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Bethlehem chooses new police chief

By Tom McPheeters

Joseph D. Picciotti, Jr., chief of the Village of Fairport near Rochester, has been selected as the new chief of the Bethlehem Police Department.

The appointment of the 47-year-old career law enforcement officer by the Town Board is expected in mid-November, following a final approval by county and state civil service officials. Concern over Picciotti's civil servant status — he passed a county-level civil service exam for his present post rather than a state test — had held up the announcement for a month.

During his 23 years in law enforcement, Picciotti (pronounced Pit-show-tee) has served as an undercover detective specializing in narcotics investigations and also as a school district drug counselor. Substance abuse, he said in a telephone interview Tuesday, "has always been a very strong concern of mine."

Picciotti was reluctant to discuss his plans for the Bethlehem department, but



Joseph D. Picciotti, Jr.

did note the similarities between Fairport and Delmar. Fairport is an incorporated village of about 7,500 in the suburban Town of Perinton, which has about

43,000 residents. The Fairport police force has 15 officers (Bethlehem has 32), but provides services for many of the town residents since Fairport is the commercial center for Perinton.

When he became chief in 1975, Picciotti said, he inherited a force "that had been allowed to become dormant and had not had any strong leadership for quite a few years." He added: "I would say my first three years in the department were arduous at best."

In Bethlehem, Picciotti said he expects to spend his first few months "looking" at the entire operation of the police department, from top to bottom. Among his top concerns, he said, are training and a well-defined career advancement ladder.

Picciotti is a graduate of St. John Fisher College, with a bachelor's degree in sociology. He earned a master's degree in public administration at the State University College at Brockport.

During his tenure as chief in Fairport,

Picciotti supervised the installation of a computerized record system, a communications system, Mobil Radio District (MRD) and a federally funded county-wide radio communications system. He also was responsible for the establishment of a foot patrol and "total juvenile diversion advocacy program," and a Partners of Police (P.O.P.) program of crime prevention which received local, state and national recognition.

From 1972 to 1975 he was affiliated with the City School District of Rochester, acting first as a counselor in the school's drug education program, then as supervisor for the program.

Picciotti was branch manager for Guardsmark, Inc., of Rochester from 1970 to 1972. He served as a deputy sheriff in the criminal branch of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in Rochester from 1960 to 1970, and was an undercover narcotics investigator during part of that time.

The town board began its search for a
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A work of art in Glenmont

By Caroline Terenzini

Some people said it couldn't be done, but that didn't stop a cadre of parents at Bethlehem's Glenmont Elementary School from putting up an impressive assemblage of playground equipment there in a marathon work session Saturday.

The structure on the front lawn at the school on Rt. 9W looks like an abstract work of art. And it is, according to Beverly McGrath of Glenmont, chairman of the committee that put it together. The parent volunteers who assembled it were "like artists at work," she said. "It was so super the way each one wanted his part to be perfect. It was really an act of love."

It all started several months ago when the Parent-Teacher Association found out the \$1,000 it had donated to the school to buy playground equipment wouldn't go very far. "Playgrounds start at \$10,000 for something decent," Mrs. McGrath discovered. So, the PTA volunteers began looking into alternatives, which meant do-it-yourself.

Glenmont School Principal Don Robillard and Bruce Houghton, supervisor of buildings and grounds for the school district, worked out a plan with the parents. Then began the work of drumming up the pieces. A letter with accompanying sketch was sent out to about 20 selected area companies, requesting donations of materials.

As the campaign went along, Mrs. McGrath said, she found that people had trouble visualizing the plan on paper and so she spent one weekend creating a wooden scale model of the entire structure, which includes five platforms with a



Judy Parry, president of the Glenmont PTA, left, and Beverly McGrath, were the prime movers in planning the five-level structure for the new playground at the school.

Tom Howes

variety of approaches and descents such as a suspended "clatter" bridge, a chain net and a tunnel slide.

The model proved to be "super for public relations," she said. "We'd truck in with it and get attention." And the attention paid off in a long list of donors. Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. gave the parents "used" utility poles, an item that is generally in short and uncertain supply. "We hit it lucky," Mrs. McGrath said, "with all those storms this summer!" Other donors are: Glenmont Hardware, Anvil Fence and Supply Co., Albany-Shaker Fence Co., Edgcomb Steel of New England, Bohl Constructing Co., R.B. Wing and Son, Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., Curtis Lumber Co., Branch Auto Parts and B.F. Goodrich Co.

All of this doesn't come together on its own, and Mrs. McGrath estimates she and PTA President Judy Parry spent 200 hours apiece on the project during the summer.

More than 30 workers signed up for a full day for the big push on Saturday, and they were divided into teams, each with responsibility for a portion of the structure so that work on all sections could go on simultaneously. School district employees had earlier surveyed the grounds and set in posts and Saturday the district provided a generator for power tools.

"I think people were shaking their heads at the idea that we might get it up in a weekend," Mrs. McGrath said. "But it's just a matter of how you tackle it." The secret seems to be hours of careful planning and hard work.

A decision on gas line

Tennessee Gas Pipeline, which last year had proposed to build a new natural gas pipeline through the Vly Reservoir in New Scotland, has amended its plans to skirt the reservoir that supplies most of Bethlehem's water.

And, says a state official, there is now some doubt that the company will build the new line through this area as scheduled.

Tennessee, a subsidiary of Tenneco Inc., had proposed to build a new pipeline system spanning six Eastern states, with one 112-mile spur to follow the path of an existing pipeline that runs through the towns of New Scotland and Bethlehem before crossing the Hudson River and continuing on into Massachusetts.

The existing line was laid before Bethlehem built its reservoir in New Scotland, and the company had proposed to follow that line despite the difficulty and potential hazards of laying pipe through the town's water supply. That plan drew vigorous protests from Bruce Secor, Bethlehem's commissioner of public works, and Dr. William Grattan, Albany County health commissioner.

The fact that the proposal is being evaluated in Washington, rather than Albany, made protest more difficult, but local officials say an environmental assessment issued earlier this month by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission appears to put the Vly Reservoir out of danger.

Tennessee Gas is now proposing to send the pipeline south of the reservoir and link it to the existing line after it crosses Clipp Rd. and just east of Diamond Hill Rd. The commission staff is supporting the alternate route.

According to Richard Powell, of the New York State Public Service Commission, the pipeline is still routed through Dowerskill Village along the path of the existing pipeline.

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Escapes in crash

Clayton R. Pauley, 30, of Slingerlands suffered only minor injuries when the ultralight craft he was flying went down Saturday afternoon after the right wing buckled. Pauley was treated at Albany Medical Center Hospital for back pain and released.

The crash occurred near South Albany Airport, Jericho Rd., Selkirk. The Vector 610 Ultralight valued at about \$3,000 is owned by the South Port of Albany Flying Club. It is powered by a 22-horsepower engine and has an aluminum tubular frame with nylon stretched over it.

Robert Simmons of the Federal Aviation Administration in Albany said the ultralight craft are defined as "vehicles" and not considered aircraft, so his agency does not investigate incidents such as Saturday's. Simmons noted that aircraft pilots are complaining about encountering ultralights, one of which reached 23,000 feet, and that an increasing number of accidents involving them are being reported. He said it is only a matter of time before the FAA "will have to step in" to regulate sport flying. Now, no pilot certification or certification of the craft is required. Simmons said some states have outlawed the craft.

Trooper top shot

Trooper Timothy J. Cowper of Selkirk received the superintendent's award for excellence in combat shooting at the recent graduation ceremony of the New York State Police Academy.

□ Chief

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new chief earlier this year after learning that Capt. Robert Foster, who had been acting chief, and Safety Commissioner Ralph Tipple both planned to retire. Supervisor Tom Corrigan, citing the town's experiences in removing Peter Fish as chief during tumultuous hearings in 1978, at first pushed for appointment of another safety commissioner, who would be exempt from civil service. But after sifting through more than 50 applications and interviewing more than a dozen candidates, the board opted for a chief.

That brought a new complication. Picciotti had civil service status at Fairport, but a last-minute check with the state Civil Service Commission revealed that the examination he had passed had been prepared by a county civil service commission. Bethlehem officials then had to get the state to compare that test with the state test for chiefs and certify that it was acceptable, then get the Albany County Civil Service Commission to agree to accept the test.

Corrigan said Friday that both commissions had agreed to accept the test, but formal approval is still necessary. That is anticipated in the next several weeks, and Picciotti could start his new job as early as Nov. 1, Corrigan said.

Bills are fake

The Good Samaritan Home, Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, is among the area nursing homes that have been the target of a scam operating out of a post office box in Florida. The scam involves false billing for flowers.



It takes a gentle touch — and a lot of confidence in your own ability — to trap a skunk and transport it to a new home in the wild. All, of course, without making the skunk nervous. The trick, says Bethlehem's animal control officer, Myron "Red" Ray, is to keep things under cover as much as possible, and be calm. Over the summer, Ray has become an expert, as this episode on Mason La. illustrates.

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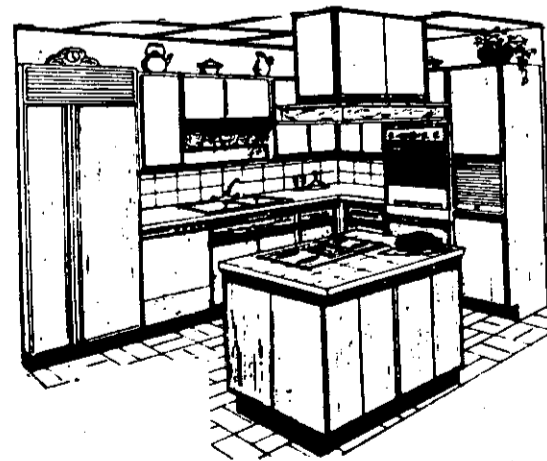
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Living with shaky Normanskill bridge

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Tanner said that before the posting, four district buses went over the bridge daily, carrying some 50 pupils to schools outside the district. "Now," he said, "there is nothing carrying kids going over that bridge."

Tanner said delays affecting the four Bethlehem school buses going that route also meant delays for the 20 or more buses waiting at the Middle School for the pupils at the end of the day. He said the district daily buses about 250 children out of the district.

A transportation official for the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District said no district vehicles use the bridge now. Eight buses from RCS used it daily before the posting; five made multiple trips across it. He noted that one bus was rerouted over Elsmere Ave., in Delmar, and others use Corning Hill Rd. as a detour. In addition, buses carrying athletic teams had used the bridge. It was pointed out that winter weather may create problems on the Corning Hill Rd. detour.

The state Department of Transportation last week put the load limit on the bridge after a Sept. 7 inspection revealed significant corrosion of steel supports on the 67-year-old span. The inspection was prompted by a request from the Town of Bethlehem after Councilman John Geurtze had brought the issue of the bridge's safety before the council about

six weeks ago. The state expects to begin construction of a replacement next year, but the current bridge will remain in service during that time.

Al DeRoose, vice president of Red Star Express Lines of Auburn, which has a large compound about half a mile south of the bridge, said the posting of the bridge will be "very costly to us." DeRoose said company officials had not put figures together yet, but that more than 100 trailers use the terminal daily and the detour will add three miles to the route each way, increasing both mileage and labor costs. Relocation is not under consideration, DeRoose said, since Red Star recently spent about \$1 million to add 40 doors to its docking space and for improvements in its office space there.

Mickey Koutouzis, president of the corporation that owns the Miss Glenmont Diner, next to the Red Star terminal, said closing of the bridge to heavy vehicles had meant fewer customers. "No question about it, but it's a small price to pay — we need a new bridge." He added that when construction of a new bridge begins, he expects to pick up some of the lost business with construction crews.

□ Gas line

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All of this may be academic, however. According to Powell, decreasing demand for natural gas along the Eastern Seaboard has prompted Tennessee to propose a modification of its plans. Rather than run the New York State spur at this time, Tennessee is suggesting a shorter loop that would increase supplies to Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

"We probably won't see any construction of this project until a later date," Powell said Friday.

Freeze walk this Saturday

The nuclear freeze walkathon is off and running — or to be exact, walking.

Helen Adler, one of the freeze co-ordinators, said Friday approximately 50 walkers have pledged themselves to "go the distance." That is, walk the three mile round trip route from Town Hall to Delaware Plaza and back this Saturday. Walkers unable to complete the route will be picked up by the freeze-mobile, a vintage Volkswagen convertible.

Mrs. Adler said the walkathon will be highlighted by speeches, music and balloons. The speakers include Rabbi Bernard Bloom of Temple Beth Emeth, Rev. James VanHoeven, the First Church of Albany, William Lilley, speaking for Rev. Larry Deys, pastor at

Delmar Presbyterian Church, and Barbara E. Smith, Democratic candidate for the Bethlehem Town Board.

Marjory O'Brien, member of the Bethlehem Central Board of Education, has already agreed to walk and Sheila Fuller, also a board member, has offered to sponsor walkers.

Helium balloons that say "freeze now" will be given free to every walker under 10 years old, and can be brought along on the walk. Local merchant will make donations to the walkathon. The two final — and at this point certain — ingredients for success are walkers and the revenue they raise through sponsors. Volunteers may call Helen Adler at 439-9661.

Fun and games



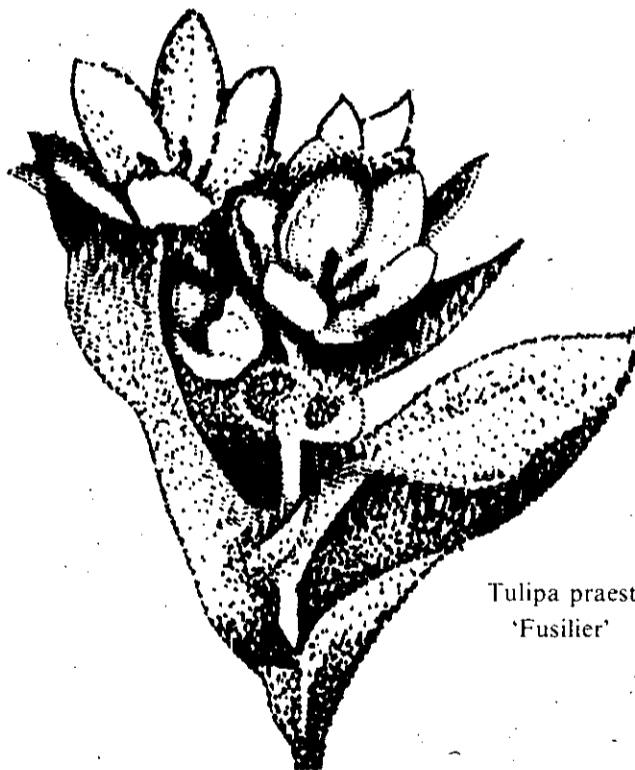
It wasn't all business at the Volunteer Firemen's Convention, held this year at the North Bethlehem firehouse and Mosall's Grove. In the Mardi Gras parade Friday, Elsmere firefighters Colin Lesser and Richard Brown try their allure on the crowd. It took Brown a while to get into character, but he did it. Of the four trophy awards in the Mardi Gras, Voorheesville Fire Dept. won the Most Original. In the dress parade, New Salem was judged best appearing auxiliary with 14 or fewer in line. Tom Howes photos

Gets six months

Brian Hyserman, 20, of Selkirk was sentenced last week by Albany County Court Judge John J. Clyne to six months in the county jail and five years' probation after he pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny, third degree. Hyserman admitted he stole a television set last February from VanDyke's Appliances, Elsmere.

