

### Election aftermath: Bethlehem: how long can it go?

#### **By Tom McPheeters**

For a few moments last Tuesday night: Robert Hoffmeister must have felt something like the skipper of the 12-meter. racing sloop, *Liberty*, on the eve of the final America's Cup race this summer. No American had ever lost the cup. No Bethlehem Republican had ever lost to a Democrat. Losing under those circumstances takes on an extra, terrifying dimension that has nothing to do with the race itself.

The Cup now resides in Perth, Australia, but in Bethlehem the unbroken string of Republican victories is still intact. Hoffmeister's margin over Democrat. David Sawyer in the contest for Albany County's 36th District was a scant 126 votes, the closest local race anybody can recall.

Hoffmeister, a young state employee from Slingerlands, ran an intelligent, if low-key campaign, and he had lots of help from the town's well-tuned Republican organization. As they have in the past, the Republicans ran as a "team," with the unopposed candidates working as hard as the rest of the slate. The GOP advertising also emphasized that team aspect, playing on the need for the minority Republicans in the county legislature to present a united front.

But Hoffmeister, an unknown in his first run for office, was up against an



Supervisor Tom Corrigan and Tom Scherer check election returns at Bethlehem GOP headquarters. On the cover: At the master chart they were flanked by Bernie Kaplowitz, town chairman, right, and Councilman Scott Prothero.

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experienced, able campaigner in Sawyer, perhaps the only Democrat ever to run without the baggage of being linked to *(Turn to Page 2)* 





To conduct the Officer Bill orientation at Tri-Village Nursery School, 6foot-2 James Corbett of Bethlehem police had to fold his tall frame into a kindergarten chair. The kids had an easier time getting low for Belker, the police bloodhound who came along for the visit.

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# New Scotland: how did LaFave do it?

#### By Nat Boynton

It was supposed to be a victory celebration. Instead, it was more like a wake. Ken Connolly had lost.

When New Scotland Republicans set up their biannual Victory Party on Election Night (at the Heavenly Inn this time), they expected to toast their winning candidates in all but two of the Added Republican Steve Wallace, town supervisor closely allied with New Scotland politics for two decades: "Ken is the best judge we've ever had."

Who perpetrated this shocker, and how did it happen?

The winner was Cynthia LaFave, who entered the lists as an unknown, 27-yearold Albany attorney who had been

### How the towns differed

Bethlehem and New Scotland voters resoundingly vetoed the transportation bond proposal, which won approval statewide, but the two towns treated the other seven propositions on the Nov. 8 ballot differently.

Apart from the bond issue, Bethlehem voters were in line with the statewide results, rejecting No. 4 (retired judges helping to ease courtroom logjams) and approving the other six. New Scotland voters, however, rejected four propositions that won statewide approval (see table). In New Scotland more than 1,000 residents — approximately one of every four voters who entered the polling booths in the town's seven election districts — left the levers on Propositions 2-8 untouched.

In two county-wide contests, again it was New Scotland that showed its political independence. Although Republicans enjoy a clear-cut advantage in party enrollment in both towns, Democrat James Coyne carried New Scotland for the second straight time, winning a

eight contests on the local ballot. They knew in advance that they had no chance to beat Democrat Ken Tice for town council and only an outside chance to win the "new" 38th District in the county legislature.

But no one expected a defeat for Connolly, the town justice — popular, intensely dedicated, who in less than five years had earned a wide reputation for his work with juveniles and youthful offenders.

As the returns trickled in last Tuesday night and the concerns began to mount among the cadre of GOP faithful, all eyes were on the justice race as if there were no others on the big chart. Hector (Babe) Arbour, the village justice, a Democrat by persuasion but like many other local leaders a ticket splitter at the local level, made a comment that summed up the mood.

"If they lose him (Connolly), they lose the best," Arbour said. admitted to the bar only a year ago, and who had moved to New Scotland less than three years ago.

The second part of the question is harder to answer. GOP leaders are dazed and even local Democrats are baffled. The results seem to totally contradict the town's generic political chemistry.

Candidates with old-line New Scotland names or related to long-established clans have won local elections as a matter of course, regardless of their qualifications.

In this context, LaFave's triumph is a breakthrough of historic proportions, a spectacular upset pulled off by a neophyte only a few years out of college, a young professional who recently set up housekeeping in a remote area of the town, as contrasted to a more close-knit residential neighborhood like Salem Hills, Scotch Pine or the "old village."

How did she do it? Longtime observers (Turn to Page 2) | (Turn to Page 3)

State Issues

State 1350e5				
		Bethlehem	New Scotland	
Prop. 1. (Transportation Infrastructure)	Yes	4,223	1,313	
	No	6,124	2,280	
Prop. 2. (Sewage Facilities Debt)	Yes	4,458	1,394	
	No	3,869	1,600	
Prop. 3. (Savings Bank)	Yes	5,705	1,703	
	No	2,988	1,296	
Prop. 4. (Retired Judges)	Yes .	4,041	1,202	
	No	4,269	1,731	
Prop. 5. (Family Court Judges)	Yes	5,356	1,673	
	No	3,209	1,333	
Prop. 6. (Adirondack Park)	Yes	5,777	1,833	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	No	2,954	1,173	
Prop. 7. (New York City Courts)	Yes	4,112	1,169	
	No	3,624	1,583	
Prop. 8. (Municipal Redevelopment)	Yes	4,622	1,422	
	No	3,724	1,452	

### Bethlehem: how long?

#### (From Page 1)

the Albany Democratic "machine." Sawyer capitalized on his years as a dissident alderman in Albany and his experience in the state Division of the Budget.

