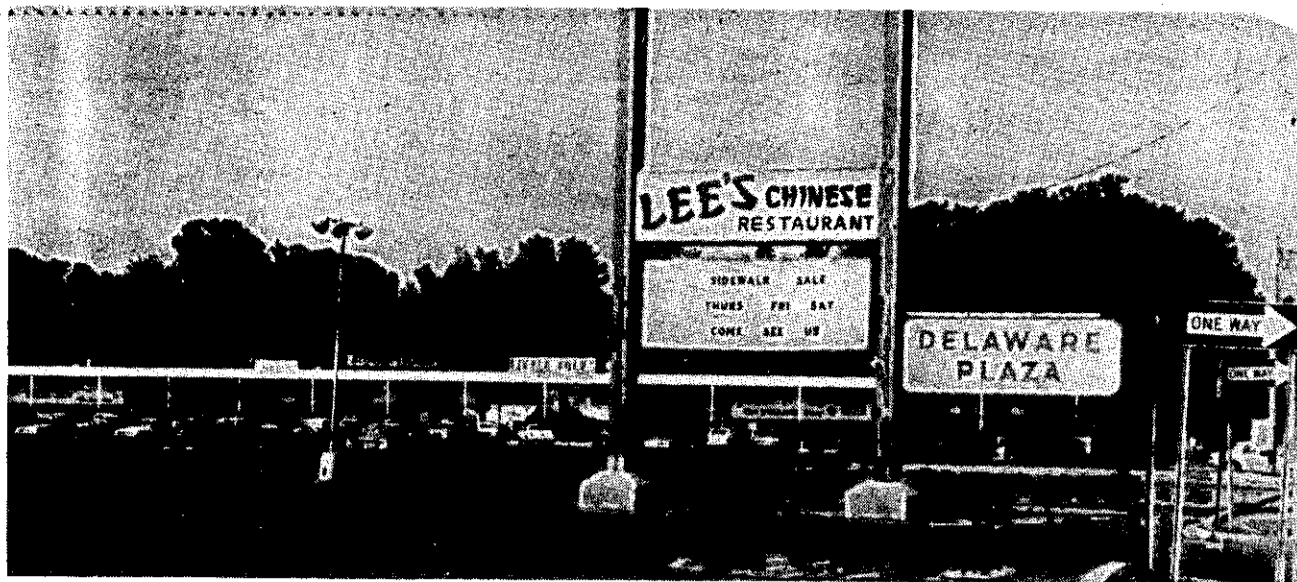
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The sign in front of the Delaware Plaza announces its annual sidewalk sale, coming this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Spotlight

Grants for thespians

The Slingerlands Players, a local community theater group, has announced that it will award \$3,000 in college scholarships and theater grants to applicants from the Capital District this year.

Two \$750 scholarships will go to matriculated, full-time college students majoring in theater or to high school seniors accepted into full-time theater majors who are residents of Albany, Schenectady or Rensselaer counties.

The three money awards will go to the applicants demonstrating the most promise and financial need. Application forms are available from the Slingerlands Players scholarship-grant committee, PO Box 21, Slingerlands, 12159. The application deadline is Oct. 31.

New restaurant planned

Restaurateur Lou Alteri plans to have his new restaurant on Delaware Ave. in Delmar open for business by Labor Day. Alteri is renovating the former Audio Visual building near the Albany city line for the Fiesta Restaurant. There will be seating for 120 in the dining room and another 45 in the lounge. The menu will feature Italian specialties such as scampi and veal parmigiana, with Alteri himself in the kitchen.

The new Fiesta Restaurant will be open 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily except Monday. The site, overlooking the Normanskill, will have parking for 85 cars, Alteri said. Alteri is an experienced restaurateur, having begun in the business while in his teens, working in his father's fish stand in Selkirk.

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BUSINESS

Liebich site on the market

The unexpected demolition two weeks ago of the old Liebich house on Delaware Ave. does not necessarily mean immediate commercial development of the property, according to a family member.

But, added Richard C. Liebich of Clifton Park, "obviously, we've been contacted by a lot of people."

The Liebich house stood between the building currently occupied by the Shoe Depot and Skippy's Music, (also owned by the Liebich family) and Herrick Ave., next to the Elsmere Elementary School. The house was set back from the road and had been in poor condition for some time. The decision to tear it down was made by family members, according to town officials.

The resulting vacant lot is 225 feet deep and is zoned CC-Commercial, which would make it developable either by itself or with the adjacent property. Liebich said in response to the most prominent rumor about the property that he and his family have not talked to Burger King.

Enters dental practice

Dr. William G. Primono, son of Dr. and Mrs. Gene V. Primono of Elsmere has just completed a year of residency in general dentistry at St. Peter's Hospital.

He is a 1982 graduate of the University of Buffalo Dental School. Prior to that he graduated from the Albany College of Pharmacy in 1978, and Bethlehem Central High School in 1873.

Dr. Primono is married to the former Linda Klett also of Delmar. They reside in Albany. Dr. Primono is now practicing dentistry with his father at 123 Whitehall Rd., Albany.