'Nutcracker' tryouts

Auditions for children for parts in the Berkshire Ballet's production of the "Nutcracker," planned for Dec. 18, will take place on Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Cantarella School of Dance, Fuller and Warehouse Rds., Albany.



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200th year for New Salem Church

The village of New Salem lies at the foot of the Helderbergs, along what was known as the Beaverdam Road, winding up the escarpment to the Village of Berne and beyond. Later the road was known as the Albany and New Scotland Plank Road and today it is Rt. 85. Modern travelers zip along in their automobiles so quickly on their way to Thacher Park that they might not even notice the New Salem Reformed Church where it sits amid a clutch of simple, small Greek Revival houses lining the street on either side.

The New Salem Reformed Church sits amid a clutch of simple, small Greek Revival houses lining the street.

While there was settlement here as early as 1770, the little village did not begin to grow until the early 1800's. A hotel was needed to accommodate the drovers and farmers who took their produce to market at Albany or to the Hudson River landings. Two inns were built at the western end of the village. One of them, Happy's, is still in business today and is typical of inns of its period that were built in many of the small villages



Allison Bennett

surrounding the City of Albany. It, too, has Greek architecture, with columns supporting a double piazza on the front. It was known as the New Salem Hotel when it was a stage stop.

The Protestant Dutch Reformed Church of Salem was originally located near this inn, on North Road at the junction of Rts. 85 and 85A. Even today the church still owns a small triangular piece of land at that spot.

A lack of definite records makes it impossible to give an exact date as to when the congregation at New Salem was organized. However, scattered bits of information lead us to the conclusion that people assembled near here for worship in the early 1780's. Early religious gatherings were held about half a mile south of the village, in a barn on the property of Johannes Markle. The cornerstone of the present church building bears the inscription 1783-1893, implying that the present building was constructed in 1893 and that there was a

congregation here as early as 1783. With that in mind, the New Salem Reformed Church is this year celebrating its 200th anniversary.

There seems to have been some form of preaching here since the early date, and records are extant from 1786 to 1794 that Rev. Dirck Romeyn of Schenectady was here as a visiting missionary pastor, preaching, baptizing and performing the marriage ceremony. Even before this, records indicate that Rev. Johannes Schuneman, pastor of the Dutch Reformed Churches of Coxsackie and Catskill, was an occasional missionary visitor who preached in the area during the American Revolution (1776-1783). In 1794 Rev. Harmanus Van Huysen came from New Jersey and became pastor of the congregations at Salem, Jerusalem and Helderberg, dividing his time among them. We have written in other articles of this devoted pastor who served here for 31 years of his later life. He then retired from the active ministry and spent the remaining eight years of his life on his farm near the present site of Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, east of the village. He is buried in that cemetery on a piece of his own farm land.

We do not know when the earliest church building was erected at New Salem, but the congregation petitioned the patroon for a piece of land upon

which to build a church in 1813. Since they were already established as a congregation, he granted the request. A building was erected whose interior had a gallery on two sides and an end, a high pulpit and an ornamented sounding board over the minister's head. This building was taken down in 1844 and another erected on nearly the same spot on North Road, at a cost of \$1,200. Rev. Staats Van Santvoord was pastor at that time.

The sanctuary has an unusual floor plan, being square in shape, with the chancel placed in the corner and the pews diagonally.

The years immediately following were revival years, when a greatly renewed interest in religion throughout the country brought many new members into the fold. Some of the early church officers were Benjamin Van Zandt, John Terwilliger, John Van Etten, Jacob I. Hallenbeck, John Severson and David Van Etten.

This church building of 1844 must have been too small to serve the increased membership, because in 1875 a new edifice was erected on land to the east, along Rt. 85, next to where the congregation already owned a parsonage. This



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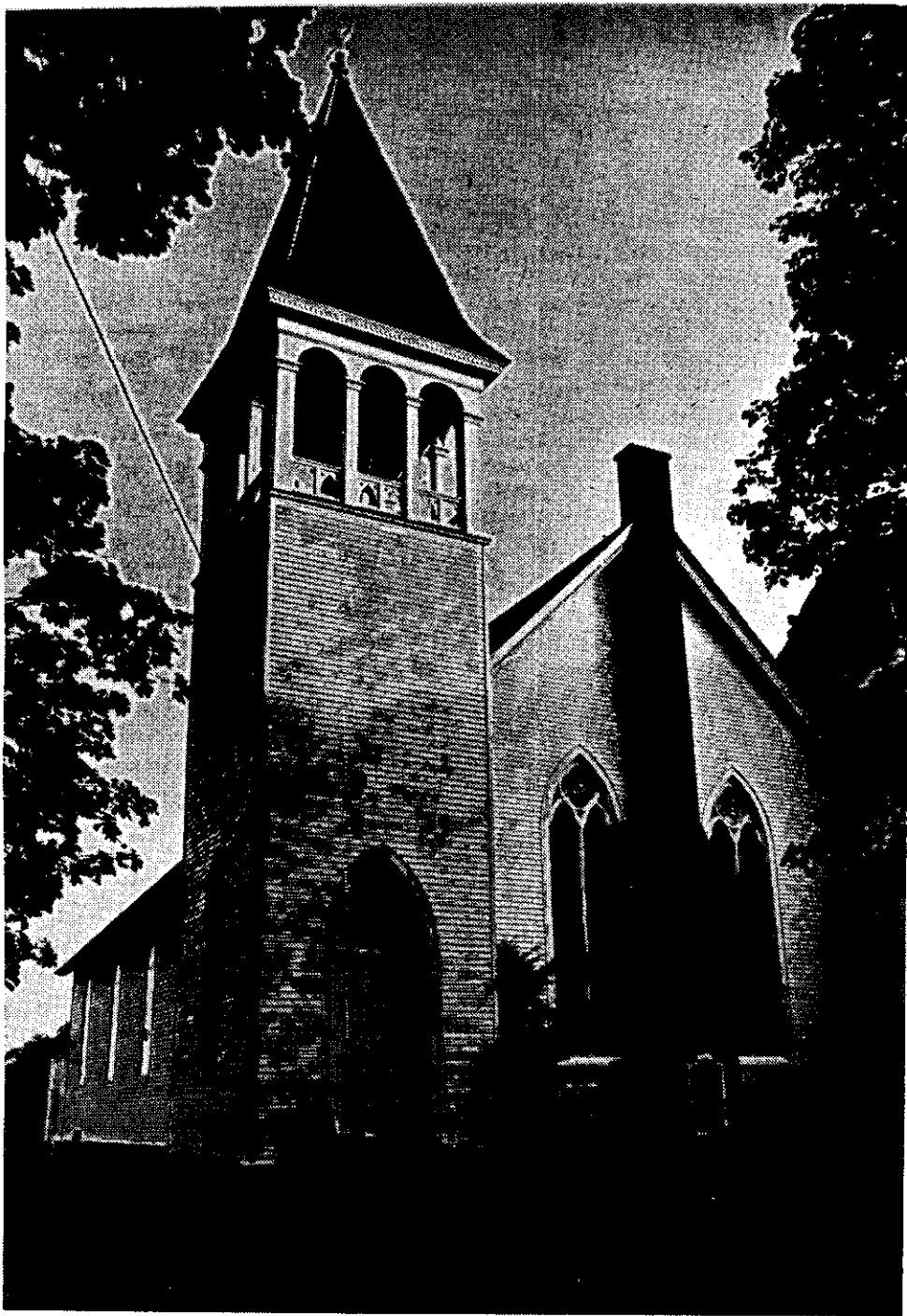
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new church building, on the site of the present one, had stood only 18 years when it had to be condemned and taken down. The present church building was erected in 1893, at which time the above-mentioned cornerstone was placed. The highway passing the church was at one time level, but was lowered about 1920 when the road became a state highway.

The church has a spire crowned with an arrow-shaped weathervane. The basement houses a modern kitchen and dining room where twice each year the con-

gregation prepares a church supper for the general public. One supper is an election night supper and the monies from these projects are used to meet the needs of the church budget. In September of each year a flea market and auction are held.

The sanctuary has an unusual floor plan, being square in shape, with the chancel placed in the corner and the pews diagonally. The narrow-board wooden ceiling has applied wooden trefoil motif representing the trinity and the walls are



Young ladies of the New Salem Reformed Church dressed for a patriotic playlet in 1917. The leader is Mrs. William Higgins. The girls are, from left, Dorothy Erwin (Rock), Irene Albright, Katherine Hallenbeck, Adelaide Albright, Audrey Crabil (Boyle), Mildred Albright, Nellie Bloomingdale (Sheehan), Annabelle Young and Eliza Allen (Stoneburner).

surrounded on the lower part with natural oak wainscoting. The pulpit furniture is of the Victorian period and harmonizes with the oak and walnut trimmed interior.

In over 200 years of history, the high point of church membership was about 212 in 1886. The congregation today is small, with most members living in the immediate area, but Rev. Johannes Meester, who serves both this and the Unionville Reformed Church, will attest to the willingness of its workers, and the spiritual dedication of the members. To begin the anniversary celebrations, a Homecoming Sunday will be held on Oct. 23. It is planned to have former pastors at the church for special preaching services during this and the coming year and the commemoration will be climaxed in May of 1984 when an anniversary banquet will be sponsored for members and friends of the congregation.

Historical group meets

The Town of New Scotland Historical Society will hold its first fall meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. in the old school house in New Salem. The meeting, which is open to the public, will feature David Coughtry of Guilderland, who will speak on the history of the United States flag.

A member of the North American Vexillological Association, which is devoted to the study of the flag. Coughtry will also display his own collection of flags. Refreshments will be served. Those wanting more information about the meeting or the Historical Society may contact Evelyn Berger at 765-2357 or Marian Parmenter at 765-4652.

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Advice for parents

In conjunction with National Family Life Education Week, Oct. 5 to 11, the Bethlehem Public Library will present a program for parents of pre-adolescents on Tuesday, Oct. 4 at 7:30 p.m. A representative from Albany's Planned Parenthood will discuss "What to Tell Your Kids About Sex." A film will be shown followed by a discussion. This program is free and open to all parents.

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The shifting driveways: where will it all end?

By Vincent Potenza

The latest chapter in the saga of the floating driveways in Bicentennial Woods has the main characters before the Bethlehem Board of Appeals.

In two public hearings last Wednesday the board heard arguments from Building Inspector John Flanigan; Thomas Jeram, counsel for developer Vincent Riemma; Lindsay Boutelle, civil engineer working on the project; John Stim, owner of lot 103 on Jefferson Rd., adjacent to the sites, and Tom Tubbs, president of the Bicentennial Woods Neighborhood Association, all to the effect that the board should grant easements from Section 280-A of the state Town Law so that driveways for lots 105 and 107 could be situated on easements through land owned by the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. instead of following panhandles that front on Jefferson Rd.

The town planning board had originally approved a site plan calling for the driveways to be located on the panhandles but later rescinded that approval following the protests of Stim and other neighbors. The planners then approved the plan utilizing the NiMo easements pending the granting of a variance to that effect from the board of appeals, despite the opinion of their counsel that Flanigan was wrong in ruling the need for a variance.

When all this was dropped into the lap of the board of appeals last week its

members were understandably a little puzzled. The fact that, by law, two separate hearings were necessary for what was essentially a single problem didn't help matters.

After wading through the legal aspects of the case (s) — Board Attorney Donald DeAngelis agreed with Flanigan that the easements would require a variance — the board addressed the question of whether the easements were even necessary.

Jeram, Boutelle, Stim and Tubbs all argued to the same point — the panhandles were a mistake, they said, and putting the driveways there would only compound the error. The easements, they said, were the only way out of the situation.

Stim presented the board with photographs showing that the panhandle driveways would pass some 32 feet before his living room window.

Tubbs said that the board should not be afraid of setting a precedent by granting the variances for the easements.

Another area resident told board members they were the only hope of protecting the neighborhood in the situation.

Jeram's explanation was direct: "We're here for the same reason they put erasers on pencils," he told the board.

After all had presented their case board members then asked why two easements were necessary. Wouldn't it in effect be



The locale for one of the Albany Academy for Girls' traditional events shifted this year to New Scotland when students in grade 9-12 held their annual "Bacon Bat" at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Dearstyne, Jr. The occasion, which started some 50 years ago as an annual picnic to play interclass softball, have a class song contest and eat bacon and lettuce sandwiches. Among the local girls at last week's renewal were, from left, Lisa Verstandig, Kim Reed and Darcy Steinhart, all of Delmar, and Sue Dearstyne of New Scotland. *Spotlight photo*

even better planning to somehow combine the two driveways even further from Stim's property than the developer proposed, they asked.

"These are our proposals," replied Jeram. "Approve one and not the other, approve them both, or turn them both down. I don't think we came here to design driveways."

Discussion ended shortly afterward, and the board will consider the testimony of the hearings at its next meeting on Oct. 5.

After the hearing board members asked Flanigan what Tubbs had meant about setting a precedent. Flanigan explained that Tubbs had been talking about using easements for access to sites with town highway frontage that wasn't usable for access.

"There're four or five of them out there just waiting to see what happens," Flanigan said. "In fact one of them was up before the planning board last night," referring to an 8.5 acre site in the Southwood subdivision in Slingerlands.

The plot thickens.

Zoning charge arrest

Allan L. DeFazio, 38, of 260 Elm Ave., Delmar, who lost a controversial zoning appeal last May was arrested by Bethlehem police Sept. 14 on a misdemeanor charge of violating the town's zoning code.

DeFazio had been refused permission by the Board of Zoning Appeals to continue to operate his business, School Pictures, Inc., from his residence, and had been given until Sept. 1 (after an extension in July) to relocate the business.

Building Inspector John Flanigan said Monday the arrest came on a complaint from him and the board. The police report noted that DeFazio was not photographed or fingerprinted, the usual procedure after an arrest, "per order of the town."

After arraignment before Town Justice Peter Wenger, DeFazio was ordered to appear in court Oct. 11. Flanigan said the Board of Appeals has been notified that DeFazio is preparing to propose a new business site at its next meeting.

In serious condition

Jeffrey Garhartt, 24, of RD 1, Delmar, Monday remained in serious condition in the intensive care unit at Albany Medical Center Hospital after he was found unconscious in a parked car Saturday morning at the Big M Truck Stop, Rt. 9W. He was revived by Bethlehem police and rescue squad paramedics. Donna Becker, 19, of Albany, also in the car, was pronounced dead at the hospital, a victim of carbon monoxide poisoning.

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Dowerskill, other hearings set

By Vincent Potenza

Under pressure of a heavy agenda the Bethlehem Planning Board last week set dates for three public hearings and evaluated the results of another.

A public hearing was set for 8:30 p.m. Oct. 4 for section one of the Dowerskill subdivision, where developer Kent Jenkins is requesting that building project approval for the site be changed to allow the construction of townhouses instead of single family homes.

Bedros Karian was scheduled for a 7:30

p.m. Oct. 18 public hearing for his proposal to resubdivide his property on Kenwood Ave., Glenmont.

An Oct. 18 public hearing was set for the proposed Tudor Estates, a three-lot subdivision to be located off Feura Bush Rd. on Westphal Dr., Delmar, by Paul Wagner. The hearing will begin at 9 p.m.

The board granted conditional final approval to Christine Bunt for a two-lot subdivision on Glenmont Rd. after a Sept. 6 public hearing that showed no opposition from area residents.