Bethlehem Republicans still hold nearly half of all the registered voters in the town, so Sawyer needed to pick up all the Democrats plus all the independents as well as the Conservative line in order to stand a chance. He came close.

Elsewhere of course, the Republicans had no such problems. The two incumbent town board members, Ruth O. Bickel and W. Scott Prothero, running, for their second and third terms. respectively, pulled nearly double their opponents votes, a margin that closely reflects party registration figures. Town Justice Peter Wenger, who had a relatively tight race against Democratic Chairman Michael Breslin four years ago, did even better. And the rest of the slate, led by

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Supervisor Tom Corrigan, all topped their 1981 totals running unopposed. In the other two county legislature districts wholely in Bethlehem boundaries, W. Gordon Morris had no trouble with Ronald Townsend and James Ross easily beat Tom McCord.

The Ross-McCord race drew the most heat, with charges of irregularities flying in both directions, although there was no evidence that the candidates themselves indulged. The liberal Townsend easily took the prize for most fun had in a campaign, and he and Morris said they became good friends despite their political differences. Townsend was at the Delmar Fire House Tuesday night to join in the Republican festivities.

Close only counts in horse shoes, as the saying goes, and the Bethlehem Democrats have a history of fading away after the election. Republican leaders are frankly worried about Sawyer, who said election night he does plan to stay active locally. He could run for town board in 1985, or again for the legislature in 1987. There is nothing to indicate that recent gains in Democratic enrollment will slacken off, but on the other hand Sawyer will face an even more difficult situation in any future race. If he runs for town board, he will need to cover the entire town, not just one third of it, as thoroughly as he did this year. And if he waits four years for another shot at Hoffmeister he will be running against an incumbent who has had time to establish himself with the voters in his district.

In any event, Sawyer was among the Democratic contingent at the annual budget hearing Wednesday night — an occasion at which the opposition traditionally reiterates all of the themes of the past campaign.

As in past years, the hearing was dominated by Breslin, the Democratic leader, who reiterated his"outrage" at such practices as the town's once-a-week garbage pickup system. But it was Sawyer and Barbara Smith, the defeated town board candidate, who asked the well-prepared questions that keep the board on its heels.

# New Scotland

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Supervisor			
Wallace (R)	2,552		
Town Council			
Stein (D)	1,601		
Stein (C)	170		
Osterhout (R)	2,052		
Tice (D)	2,141		
Tice (C)	211		
Crisafulli (R)	- 1,573		
Town Clerk			
Farley (D)	1,399		
Farley (C)	87		
Cossac (R)	2,413		
Town Justice			
LaFave (D)	1,826		
LaFave (C)	203		
Connolly (R)	2,003		
Highway Superintendent			
Duncan (D)	1,394		
Duncan (C)	- +132·		
Van Zetten (R)	2,405		
Tax Collector			
Richbart (D)	1,228		
Richbart (C)	104		
Probst (R)	2,568		
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*(From Page 1)* attribute the feat to a combination of factors, among them:

• Hard work. Most candidates claim "hard work" in door-to-door visits, but LaFave carried this to a degree never before seen in New Scotland. Peter Luczak, the young Voorheesville political strategist who orchestrated the LaFave campaign and now is launching one of his own (for mayor), says his protege "only took two days off from the campaign in the last three months." That's energy unmatched in the GOP.

• Good organization. There were three organized groups working in the 1983 town campaign — Republicans, Democrats and LaFaves. Of some 50 supporters working the hustings for LaFave, most were young residents, newcomers and firsttime political activists, many from Albany.

• Strong finances. Not even the GOP war chest, and certainly not the minority Democrats' coffers, could bear the cost of the barrage of mail the LaFave arsenal produced. Volunteers making house calls and phone calls cost nothing, but bulk postage in four zip codes can run up a sizeable tab.

In the grass roots of small-town politics, the communal atmosphere is not only intimate, but voters in each party often know personally most of the candidates. Hence party loyalty tends to be displaced by personal preference in the privacy of the polling booth curtains, where Republican regulars can furtively vote for Ken Tice and Democratic leaders secretly snap Ken Connolly's lever.

And that's the way it should be for good government on the local level, but it doesn't account for the defection of so many people to an unknown but aggressive candidate in a contest totally devoid of a controversial issue.

The contest marked the first time in memory that the town justice race attracted over 100 voters more than any other race on the town ballot. The unofficial total was 4,032, compared to 3,921 for highway superintendent, 3,900 for tax collector and 3,899 for town clerk.

The LaFave upset is certain to have political repercussions in the New Scotland of the future. There is the question, for instance, of the entrenched



### **Bethlehem election figures**

Supervisor		Highway Superintende	ent
Corrigan (R)	7,690	Cross (R)	7,646
Corrigan (C)	523	Cross (C)	506
		Receiver	
Councilman		Hahn (R)	7,629
Smith (D)	3,855	Hahn (C)	503
Sutherland (D)	3.658	34th District	
Bickel (R)	6,679	Townsend (D)	993
Bickel (C)	336	Townsend (L)	85
Prothero (R)	6,409	Morris (R)	2,348
Prothero (C)	325	Morris (C)	88
		35th District	
, Town Clerk		McCord (D)	· 1.131
Camp (R)	7,686	McCord (I)	. 67
Camp (C)	473	Ross (R)	2,034
		Ross (C)	113
Town Justice		36th District	
Harren (D)	3,423	Sawyer (D)	1,419
Wenger (R)	6,918	Sawyer (C)	238
Wenger (C)	347	Hoffmeister (R)	1,783



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#### **Cynthia LaFave**

GOP establishment, with low-profile leadership relying on low-key promotion and no organized publicity programs.