Cecelia Beaudin

New branch manager

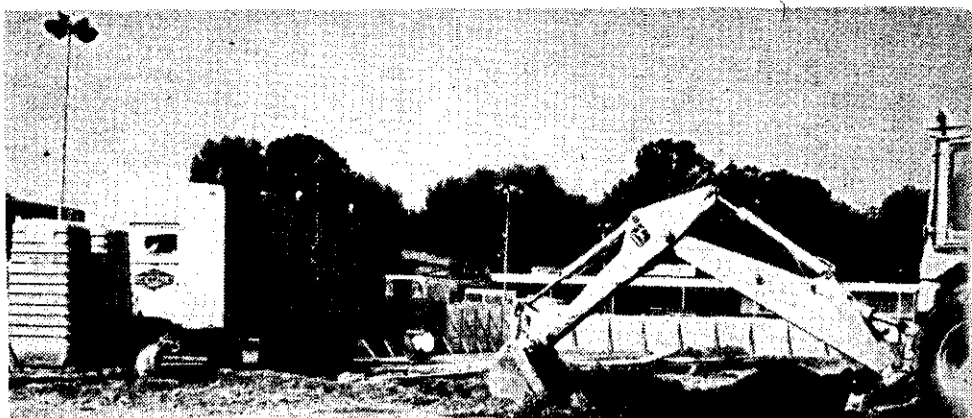
Cecelia Beaudin of Delmar has been promoted to branch manager of the Glenmont office of the First American Bank. She was formerly manager of the West Sand Lake office. She is a graduate of Russell Sage College and a member of the American Institute of Banking.

For woman managers

The Center for Women in Government is accepting registrations for its fall program, "Managing," a certificate program providing managerial skills to women in New York public service. Six courses and a two-day seminar, "Women as Managers," are being offered.

Course topics are career planning, effective leadership in management, labor relations, organizational dynamics, program planning and evaluation and written communications. Each course will consist of four sessions running once a week from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

The courses and seminar will be held in Draper Hall, Room 303, on the downtown campus of the State University at Albany. Additional information and registration brochures are available from the center at 455-6211.



Renovations are underway at the former Denby's at Delaware Plaza, soon to be the new home of Grand Union. Work should be completed by the first of the year. *Spotlight*

Grand Union begins work

The Grand Union Co. has begun renovation of the former Denby's building at Delaware Plaza. Plans call for a 30-foot addition at the south side of the building, giving Grand Union a total area of 34,500 square feet. Work is expected to be completed by the first of the year.

State Sen. Howard C. Nolan, who is owner of the plaza along with Norris

MacFarland, said a chain-link fence is to be built along the water-line easement behind the store when the renovation is completed. Nolan also said Curtain Country, a national chain, will occupy some of the space to be vacated by Grand Union. Martin Zablo, district manager for Country Curtain, said the Delmar store will be the fifth in the Northeast District and opening is expected in February.

Albany Savings adds broker service

Albany Savings Bank has announced that it will introduce on Monday a full-service brokerage business through INVEST, a service of ISFA Corporation.

The first INVEST center will be located at the bank's main office, at State and North Pearl streets, Albany. Additional full-service brokerage centers will be located at the bank's Colonie, Queensbury, and Kingston offices within thirty days.

The new brokerage service will offer a wide range of investment transactions, including stock trades, bonds, mutual funds, as well as portfolio analysis and other advisory functions.

"Our new INVEST Program takes a conservative approach. It is a unique and dynamic concept of securities investing to

serve our customers in the increasingly complex and competitive financial climate," said Gilbert O. Roberts, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Albany Savings Bank. INVEST provides complete advisory services and its commissions are generally 25 percent lower than traditional full-service brokerages Roberts added.

Attends convention

Beverly J. Nash of Slingerlands was recently in Salt Lake City, Utah, attending the American Culinary Federation's national convention. Nash, a chef at the Heavenly Inn in Slingerlands, is also vice-president of the Capital District-Central New York chapter of the American Culinary Federation.

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Democracy stakes its future in the personal growth and integrity of each individual while spreading the responsibility for determining its fate across the entire membership population. The success of democracies, therefore, depends on their development of intelligent, informed and active citizenries.

In contrast, dictatorial nations distrust the masses. They believe that major decisions and accomplishments occur only through the concerted actions of a few qualified people. Power is reserved within dictatorial societies for the small

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group of elite officials who have demonstrated leadership ability and the ambition to use it. The success of dictatorships relies on their development of obedient, complacent and uninformed citizenries.

The symptoms of failure in each political system are distinguishable. In shaky dictatorships one can detect underground rebelliousness surfacing among the masses or a growing dissension within the inner circle of power. In waning democracies disorder on the streets and in the marketplaces occurs more frequently than usual, and apathy spreads among the citizens at large.

Dictatorships have always been easier to form and manage than democracies. Power concentrated in a few is more



Family MATTERS

Norman G. Cohen

easily controlled than power distributed over the masses. Therefore, human history has many more examples of dictatorships than it does of democracies. The rise and fall of nations has been more a sturdy of the cycle of dictatorial power than it has of the ways in which democratic power ebbs and flows. In fact, we are living in the world's solitary example of long-term democracy sustained by a large populace. We are still often called the "American Experiment."

As I state above, the success of democracy depends on the development of its citizens so that they are capable of handling freedom with responsibility. The primary vehicle for promoting that development is the American family, which leads me to this article's question: Is the American family setting an example for its children by operating as a mini-democracy, or is it functioning as a tiny dictatorship?

One approach to answering the question is to refer back to the symptoms of failure in each system. Such observations suggest that those families resembling dictatorships are suffering notable decline. Rising statistics that measure the divorce rates and incidences of spouse and child abuse and other family violence seem to confirm a growing dissension within the inner power circles of many families as well as a surfacing of rebelliousness among the children of those families. Covert drug and alcohol use among teens is also widespread which may be an indication of underground defiance against dictatorial authority.

Moreover, the emancipation of the housewife into the career market is indicative of what may be a national pressure toward democratic family life. In that more and more households are

becoming two-income families, the once automatic American husband father can no longer declare that 'the buck stops here,' because he isn't the only one earning that buck anymore. The striking result of this new competition for salaries is that the absolute monarch of the "old school" families is having to learn to become part of a democratic team, or be "voted" out of office.