In other business, the board:

- Granted a 90-day extension to Carl and Audrey Halvorsen for submission of their final plans for the proposed Woodrow Estates subdivision on Beacon Rd., Glenmont;

- Conditionally approved final plans for the four-lot Vadney subdivision on Vadney Rd., Delmar;

- Conditionally approved final plans for the five-lot Criswood subdivision on Elm Ave., Delmar;

- Discussed the proposed Eastmount subdivision on Blessing Rd., Slingerlands, and referred traffic studies and other information to its consultants for evaluation to determine a possible date for a public hearing. The evaluations should be ready for the board's next meeting;

- Discussed a possible site plan review for a proposed six-unit apartment building to be located on Adams St. adjacent to the Merry-Go-Round book store and L & H Brake;

- Heard a pre-preliminary proposal for a one-lot subdivision to be located in the Southwood subdivision, Slingerlands. The 8.5-acre site has frontage on Forest Hill Rd. but the proposed access is from Daniel St. by means of an easement.

The board's next meeting is Oct. 4, when it will hold a public hearing for a proposed re-subdivision of three lots in the Bicentennial Woods subdivision, Glenmont, into two lots for the purpose of constructing one duplex on each of the sites. The hearing is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



Philip J. Thompson

Named by NYTel

New York Telephone Co. has announced the appointment of Philip J. Thompson of Delmar as director of customer services in upstate New York. As the senior upstate executive for the company, Thompson will head a management group responsible for telephone service in a 22,000-square-mile area. The newly former organization has 4,700 employees.

Thompson previously was general manager of the distribution department. He is a graduate of Clarkson College of technology and attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute graduate school of management engineering. He is a director of Home & City Savings Bank, Memorial Hospital and The Council of Community Services.

Union Oil plan is aired

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals held a public hearing last Wednesday for Union Oil of California, which sought an amendment to a previous special exception granted it by the board for a truck-stop at Exit 22 of the Thruway in Selkirk.

Chief among the changes in the amendment was the request to widen Rt. 144 for use as sole access to the site. The state Thruway Authority has denied Union Oil permission to have both ingress and egress directly from and to the Thruway.

Several area residents in attendance at the hearing voiced their concern over excessive noise in the area, but board members pointed out that the previously-approved special exception, which provided for sight and sound buffers around the site, would remain in effect if the amendment were granted.

In other business, the board received two new applications:

- LeRoy E. VanRiper, 112 Union Ave., Slingerlands, requested a variance from the percentage-of-lot-occupancy provision of the zoning ordinance so that he might build an addition to his home.

- Robert and Nancy Fraser, 64 Dumbarton Dr., Delmar, requested a similar variance for the purpose of constructing an addition to their home.

The board scheduled public hearings for the applications for Oct. 5 at 8 and 8:30 p.m., respectively.

The board also tabled two applications, one from Donna Lee, who requested a special exception for a dog kennel at 1691 Delaware Ave., Delmar, and one from Robert H. Finke, who requested a variance to permit construction of a pole-type structure at his place of business on Rt. 9W, Selkirk.

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RCS board approves pupil shift

By Nat Boynton

An unexpected influx of 11 new kindergarten pupils in mid-September at the Becker School in Selkirk has resulted in a reshuffling of elementary students at the fourth-grade level to balance class sizes in the centralized RCS district.

The recommendation of an administration task force that met almost non-stop for 48 hours was accepted by the district school board at a hastily called special session last Wednesday. The action shifts 11 fourth graders from Becker to the Ravena Elementary School starting next Monday, Oct. 3.

Superintendent of Schools Milton Chodack said the reshuffle involves the addition of a kindergarten teacher for half a day. There will be no impact on transportation schedules, he said.

Eleven fourth grade pupils, selected on the basis of the proximity of their homes to the north-south dividing line of elementary school districts, are undergoing orientation to their new classrooms with their parents this week "to ease the pain," Chodack said.

Meeting on 24 hours notice during a heavy rainstorm two nights after last week's regular meeting, the board adopted the new plan over an alternative that would have sent 37 students to new classrooms. The vote was 5-1, Wayne Fuhrman dissenting. Of the three absentee members, two were reported ill at home, the third on a business trip.

The whirlwind series of administrative sessions began at 5:50 a.m. last Tuesday after the board at its scheduled Monday night meeting called for a reshuffling to eliminate overcrowding in classrooms that exceeded 25 pupils per class. The move stemmed from the unanticipated arrival of 11 kindergarteners during the first two weeks of school, mostly from trailer courts in Selkirk that are located astride the elementary district line. Becker accommodates grades K-5, Ravena K-2 and the Peter B. Coeymans Elementary School grades 3-5. There are split sessions in all three schools.

Before 6 a.m. the next day, Chodack huddled with the district's transportation supervisor, Robert Albright, and the

retiring supervisor, Marion Hotaling, to review a complete roster of district students. At 7:30 a.m. they were joined by William Schwartz, assistant superintendent, and the three elementary principals. To minimize disruptions and to keep families together, the task force studied possible changes in reading groups and math groups as alternatives to changing schools.

By 4 p.m. the administrators had developed five alternate plans. At 6 a.m. Wednesday Chodack reviewed the five alternatives with the transportation officials. In a three-hour session starting at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, the task force condensed the plans into two alternatives to be presented to the board. Chodack and board president Prescott Archibald reviewed the two alternatives in the afternoon prior to the board session that evening.

In adopting the proposal calling for the shift of schools for 11 fourth graders and a change of classrooms for six first graders, the board rescinded its Monday directive that would have affected all classrooms with more than 25 pupils. Chodack told the board the task force analysis showed that the plan would mean the addition of a fourth grade teacher and additional staff help in art, music and physical education.

Mrs. Susan Gottesman, a board member, said she felt that the Becker school "is about to burst at the seams." She called for further analysis to alleviate overcrowding in 1984-85. "I feel we should come up with a plan by Jan. 1 so that we can sell the proposal to the community," she said. "No one likes change."

In his dissent, Fuhrman said: "Although I agree with the committee in a district-wide sense, I find both these alternatives too disruptive to the students to give it my support."

Mushroom study planned

An outdoor investigation of mushrooms and their kin will take place at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. This field study of the fall "bloom" is open to the public free of charge, and will emphasize the ecological, medicinal, and culinary importance of fungi. The program will be cancelled in case of inclement weather.

Catskill trip planned

The Tri-Village chapter of the AARP is planning a two-day trip to the Catskills on Sunday and Monday, Oct. 16 and 17. It will include a train ride and stops at Arkville and the Villa Rona Resort. Since the tour is not sponsored by the national AARP, it will not be responsible for claims against it. For information, call Constance Maercklin at 439-4070.

BETHLEHEM

Board allows door-to-door

By Caroline Terenzini

The first test of the Bethlehem Central School District's new, more liberal policy on door-to-door solicitation came last week when Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn brought the board a request from the school Athletic Association for authorization for a fund-raising run-a-thon in October. The board approved plans for the event by a vote of 6-1, with Jed Wolkenbreit dissenting.

Wolkenbreit objected to including elementary age pupils in the solicitation because of possible danger in going door-to-door. He also said he would like to see limits on the number of times a resident could be approached for a contribution.

Board member Robert Zick, saying he was opposed to door-to-door solicitation, nevertheless agreed to "give it a try. But we should be sensitive to community response or complaints," he said.

The policy was revised after long discussion at earlier meetings to allow approval of solicitations on an individual basis "by the board through the superintendent."

In other business at the board meeting (at which Roger Fritts, attorney for the district, listened while he mopped up rainwater leaking in under the door during last Wednesday's downpour), district Business Administrator Franz Zwicklbauer reported that the school lunch program, which had been deeply in the red a year ago, had "a positive fund balance of \$678" as of the end of June and had repaid \$10,000 of its \$44,000 debt to the district's general fund. Zwicklbauer attributed the turnaround to increased volume because of the greater number of choices offered students and praised the work of the cafeteria staff in the district's seven schools.

The board also learned that with the purchase of some \$58,000 in minicomputer hardware in September, the district now has enough computers in both the high school and middle school labs to accommodate a full class, and that each grade level in each of the five elementary schools has a computer to be shared among the separate classes.

The board is scheduled to meet next on Oct. 5 at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, Adams Pl., Delmar.

Mediators assigned

The state Public Employment Relations Board has assigned new mediators in the contract talks involving both the Bethlehem Central and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school districts and their teachers. For Bethlehem, Herbert Marx, a labor arbitrator in New York City, has just been assigned. Paul Curry, of the PERB staff in Albany, has been named to the RCS negotiations.



Harvey J. Pendleton, a retired New York Central Railroad employee, was honored on his 100th birthday Sept. 21 at his home, 9 Crannell Ave., Elsmere. The party was given by his daughter, Ruth Nooney, left. A native of Bath, now Rensselaer, he is the oldest member of the Bethlehem Senior Citizens and the Greenbush Masonic Lodge. He has lived on Crannell Ave. for 39 years. J.W. Campbell

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Parent's night at school

Thursday evening, Sept. 29, will be parents' night at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Junior High School, where parents may visit with their child's team of teachers and discuss the entire program.

At 7:30 p.m. all parents will meet in the cafeteria with school administrators. At that time the exploratory teachers will give a brief overview of their programs. Parents will then go to individual classrooms for a presentation by the four academic subject area teachers (math, English, social studies and science).

There will be no individual conferences about student problems Thursday evening. The junior high school will have a conference day Nov. 8. Students will not have school on this day, but the entire faculty will be available to meet, as a team, with parents who wish to talk with them.

Flea market Sunday

Noted for the variety and quantity of merchandise available, the flea market sponsored by Selkirk Fire Co. No. 1 has always drawn a large group of dealers and an even larger crowd of prospective buyers. This year promises to be no exception when items ranging from food to furniture and clothing to crafts of all kinds go on display this Sunday at the Selkirk Firehouse, Maple Ave., Selkirk. Beginning at 9 a.m., the sale will continue until 6 p.m., rain or shine. Any dealer interested in obtaining space should contact Rich Guduz, 767-3080.

Teens invited

A new teen program is being initiated

at the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church. After receiving an enthusiastic response when introduced in the spring, Youth Night is now scheduled as a monthly event. Beginning this Sunday evening, Oct. 2, the group will meet at the church the first Sunday of each month, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Lorrie and Robert Vaber will head the program, which is open to any student grades 8 to 12 who would like to attend.

Social slated

The Bethlehem Historical Association is planning its annual card party and social for Thursday, Oct. 13. It will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144 and Winnie Rd., Selkirk. Home-baked apple pie, cheese and coffee or tea will be served. There will be door and table prizes, as well as a boutique and gift table. Tickets are \$2.50 each and may be obtained by calling 439-1448 or 439-4489 or through committee chairmen, including Marjorie and Charles Crangle, Marjorie Terrell, Mary VanOostenbrugge, Helen Denny, James and Ann Vandervort.

Hearty fare

The menu for Senior Projects of Ravena beginning Thursday, Sept. 29, will be: Thursday — pea soup, baked haddock, baked potato; Friday — oven fried chicken, spanish rice; Monday — chicken noodle soup, barbecue beef on bun, French fries; Tuesday — veal parmesan, spaghetti with tomato sauce, tossed salad; Wednesday — roast pork with gravy, apple sauce, mashed potato; Thursday — chicken chow mein, steamed rice, chinese noodles, soy sauce.



Carol Desch, reference librarian at Bethlehem Public Library, displays a photo exhibit commemorating the local observance of Franco-American and Quebec Heritage.

Spotlight

Grange to serve

The Bethlehem Grange, located on Rt. 396 in Becker's Corners, Selkirk, is sponsoring a roast pork dinner at the hall this Saturday, Oct. 1. The dinner will begin at 4 p.m. and continue until all are served.

The menu includes juice, roast pork, gravy, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut salad, two vegetables and dessert. Tickets are available at the door. The dinner is open to the public.

Elks plan gala

A special evening is being planned to celebrate the 22nd anniversary of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, located on Rt. 144 in Selkirk. A semi-formal dinner dance will be held Saturday evening, Oct. 15. The gala affair will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a "Surf and Turf" dinner that will

include a relish tray, soup, salad, baked potato, lobster, steak, vegetables and rolls. The festivities will continue until 2 a.m. Tickets are available at the lodge now through Oct. 8.

Call out for labels

A.W. Becker Elementary School is asking parents and friends to save the labels from Campbell's soups and give them to the school. As in the past, the school will submit the labels to Campbell's and receive educational and athletic equipment in exchange. The Parent-Teacher Organization is sponsoring the campaign and asks that the labels be trimmed so that only the front is submitted. For information call 767-2968.

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Voorheesville News Notes



Lyn Stapf 765-2451

Auction-Bazaar

This is it! Autumn couldn't begin in Voorheesville without the arrival of the Annual Auction-Bazaar sponsored by the Voorheesville First United Methodist Church. This year marks the 32nd year of the event, which will take place this Saturday, Oct. 1, rain or shine.

Held on the church's grounds on Maple Ave., the festivities begin at 10 a.m., offering a wide variety of crafts, plants, toys and an array of used clothing and other items. Games, geared to the younger set, will be set up in the upper parking lot while the lower parking lot will come alive at 11 a.m. when the ever-popular auction begins. Meals and snacks will be available throughout the day.

The public is invited to attend. Anyone having last-minute donations may leave them at the church before Friday or may call Dick Freyer at 765-2555. Those wanting additional information may contact this year's bazaar co-chairmen, Lyle Hoagland at 765-2542, or Jeff Peterson at 765-2749.

Nursery school begins

When the rush of the Bazaar is over, members of the Community Nursery School of Voorheesville will begin to make way for the patter of little feet. Parents of children who will be attending the school are reminded that Sunday, Oct. 2, is set-up day and all parents are required to assist.

Children will attend a brief visitation session with their parents on Tuesday, Oct. 4, with regular classes beginning the following day.

Students attending the 4-year old program will be greeted by new teacher, Nancy White, and a bright new look to their classroom. The room that has housed the non-sectarian preschool for

over a decade was painted, paneled and papered over the summer by members of the church and school.

Preparing for the walk

A busy weekend in Voorheesville this Saturday will also see area participation in the nation-wide nuclear "Freeze Walk". Beginning at 9 a.m. in the George Hotaling Evergreen Park, a rally featuring speakers, including town Councilman Herb Reilly, will precede the six-mile trek through Scotchpine, Salem Hills and other portions of the village. Walkers who have secured the financial support from sponsors will hike to obtain money to support candidates in the next presidential election who are sympathetic to the freeze movement. Sponsored by the Upper Hudson Freeze Movement, the ceremonies are open to the public and will include buttons, balloons and refreshments.

Those who would like to sponsor a walker, take part in the walk themselves or obtain more information on the walk or the freeze movement are asked to call Jan or Joe Weitzman at 765-4469 or Mary McKenna Jackstadt at 765-4328.

Soccer program ending

The successful soccer program sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland will draw to a close this weekend with some special events. The last game of the season will take place on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the elementary school field, and will begin at 10 a.m. with all four teams participating in the final playoffs. Following the game all players and their families are invited to attend a picnic at the New Scotland Town Park on Swift Road. Hot dogs and rolls will be provided and parents are requested to bring place settings and beverages for their own families and a salad or dessert to share with the group. According to Jim

Hladun, director of the program, more than 40 youngsters in grades 4 through 6 have taken part in the program that began in mid-August.

Food pantry drive

St. Matthew's Human Concerns Committee, a local group that endeavors to assist area families who need help with food or fuel or other assistance, is sponsoring a food drive this weekend to help stock their food pantry. This Friday and Saturday, members of the group will be requesting food outside the Voorheesville Grand Union to assist the growing numbers requiring help due to the budget cuts in welfare and food stamps. Those who would like to join the group or who would like more information about the committee and their function may call Marie Hill at 765-4254.