There is the question of campaign tactics. LaFave has written a guidebook for winning against odds, and thus has set the stage for an entire new strategy for the 1985 campaign.

By the same token, LaFave's whirlwind blitz ruffled her Democratic colleagues. At the Democrats' Election Night gathering, which traditionally has a tone of consolation conviviality, the excitement of their new star's victory was tempered by old-line Democrats who knew so well Connolly's value to the community. Two hours after the polls closed, the party atmosphere was quiet --LaFave having departed for her own celebration with her campaign workers.

LaFave and Democratic chieftains are quick to deny that intramural relations are strained. The justice-elect, insisting she is highly qualified, promises to bring the same energy to the municipal bench that she exhibited in the campaign.

"I've already started calling judges to study their programs," she said over the weekend. "I know what a fine job Ken has done, and I'm going to talk to him, too. If people think I'm too young and have no experience, they will see that I can be an excellent judge?'

For Connolly the disappointment of losing a job in which he had become deeply immersed will linger. After Jan. 1, however, he no longer will be called out of bed five or six nights a week to arraign a driver charged with a felony DWI, sometimes at 1:30 a.m. and again at 4:30 a.m.

The money isn't important. At \$9,352 (up from the current \$8,882), judges like Connolly and like LaFave promises to be may make only a few dollars an hour.

# DeDe won't run for mayor, board

Douglas J. DeDe, a Voorheesville village trustee regarded as a strong potential successor to Mayor Milton F. Bates, says he is bowing out of village politics.

Apparently disillusioned at recent political developments in the village, DeDe told a reporter over the weekend that he will not only decline any nomination for mayor, but he will not seek another term as trustee.

DeDe, 44, who lives in the Salem Hills residential subdivision that has been making headlines for nearly five years stemming from the drawn-out hassle over sewer finances, said he would not rule out a board candidacy "at some point in the future.

In his two terms on the five-member village board, DeDe took a prominent and articulate role in the controversy that embroiled developer-owner Salem Hills Sewerage Corp., the Salem Hills Park Association and the village board, which functions as a municipal Public Service Commission in determining utility rates. The issue several times involved lengthy court suits and appeals.

The battle over monthly rates and surcharges, coinciding with a proposal to install a sanitary sewer system in the socalled "old village," evolved into a proposed village-wide system that includes à takeover of the Salem Hills grid and treatment plant. DeDe has been an outspoken proponent of the proposal.

"I've taken an unpopular stand," he declared over the weekend. "People in Salem Hills — my neighbors and friends - didn't like me saying that as a trustee I represent the entire village, not just Salem Hills."

DeDe also alluded to the action by a Voorheesville group that last week claimed a takeover of the loosely-knit Peoples Party in the village by putting up a rising young politician, Peter Luczak, as candidate for mayor in the March, 1984, municipal elections. The announcement, following by less than two weeks Bates's declaration he was stepping down as a candidate for reelection, was strongly. criticized by Bates and other village leaders as premature.

DeDe said that "if this insurgent group, represents the sentiment of people with the true interests of the village at heart, I'm not willing to go through a lot more.

feel very comfortable with my decision, and I'll certainly sleep a lot better at night."

His decision was also influenced by his job with Sears Roebuck, DeDe said, declaring there were increased demands for travel and time away from his family.

DeDe said he was "deeply disappointed"'in the defeat of New Scotland town justice Kenneth J. Connolly by an unknown political newcomer, 27-yearold Cynthia LaFave, in last week's town voting. Connolly had earned wide respect for his compassion and efforts to counsel and rehabilitate youthful offenders in his court.

Pointing to Connolly's narrow defeat (by 27 votes in unofficial tabulation), DeDe said the incumbent judge "carried District 6 (Salem Hills) by only 50-some votes, and he lost in the Scotch Pine area." (Unofficial totals for District 5, Scotch Pine area, were LaFave by 308298, and District 6, Connolly 294-241.)

Citing the rejection of Connolly's performance and his own decisions on the village board, decisions he said "were intelligent and carefully thought out," DeDe said he was "really disappointed in the electorate.'

·DeDe's second term on the board runs to March 31, 1984.

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### □ The difference

377-voté plurality over Republican Paul Burgdorf for county executive, while GOP challenger Anthony Russo was running 289 votes ahead of Democratic incumbent Edward Stack for comproller. Bethlehem favored Burgdorf by a 1,258vote margin and Russo by 2,871 in unofficial totals.

### **Conservative line decisive**

Few voters pay much attention when Republicans and Democrats lock horns in their predictable battles over the Conservative Party line on the local ballot.

But last week in New Scotland that line swung the verdict in the much-publicized feature bout in which Cynthia LaFave, Democrat, unseated incumbent town justice Kenneth J. Connolly in a major upset.

LaFave won by 27 votes. She polled 203 votes on the Conservative line. Without the third-party ballots, Connolly would have been the winner, 2,003 to 1,826.