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morals and person-to-person lessons still apply, there are multitudes of new areas to be learned that were yesterday's science fiction. Modern technology is advancing so rapidly that contemporary parents may have to stay continuously enrolled in adult education courses to be able to help Junior with his homework. Even health and safety lessons have changed from the knowledge base with which we grew up. Also, the car and the ten-speed bike have all but replaced the family Parcheesi game so that much of family time has been taken over by peer time.

With diminishing male domination as the head of the house, with increased role equality between husband and wife, with the obsolescence of many parental skills

in preparing the young for careers, and with increased mobility and independent activity of the peer group, I believe the American family is more democratically oriented than ever before.

The highly competitive job market is pushing our young people to develop their intelligence beyond basic academic and technical levels. In turn, they are demanding more information from the adults in their world. Consequently, they are initiating more choices on their own in vocational, recreational and social arenas. It all adds up to a widespread phenomenon of young people practicing the freedoms and responsibilities of democratic living.

Families unable or unwilling to let go of their authoritarian mold are at risk of rebellion and division given these times of surging personal democracy. They are also misguiding their children by depriving them of the opportunities to learn how to take on democratic freedom with responsibility. Trainees of dictatorships typically search out either authoritarian leaders to follow or compliant groups to lead, one or the other. They are uncomfortable with democracies because they simply weren't prepared for them. They distrust the ability of the democratic group to maintain order and get a job done.

For democracy to survive with strength it must be practiced in all segments of our society. Another question thus arises: Is the American classroom and workplace operating as a democracy or a dictatorship? I refrain from dictating an answer, and leave it up to you.

Poets, writers sought

The Bethlehem Public Library is in need of private poets and writers who want to go public with their writing. The Library will be staging a Reading on the Green on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 2 p.m. for anyone who wants to read their work to an outdoor audience.

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Jesus faced some prejudice we are familiar with. People in his home town rejected him on the grounds, "Is not this the carpenter's son?" *Matt. 13:55*. And, if it had not been for Philip's insistence, Nathaniel would have dismissed Jesus as a fraud, with the saying, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" *Jn. 1:46*.

Too many of us sell ourselves short or others short because we believe, like Jesus's critics, that certain credentials are necessary for someone to have value. One can only speculate as to the loss of contribution to the arts, science, medicine, industry, government, humanitarian pursuits and even religion by those who were denied the an opportunity of felt personally unworthy to contribute because of a lack of credentials.

Jesus had to buck this prejudice all the time. He was accused of not having the right education, being too young, not having proper authority and not following acceptable procedure. So, from such a personal experience with rejection by prejudice concerning his value, he could teach with real feeling: "Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. Fear not, you are of more value than many sparrows." *Lk. 12:6-7*.

That we have value is something we need to learn. We have tremendous value to God. Having lived with the prejudice that we have little or no value, we do need to learn, appreciate and exercise our God-given value.

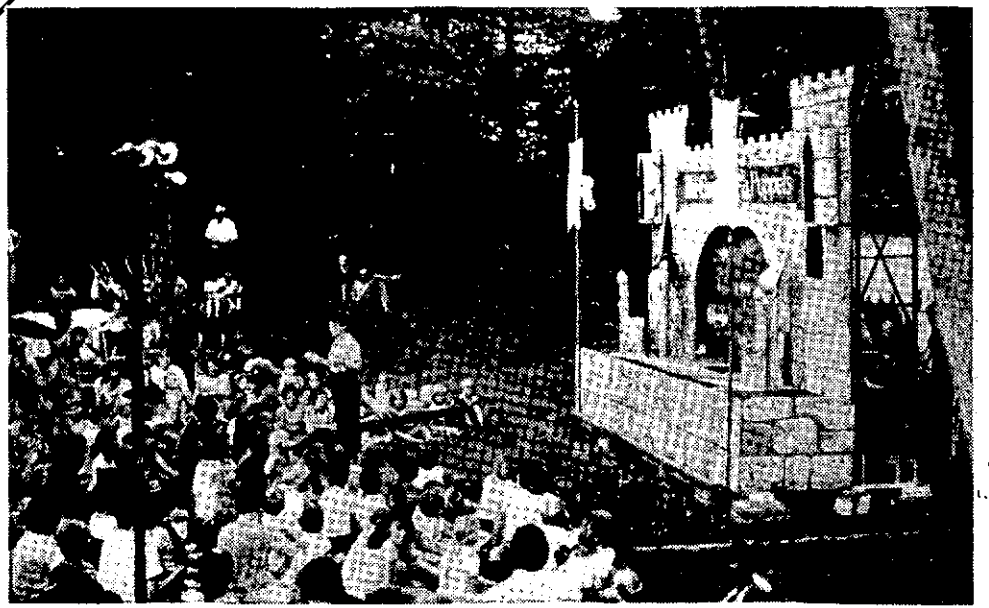
The character, Gomer, in James Michener's *The Source*, is described as "an ugly girl, ignorant, the third wife of a miserable man who abused her as a slave, and with no more possessions than she

could gather in a large bag." Gomer and everyone else knew that "it was not to such persons that God spoke." Yet, despite her lack of credentials or any apparent value, God did use her as his mouthpiece or prophetess.

God can and does do the same with us. We are valuable to him and he uses us regardless of the world's standards.

There are plenty of examples of people who lacked proper credentials coming to prominence and exerting great influence on the world. Probably the best known is Abraham Lincoln, who came from a log cabin to the White House. Those who have taken the boat trip through the Thousand Islands can see the physical evidence of many others who had poor beginnings and rose to wealth great enough to build elaborate summer mansions along the river and on the islands. One such mansion is owned by a man who made his fortune manufacturing bread wrappers. The most prominent mansion is a 300-room castle built by George Boldt, the highest paid man in the U.S. at the turn of the century. Yet, Mr. Boldt started out as a sickly immigrant from Prussia washing dishes in New York City. He hardly fit the standard or such wealth and power.