Slim to spirituals

Those who wish to renew their faith and trim down their bodies are invited to join Christian Aerobics classes to be held on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Oct. 3. Scheduled at St. Matthew's Church starting at 9:30 a.m., the sessions will feature exercises done to Christian music. There is no fee for the classes but a good will donation to the church's Human Concerns Committee would be greatly appreciated. For more information interested parties are asked to call Collette Czisa at 765-4583.

RENEW events

As the Diocesan program RENEW draws near, several events are planned. As part of Prayer Commitment Sunday, the RENEW prayer committee of St. Matthew's Church is planning a prayer vigil to be held this Sunday at 7 p.m. in the church on Mountainview Rd. The evening's theme will be "Here I Am Lord" and will feature Marty Beckman, a deacon from Valatia, and his wife, Sally, who will speak about "How God has Touched Our Lives". The public is invited to attend this family evening, which will last about 35 minutes. Those wanting more information may call Pat Bonanni at 765-4893 or Marie Hill at 765-4254.

Skip a week

A reminder from librarian Nancy Hutchinson that there will be no

preschool story hour at the Voorheesville Public Library this Friday. The regular Friday morning event will return next Friday at its usual time of 10:30 a.m.

Tickets going fast

Hurry! Hurry! Those who plan on attending the annual Harvest Ball sponsored by the Voorheesville Fire Department are urged to obtain their tickets as soon as possible since they are going rapidly. The gala event to be held on Saturday, Oct. 8, will feature the music of "The Capital's Big Band." Tickets for the dinner-dance are \$28 per couple and may be obtained by calling Harvest Ball Chairman Ted Avgerinos at 765-4555 or ticket Chairman Harvey Huth at 765-4625. Volunteer firemen will also be out selling raffle tickets door to door and at the Grand Union for the Harvest Ball raffle.

Bus safety week

In observance of National School Bus Safety Week, the Voorheesville Central School District invites all area residents to "get on board" one of the district's school buses which will be stationed in the parking lot of the Voorheesville Grand Union between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Tuesday, Oct. 4 through Thursday, Oct. 6. Drivers will be on hand to answer any questions concerning safety, routes and maintenance, and literature containing information pertaining to school bus operations and driver qualifications will be available.

School advisors wanted


The Voorheesville Central School district has issued a "help wanted" call to anyone interested in serving on the newly formed high school and elementary school advisory committees. Established by the school board, these groups will give "students, teacher, parents, administrators and board members an opportunity to discuss any and all concerns related to their particular area and to report their deliberations to the superintendent and the board throughout the year."

Anyone interested in participating on the committees is urged to call the individual building principals, O. Peter Griffin at the high school, 765-3314, and Robert Farrell at the elementary school, 765-2382.

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Leo Burgoon, New Scotland's 1983 Citizen of the Year, was honored by his fellow townspeople at the annual award dinner Saturday. He and his wife, Margaret, are longtime residents of Voorheesville. *Spotlight — Tom Howes*

Form your squares!

The Tri-Village Squares, Delmar's first square dancing club, has "called" its first square dance for this Saturday, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar. A workshop will precede the regular dance, which will alternate between mainstream and dancing tips. Loni and Helen Penna will be the guest callers.

For information, call 439-4598 or 439-7983.

Watercolors on display

Marge Scilipote, an art teacher at the Louise Corning Senior Citizens Center on Delaware Ave. in Albany, will exhibit her watercolors at the Colonie Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Rd., during October.

Fair in Clarksville

The Clarksville Community Church will be busy on Saturday, Oct. 1, when it hosts a mini-fair and roast beef and turkey dinner. The family-style meal will celebrate the church's silver anniversary. The fair will feature a craft table, plants, garage sale, turkey raffle and kiddy corner.

For information and reservations, call Mrs. R. Carl at 768-2391.

Second milers to meet

Emil W. Sticht, manager of community relations for New York phone in Albany, will speak about "Changes in Telecommunications" at the next Second Milers luncheon on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 12:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Lectures on the arts

"Music and Theater in Performance," a series of speakers on the performing arts in the Capital District, will begin Oct. 5. It is sponsored by the Capital District Humanities Program (CDH). "Music in Performance" will begin at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 5 when Scott Cantrell, Albany *Times-Union* music critic and WMHT-FM producer, will lecture on the performance of works of Schubert and Strauss by Kathleen Battle, soprano. The performance will Oct. 16 at Troy Music Hall. Nathan Gottschalk, professor of music at the State University at Albany, will lecture Nov. 3 on the Nov. 9 performance of the Orlando String Quartet, and Hilary Tann-Presslaff, assistant professor of music at Union College, will lecture Nov. 30 on the Albany Symphony Orchestra's performance Dec. 9. Lecture series fees are \$15 a person or \$25 for two.

The "Theatre in Performance" series begins Oct. 6 with a lecture by Sandra K. Fischer, assistant professor of English at SUNY-Albany, on "These are Women: A Portrait of Shakespeare's Women" to be performed by Clare Bloom (on Oct. 9 at Empire State Plaza. Richard Goldman, associate professor of English at SUNY-Albany, will lecture Dec. 6 on the performance of "Happy End" Dec. 11 at Capital Repertory Company's Market Theatre, Albany, and Dec. 8 Sarah Cohen, professor of English at SUNY-Albany, will lecture on the Albany Civic

Theatre's presentation of "Awake and Sing" on Dec. 15. To register, call 457-3907.

Autumn tours planned

Historic Albany Foundation is offering two one-day bus excursions this fall for those interested in historic buildings, decorative arts and regional history. Groups will travel to Deerfield, Mass., Oct. 16 and Bennington/Manchester, Vt., Oct. 29 — two areas where New England's past is still remarkably visible and unspoiled.

At each destination, well-informed guides will lead small groups on personalized tours. They will explain how the buildings reflect distinct personalities and periods in the village's history. At midday, a festive lunch will be provided.

Awareness program set

"Drugs and Alcohol Today: Myths vs. Realities," a community awareness program sponsored by the Concerned Friends of Hope House, will be held Thursday, Sept. 29, at 7:30 p.m. at the Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Michael Nenery of Narcotic and Drug Research, Inc., will run the free program.

For details, call Hope House at 465-2441 weekdays.

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Recently members of Full Gospel Fellowship Church here in Delmar completed a door to door survey called "The Claims of Christ." We would like to thank the many helpful people who gave of their time to answer the questions.

As you can see, 79 percent believe that Jesus is the Divine Son of God. However, many of the percentages on other questions reveal that although Delmar could be called a 'Christian' community, many have departed from the orthodox, historic Christian faith as it is taught in the scriptures and held by the early church. For example, less than half of those interviewed believe Jesus shall physically return to earth to judge the living and the dead, even though this was a doctrine held to by Protestant and Catholics alike, and still appears in many present day creeds and statements of

faith. It is also true that Jesus Himself taught there would be a literal Heaven and Hell after death, but little more than half of those polled agreed this was true.

Perhaps the biggest inconsistency is the fact that only 29 percent claimed to have had a 'born again' experience even though 61 percent said they would believe this to be a necessary requirement of entering God's kingdom if indeed Jesus made this claim. Why such a difference?

I believe there are at least two reasons. First, most people never really thought about it before. This is why we wanted to do the survey, to make people think about such crucial issues! We all have a tendency to neglect that which is not immediate, so we think very little about God, Jesus, where we will go when we die, if we are even ready to die, and other such questions.

Here are the questions and the percent of those questions who answered yes.

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| 1. Do you believe Jesus is the Divine Son of God? (St. Luke 22:69-70; John 10:30-37; Matthew 3:17) | 79% |
| 2. Do you believe His death upon the cross is the total payment for your sin? (Luke 9:22; Hebrews 9:26-27; Hebrews 10:12-14) | 62% |
| 3. Do you believe God literally raised Jesus from the dead? (Mark 8:31; Matthew 28:6; I Corinthians 15:1-4) | 69% |
| 4. Do you believe Jesus physically shall return to earth to judge the living and the dead? (Matthew 26:64; Matthew 25:31,32; Hebrews 9:27,28) | 54% |
| 5. Do you believe in a literal heaven or hell after death? (John 5:28; Matthew 25:46; Matthew 7:23) | 54% |
| 6. Do you believe that knowing Jesus is the <i>only</i> way to heaven and the Father? (St. John 14:1-9) | 57% |
| 7. (a) If Jesus said, "You must be born again to enter the kingdom of heaven, would you believe Him? (John 3:1-7; John 3:16) | 29% |
| (b) Have you been born again? | |



Enjoying last Saturday's five-class (1936-40) Bethlehem Central reunion at Blanchard post were, from left, Edward Adams, '36 president; Betty Barker Vinal '40, Marlin Fuller '37, Clara Yeomans Fuller '38, William Schoonmaker '38, Dorothy Brown, an organizer, and Charles Freeman '39. The event was part of BC's year-long 50th anniversary observance.
J.W. Campbell

But could any questions be of more importance? What if Jesus was correct when He claimed to be the only way to heaven? And what if He really shall come again to judge the living and dead? And what if there really is a heaven or hell after death? These might not seem to grasp our immediate attention, but what is more important than knowing the truth about these questions and being sure we are ready if they are true. It's certainly worth thinking about.

The second reason for these percentages is that most people do not read or study the Bible. Jesus said "You do err because you don't know the scriptures or the power of God." Most people have settled for "second hand faith," without ever really reading or studying the Bible for themselves. They really don't know what Jesus has said. Perhaps this explains the drift away from the historic Christian faith even among the 79 percent who believe Jesus to be the Divine Son of God. They don't have a *personal* faith because they have never personally sought one! The answer is simple for Protestant and Catholic alike — read the

Bible and find out what God says.

If Jesus is the Divine Son of God, then all he said is true. How can He be wrong? He said, "You must be born again." But he also said, "Fear not, I am he that was dead, am now alive, and shall live forever," and "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man comes to the Father but by me." If anyone will open their mind, their Bible, and their heart, they will find Jesus waiting to reveal Himself and show them eternal life.

Clergy elect

The Rev. William A. Gorman of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar has been elected president of the Tri-Village Clergy Association. The Rev. Richard H. Hibbert, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Voorheesville, is secretary-treasurer. At a recent meeting at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Delmar, members voted to support the walks planned for Oct. 1 in Delmar and Voorheesville by advocates of a nuclear weapons freeze.



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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.

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.

Voorheesville Board of Education meets second Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the district offices in the high school, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

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

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League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. For information, call Pat Jukins at 439-8096.

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

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands fire hall, 8 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, to consider zoning ordinance and map change at 45 Adams Pl. and 371 Kenwood Ave., from residential "A" to "CCC"; Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

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

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

Delmar Progress Club, antique study group visits the Hyde collection in Glens Falls, leaves town parking lot at 9 a.m. Reservations, 439-4658 or 439-6800.

Job Club, meets Wednesdays at the Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. \$10 fee for five sessions. Call 439-9314.

Fall Gardening Workshop, by Albany Cooperative Extension master gardeners, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Bethlehem Historical Association, slide talk on Dutch architecture and its impact on America, Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 8 p.m.

50th Anniversary Planning, committee work for any BCHS class alumni representatives, Bethlehem Central High School cafeteria, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4921.

Cub Scout Pack 73 meeting for old and new members, at Voorheesville Elementary School, 7 p.m.

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

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

R-C-S Parents' Night, at the Ravena Junior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Children's Program, children over 8 will link together flags of the world, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

"Haunted House-Haunted Heroes," four-part series on post-modern fiction, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. \$20 series registration, 457-3907.

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

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

Bethlehem School Tax Deadline, final day to make payment before 2 percent penalty charge is assessed, by 4:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall. Information, 439-4955, ext. 44.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1
Contra and Country Dancing, United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 8:30 p.m.-midnight.

Bethlehem Nuclear Freeze Walk in support of the nationwide effort, speakers, leaving from Bethlehem Town Hall 9:30 a.m., to Delaware Plaza and back to town hall. Information, 439-9671, 439-7155, 439-8293.

Clarksville Mini-Fair and fall dinner, Clarksville Community Church, 4:30 p.m. Reservations 768-2391.

Food Drive for food pantries, targeting shoppers at local Grand Unions.

Environmental Education Workshop, for teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Delmar, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Free. Registration, 457-6092.

Mushroom Study, on ecological, medicinal and culinary uses of the fungus, Five Rivers Center, Delmar, 2 p.m. If rain, program will be canceled.

Voorheesville Auction-Bazaar, First United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., 10 a.m. To donate good used items, call Dick Freyer, 765-2555.

Fall Foliage Cruise for adult parishioners of First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 1 p.m.

Delmar Square Dance, sponsored by Tri-Village Squares, at First United Methodist Church in Delmar, workshop 7:30 p.m., dance 8 p.m. Information, 439-4598 or 439-7983.

Roast Pork Dinner, Bethlehem Grange Hall, Rt. 396, Selkirk, 4 p.m.

Paper-Glass Recycling Drive, youth group accepts newspaper, cardboard and glass containers without lids, First United Methodist Church, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 439-9976.

Kiwanis Soccer Playoffs, followed by player picnic at town park, Voorheesville Elementary School, 10 a.m.

Voorheesville Nuclear Freeze Walk, leaves George Hotelling-Evergreen Park, 9 a.m. Information, 765-4469.

Career and Education Advice-ment, Saturdays at Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For appointment, 439-9314.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2
Bible Films Series, Sunday series on life of Abraham begins with "The Journeys," at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 8:30, 11:15 a.m. 7 p.m. \$5 family registration, 439-9929.

Church Youth Night, South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 7-9 p.m.

Flea Market, sponsored by Selkirk Fire Co. No. 1, Maple Ave., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

RENEW Prayer Vigil, St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 7 p.m.

Franco-American, Quebec Heritage Series, "The North American French Language," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3
Temple Chapter 5, RAM, first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

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

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem Town Hall, weekly at 7:30 p.m. except June, July and August.

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

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

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

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" (review from Broadway with country-rock flavor), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Sept. 30, Oct. 1 and 2, 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083; tickets, 346-6204.

"The Glass Menagerie" (autobiographical play by Tennessee Williams), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Oct. 4-8, 8 p.m.

MUSIC

Capitol Chamber Artists play at Albany Institute of History and Art, Music and Poetry, Sept. 28; Russian composers, Oct. 5, 12:10 p.m.

Ari Eisinger (blues and ragtime guitar), Eighth Step Coffee House, 362 State St., Albany, Sept. 30, 8:45 p.m.

Camerata Bern (Bach and Bartok), Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, Oct. 1, 8 p.m. Information and subscriptions, International Festival of Chamber Music series, 382-7890 or 372-3651.

Fitzwilliam Quartet (Borodin, Beethoven and Shostakovich), Kiggins Auditorium, Emma Willard School, Troy, Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m.

DANCE

Elisa Monte Dance Company (contemporary dance), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 8 p.m.

ART

Marge Scillipote, watercolors, Colonie Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Rd., through October, opening reception Oct. 1, 2-4 p.m.

"Building the Brooklyn Bridge: The Design and Construction, 1867-1883" (more than 270 drawings, photographs and other graphic materials), Green Building Gallery, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy. Reception Oct. 5, 4:30-6 p.m., through Oct. 19.

Opus 40 (six-acre environmental sculpture created by Harvey Fite in an abandoned bluestone quarry over a period of 37 years), High Woods, Saugerties, Thruway Exit 20 to Rt. 212 and Fishcreek Rd., open Oct. 2 and 9, noon-5 p.m. Information, (914) 246-3400.