The Conservative endorsements normally come from the county "organization" - a small committee of registered party voters closely aligned with Albany County's ruling Democratic leadership. When the party issues a blanket designation of Democratic candidates in every town in the county as Conservative candidates on Line C, Republicans customarily mount various degrees of challenges, some by petition, some by court suits.

In New Scotland, Connolly himself, a Voorheesville attorney affiliated with an Albany law firm, instituted the legal challenge on behalf of his party's bid to overturn the Conservative endorsement. Connolly was represented by Thomas Spargo, an Albany lawyer and a Republican.

The litigation was unsuccessful. Unofficial observers in New Scotland expressed the opinion that the lawsuit might have stood up if local Republicans had persuaded a registered Conservative to file the suit.

In New Scotland's seven election districts last week, Conservative totals varied from 104 for tax collector to 211 for Kenneth Tice, top vote-getter in the four-way contest for town council.

Other than Tice's victory and the pivotal race for justice, the New Scotland balloting hewed to the long-standing pattern. Republican candidates won easily without the Conservative vote. Edita Probst, GOP incumbent, led the ticket with a total of 2,568 on Row B.

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# Will one-vote shift make a difference?

#### By Susan Guyett

Albany County Republicans managed to improve their representation slightly in the County Legislature with last week's election but whether their influence will change significantly remains to be seen.

Every news account of the Albany County Legislature talks about numbers. It's always about how many Democrats hold seats and how many Republicans. Or how many Democrats are straying from the fold and how many Republicans are being bought off by the majority. How the county conducts its business generally hinges on those numbers.

Historically the Democrats, dominat-

ed by those elected from the city of Albany, have held the power in the county legislature, and have been unwilling to share. As the GOP gradually picked up seats, the frustrated Republicans were able to measure their successes in putting roadblocks in front of the Democrats.

Their chances of stopping the Democrats improved by one vote based on the recent election results.

This January, the Democrats will still hold an overwhelming majority in the 39member legislature with 25 seats on their side. The Republicans will have 14 legislators. A simple majority - 20 votes



The remnants of this fall's political campaigns line a Bethlehem street along with an ankle-deep layer of fallen leaves, another remnant of fall. , Tom Howes





- is all that's needed for most legislative actions. But a two thirds majority - or 26 votes — is required to pass bonding resolutions and to override vetoes by the county executive. It will be the first time the Republicans will have had more than one third of the votes.

The GOP's strength will come from unity. If they stick together, they could stop any major spending plan that requires borrowing. But unity is something the Republicans haven't maintained with complete success in past months.

For example, two Colonie Republicans cast crucial votes with the Democrats to adopt a road bond resolution that would have been defeated without their help. One of those Republicans at first opposed the measure, then changed his vote when additional roads in Colonie were added to the list of streets scheduled for improvement.

In the past, the Democrats have been able to make deals with individual legislators, not the Republican leadership, when they found themselves short of votes. There's little reason to believe they won't continue seeking out weak links in the Republican caucus come January.

Concerning possible defections, the GOP leadership has other considerations as well. New faces will be joining Republican caucus — namely Jay Sherman and Margaret Schwarz representing Colonie, David Mueller, representing Guilderland and Altamont, and James Ross and Robert Hoffmeister representing Bethlehem. Will these freshmen remain close to the fold in an effort to achieve the compromises the Republican leadership is seeking from the Democrats?

In addition, the Republicans have lost one of their most outspoken representatives, Paul Cardamone of Latham, who was defeated by Democrat Robert Reilly. The Democrats were particularly furious with Cardamone last summer when he was quoted as making some unkind remarks about the late Albany mayor and Democratic Party chair Erastus Corning 2nd.

While sniffing out which Republicans might be willing to play ball, the Democrats have a few unknowns of their own'to cope with come January. Sandra Rose Temple, who defeated longtime

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`	Bethlehen	New Scotlan
Count	y Executive	e Sco.
Coyne (D)	4,541	2,034
Coyne (C)	364	155
Burgdorf (R)	6,163	1,812
County	Comptroll	er .
Stack (D)	3,543	1,604
Stack (C)	323	• 118
Russo (R)	6,737	2,011
· c	oroner	•
Cavanaugh (D)	3,620	1,679
Cavanaugh (C)	343	155
Marra (D)	3,391	· 1,582
Marra (C)	317	151
Ouimet (R)	6.419	1,841
Tambolini (R)	6,238	1.805 -

Democratic Legislator Homer Perkins in a September primary, was elected on her own last week and could turn out to be an unpredictable voter. Some Republicans are privately hoping that newly elected Democrat Charles E. Houghtaling, Jr. who will represent part of New Scotland and Westerlo, will be an independent voter, adding somewhat to the Democrats' uncertainty.

The maneuvering should start shortly. There is some speculation that the Democrats will try to get the recentlydefeated jail expansion bond issue through the legislature before the end of the year. The Republicans vow to continue fighting the road bond issue, despite recent Democratic court victories.

#### Hearing tests offered

Senior citizens can have their hearing checked at a free screening on Monday, Nov. 21, from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Louise Corning Senior Service Center, 25 Delaware Ave., Albany. Audiologists and hearing aid specialists will be on hand to answer questions and perform tests.

Transportation and lunch will be 'available. For more information or an appointment, call the center at 465-3325 by Nov. 18.