We need to learn that regardless of prejudice to the contrary, we do have value. I love the illustration from the construction of the bridge across Niagara Falls in 1848. Sophisticated engineers laughed at the proposal to send the first string across the impassible canyon by flying a kite across. They stopped laughing when a young boy's kite succeeded in laying the first strand that



Some 500 people attended the Bennington Puppet's performance of the "Thief of Bagdad" at Bethlehem Public Library's Evening on the Green last Wednesday, the largest single draw in the 13-year history of the popular series.

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Church service moves

Radio broadcast of the Sunday morning "Hour of Worship" from St. Peter's Church in Albany has moved to WWCN on the AM dial.

St. Peter's Church will be joining this all-news format of CN News Radio from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Sunday morning.

Prophecy conference

Dr. Kenneth F. McKinley, professor of Bible at Letourneau College in Longview, Texas, will be the guest speaker at Camp Pinnacle's Prophecy Conference, Aug. 7 to 12.

Dr. McKinley, author of the book "Scanning the Plan," a survey of the Old Testament, is a widely recognized Bible teacher and leading expert on Bible Prophecy. He has traveled nationally and internationally lecturing on Christian life and prophecy. Dr. McKinley will focus on current events in light of scripture.

Church conducting survey

Members of the Full Gospel Fellowship Church will be going door to door conducting a survey. "The Claims of Christ," in Delmar from Monday, Aug. 15, to Thursday, Aug. 18. The survey, which consists of seven questions, is designed to discern the religious beliefs of the community and stimulate religious thinking, according to the church.


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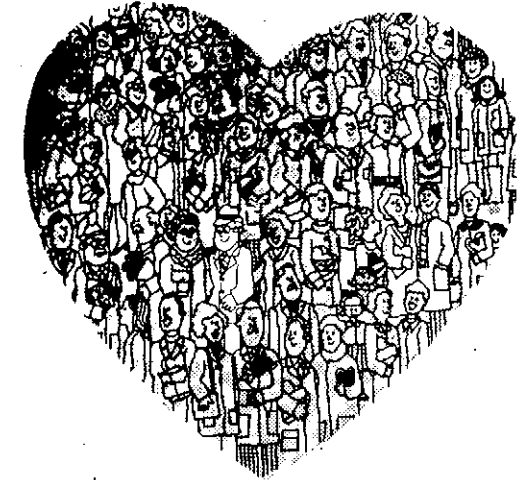
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It is a rare gardener indeed who at some time during the summer season does not entertain this thought about weeds: "What difference would it make if I just let them alone to grow happily among my vegetables?" If ignorance is bliss, read no further, for Cornell scientists have answered this question for us.

In a research project conducted a couple of years ago, they planted 12 plots of vegetables. Two plots each of six different vegetables were planted at the same time, side by side. Each was given the same care with one exception. One set of six was kept weed-free, but the weeds were allowed to grow on the other set. The results were startling.

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Mickey Wetzel
Master Gardener

Although there are numerous diseases and insects may cause foliage to become discolored or distorted there are also cultural factors that can cause tree leaves to wilt, discolor, deform or drop prematurely. These cultural problems include scorch, chlorosis and chemical injury from weed killers.

Scorch is due to lack of water in leaves.

Trees that often have leaf scorch include maple, dogwood, horsechestnut, beech and linden. Scorch may be caused by drought, by girdling roots, the severing of roots because of trenching near the tree, a limited soil area for root growth or large wounds in the trunk. Anything that prevents an adequate supply of water reaching the leaves can cause the scorch, wilting, and discoloration to appear.

Chlorosis develops when iron is lacking in a form that can be absorbed by the roots. Leaves then become yellowish-green in color. Generally, the veins will remain green on the leaves. To correct chlorosis, it is necessary to supply the needed iron to the plants. Pinoaks often suffer from this problem.

Careless use of weed-killing chemicals and weed killer-fertilizer combinations can cause the leaves to die or deform. The leaves become thickened and have a leathery feel. The margins will curl

downward. These symptoms will reappear for several seasons. Every effort should be made to prevent chemical injury. Weed killers and fertilizers should be used cautiously and according to the manufacturers directions.

New chestnuts

The Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, will conduct an outdoor study walk "In Search of the American Chestnut" on Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. The free program will explore the history of trees through their past and present uses, as well as natural and unnatural changes in forests.

In case of inclement weather, the program will be cancelled. For information, call the center at 457-6092.

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Host Dolphins fourth in Delmar swim meet

By Julie Ann Sosa

Sparked by individual heroics from diver Melissa Martley and swimmers Janet Shaffer, Doug Schulz, Drew Patrick, Chris Drew and Jonathan Scholes, the host Delmar Dolphins Swim Club finished fourth of almost 20 teams for the second consecutive year at the 1983 Adirondack District U.S. Swimming and Diving Championships held last weekend at Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park. Martley, Shaffer and Schulz are going to the Empire State Games.

But it was Dirk Applegate who was in a class by himself. Swimming for the Albany Starfish, the Voorheesville resident and Mercersburg Academy senior swam away laden with eight gold medals and the individual high point trophy (51 out of 54 possible points).

Martley, a BCHS junior on the varsity team, was in-unbeatable form. She dove to titles on both the 1 and 3-meter diving boards.