"The Flowering of Tin" (American country paintings and tinware), Museum of Early American Decoration, 19 Dove St. Albany.

"Photography: Art of the State," State Museum, Empire State Plaza, through Oct. 2.

"Painting as a Pastime: The Paintings of Winston Churchill," State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

"Community Industries of the Shakers . . . A New Look," New York State Museum, through Jan. 8.

Small Scale Outdoor Sculpture at Chesterwood, the summer home of sculptor Daniel Chester French, Stockbridge, Mass., through Oct. 17.

"Malden Bridge Pottery" (works by Michael Lancaster and Barbara Harnack), Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, through Sept. 30. Information, 283-1100.

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AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas



Camerata Bern, featuring Thomas Fueri as director and violinist, and Thomas Demenga as cellist, will perform at Union College Saturday, Oct. 1, at 8 p.m. in Memorial Chapel. The ensemble will perform Vivaldi's Concerto for two violins, Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 6, Monn's Violin Concerto, Haydn's Cello Concerto in C, and Bartok's Divertimento.

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

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

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

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

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

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Planning Board, on application of ABCO Builders, Inc., Glenmont, for approval to revise Section 6, Bicentennial Woods Subdivision; Manor Dr., 3 lots to 2, to permit construction of two duplex units; at Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

"What to Tell Your Kids About Sex," Planned Parenthood representative gives tips to parents of pre-adolescents, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

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

New Scotland Historical Society, speaker on the history of the flag, old schoolhouse in New Salem, 8 p.m.

Mothers' Time Out, new Christian support group for mothers of preschoolers, Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Nursery care provided. Information, 439-9929.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Bethlehem Business Women's Club meets first Wednesday of month at Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Albany, 6 p.m. social hour.

Investment Seminar, Wednesday series begins with "Tax Advantaged Investments," led by Joseph Herd of First Albany Corp., at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free. Information, 439-9314.

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

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Girl Scout Uniform Exchange, Delmar Key Bank community room, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Information, Karen Singerle, 439-0159.

Halloween Costume-making, for children over 6, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

Public Hearings, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of LeRoy VanRiper, 112 Union Ave. S., Delmar, for variance to permit construction of addition at premises, 8 p.m.; Robert and Nancy Fraser, 64 Dumbarton Dr., Delmar, for variance to permit construction of addition at premises, 8:15 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

Bethlehem Art Association, Lila Hollister Smith demonstrates ancient, Oriental brush work, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Open to public. Information, 439-5069.

Autumn Star Watch, indoor-outdoor gazing with binoculars and telescopes, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 457-6092. Free.

"Build a Spooky House," Halloween series for children over 6 begins at Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

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

Free Legal Clinic for Senior Citizens, Bethlehem Town Hall, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. For appointments, call 439-4955 weekdays.

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

Halloween Candy Sale, sponsored by Bethlehem Lions, Delaware Plaza, \$2 a bag.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Bible Films Series, "The Promise," Delmar Reformed Church, 8:30, 11:15 a.m., 7 p.m. Information, 439-9929.

New Scotland Run, 7.1 and 12-mile races sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club, Voorheesville, 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Children's Film, "Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory," Bethlehem Public Library, at 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Voorheesville Board of Education, regular monthly meeting in district offices, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

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

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

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

Investment Seminar, "The AT&T Divestiture" and its expected impact on investors, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Second Milers, learn about "Changes in Telecommunications" after monthly luncheon, Delmar Methodist Church, at 12:30 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Albany County League of Women Voters, public forum on health care in New York State, Capital District Psychiatric Center, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

"Drugs and Alcohol Today: Myth vs. Reality," community awareness program sponsored by Concerned Friends of Hope House, at Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Regional Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, Albany Thruway House, 1375 Washington Ave., 7:30 a.m. \$7 reservations.

"Futuristic Perspectives on Health Care," part of the annual conference of the N.Y. State Nurses Assn., at Veronica Driscoll Center for Nursing, Guilderland, 9:45 a.m. \$30 registration.

Shemini Atzeret and Simhat Torah, Jewish festivals celebrated by congregation of Ohav Sholom, Albany, Thursday and Friday. Information, 489-4706.

"Safe Heating with Wood-Burning Stoves," sponsored by the state Energy Research and Development Authority, at Empire State Plaza, meeting room 6, concourse level, 7 p.m. Free.

Altamont Festival Auction, Altamont fairgrounds flower building, preview 5:30 p.m., auction 6:30 p.m. Information, 861-8010 after 2 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Parents Without Partners, open dance at Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 9:30 p.m. Information, 869-1000 evenings and weekends.

Conference on Environment, Environmental Planning Lobby hosts Daniel P. Moynihan, DEC Commissioner Henry Williams and others at Turf Inn, Colonie, today and Saturday. Registration \$20; 462-5526.

Museum of Early American Decoration, birthday party at Harmanus Bleecker Center, 19 Dove St., Albany, 5-7 p.m. Information, 462-1676.

Fall Festival and Buffet Supper, to benefit the Cerebral Palsy Center for Disabled, 314 S. Manning Blvd., Albany. Tickets \$10. Information, 458-8810.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Altamont Apple Harvest Festival, two-day event at village park and fairgrounds. Information, 861-8010.

Germantown Oktoberfest and apple festival, two-day event at Palatine Park, Germantown, 4:30-11 p.m.

Ravena Fall Fair, Grace United Methodist Church, 11 a.m.; roast beef dinner, 5 p.m. Information and tickets, 756-6012 or 756-8345.

Lark Fest '83, live music, Octoberfest beer garden, flea market and craft fair on Lark St. in Albany, between Washington and Madison Aves., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Rain date Oct. 2. Information, 434-4732, 436-1425.

"The Rocks in the Rockefeller Plaza: Let's Look at Them," Dr. Robert Fickies lectures and leads field trip through Empire State Plaza, State Museum, at 10:30 a.m. Free.

Public Auction and Bake Sale, New Hope Christian Academy, Coeymans Hollow, 10 a.m. Information, 767-2721 or 797-3700.

"Wheels for Life" Bika-a-thon, fund-raiser for St. Jude Children's Hospital, Memphis, at Altamont Fairgrounds track, 10 a.m.-dusk. For sponsor forms, call Bob Hemming, 235-2660.

Capital District Card Collectors Club, convention, show and sale for sports collectibles, at Polish Community Center, Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 355-5688.

"Chinese Heritage—Here," Chinese music, poetry, folk tales at the State Museum, Empire State Plaza. Free.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

Altamont Apple Harvest Festival, at village park and fairgrounds.

Germantown Oktoberfest and apple festival, at Palatine Park, Germantown, 2-8 p.m.

Fred LeBrun, arts and dining critic, talks to Greater Albany Professional Singles, at Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 439-0005 or 436-0602.

Albany County History Lecture, author and local historian C.R. Roseberry speaks at SUNYA Performing Arts Center recital hall, 3 p.m. Free.

Giant Charity Garage Sale, dozens of nonprofit service groups at East Greenbush flea market, junction of Rts. 4, 9 and 20. Rain date, Oct. 9.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

Artist Lecture Series, "Positive Approaches to Marketing Your Art," at Albany Ceramic Institute, 1178 Glenwood Blvd., Schenectady, 6:30 p.m. Free.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Vital Signs Course, lay people learn to take temperature, pulse and blood pressure at Red Cross chapter house, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7-10 p.m. \$7 registration, 462-7461.

Noon Book Review, "Satan: His Psychotherapy and Cure by the Unfortunate Dr. Kessler," Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., 12:15 p.m.

"Night of Missions," banquet and discussion on spreading Gospel to Asia at Thruway Hyatt House, Washington Ave., 7 p.m. \$9 tickets. Information, 462-2411.

"How to Recognize the Symptoms and Problems of the Vietnam Veteran," four-day program for VA Hospital employees and the public, at the hospital, 10 a.m. daily. Information and reservations, 462-3311, ext. 353.

Epilepsy Association, monthly meeting at First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Sts., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-8085.

Alopecia Areata Support Group, first meeting at Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 436-1962.

"The Breakup of AT&T: How It Affects You," phone company representative leads discussion at Albany Public Library, 12:15 p.m.

"Imagery in Contemporary Women's Art," free lecture series sponsored by Albany Institute of History and Art at Harmanus Bleecker Center, Dove St., 7:30 p.m.

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BUSINESS

Delmar to get a camera store

The Bethlehem area will have its first camera store in nearly a quarter of a century when State Photo Supply, Inc. opens a retail branch in Delaware Plaza in January.

The store will be managed by a Delmar resident, Vincent F. Parella, a graduate of the Germain School of Photography, New York City. Parella, a native of Clifton Park and a graduate of Shenendehowa Central High School, spent four years as a professional photographer doing custom work in New York City before joining State Photo in 1977. His wife, the former Nancy Whelan of Clifton Park, is a former high school classmate and now is head nurse in the recovery room at Child's Hospital, Albany.

The new store will carry a full line of cameras, camera equipment and photographic accessories in addition to offering State Photo's current 7-hour film processing service — in by 9 a.m., out by 4 p.m.

3 charged with DWI

Three motorists were charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated this week, two of whom were stopped on Rt. 9W.



Margaret Leonard

Tops in sales

Margaret Leonard of Delmar was named one of the top sales directors for Mary Kay Cosmetics at the company's 20th anniversary seminar recently in Dallas, Tex. More than 23,000 independent beauty consultants and sales directors attended an annual event. Mary Kay Cosmetics reported net sales of \$304 million last year.

Engineers' honor

Irving Grossman of Delmar was honored recently at the annual meeting of the New York State Society of Professional Engineers with the society's award for outstanding service to the profession. He is assistant director of the Bureau of Public Water Supply Protection, state Department of Health. He has been a member of the society for 26 years and is a past president. He also is a past national director of the engineers' group.



Among the many new members of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce greeted by President Peter Merrill, second from right, at the open house at the chamber's new office last week were, from left, Jim McCarroll, Ted Danz and David Philips, the latter representing Bob Howard Real Estate.

Spotlight - Tom Howes

Lark Fest is Saturday

Lark Fest '83, featuring live music, an Octoberfest beer garden, flea market and crafts fair, will be held Saturday, Oct. 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Lark Street, between Washington and Madison Aves. The rain date is Oct. 2.

Two large sound stages, positioned at opposite ends of Lark Street, will see pop and jazz acts like the Sharks and the Capital Repertory musicians perform. Area merchants will offer sidewalk sales and specials, while more than 100 exhibitors participate in the market-fair. Ethnic food vendors will also make the rounds. The only format change from last year's Lark Fest will be that beer can only be consumed in restaurants, taverns and the enclosed beer garden on Jay Street.

Lark Fest '82 drew a crowd of more than 50,000.

Given bank post

Janet McMillen of Selkirk has been appointed auditor for National Savings Bank. She joined the audit department at the bank in 1978. A 1965 graduate of Bryant College in Providence, R.I., she also studied auditing at Fairfield University. Mrs. McMillen is a member of the Institute of International Auditors and the National Association of Bank Women. She has two children.

Investor program set

The Bethlehem Public Library will host a series of six free investment seminars on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. It will begin Oct. 5 when Joseph Herd, investment executive at the First Albany Corporation, discusses "Tax Advantaged Investments." He will explain municipal bonds, IRA's, Keoghs, utility stocks and corporate bonds.

Future topics include "The AT&T Divestiture," "Investing Through Options," "Tax Shelters" and "Selecting Investments." No registration is necessary. For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Friday tax deadline

Friday, Sept. 30, will be the final day that Bethlehem property owners can complete payment of the 1983 school tax bills before a two percent penalty charge will be levied. Those paying in person should be into the Bethlehem Town Hall by 4:30 p.m. on Friday. All mail received on Monday, Oct. 3, will be honored without a late fee.

Deferred payments, which will incur the penalty charge, must be paid by Oct. 31. All bills unpaid after that date will be transferred by Kenneth Hahn, receiver of taxes for the town, to Albany County for late collection.

For information, call 439-4955, ext. 44.



Among the entries in the recent Cours d'Elegance competition, in which cars are judged against pre-determined criteria, was this 1970 BMW model 2800CS owned by Bill Kane. The judging took place at Capital Cities Imported Cars, Inc. Rt. 9W, Glenmont.

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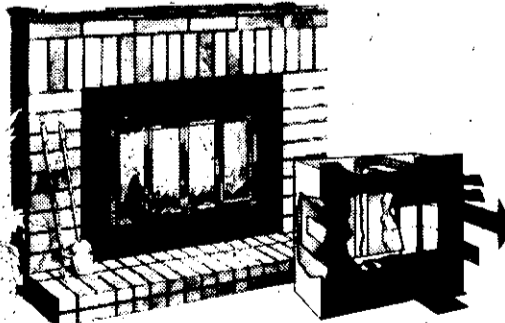
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The core of responsibility

One of the hardest lessons to get across to our children is for them to define, assume and discharge responsibility. Too often I hear "I thought you were going to feed the dog," instead of "I didn't know who was supposed to feed her, but when I saw the empty dish I gave her some food." With equal dismay I also receive frequent reassurances from my well-intentioned sons that a chore will get done on time, and hours later I find myself surveying a poorly executed half-job.

Teaching responsibility to our offspring is one tough task. I'm afraid, though, that our difficulty in accomplishing that task is helping to unravel the fabric of our social order. Irresponsibility is chaotizing its negative effects all over the chaotic streets of our cities, the toxic landfills of our suburbs, the ashen waste lands of our fired forests, the putrid disrepair of our public restrooms and the apathetic buckpassing of many of our private corporate boardrooms.

Kids typically resist lessons presented as rigid dogma . . . Too often we try to deliver the lessons of responsibility solely from a platform of morals or ethics.

As parents, teachers or anyone with ongoing contact with children we are on a perpetual treadmill to convey a sense of responsibility along with the skills to transform that sense into responsible behavior. The consequences of our efforts can range from wiping up spilled milk to taking care of newborn babies. The skills apply to all responsibilities of great or small degree.

Kids typically resist lessons presented as rigid dogma. They prefer rationale other than "Do it because I say so," or "This is what you're supposed to do." Too often we try to deliver the lessons of responsibility solely from a platform of

Family MATTERS

Norman G. Cohen



morals or ethics, that is, a simple reference to what is considered good and bad, right or wrong. Consequently, the word "responsibility" carries with it a set of *shoulds* rather than a set of *wants*. I think it makes the teaching harder and the learning distasteful.

There is no reason the teaching of responsibility can't be an attractive and pleasant experience instead of a force-fitting tug and pull. Even though I haven't mastered the art, I can speak from numerous experiences with my children and other young people that when responsibility is based on caring rather than on abstract values not only it is easier to convey, but it seems to take hold quicker and last longer.

Contemporary families are held together less and less by that kind of obsolete respect we used to demand, which was really "fear," and more and more by a true humanistic respect that is commanded by caring and helping each member toward self-fulfillment and independence. Thus, if responsibility is based on one's ability to respond to the needs and desires of others as well as oneself, then I believe the learning of how to handle that responsibility will be more meaningful and more long-lasting. "Respons-ability" can then serve as an accurate measure of our capacity to care for one another and as a viable base on which to ensure the future of our society.

I care about my wife. I care about her feelings, her thoughts, her physical condition, her plans, her problems. That caring motivates me to take on her chores every once in a while, that is, those jobs we have mutually defined as hers, like cooking and housecleaning. When I contribute to the well-being of the family by assuming

one of her responsibilities, I usually feel good about myself because I have relieved her of a burden and also demonstrated sharing of the load to my kids. My wife does the same for me when I'm unable to carry my load, and now our boys will at times contribute to the daily list of parent chores over and above their own.