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Sara Donnaruma, seated at the extreme right of the photo at left with Gab Koroluk and Seth Hillinger, accepts a tidbit from teacher Sherry Hall at Elsmere School's after-school cooking class. At right, Gab eagerly awaits the finished product, French



provencal vegetable soup. Some 75 children are enrolled in the ESCO-sponsored courses that include woodworking, Fun and Fitness, computers (two levels of instruction), silkscreening and other arts and craft classes. Spot'ignt photos - Tom Howes

### **Board sets parking change**

The west sideof Grove St. 550 feet back from Delaware Ave. is now a no parking zone following a public hearing before the Bethlehem Town Board last week.

The change was made because of the recent repaving of the parking lot opposite the Delmar Post Office. The new lot, which will be used by the relocated Tri Village Drugs, has blacktop curbing along Grove St., which means that for the first time it would be possible for cars to park there. Because of the congestion that often occurs around post office, Safety Commissioner Ralph Tipple recommended the no parking

area near Curtis Lumber, where there is also a congestion problem. "We'll keep a watch on it,' Tipple said.

In other business, the board:

 Heard Tipple's recommendation for a 30 m.p.h. speed zone on Bender La. and set a Dec. 14 hearing date for the change. Town and Bethlehem Central officials investigated the road after a recent minor schoo bus accident.

• Learned that the state Department of Transportation has ordered stop signs to replace yield signs for the intersection of Hannay La. with Rt. 9W.

Approved the annual contract with

receive \$1,500 this year, up \$200 from fast year. The board also approved the annual contract with the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society for \$3,000 \_he same amount as last year.

•, Set Jan, 2 as a holiday for town employees, and decided to hold its annual organizational meeting Jan. 3 at 4:30 p m.

#### New hours at post office.

Effective Dec. 3, the Saturday window operations at the Delmar Post Office will change to 9 a.m. through 1 p.m. The change is because of the increase in Saturday business and the need for the expanded hours, according to postal officials.

is sold at Kandy Andy, Delmar Card Shop, Tri-Village Drug and Siewarts.

### **RCS**, teachers have agreement

Teachers in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District Friday are scheduled to hear the details of a proposed agreement reached by negotiators for the district and the teachers' association with the help of a state-appointed mediator. A vote on the package is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 22.

Among issues in the negotiations, which began last January for a contract effective July 1, were insurance coverage, the extra-duty pay schedule, duty assignments and sick leave.

In addition to salary, according to Ken Ralston, a business teacher and president of the 149-member union. Teachers' association negotiator George Sugrue is scheduled to present the proposal to faculty Friday. It reportedly would provide a two-year agreement.

Negotiators met twice with Paul Curry of the state Public Employment Relations Board staff as mediator.

The school board has a regular meeting scheduled for Monday, Nov. 21, but any action on the proposal would await a vote by the teachers., There are 165 teachers on the RCS faculty.

#### After 'The Day After'

The Bethlehem Freeze Committee is sponsoring a community forum the day after the ABC film "The Day After." The movie airs this Sunday, at 8 p.m. on Channel 10 and deals with the devsatating effects of a nuclear war on a small town in Kansas.

The community forum will be held Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. It will provide an opportunity for TV viewers to share reactions to the ABC film and to find out more about nuclear war and what they can do to prevent it. Local experts from the Lawyers' Alliance for Nuclear Arms Control and Physicians for Social Responsibility will be on hand to answer any questions. Everyone is invited to participate.





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# **Budget hearing partisan debate**

#### By Tom McPheeters

Bethlehem's annual budget hearing seems to have become an annual debate, a reprise of some of the more familiar partisan issues of this and past elections. This year's debate produced one new issue - police overtime - but served generally to underline the differences between the two parties.

The budget itself contains a six percent increase in the general town and highway funds, which increase from this year's \$6.3 million to \$6.7 million in 1984. But because Supervisor Tom Corrigan has estimated higher revenues from the county sales tax and interest earnings next year, the property tax rate remains vitually unchanged, down less than a percentage point to \$27.26 per \$1,000.

The board did not vote on the budget Wednesday because of delays in computing new front footage assessments for areas that have just joined the new sewer district. For some new areas, it probably won't be possible to put assessments on next year's tax rolls, Corrigan said, because all of the bills aren't in.

The board will hold a special session Wednesday (tonight) at 7:30 p.m. to conduct the mandatory public hearing on the sewer assessment rolls and pass the budget.

The police overtime issue has been simmering below the surface since the town board began searching for a new police chief last spring.

The question was raised by Barbara Smith, a Democratic town board candidate who been defeated decisively the day before, and by David Sawyer, who had experienced a much narrower defeat in the 36th Legislative District.

Corrigan told the Democrats that overtime for police officers was currently running about four hours per officer per

week - about 10 percent of the total hours worked. That comes to about \$180,000 per year, added Councilman Robert Hendrick.

Smith noted that the hours worked would be the equivalent to about three additional full-time officers, and suggested that the cost would be a great deal less.

True, replied Corrigan, but much of the overtime is unavoidable - court appointments, accidents and other emergencies have to be dealt with by the officers responsible. In addition, the department now has some "built in" overtime through a county-funded Stop DWI program, and Corrigan said he was not about to hire more officers for that, despite the fact that the program doesn't cost Bethlehem anything.

"We've very leery of getting into grant programs because they draw you into a program and then they chop you off," he said.

That deliberately conservative comment set the tone. Smith had made the size of the surplus - or, as Corrigan put it, the "revolving item." — in the 1984 budget a campaign issue, and the Democrats brought that up Wednesday also.