Shaffer broke her own two-year old meet and resident record en route to winning the 200-meter freestyle in 2:15.11, and established a meet record in a new event, the 50-meter free, in 28.39. She was first in the 100-meter free in 1:10.08 and third in the 100-meter breaststroke.

Schulz, who has been in Texas training much of the summer, won the 400-meter individual medley (IM) in 5:13.61. He was also second in the 100 and 200-meter breast, third in the 100-meter IM and a top finisher in the 200 and 400-meter free.

Patrick, a runner-up for the individual high point trophy in the boys' 9-10 age group, got there by winning the 200-meter IM in 2:58.07 and 50-meter breast in 42.90 (a meet record), placing third in the 50, 100 and 200-meter free, and fourth in the 50-meter backstroke.

Chris Drew, a runner-up for the trophy

in the boys' 11-12 age division, was also second in five different races: the 100, 200 and 400-meter free, 100-meter butterfly and 100-meter back.

Scholes, third in the hunt for the boys' 8 and under point trophy, placed second in the 50-meter fly and free, fourth in the 50-meter breast and fifth in the 50-meter back.

Also piling up points for the Dolphins in large quantities were Lynn Apicelli, Justin Baird and Pierre LaBarge. In the girls' 13-14 age group, Apicelli went 2-3-4-5 in the 100-meter fly, 200-meter IM, 400-meter IM and 100-meter free respectively. Baird was among the top eight in five different events, placing as high as fourth in the 100-meter free. LaBarge, in the boys' senior division, was six times in the top eight, finishing second in the 1,500-meter free and fourth in the 400-meter version.

Among the other Dolphins who won more than one ribbon for top eight spots were Meredith Dix, in the 9-10 girls; Shawn Flynn, in the 9-10 boys; Brink Hartman, in the boys 11-12; Carolyn Schult, in the girls seniors; Knut Hvalsmarken and Mike Nyilis, in the boys seniors; and Rob-Leslie, on the 1 and 3-meter diving boards.

On the relay scene, Drew, Baird, Hartman and Chris Engstrom combined for a winning foursome in the boys' 11-12 200 and 400-meter free relays. Drew, Baird and Hartman, teamed with Mike Miller, David Flynn, Mark Petherbridge and Cameron O'Connor to win the boys' 11-12 age group trophy for the Dolphins.

Applegate was unstoppable for the Starfish. Among His records were firsts in the 50, 100 and 200-meter free races in 25.85, 56.44 and 2:13.42 respectively. He also placed first in the 200-meter free and IM. He was the anchor leg to the



The Delmar Dolphins' Melissa Martley soars off the high dive at last weekend's swim meet. On the cover: Ron Leslie stretches one out in front of the judges. Tom Howes

Starfish's winning senior boys' 400 and 800-meter free relays and the 400-meter medley relay.

His performance propelled the Starfish

into second in the team standings. Saratoga still won the meet, with Colonie Aquatics placing third and the Dolphins fourth.

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Junior tennis event set

The Bethlehem Tennis Association and Town of Bethlehem will co-sponsor a junior tennis tournament for budding tennis stars under 18 on Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 16 and 17, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School courts. The girls will play Tuesday, and the boys will take over Wednesday. Play starts at 8:15 a.m.

The round-robin style tournament will also include skill events for players ages 12 and under, 14 and under, and 18 and under. Children enrolled in the Parks and Recreation Department summer instruction program can sign up with their coaches. Other town residents should register by calling 439-9341 before Aug. 12.



With the help of a forfeit, the Miss Glenmont Diner team won the Bethlehem Babe Ruth post-season tournament sponsored by the Bethlehem V.F.W. Memorial Post #3185 last week. At the awards ceremony post commander Dan House (third from left) presented player Randy Gembelunge (left) and team sponsor Nomikos Koutouzis the team trophy. Looking on were Tony Ceddia, league batting champ with a .600 average, and league president Bob Cronin. Gembelunge won the Shawn Fitzgerald Memorial Sportsmanship Award. *Spotlight*

Not settled yet

It's still up in the air in the Voorheesville Babe Ruth League. Dwindling rosters, the result of players vacationing in August, have postponed the make-up game between Foley's Garage and the Berne Mets that could decide the pennant winner.

'Super Swim' slated

Swimmers young and old at Bethlehem's Elm Ave. Park are helping to find a cure for leukemia by participating in the Leukemia Super Swim Classic on Aug.

20. Each swimmer is arranging to have sponsors pledge a certain amount of money for each length they swim. The pledge money will be sent to the Leukemia Society.

Registration for BC

Students who will be entering Bethlehem Central High School for the first time and who are new to the school district may register at the high school on Aug. 24, 25 or 26 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Parents should call the guidance office, 439-4921, to make an appointment to register their children.

Deer permits to be issued

The state Department of Environmental Conservation has announced that 1983-84 hunting, fishing and trapping licenses, permits and stamps will go on sale at all license-issuing outlets on Monday, Aug. 15.

Hunters will have three weeks to complete applications and return them to the Department postmarked on or before Friday, Sept. 2. The \$5 permit fee should be submitted with the application. Hunters who are granted permits will not receive them until early November.

Quotas for deer management permits have been adjusted to declining deer populations. In each state unit, half of the permits granted are reserved for landowners within the unit boundaries. Should all of these reserved permits not be filled, they will instead go to outside hunters.

In Unit 66, which includes most of the Town of Bethlehem, 150 permits will be reserved for area landowners. In Unit 61, which covers the Town of New Scotland, 390 permits will be reserved for landowners there. Only one person is needed to complete permit applications for the two local areas.