If responsibility is based on one's ability to respond to the needs and desires of others as well as oneself, then I believe the learning of how to handle that responsibility will be more meaningful and more long-lasting.

The core of responsibility is caring for oneself. Independence really means freedom derived from acquiring skills to take care of oneself so that survival is not dependent on others' caring for you. Personal responsibility can then be translated into interpersonal responsibility by extending those skills to another person. Family responsibility develops by further extending those caring skills to members of the immediate and extended family. Social responsibility is then a logical outgrowth of the family by learning to care about the peer group, the Cub Pack or Brownie Den, the team, the dance class, the club, the school, the

community, the country, and ultimately, the universe.

The most difficult part of learning to take responsibility for living in society is extending the caring to strangers you have never met and never will. If I can successfully ignore the feeling, thoughts, plans and problems of the person who owns that grocery store over there, then I won't have a sense of responsibility toward that person to report a theft I witnessed in the store or, for that matter, to restrain myself from shoplifting from the store if I had such a desire. Armies consciously attempt to dehumanize their enemies to facilitate the troops' attack without moral restraints, namely, caring about the enemy soldiers.

Perhaps our young people will be less likely to reject personal and social responsibilities if those lessons are taught on a rationale of caring rather than one of abstract and obligatory nature. After all, the ultimate responsibility is to preserve and improve life in general, and that requires each of us to take some responsibility for the welfare of our fellow humans without benefit of intimate personal relationships. I believe it's the only way to ensure that the new generation will have something valuable to offer the yet-to-be-born generation.

Legal advice for seniors

A free legal clinic for senior citizens will be at the Bethlehem Town Hall on Friday, Oct. 7, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It is being sponsored by the town's Senior Citizen Services. Clinic appointments can be made at the Thursday meetings of the Senior Citizens Organization at the town hall or by calling 439-4955 weekdays.

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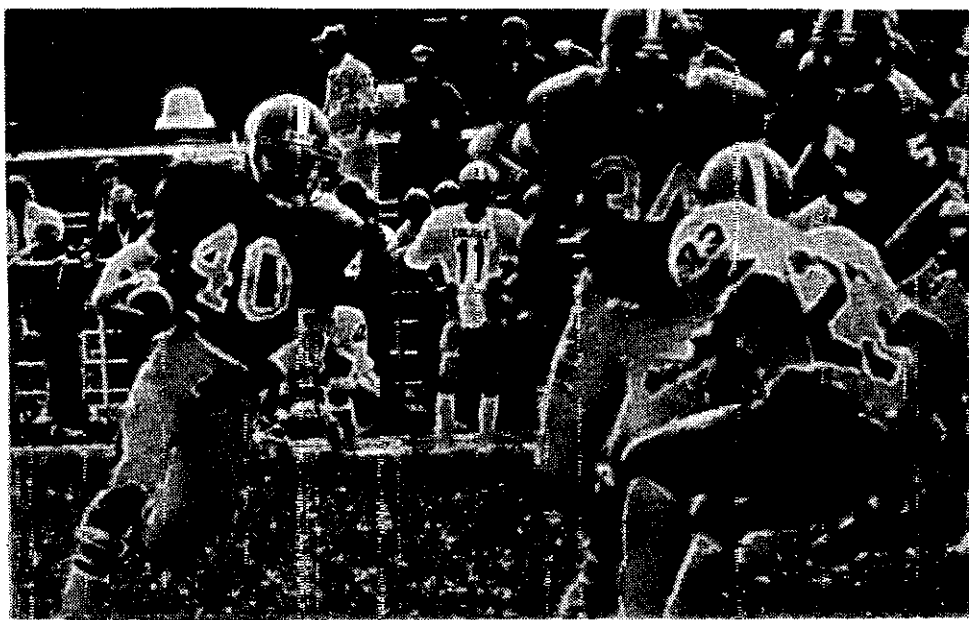
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Jeff Masline (cover photo) gave Bethlehem Central's football fortunes a new lift Saturday with a fine display of ball carrying. On this third period play at Colonie Central Masline (40) got help from John Zucker (34) and Steve Mendel (5) making a first down in BC's 6-0 victory.

Spotlight - R.H. Davis

Eagles work out all (or most) of the bugs

By Nat Boynton

A lot of good things happened — more than bad things — on a sun-splashed football field at Colonie Saturday as Bethlehem Central won its first Suburban Council game of the season.

The score was only 6-0, but it might have been 20 or more to zip except for those gremlins that keep getting in the way of touchdown drives. The Eagles outplayed their hosts by a wide margin, but they gave their fans more excitement than necessary by waiting until there were only 41 seconds left to wrap up the game.

All the drama of the final three minutes might have been avoided if BC hadn't suffered two fumbles — one on the Colonie 7 — and four interceptions — one on the Colonie 5. Another time they gave up the ball on downs on the Colonie 6.

But all the rest was happy news. The defense shut down the Garnet Raiders with only two or three nervous moments. The offensive line protected its passer and opened holes for the runners. The only time the Eagles had to punt, Tim Fox stood on his own 44-yard line and boomed a spiral to the Colonie 4, where the receiver was smothered in his tracks.

"The kids needed that win to change our image," observed Coach John Sodergren after enjoying the 15th re-run of the films on Sunday. "Offensively we did some things we hadn't been able to

establish before. We opened up a lot more, and we put a lot of pressure on their defense. We stopped ourselves several times, and we passed up too many opportunities, but we know now we can move the ball. And we made the big plays when we had to."

The Eagles produced 132 yards on the ground and 145 in the air, and it would have been an injustice to settle for a scoreless tie. Take the third period: BC received the second-half kickoff and consumed 9 minutes and 22 seconds in 16 plays, only to be stopped at the 6, three yards short of a first down. Colonie had the ball only for three downs and a punt in the period.

Most of the drama was packed into the fourth quarter. The Raiders made their deepest penetration of the game, moving inside the BC 30 on several missed tackles. On third and short yardage, Jeff Masline stopped a runner a yard short, and on fourth down Charley Lynk and Mark Hoffman broke through to throw the carrier for a loss.

That gave the Eagles the ball on their own 23. Quarterback Steve Mendel, making his first varsity start, hit Jim Lockman once and Mike Mooney twice, and Masline darted through a nice hole for a first on the Colonie 26. On third and 7, Colonie picked off a pass on the 5 with 3:01 remaining. When the Raider passer ran for a first down with all receivers covered, things looked black, but



The yards came hard against a rugged Colonie line as John Zucker (34) plunged for three yards in BC's first win of the season. Blocking are Steve Mendel (5), Jeff Masline (40) and Joe Klink (76).

Spotlight - R.H. Davis

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Mooney intercepted a throw and BC had the ball on the home 32 and a new life with 1:29 left. A penalty moved the sticks to the 20, from which point Mendel fired a strike to Mike Cronin on the 7. On the next play Mendel found Lockman in the end zone. The clock showed 0:41.

Sunday night's review by the film critics produced some lively competition for the coaches' Emmys of the Week, which all agreed is a good sign of BC's

football resurgence. The MVP for Week No. 2 went to Mendel, the southpaw quarterback who showed a good arm and quick release in completing 8 of 20.

Other awards went like this: offensive back, Masline; offensive lineman, Lockman; defensive back, Cronin and defensive lineman, three interior defenders, Fox, Alan Domermuth and Chris Jadick.

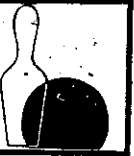
Masline, a junior running back who did not start but ran for 90 yards on 21 carries, and Paul Conra, who stepped in at guard and middle linebacker when John Lewis pulled a groin muscle, shared the citation for Bench Player of the Week. The specialist award went to Chris Oberheim, who made several solo tackles

including the saving stop on a near-TD runback on the opening kickoff.

The victory was only the fifth for BC in the Suburban Council in five seasons since the championship team of 1978. This week the Eagles are on the road again — at Niskayuna — and Sodergren is looking for another good week of practice.

Spicing the workouts this week are several spots where there is competition for starting posts, notably at quarterback and running back. Dave Young, the senior passer shaken up in the Columbia game, dressed for Colonie but did not play. He will be ready for the Niskies. At setback Sodergren can now mix Masline's shifty running with Fox's power.

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Goals still not coming

Bethlehem Central's varsity field hockey team is four games into its schedule. Its defense, led by senior goalie Kara Mackey, has done an outstanding job, holding its opponents to only four goals. Its offense, on the other hand, has scored only three goals and netted two flicks en route to losing three games. "Most of my experienced players are on defense," explained Coach Julie Wendth.

Bethlehem opened last week with a 1-0 loss to Shaker, the 1982 Suburban Council co-champion and Wendth's choice to win it again this year. Shaker won the double overtime flickoff, 2-0.

BC edged Niskayuna Thursday, 4-3, thanks largely to Cindy Lovelace. The sophomore tied the game at 1-1 in the first half and evened the score again at 3-3 just in the nick of time. With less than two minutes left, she drove in the shot that put the game into overtime. Roxanne Chin iced the winning cake for the Eagles by connecting on her second flick. The other four flicking specialists have yet to get one in.

Bethlehem dropped Saturday's game against Scotia, 1-0, a game that Wendth said, "We should have won." Mackey was away, but sophomore Emily Holsinger suited up from the JV and kept the goal ball-free until the final 40 seconds of the game.

The 1-3 Eagles travel to Columbia today (Wednesday) and host Shenendehowa, a hockey power, Friday.

Julie Ann Sosa

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BC booters search for the answers

It's a rare week that sees Bethlehem Central absorb three soccer losses, let alone score only one goal in the process.

That's what happened last week as the Eagles were shot down by Niskayuna, 3-0, by Shaker, 2-1 in overtime, and by Scotia, 3-0. With a trip to Guilderland on the schedule Tuesday of this week, followed by home contests with powerful Shenendehowa Thursday and once-powerful Burnt Hills Saturday, 1983 may become BC's longest season in a decade or more.

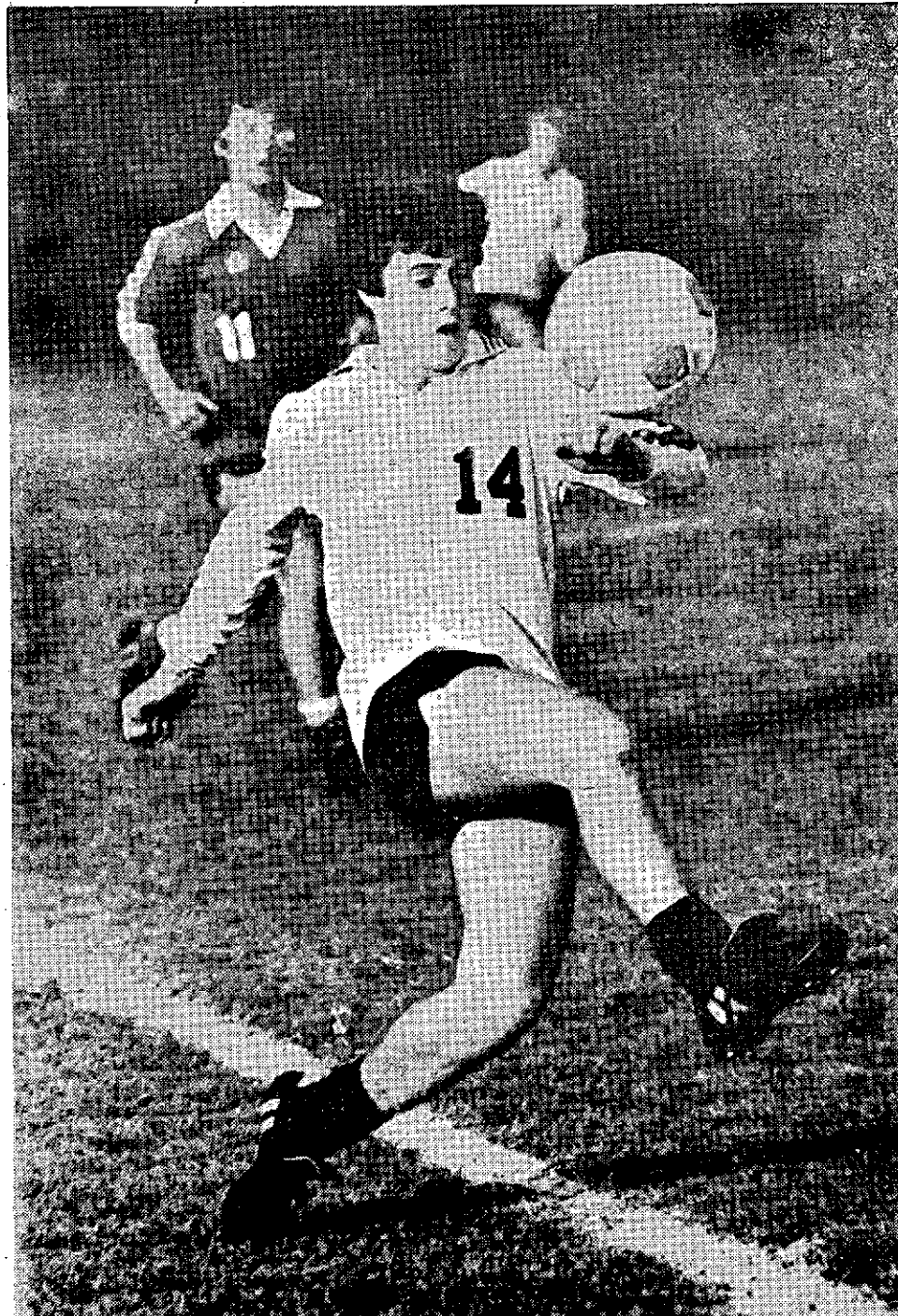
"Even though we're not winning, the kids do good things out there," said Coach Gene Lewis, disappointed but not discouraged. "We don't seem to always have the right combinations (of offense and defense), but they (BC players) work hard."

Lewis feels his team needs confidence, the kind that might have come if Chris Kelly hadn't missed a shot on a nice cross early in the Niskayuna game. As it was, the Eagles managed 15 shots on goal to the league leaders' 20 on a steaming day, and it was still zero-zero with only 3:15 to play.

The scenario was different with Shaker in town. A goal by Bobby Keens in the first half was nullified by an offside, and the Eagles went halfway into the second half before Jeff Tilroe netted a cross from his brother Jason. With 2:40 left, Shaker pulled even at 1-1 as Bethlehem was concentrating more on defense than attacking.

Both teams missed chances in overtime. With 30 seconds remaining in the 10-minute extra session, Jeff Tilroe was sidelined with an injury. Shaker got the winner with 9 seconds left. It was only the Bison's seventh shot on goal compared to 20 for the Eagles.

Playing at Scotia without the absent Chris Kelly, the Eagles held the defending



BC forward Chris Kelly (14) does a balancing act with his upper arm, risking a hands violation in Suburban Council soccer against Shaker. The Eagles lost, 2-1, in the last 10 seconds of overtime. Spotlight - Tom Howes

Sectional champions even except for a 3-minute stretch on each side of the halftime break. Scotia scored on a corner kick that was headed in at 19:01, then added a goal and penalty shot in the first two minutes of the second half. Mike Guarino had 17 saves for Bethlehem.

Support group meets

Bethlehem's Single Parent Support Group will meet at the Bethlehem Public Library on Monday, Oct. 3, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. For information, single parents should call B.J. Lernell at 439-6136.