Corrigan readily acknowledged that the budget projects \$600,000 left over in the general fund at the end of the year, but stressed that the money simply goes back into the next year's budget. "Our approach is, you don't spend it unless you need to," he said,

"We traditionally hold our spending to about 97 percent of the budget. Corrigan said. "I've been following that practice since I was in the phone company. This town has never gone into debt."

If the telephone company did that now,

replied Smith, "the Public Service Commission would have a real problem." She added "I don't want my money in the Bethlehem Town Savings and Loan."

Corrigan: "I would rather err on the one side than on the other."

Several days later, leaders in the county legislature began discussing a decrease in the share of sales tax revenues distributed back to municipalities. Corrigan said Monday he estimates that the change -- from the current 60-40 split to a 61-39 split - would cost Bethlehem about \$50,000.

Would that have any impact on the town's tax rate? "It's difficult to predict," he said. "But we always project our revenue conservatively. There are others who are going to get hit a lot harder than we are."

At the hearing, the absences were perhaps as notable as the additions. Corrigan promised that money would be found for a playground at the Elm Ave. Park and for a van for the Bethlehem Senior Citizens Organization, although in neither case is there money specifically earmarked for these projects. The Democrats commended the board for deleting money for a safety commissioner in next year's budget, even though Corrigan explained that it will cost the town more to hire a new chief.

And despite a promise last year that the 1984 budget would be clearer and more accessible to the general public, the format remained basically the same, with no written explanations for changes in line items. Corrigan answered questions for more than an hour, although in many cases his Democratic interogators repeated that they were not interested in specifics so much as in pointing out that the information simply wasn't available from reading the document.

"This is an incredibly difficult document for the public to understand," complained Sawyer at the end of the



Adele Faber Parenting how-to

Adele Faber, a national expert on parenting and author of "Liberated Parents, Liberated Children," will present a two-part program on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 18 and 19, at the Bethlehem Central High School. Friday's workshop, which will focus on "How to Talk so Kids Will Listen and Listen so Kids Will Talk," will begin at 7:30 p.m. A \$1 donation will be collected.

On Saturday, there will be workshops at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. outlines five ways to engage children's cooperation. Registration for these workshops is linited to 20 persons from each school district. The fee is \$10 a person, or \$15 a couple.

Parents of elementary and middle school students who have received registration forms should return them by mail. Parents of high school students may register by calling 439-4921, ext. 283, on Wednesday and Thursday.

#### Sit down to breakfast

The Elsmere Wanderers drill team will sponsor a benefit pancake breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 20, from 7 a.m. to noon at the Elsmere firehouse on Poplar Dr. Tickets for the all-you-can-eat style meal are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children.





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First Methodist Episcopal Church of Bethlehem (South Bethlehem Methodist Church), built in 1846, and located in the

village of South Bethlehem on what was then known as Church Street, now Willowbrook Avenue.

# Sanctuary in South Bethlehem

Time seemed to be standing still in the serenity of a warm midsummer morning in the little village of South Bethlehem. It could well have been the same morning one hundred years ago, its quietness interrupted only by the trilling of the songbirds in the trees.

Certainly houses of that vintage still stood along the street in their utilitarian box-like shape, with their square additions jutting to the rear, interspersed here and there with a house of earlier or later



date. The huge old trees, in full leaf overhead, gave a greenish tinge to the tunnel they formed over the street. They shaded the small front porches that were so necessary to a house in years gone by-

The yards too are countrified in size and contain beds of old-fashioned flowers like Lily of the Valley, day lilies, the stately hollyhock and Dutchman's Pipe Vine. This is the serene setting in which the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church finds itself today - a country church in a village that has sections almost bypassed by time. Yet that village that has sections almost bypassed by time. Yet that village boasts a large stone quarry operation and the Conrail railroad yards with all their accompanying din are not more than a mile away.

This church was not originally located in South Bethlehem, but its congregation was organized in 1823, making it the oldest Methodist Episcopal Church group in the Town of Bethlehem. The Methodist congregation at Delmar was not formed until 10 years later.

These early Methodists built a church that was dedicated on the 20th day of November, 1823. It was located on lands of Betts Chatterton, a short distance east

of Beckers Corners, on present Rt. 396. The building was 42 by 36 feet in size. In 1824 the following were elected as trustees: Robert D. Carhart, president; Isaac S. Wright, treasurer; Joel Squires, secretary, and John Ten Eyck, Hugh Jolly, William Cooper and Joshua Poor. The first preachers were Bradley H. Glick and John C. Green.

In 1845, probably due to a shift in population and perhaps the influence of the nearby and larger First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, the little church building was taken down and timber from it used in part for the construction of a new church edifice located at Janes' Corners (South Bethlehem). This building was placed on Church Street (now Willowbrook Avenue), and dedicated in February 1846 as the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Bethlehem. Conrad Baumes gave land for the church building.

The village of South Bethlehem was the business and shopping area for the surrounding farm countryside. Later the

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West Shore line of the New York Central Railroad came through the village. On this line the farmers could ship their produce of hay, apples and plums to larger markets. The outcroppings of shale that rise sharply on the hills behind the village prompted the Callanan family to found a stone company in 1883\*to make ballast for railroad beds. This ." quarry became the basis for the town's . largest industry., All of this activity helped the little church to grown and prösper and by 1886 there were in the congregation 115 members with 97 Sabbath school pupils and 11 teachers. The group also owned a parsonage and sheds.