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Andriano's won the Bethlehem Recreational League title last week. Standing, left to right, are Walt Waiedelich (scorekeeper), Jack Dalton, John Bickel, Chuch Asprion, Mark Usher, Bill Primono, Chuck Hallenbeck, Andy Kasius, Brian Peek and

Dave Usher. Kneeling are Derek Fusco, Tom McTague, Steve Mendel, Bruce Austin (manager), Scott Roberts and Dave Roberts.

Andriano's takes crown

Andriano's successfully defended its Bethlehem Recreation Baseball League crown through the 15-game 1983 summer season. Dave Usher led the team with a .545 batting average, three home runs and 15 stolen bases. Brain Peak had a .319 average but still was the team's hardest hitter with three homers, four triples and a double. Other consistent sluggers for Andriano's included Jack Dalton, .359; Bill Primono, .357; Mark Usher, .333; Andy Kasius, .350; and Dave Roberts, .308. Phil Giaccone was the team's restaurant-sponsor.

Tri-Village Drugs finished the season a half game out of first place.

Aces in bunches at Normanside

Aces are hard to come by in golf — except at the Normanside Country Club in the months of July and August. The Elsmere greens have given up four holes-in-one to three locals in recent weeks. The par-3, 117-yard third hole was the site of two of them.

Jim Vogel of Delmar led the trio of expert-golfers with two aces in less than a month. He used a wedge to ace the 133-yard 17th hole last Saturday while playing with Ed Sielewicz, Lee Tinsmen and Moe Smith. Vogel aced No. 6 in July.

Betty Pauquette of Delmar carded her first hole-in-one in 11 years of playing golf Aug. 3 by using a 5-wood on the third hole. She was playing in a foursome with Eve Zelnick, Eleanor Greaney and Mary Winchell.

Gerald McGregor of Delmar aced the same hole July 26. It was his first ace in 23 years of playing the game. His playing partners were Rich Higgins, Dick Talbott and Pete Wissell.

Games beginning

Rounding out the Adirondack Region's delegation to the Empire State Games in Syracuse will be Lynda Stokoe of Slingerlands, a star link for Bethlehem Central varsity field hockey; in the women's open hockey; Janet Bourguignon of Ravena in women's scholastic hockey; Lawrence Roth of Feura Bush in men's open sabre fencing; and R-C-S multi-sport athlete Tracey Griffen in women's scholastic volleyball.

The games, which began today (Wednesday), will be televised daily on WMHT Channel 17.

The 'Open Heart Open'

The third annual "Open Heart Open" Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Capital District chapter of Mended Hearts, will be played on Thursday, Sept. 15, on the greens of the Schulyer Meadows Country Club, Loudonville.

A tax deductible entry fee of \$50 will pay for green fees, cart refreshments, dinner and the awards ceremony. A \$30 donation will buy either dinner or golf. Proceeds from the tournament will be used locally to establish scholarships at the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing and for heart disease research.

For information, write the American

Heart Association, 433 New Karner Rd., Albany, 12205, or call 869-1961.

Bike trek planned

June and Steve McQuide of Delmar will be earning money for the American Lung Association as they bicycle 180 miles in three days as part of the "Vermont Foliage Bike Trek for Life and Breath" on Sept. 23-25 and 24-26.

But the Lung Association is looking for still more area residents whose stamina can match the funding raising event, which will pass through Manchester, Middlebury and Woodstock. Safety, communication, food and lodging will be provided to participants, who are expected to raise a minimum of \$200 in per-mile pledges.

For information, write Geni Abrams or Mark Yanulavich at the Lung Association's state office, 8 Mountain View Ave., Albany, or call 459-4197.

Burglary in Glenmont

Jewelry in excess of \$2,000 was taken from a house on Rt 144 in Glenmont, Bethlehem police reported Wednesday. The burglar entered through the front door, reports said.

Car front taken

A Feura Bush Rd., Delmar, resident told Bethlehem police Thursday that somebody — more than one person, in fact — took the cowl forward front end from his Corvette while it was parked at his house Wednesday night. The assembly costs about \$790 and could only be lifted by two or more people, the owner said.



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"Ace" Jim Vogel poses on the green of the Normanside Country Club where last week he bagged his second hole-in-one in a month. Jim aced the 6th a couple of weeks back and last week did the same to the 17th. Partners are becoming hard to find.

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Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

August 14, 1958

A drastic attendance fall-off has threatened to close the Delmar Movie Theater, which is run by Mary Jarvis. She has blamed television for stealing her movie goers. To combat the patron-shortage, Jarvis is remodeling the cinema with new rugs, a concessions stand and box office, and a new sign outside. The now defunct cinema was located in what is now Vet's Garage.

August 8, 1963

Mullen Pharmacy edged Dinapoli & Dinapoli 2-1, to win the Little League championship. The opticians out-hit the pharmacists 10 to 7, but pitcher Dan Moak led the winners with a single and a double. Kevin O'Brien, Gary VanDeCar and Craig Willison each got two singles in the victory.

Steaks, clams, prizes and games, along with Bethlehem Republican notables and candidates, will be at the party's fourth annual outing and steak roast at Murray-Jennex Sunset Park next week. Otto D. deHeus, Bethlehem Republican chairman, will be the honorary leader of the event, which is being organized by Raymond P. Brownell. The state and county Republican chairmen will also be there.

August 15, 1968

After a meeting deadlock and deferred decisions, Bethlehem Central schools Superintendent Dr. Richard Moomaw and the Board of Education will have to let the voters decide this fall whether two

bond issues should be passed. One would pay for an 11-room addition for 350 more pupils at the Hamagrael Elementary School, in which 357 students are enrolled. The other local elementary schools have a student overload. The other bond would give \$125,000 for additional equipment for the high school that was "left out" of the \$3.5 million 1966 budget package.