Program on Vietnam vets

The Albany Veterans Administration will sponsor a four-day training program for its employees and the public on "How to Recognize the Symptoms and Problems of the Vietnam Veteran" beginning Tuesday, Oct. 4 at the V.A. Hospital in Albany. The program, which will begin at 10 a.m. daily, will discuss post traumatic disorder, agent orange and the care of Vietnam veterans.

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Blackbirds shine night or day

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Fresh from a 15-8 triumph under high wattage at Chatham, the Blackbirds face another test of night vision at Hudson, an established Capital Conference toughie.

But the Blackbirds, packing enough weight and speed to contain Hudson's explosive attack, are toughies themselves, as shown by another strong defensive performance at Chatham and a well-balanced offense.

"Mike Ricci had an excellent game, a super job running the ball," commented Coach Tom Buckley after the game. "Sean Rafferty did another nice job for us, and we had consistent line play that permitted us to move the ball."

Defensively Buckley had orchids for Bob Seaburg, the noseguard, and Kevin Rafferty, a defensive tackle, both of whom spent half their time in the Chatham backfield.

Buckley also pointed to two missed

opportunities that made the game closer than it should have been. On their first possession the Blackbirds drove inside the Chatham 10 and had second and 5 before being stopped. Another long drive in the second half stalled inside the 15.

But Voorheesville came through when they had to. After a letdown in the third period that permitted the hosts to take an 8-7 lead as the quarter expired, the Blackbirds went 63 yards in 11 plays for the winning touchdown. When Chatham mounted a serious threat in the closing minutes, Ed Mitzen rescued them with an interception on the Voorheesville 10 with 50 seconds on the clock.

Taking the kickoff after the Chatham score, Pat Fragomeni returned 15 yards to the 37 starting the fourth period. Ricci's running maintained the Blackbirds' control, and after Rafferty peeled off 13 yards with nobody to throw to, Ricci slammed the last nine yards by himself. Matt Beals took a pass for the two-point conversion.

Chatham didn't go down easily. They got a good return on the kickoff and

drove to the Blackbirds' 20 before giving up the ball. The Birds, however, couldn't move, and had to punt from the end zone. Chatham quickly put them in the hole again with the clock winding down. Enter Mitzen with the pickoff that made the evening a success.

Ricci ended the night with 119 yards on 20 rushes, the best numbers of his career as the Blackbirds compiled 218 on the ground. Rafferty was 5-for-11 and 78 yards upstairs, four of them to Mitzen for 75. The quick-handed junior scored Voorheesville's first touchdown, snaring a 35-yard bomb from Rafferty in the left corner of the end zone in the first period. Kevin Rafferty kicked the point, his fourth in five shots this year.

Pop Warners break even

Bethlehem Pop Warner football teams came away with an even break in four Sunday games. Brian Van Aernem scored for the Falcons in a 7-0 victory over the East Greenbush PeeWees while the Ravens were losing to the Rensselaer Raiders, 33-0.

The Bethlehem Hawks dominated the Hudson Whalers, 35-0, before the home fans. Billy McFerran scored twice, Travis Hagen, Jamie Dillon and Darrin Duncan once each. The Eagles dropped a 20-13 decision to East Greenbush, Frank Macri crossing the goal from 7 yards out and Gary Mendel taking a 12-yard pass from Dave Allegretta in the end zone for the Bethlehem touchdowns.

This week the Ravens and Falcons play home games starting at noon and 2 p.m. at Hamagrael. The Hawks are in Brunswick and the Eagles at Twin Town.

Trip to Big Apple

The Albany-Delmar chapter of Women's American ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation Through Training) plans a bus trip to New York City on Wednesday, Oct. 19. Round trip fare will be \$20. For reservations, call 438-3230.

Young Mergers have the depth

It's a new season for the Guilderville Mergers swim team, starting with nine girls from Guilderland and 10 from Voorheesville. The team swims a combined total of about 5,000 yards a day in practice sessions at the Voorheesville pool getting ready for a Sept. 28 meet at Hudson and a home meet with Scotia Friday.

The team is very young this year, with four junior high girls. One of these, Elin Popkowski of Voorheesville, is a good diver. The others are Janine, McAssey, Rachel Martin and Melissa Donnelly.

The returning members of the team are Erin Martelle, Laura Martin, Jen Mele, Chris Fleury, Diane Larabee and Kathy Michalak. The team's strongest swimmers are Sheri Bult, Fara Smith, Ann Pickering, Erin Martelle and Laura Martin. The teams weak point is long distance events.

Nadine Bassler, the coach of the team, says that "the team is not super strong but has a lot of depth."

Jenny Kurkjian

Uniform exchange

Wednesday, Oct. 5 is the date set for the Girl Scout neighborhood uniform exchange. The event will be held at the Delmar Key Bank Community Room from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Anyone having Girl Scout items (Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Adult) that they wish to sell may drop them off at the home of Carolyn Wenger, 7 Douglas Rd., Delmar, 439-6600, until Friday.

Cubs set roundup

A roundup is planned by Cub Scout Pack 258 for boys in grades 3 through 5 at Elsmere or St. Thomas schools. The sessions will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at Bethlehem Town Hall. Boys interested in scouting and their parents are invited.

RCS gears for Cocksackie

The first meeting of longtime rivals and next-door neighbors Ravena and Cocksackie in several years is set for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff Saturday. The game on the RCS home field matches two struggling teams that have been pushed around by Capital Conference rivals in the season's first two outings, and each needs a victory to salvage some measure of respect in the weeks ahead.

While Cocksackie was being trampled at Watervliet, 43-7, Saturday, the Indians were bowing to a bigger and stronger foe at Averill Park, 18-6. Ravena scored in the second period and held on to a 6-0 halftime lead well into the third period before the defense wore down.

"Key penalties hurt us," said Coach Gary VanDerzee. "Our offense couldn't sustain ball control, with the result that our defense had to play too long without relief."

Jay Askew scored the touchdown on a 9-yard burst, capping a drive that started with a fumble recovery on the Ravena 40. Quarterback Mike Kerrigan threw only one pass in the march, a 9-yard pitch to Joe McHugh. Shawn Leonard and Askew accounted for the rest of the distance on the ground.

The tribe played without halfback John Frazetta, lost for 4-6 weeks with a dislocated arm suffered in a practice session last week.

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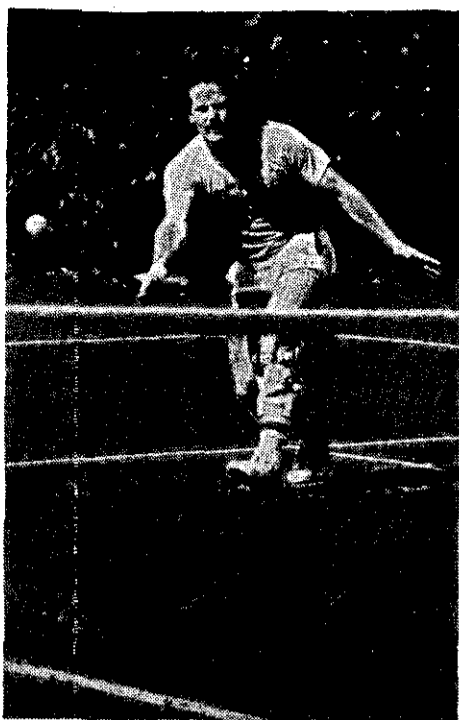
Denny wins BTA open

Dave Denny, who grew up in Delmar, returned to his hometown over the weekend long enough to win another Bethlehem tennis championship.

Denny, a former BCHS and Albany State singles standout, defeated Cliff Montgomery of Glenmont, 6-4, 6-4, in the final of the men's singles in a feature match of the Bethlehem Tennis Association open tournament at the Middle School courts.

But Denny wasn't so successful in the doubles, losing with partner Kirby Hannon of Delmar in the men's final to Larry Slattery and Ned Steifel, 7-6, 6-1.

Meanwhile Pat Bowman, a Hudson resident playing with the BTA, added to a growing string of Bethlehem titles by winning the women's singles over Rene Boscia, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5, and teaming with Cathy Yates to win the women's doubles, 6-3, 6-7, 6-4 over Nancy Filley and Ann Capobianco. In the mixed-final, Chuck Poe and Carol Mesch defeated Phil and Nancy Ackerman, 7-6, 6-2.



Dave Denny (left, and on the cover), had knee and all, had his work cut out for him against Cliff Montgomery.

In the B bracket, the new champions are Larry Slattery in men's singles, Julie Liddle in women's singles, Mike Marsh-Bill Zwabita in men's doubles, and James Lacy and Erica Iten in mixed doubles.



Tom Howes photos

BC doubles a surprise

Bethlehem Central's surprising success in doubles was expected to be severely tested this week in a scheduled home tennis match against Saratoga High in Suburban Council girls' competition yesterday (Tuesday).

Coach Grace Franze's Eagles swept three team matches last week to remain atop the Gold Division at 4-0. BC's three doubles tandems, with only one player with previous varsity experience, completed the sweep with the loss of only one set. The Eagles' victims were Guilderland (6-3), Colonie (9-0) and Shaker (7-2).

But Franze, with a fairly solid singles lineup headed by Laura Treadway at No. 1, was concerned about Saratoga's strength in the doubles, posing a threat to the undefeated record of Carolyn Cross-Barbara Hipp, Kelly Hart-Colby Woodruff and Joan Peyrebrune-Libby Thomas.

In singles play last week, Aryan Shayegani at No. 3 and Julie Liddle at No. 5 won all three of their matches. Leanne Corey, who sat out the Guilderland outing with a pulled shoulder muscle, returned to action at No. 4 Thursday and won two more matches.

At Latham, where Shaker owns the Suburban Council's top two singles players, BC's Jody Jones at No. 2 pushed Carrie Oberting, 1982 Sectional finalist, to three sets before yielding, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Still running

Mary Reich, better known as an exercise class leader in Delmar, has continued her running ways this summer, winning three firsts in 10 kilometer road races in the 50 to 59 year-old age group.

She won the "Legs for Lungs" in Hudson Falls, the "Pepsi Challenge" in Troy and the "Run for Health" sponsored by the Colonie Athletic Club. She is in her second year of running and "finds it very relaxing — along with exercise class, of course."

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Correction:

The tennis player pictured in last week's issue with the story on Bethlehem Central's girls' tennis team was Julie Little, not Leanne Corey as the caption said.

More punch, but not enough

The Bethlehem girls soccer varsity ended its first-half scoring drought last week, but it wasn't enough to save them from three setbacks in the Suburban Council. BC lost to Niskayuna, Shaker and Scotia to finish the week at 1-4.

At Niskayuna, the only BC score came on a first period goal by Alesia Harder, who was assisted by Monique Fritts. BC had only six shots on goal to Nisky's 14. BC goalies saved 8 shots, but the girls lost 4-1.

Two days later at Shaker, Kelly Burke scored three goals in the first period,

assisted by Marisa Weaver and Jill Kaplowitz. Shaker tied the score in the second half and won in the first period of overtime, 4-3.

At home, with Scotia, the Lady Eagles fell behind by 4-0 at halftime. BC saved themselves from a shutout on a direct kick from 25 yards out made by Kara Matarrese. The final score was 5-1.

Bethlehem was scheduled for a home game with Guilderland and an away game with Shenendehowa this week.

Jennifer Hammer

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Thurs., Sept. 29	Golf, Shenendahowa, home Soccer, Shenendahowa, home	Golf, C.C. Champ.	Soccer, Girls, Schalmont, home 3:45 Golf, Col. Coun. Champ. at Sycamore, home 8:30
Fri., Sept. 30	Swimming, Girls, Amsterdam, home Field Hockey, Shenendahowa, home	Football, Hudson, away 7:30 Swimming, Girls, Scotia, home 4:00 Soccer, Lansingburgh, home 4:00 Tennis, Col. Coun. Champ. Prospect Park, Troy, away	Soccer, Girls, Catskill, home 3:30 Soccer, Waterford, away 4:00
Sat., Oct. 1	Football, Niskayuna, away Soccer, Burnt Hills, home	Tennis, C.C. Champ.	Football, Coxsackie, home 1:30
Mon., Oct. 3	Golf, Sub. Coun. Tourn Tennis, Girls, Burnt Hill, home	Tennis, Girls, Lansingburgh, home Golf, Sectionals	Tennis, Girls, Cobleskill, home 4:00 Field Hockey, Waterford, home 3:45 Soccer, Schalmont, home 4:00
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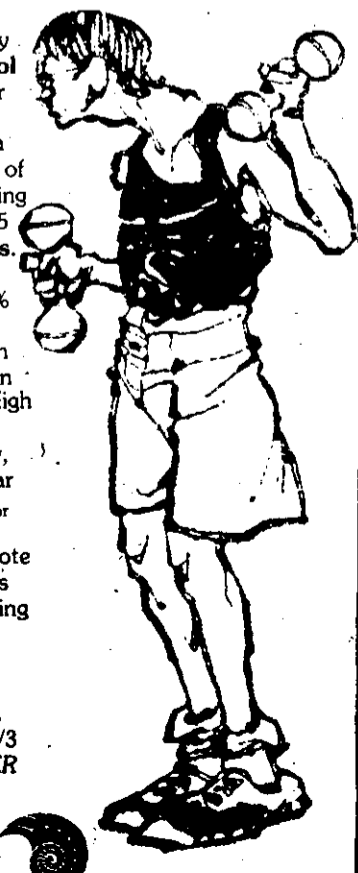
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BC harriers show solo strength

By Damon Woo

Opening their season at the Gloversville Invitational, Bethlehem Central cross-country teams ran away with five individual trophies. The boys' team was led by Peter Hammer and Paul Montanus, finishing third and 10th respectively.

BC's fourth runner, eighth grader Tommy Nyilis, had his first taste of varsity competition and finished 50th in the large field. The team finished seventh, and improved from last year's 12th.

The girls' team, though not at full strength, turned in an outstanding performance. Because of injuries and eligibility rules, the team started the race with only three runners. Those three finished impressively in first, second and sixth places. Colleen Nyilis was the meet champion, followed by Tania Stasiuk, who was running in her first varsity meet. Jen Hammer was the team's third runner. Each girl was awarded a trophy for her individual performance.

Because the team only had three runners, they did not receive a team score, and therefore could not compete for the team title. Coach John Nyilis said, "If we had had two more girls running, that title would be ours."

During the week, the teams faced Burnt Hills, Saratoga and Voorheesville. Burnt Hills and the Sectional course, the boys lost a close contest to Burnt Hills, 30-27, but coasted by Saratoga. Later in the week the team traveled to Voorheesville, where they were led by Peter Hammer's fast pace in a 24-31 victory.

The girls had an easy time with their competition. With five girls ready to run, the team defeated Burnt Hills, the recent Gloversville champions, 19-36. The girls also beat Saratoga, 15-40, sweeping the top five places. When the girls ran Voorheesville, they again won convincingly, 15-40. Coach Nyilis was pleased by the lapse of only 49 seconds between the finish of the first and fifth runners.

Date for dancing

Dancing, contra and country, is planned for Saturday, Oct. 1, beginning at 8:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville. John Kirk will be caller, and beginners are welcome, according to Old Songs, the sponsor. Fee is \$3.50 a person. For information, call 765-4193.