In comparing the early appearance of the first South Bethlehem church to a picture of the present structure, we can see that changes were made from time to time. In 1886, a bell made by the Meneely Bell Company of West Troy, N.Y., was installed. In 1895 a new entrance, belfry, choir loft, and Sunday School room were added to the building. In 1905 electric







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lights were installed as a gift from the Willing Workers Society. In 1909 the clear glass windows were replaced with stained glass memorial windows bearing familiar names in Bethlehem's history, as: Wiltsie, Peter Callanan, Whitbeck and Mosher.

At the time of the church's centennial in 1946, a program was organized to raise funds to replace the kitchen that had been built at the rear of the church in 1915 by the Willing Workers Society, at a cost of \$750.00. For various reasons, ground for a new addition was not broken until 1950, when a new kitchen and auditorium were built. This Callanan-Scharbauer Memorial Auditorium was dedicated on May 18, 1951. The name was given in honor of the two families who contributed in large part to the undertaking, although the project could not have reached successful conclusion without the combined monies and talents of a great many members of



Interior view of South Bethlehem Methodist Church in early 1900's. Crystal chandelier has disappeared, but the archway surrounding the chancel area remains despite later alterations. the congregation.

The new auditorium contains a stage and meeting room where the South Bethlehem Choral Club, originated by Donald C. Hunter, a longtime church member, act out many original dramas and musical programs. These were the outgrowth of entertainments led years before by Mrs. Franklin Wiltsie.

Pastor Kenneth Miller is constantly encouraged by the ongoing responsiveness of the people, both members of long standing and younger people who are joining the congregation. A Church School enrollment of 65 children and 18 baptisms in a year attest to this response. Rev. Miller-volunteers time to be on call every third week when the Bethlehem ambulance is stationed at the South Bethlehem firehouse. He feels this provides a tangible link between church and community. As with other Methodist churches in our area, the South Bethlehem Methodists support denominational and community programs, as well as ministering to the 'spiritual needs of mankind. In summer, worship is sometimes conducted in a picturesque grove located behind the church. Among the trees the congregation communes with God and nature, accompanied by the sound of the flowing waters of the Onesquethaw Creek.

#### Pops concert at BC

The student instrumental and vocal groups at the Bethlehem' Central High School will be in harmony for the annual fall pops concert on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium. The concert band, Eagle cadet band, orchestra, Sound System, choristers, choraliers and concert chorus will perform selections ranging from "Ryan's Song," "Manilow Magic" and "Truly" to "Highlights from Porgy and Bess," "Concert Rumba" and "When the Saints Go Marching In."

Admission is \$2, and concert proceeds will be used to sponsor students in statewide opportunities.



View of church circa turn of the century. Several of these square Victorian houses remain in the village of today.

### School welcome mat out

Bethlehem Central schools are observing American Education Week this week and all residents, parents or not, are invited to visit. Events today. (Wednesday) include tours of the Clarksville Elementary School, an assembly at Glenmont Elementary School with Supervisor Tom Corrigan and "Knights" in Shining Armour (sic)," a play by fifthgraders at Slingerlands School. Also today, Hamagrael Principal Joseph Schaefer will present a program on "Computers in the Schools," Assemblyman Clarence "Larry" Lane will talk to .. students at the Middle School and State Sen. Howard Nolan will address the high school students at an assembly.

Clarksville plans a book fair beginning-Thursday and Glenmont will present "The Case of the Missing Readers" that day. Friday County Legislator W. Gordon Morris, Jr. will speak at Elsmere Elementary School, an artist will illustrate tales read at a Hamagrael assembly in the afternoon and the high school will host a "new parent" breakfast. Also Friday, author Adele Faber will speak at 8 p.m. at the high school on communicating with children. The public is welcome.

#### Poet to read, advise

Joseph Cardille will read from his poetry on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. He will read selections from his newest book, "A Legacy of Desire," and also poems by William Blake, accompanied by guitar and dulcimer. Cardillo teaches English and creative writing at Hudson Valley Community College and supervises its literary publication, "Tiers Magazine." After the reading, Cardillo will review work by the audience and discuss the techniques of poetry and its publication. For information, call the library at 439-9314.



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### **River dredging poses** no danger, state says

Late next year, the Army Corps of Engineers will begin dredging the Hudson River between the Port of Albany and Selkirk. Five of the sites under construction for disposing of the -material are in the Town of Bethlehem, and two of the upland sites are specifically designated to take hazardous dredge material such as PCBs.

Yet there appears to be little concern locally about the impact of that disposal work, primarily because there is no solid indication that there will be any hazardous fill to dispose of.

Preliminary tests taken in the Bethlehem section of the Hudson show "the level of PCBs...well below the first level, of concern," says Robert Will of the environmental management division of the Army Corps.

On the other hand, Sarah Johnston of the environmentalist Clearwater organization, notes: "Every single section of the river has potentially different levels of PCB contamination." Dredging near Albany has produced PCB levels at 50 parts per million, which according to state standards is a low reading and can be disposed of at non-hazardous sites.