August 9, 1973

The Delmar Fire Department has bought its first ambulance. The new, 1973 Cadillac-ambulance was bought with contributions from the Tri-Village area. Volunteer fire fighters trained in first aid and life support will man the free service.

The Delmar Reformed Church's congregation showed their goodwill by pooling enough money to sponsor the Sadrudin Jakhra family from Uganda. The Ugandan couple and their three children were forced to flee because of their Indian ancestry. The refugees will live in Delmar.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield, undefeated in 12 games, easily won the Bethlehem Babe Ruth championship. P.B.A., 8-3-1 was a distant second.

August 10, 1978

The Bethlehem Central board of education had good news and bad news for taxpayers last week. The bad news: the school tax rate will be up \$1.51 per thousand assessed valuation to \$123.35. The good news: the new rate is 62 cents under the figure predicted when the district's \$11.6 million budget was approved by voters in May.

Deb Schauble of Delmar, a Bethlehem Central junior, will compete in the Junior Olympic Nationals in Lincoln, Neb. this week in her specialty, race walking. She is a member of the Capitaland Track Club.

Good Reading

Some interesting or unusual books you may have missed.

By Vincent Potenza

It was only with the advent of computers that people actually tried to create "thinking" machines, and witnessed bizarre variations on the theme of human thought...All of a sudden the idiosyncracies, the weaknesses and powers, the vagaries and vicissitudes of human thought were hinted at by the new-found ability to experiment with alien, yet hand-tailored forms of thought — or approximations of thought. As a result, we have acquired, in the last twenty years or so, a new kind of perspective on what thought is, and what it is not.

Godel, Escher, Bach: An Eternal Golden Braid, by Douglas Hofstadter. 1980, 777 pages, \$8.95, Vintage/Random House.

I thought everybody who was going to read this had done so by now until I came across a Delmartian math teacher who'd never heard of it. So: If you were thrilled with your Atari but got nervous when your new car started talking to you, watch out.

Through the kind indulgence of my computer whizz kid brother I recently had the opportunity to "play a game" called DOCTOR, where a computer program simulates a session with the shrink. It does this by mixing the appropriate equivalents of your family physician's examinational Hmmsms and Ah-hahs with questions triggered by key words in your responses.

"I'm having problems with my mother," you tell DOCTOR.

"TELL ME MORE ABOUT YOUR FAMILY," comes the reply. And so on. The version I played wasn't very sophisticated — if I forgot to put a ? after a question it got confused.

Hofstadter tells tales of a version more hip to these sorts of things — if it gets fed an interrogative followed by a verb ("Why does") it recognizes a question. People were told they were hooked up to a real doctor, and some claimed they benefited from the sessions. There's a program called PARANOID that does the obvious with hilarious results. But don't get spooked just yet. Remember that DOCTOR's "patients" were expecting certain kinds of responses in a very limited kind of situation. If there's a program that simulates the everyday conversational abilities of an ordinary five-year-old I haven't heard about it yet.

Still, this whole thoroughly entertaining, excruciatingly clever trip through music, math and art is nothing but a thinly disguised apology for artificial intelligence — before the fact.

More than anything else, I came from this book with a glowing respect for our intelligence and capabilities when I realized how very much every one of us really knows, and a real pride in our ingenuity in trying to duplicate all that.

My brother thought it was boring.

If you disagree you'll be happy to find out Hofstadter has since become a regular columnist for *Scientific American*.

Receives Ph.D.

David Schulenberg of 494 Haskell Pl., Delmar, has received his Ph.D. from the State University of Stony Brook.

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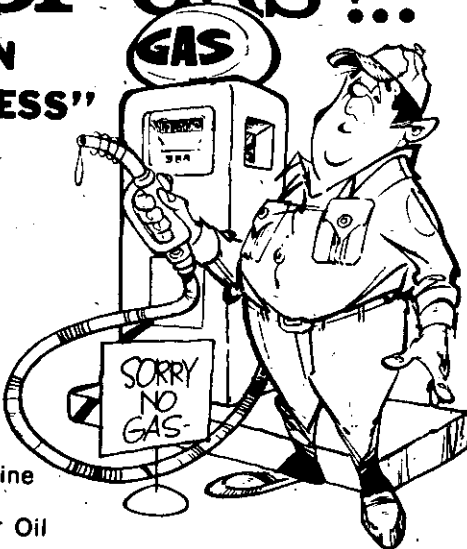
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Boy, David James, to Sueanne and Brian Robertson, Voorheesville, July 22.

Girl, Bethany Kay, to Victoria and Michael Ambrosio, Slingerlands, July 25.

Girl, Kristen Verity, to Sharon and Alan Otis, Delmar, July 25.

Clear Lake Hospital, Houston

Girl, Erin Beth, to Jane and Sanford Kreider, Houston (Mrs. Kreider is the former Jane Mileson of Glenmont), June 27.

Singing at SPAC

Marc Green, a music teacher at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, will be on stage at the Saratoga Performing Art Center singing with the Saratoga-Potsdam Chorus when it accompanies the Philadelphia Orchestra this month. The concerts will be held Aug. 13, 18, 24 and 26.

The chorus, which has been singing together for 13 years, is ranked among the world's best.



Donna Glass

Glass-Pavley

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glass of Ravena have announced the engagement of their daughter, Donna, to Clayton Pauley of Slingerlands.

Miss Glass is a 1982 graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville and R.P.I. He is currently employed by Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp. of Latham.

An Oct. 15 wedding is planned.



Mrs. Paul E. Leirheimer

Kimberly Schanz wed

Kimberly Lain Schanz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schanz of Delmar, and Paul Eric Leirheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Leirheimer also of Delmar, were married on July 23 at Christ Church, Cooperstown by Rev.-Canon George French.