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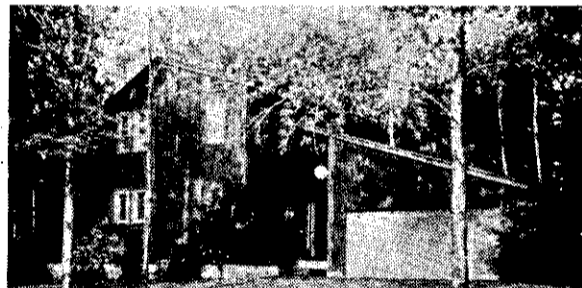


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Drill a success

To the Editor:

We would like to take this forum and opportunity to thank the BCHS students, families, friends, fire department and rescue squad members, residents and employees of Good Samaritan Home for their cooperation and participation with the disaster-evacuation drill held on Tuesday evening, Sept. 20. This first-time drill was very successful and has shown us that we have a very workable plan to provide fire control and resident evacuation.

Thank you also to community members for coping with any traffic inconveniences the drill created.

Richard R. Thomas, Jr.
Administrator

Leona W. Rogers, R.N.
In-service Coordinator

Delmar

Savings banks ask support

Editor, The Spotlight:

The New York State Legislature voted overwhelmingly in favor of placing Proposal 3 on our ballot on Election Day. Our legislators, joined by business, civic and labor leaders, recognize the need to permit New York State's savings banks and savings and loan associations to sell stock in themselves.

A YES vote on Proposal 3 will do just that. It will enable savings banks to raise more funds to stimulate our state's economy in areas directly related to the needs of the people.

More funds will be available to finance the construction of new housing, as well as needed community projects such as schools, hospitals, recreation centers and houses of worship. In addition to creating more jobs, there will be more mortgage funds available for private home, cooperative and condominium purchases.

Savings banks are "people banks." A YES vote on Proposal 3 will strengthen

this commitment. Proposal 3 deserves everyone's support.

Luke A. Baione,
Chairman,
Savings Banks Association
of New York State

Still a void

Editor, The Spotlight:

Well, again this year you left out the girls. Boys varsity soccer always gets attention. Girls varsity soccer starts at the same time, but I guess girls aren't supposed to be athletes.

George Tilroe

Delmar

No newspaper has staff to cover every team sport in each high school. We do the best we can, training students to write reports on assigned teams, supplementing our coverage of major spectator sports.

We have difficulty recruiting would-be teenage journalists. In the three high schools we cover, we have openings for six to nine paid intern jobs. Of these, we have been able to fill only three, with prospects of two others. Ed.

Defacing the town

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was dismayed to see posters promoting the Delmar Rotary Club's book fair tacked on utility poles along Delaware Ave. Signs like these are a form of visual pollution that deface a community.

I have always felt that in election campaigns people should vote against any candidate whose name is plastered on phone poles, highway signs, mailboxes and the like, regardless of political party.

Who takes these eyesores down when the fair or election is over?

Name submitted

Delmar

Recycling drive Saturday

A paper and glass container recycling drive sponsored by the senior high youth fellowship will be based at the First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, on Saturday, Oct. 1, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The student-run operation will accept newspapers, cardboard and glass containers that are clean and lidless (labels are permissible). There should be no magazines, catalogs or phone books.

For details, call Jeannie Peterson at 439-9976.

Media Rare

An occasional commentary on the world of newspapers, radio and television.
By Nat Boynton

This is the season our local TV sportscasters like best. The opening of the football season gives them the opportunity to show their in-depth expertise of teams and players by picking the winners of upcoming games.

But there's a hooker here that borders on disservice to their alleged viewers.

How would you feel if a TV commercial got you all excited about a fantastic new product and then didn't tell you where you could buy it? Or went into ecstasy about a superb restaurant without giving its name or location?

Take Bob McNamara on Channel 13, where you have to go to flee from the juvenile cliches of Rip. Bob is so infatuated with Jimmy the Greek in Las Vegas and the Reliable Jersey House that he can tell you at the flick of a dial whether this week's point spreads are or are not on the money. Furthermore, he projects his inside knowledge in plenty of time for listeners (and even viewers) to rush to their phones, call their bookies and get their bets down.

This is fine but what about the young kids, breathlessly waiting all week for Bob's picks — for or against the Las Vegas line — who might not have a bookie? A Pop Warner or high school player lucky enough to have his father watching with him for The Word from Bob presumably has access to Dad's bookie, assuming, of course, that Dad is doing a good job in preparing him for a lifetime of joyful gambling.

But a lot of kids — and grownups — don't have bookies, and Bob doesn't tell us where to go or whom to call to find a horse room that will take football bets. OTB won't, as Bob and Rip well know.

Rip does pretty much the same thing with the same point spreads to an audience that is predominantly grades 2-7. He may advise against the line in games like Arkansas State-Southwestern Louisiana, having talked to both coaches a day later than Jimmy the Greek, yet he doesn't refer you to a trustworthy bookie.

But then Rip would never do what Bob did last week: talk about the fine game a local hero, Frank Polsinello of Mechanicville, played for Dartmouth against Princeton, showing as the visual voice-over an obsolete film clip of Dartmouth

in action against Penn or Brown last year or earlier.

That's small peanuts and certainly harmless, but it might stretch the credibility of Bob (added to Rip's addressing an audience in a maximum of two-syllable words) to the point where people might have to switch to Channel 6. Meanwhile, we can be thankful for Richard Hill on Radio 59.

Tense moments on TV

Speaking of Channel 10, can anyone explain why their two principal news readers (i.e., anchorpeople) persist in saying that prisoners before the bar "pled" guilty or not guilty? Is that what appears on the teleprompter, and how is it spelled electronically? I admit it has always been tempting to talk like that, but then again I am a print-media person and have the protection of my typewriter and a copyreader, thus am forced to spell the word "pleaded." If Dick and Marcy (Marci?) want to get around using this troublesome past tense, they can always say "entered a plea of."

But then Channel 6 news people have been caught reporting that a jail inmate "hung" himself. That, of course, is physically, biologically and anatomically impossible. In most cases these incarcerated unfortunates, if successful in the effort, hanged themselves, a procedure that semanticists approve of even if humanists don't.

Today's grammar lesson

If one thing is that
And two things are those
Then *hat* in the plural
Should always be *hose*.
The masculine pronouns
Are *he, his* and *him*,
But imagine the feminine
As *she, shis* and *shim*.

And then there was the editor who felt news was plural. He cabled his reporter: "Are there any news?" The reporter wired back: "No, not a new."

'Vital signs' course offered

The Red Cross will sponsor a self-help Vital Signs course at its Albany chapter house on Hackett Blvd. on Tuesday, Oct. 4, and Thursday, Oct. 6, from 7 to 10 p.m. The course will teach lay people how to take temperature, pulse, respiration and blood pressure. There is a course fee of \$7 to cover the cost of books and materials. To register, call the Red Cross at 462-7461.

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Susan Zwack wed

Susan Zwack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Zwack, Jr., of Slingerlands was married June 25 to Dr. Robert L. Felter of Auburn. The ceremony took place at St. Teresa of Avila Church in Albany.

Maid of honor was Barbara Jeanne Zwack, sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Christine McCarroll, also a sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were MaryAnn Felter, sister of the bridegroom, Meribeth Mitchell, Jane Mulhall and Diane Tillack. Lauren McCarroll, niece of the bride, was flower girl.

Edward Felter, brother of the groom, and Hans Loeffler were best men. Ushers were Dr. James Lawless, Frank Maggio, James McCarroll III and Raymond Zwack III, brother of the bride. Ring bearer was Roger Griffiths.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and received a bachelor's degree in nursing from Hartwick College. Dr. Felter is a graduate of Cornell University and Downstate Medical Center and is a resident in family practice at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

The couple will reside in Feura Bush.

Quickenton-LaJeunesse

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Quickenton of Glenmont have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lynne Marie, to Thomas Joseph LaJeunesse of Duaneburg. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene F. LaJeunesse of Schenectady. The bride-to-be is a programmer trainee at Farm Family Life Insurance Co. and her fiance is a systems programmer at Schenectady Trust Co. A November wedding is planned.



Mr. and Mrs. John O. Smith

Cindy Junco bride

Cindy Ann Junco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Junco of Delmar, was married Aug. 27 to John O. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Rivera Beach, Fla. The ceremony took place in Delmar Reformed Church.

Matron of honor was Beth Karis and bridesmaids were Jill Junco, sister-in-law of the bride; Bette Reagan, the groom's sister, and Elizabeth Bennett. Attendants for the bridegroom were James Reagan, his brother-in-law; Robert and Clifford Junco, brothers of the bride, and Michael Burns, a cousin of the bridegroom.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the state Agricultural and Technical College at Delhi. She is employed by Trinity Day Care Center. The bridegroom, also a Bethlehem graduate, attended the State University College at Plattsburgh and is employed by Ontario Metal Co. The couple will reside in Delmar.

New group for mothers

Mothers' Time Out, an aptly called Christian support group for the mothers of preschoolers, will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 10 a.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. Barbara Johnson will show how to make crafts for children from everyday objects.

The new group will meet weekly on Tuesdays to discuss selecting children's books, assertiveness training and effective parenting techniques. Bethlehem historian Allison Bennett will also present slide lectures. Nursery care will be provided during each hour-long meeting.

For information, call 439-9929.



Mrs. Peter Brittenham

Abigail Posman wed

Abigail Estella Posman of Delmar was married Aug. 27 to Peter James Brittenham of Red Hook. The bride is the daughter of Georgiana S. Posman of Delmar and Harry Posman of Washington, D.C. The bridegroom's parents are Marjorie and W. Robert Brittenham of Poughkeepsie. The ceremony took place in Kenwood Chapel, Albany.

Maid of honor was Diane Mathieu and bridesmaids were Susan and Diane

Roggen, cousins of the bride, and Julie Brittenham, a sister of the bridegroom. Best man was the bridegroom's brother, David, and ushers were Dr. Clifford Posman, the bride's brother, and Mark and Paul Brittenham, brothers of the bridegroom.

The bride is a graduate of Boston University and is studying for a master's degree in business administration at the State University at Albany. The bridegroom also is a graduate of Boston University and is a programmer for IBM Corp. in Kingston.

Fan decorations classes

"Make 'Scents' From Your Garden" is the title of the fall decorating class scheduled by Albany County Cooperative Extension this year. Demonstrations will show how to combine potpourri with dry and silk flower arrangements, in order to delight the nose as well as decorate the home.

Registrants can choose at least one of three projects: (several styles to choose from - a cranberry rake, clam basket, bird house, or potpourri wreath. The charge for this class is \$3, which will include one project and one package of potpourri.

Call the extension office at 765-2331 to make reservations for one of the following class times: Thursday, Oct. 13 7 to 9 p.m.; or Friday, Oct. 14 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, Oct. 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. Classes are limited.


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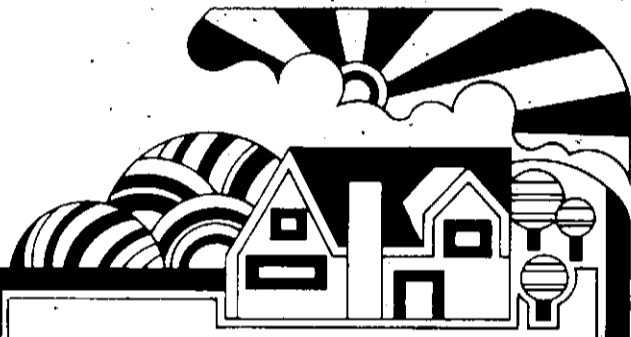
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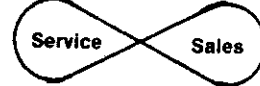
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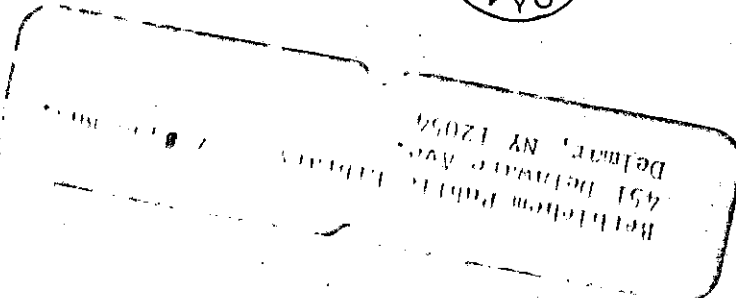
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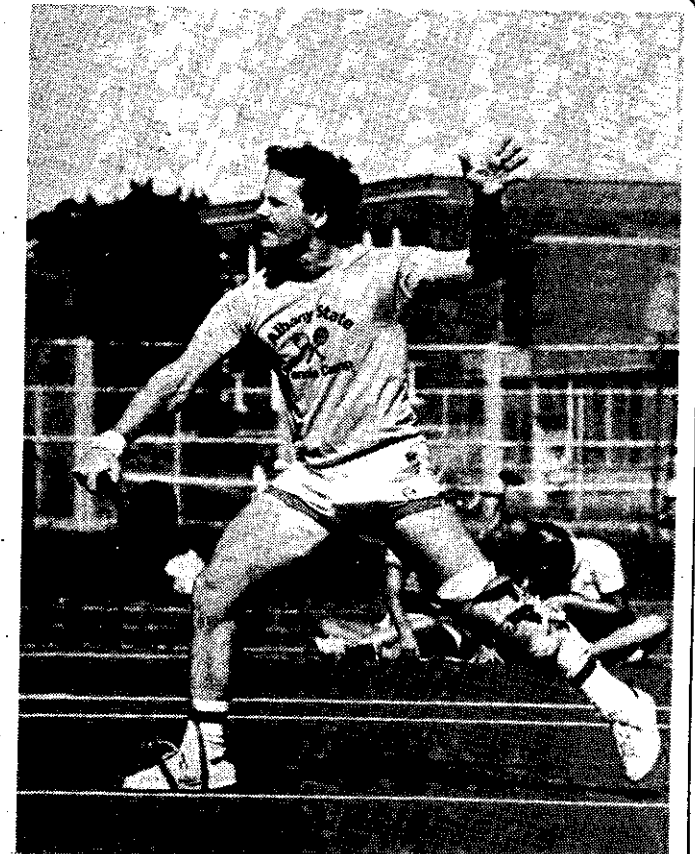
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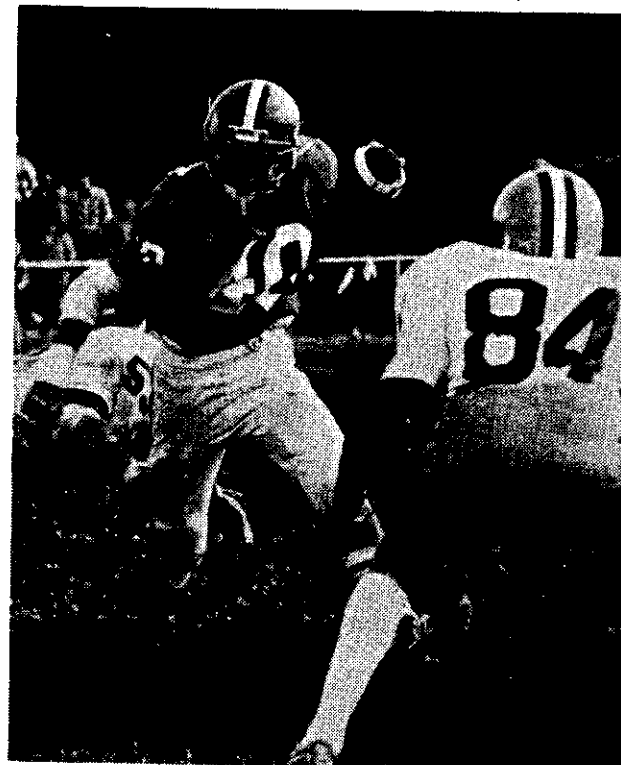
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