Pamela DosPassos of Delmar was bridal attendant. Bridesmaids included Meg Leirheimer, sister of the groom, and friends Mary Herman, Roberta O'Neill and Sheila Lenden, of Delmar.

David Thuerner of Midvale, Utah,

was best man. Ushers were James and Charles Schanz, brothers of the bride, Christopher Lieheimer, brother of the groom, and Kent Smart.

The bride was graduated in 1983 from Russell Sage College. The groom, who was graduated in 1982 from R.P.I., is a project engineer for Albany International Corp.

The couple will make their home in Clifton Park following a honeymoon in Southampton, Bermuda.

Strange Anatomy to give concert

The Bethlehem Public Library's Wednesday Evening on the Green series is over, but a Saturday Concert on the Green will replace it. The local rock group, "Strange Anatomy," will headline the afternoon concert on Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. The performance is free.

The band will perform original tunes as well as popular songs from such groups as Cheap Trick, Van Halen, Talking Heads and the Beatles. The musicians, whose average age is 15, live in the Bethlehem Central School District. They cut their first record, with two original songs, earlier this summer. It is available in local record stores.

Meeting cancelled

The Bethlehem Planning Board has voted to eliminate its regular meeting scheduled for Aug. 16 because of difficulty in obtaining a quorum. Its next meeting will therefore be Sept. 9.

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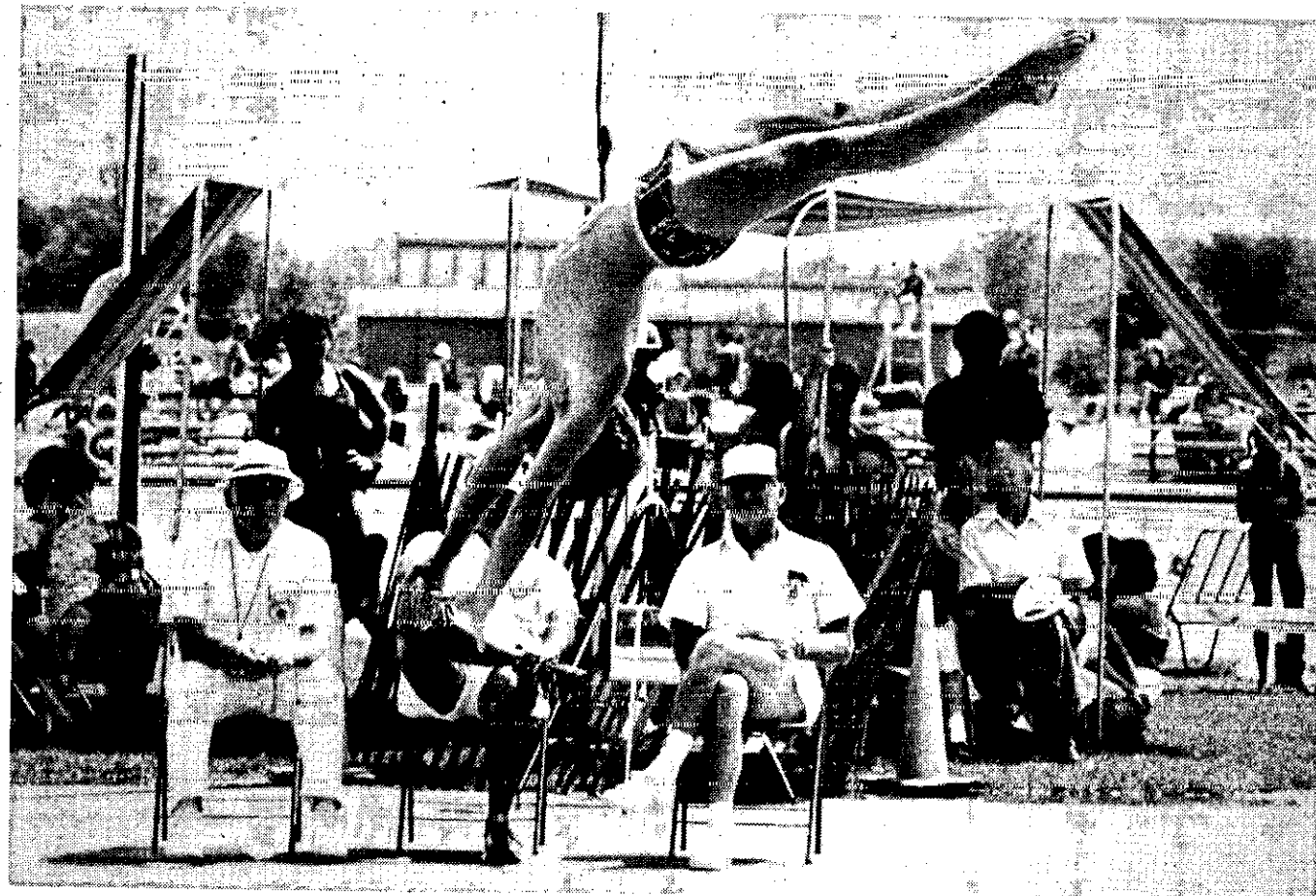
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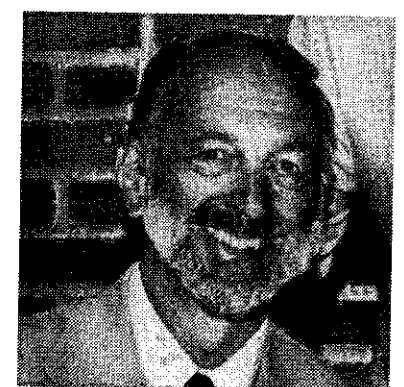
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