The corps has proposed three Bethlehem disposal sites close to the river, two near the town's Henry Hudson Park and one upriver near the Job Corps land on Rt. 144. These sites would be for nontoxic fill only. The two upland sites that would take hazardous waste are on farm land just east of the old West ShoreRailroad tracks, one near Wemple Rd. and the other near Clapper Rd:

Nov: 7 was the end of what was billed as a 30-day public comment period on the corps' plan. The Bethlehem Town Board discussed the corps' notice briefly at its Oct. 26 meeting but took no action. The Sierra Club, the Environmental Planning Lobby and the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc., all groups knowledgeable about toxic wastes, say they were unaware of the Nov. 7 deadline.

Edward Kleinke, the town's planning consultant, said that while the town has never previously objected to the use of land in Bethlehem by the corps, if PCBcontaminated material were found "I don't think the town would allow" dumping to take place.

Would Bethlehem have to accept PCBcontaminated material? "Those days are over," said Newell Rozelle of the Albany field office of the Army Corps. According to Rozelle, either the disposal site would be properly prepared to handle PCBs or "the community could back out if they wanted to." Linda Ann Burtis

#### Teen facing jail term

A Delmar teenager is due to reappear in Bethlehem Town Court Tuesday on a charge of criminal possession of a forged instrument after she allegedly presented a false police identification card Friday in an effort to buy beer at the Convenient Food Mart in Slingerlands. Her name was withheld by police because she is



Helen Davis looks over the World War I memorabilia on display at Bethlehem Public Library on Friday, the aniversary of the armistice ending "the war to end all wars." Mrs. Davis views-items belonging to her late husband, Walter E. Davis. The exhibit was prepared by local historian William Howard. R.H. Davis

eligible for youthful offender status.

Police Detective John Cox said possession of a forged instrument is a felony charge that could result in a sevenyear jail term and that conviction on a felon charge means a person loses the right to vote and cannot hold a job that requires licensing by the state or bonding. Also, since town justices cannot set bail in felony cases, the accused must be lodged . in the county jail until the district attorney can be consulted for a bail recommendation, Cox said.

"Teenagers have no idea what they're getting into," he observed.

#### **Resumes her studies**

Jean Joel of Slingerlands, a student at St. George's University on the island of Grenada who was evacuated during the invasion by U.S. troops, has resumed her first-year medical studies at a Rutgers University campus in New Jersey, A family member said faculty from the Grenada university are using Rutgers facilities in Livingston, N.J. Other St. George's students are being 'accommodated at Long Island University's Brooklyn Center and at Kingston Medical College on the Caribbean Island of St. Vincent.





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### News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

Barbara Pickup 767-9225

#### **Exciting party**

Fifty nine children were guests of the Bethlehem Elks recently as they enjoyed an especially exciting Halloween Party. More than 40 parents were in attendance to witness the pleasure the youngsters derived from the entertainment and activities arranged by the Elks' youth activities director, John Gransbury. Besides "treats" such as candy, doughnuts, apples, cider and juice; the children enjoyed three "special guests" that proved to be the highlight of the afternoon. One such guest, magician John Kerney, produced "tricks" to astound his young audience, while the second, a comical clown (in reality Helena Browne) entertained them with her zanny antics. The third, Athens Chief of Police Pete Yakel, thrilled the children with a ride around the grounds in a real police vehicle.

Held at the Bethlehem Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk, the party was made possible through the cooperation of Exalted Ruler Norman Mokiber and the help of 15 members and their wives.

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#### Collecting gifts

The Guild for Christian Service of the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem is currently collecting small articles to be used as gifts for children of Brewton School, Ala. Items such as crayons, construction paper, coloring books and small toys are being collected to fill Christmas boxes for the youngsters. Anyone who would like to donate gifts is asked to leave them in the dining hall of the church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk.

#### Menu

The menu for Senior Projects of Ravena beginning Thursday, Nov. 17, will be: Thursday, frankfurter, baked beans, hot sauerkraut; Friday, vegetable soup, cheese omelet, Lyonnaise potato, cauliflower; Monday, ham, mixed vegetables; Tuesday, stuffed cabbage in tomato sauce, mashed potato, green beans; Wednesday, roast turkey with gravy, dressing, cranberry sauce, mashed potato; Thursday, pea soup, baked haddock.

#### Dance for seniors

Sunday afternoon, Nov. 20, the Bethlehem Elks will host a Senior Citizens Dinner Dance at the lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk. Open to all seniors, the cost is \$4.50 per person. The dinner — roast breast of chicken — will begin at 1 p.m. Music and dancing will follow from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets are available through the lodge or area Senior Citizen groups.

#### At grange convention

Over 400 members and guests assembled for Junior Grange Day during the recent session of the New York State Grange Convention held in Colonie. The Bethlehem Junior Grange assisted in the opening and closing of the program.

Pleased to actively participate, the young people were especially happy to have many of their family and friends in attendance for the occasion. During the day's events, a number of Bethlehem Junior Grangers received awards. In the merit badge ceremony, Chris Stanton received an award for crafts. Judging of projects and crafts in the state competition produced a first place award for Debbie Lawrence for her gingerbread boy and girl. Bill Stanton earned first place for a wreath-style wall hanging created with Indian corn. Receiving first place on the state level for a yarn picture and another for a nut creation, Debbie Lawrence has had both of her crafts selected for national competition.

During the graduation ceremony, Holly Wilkie of Selkirk graduated from junior to subordinate grange member. Graduates were presented with bouquets from the state junior deputy.

In addition to the awards earned, state Junior Director Emily Ormsby paid tribute to the Bethlehem Junior Grange and its leaders, Matron Helen Raynor and Patron Randall Drobner, commending them as one of the top junior granges in the state.

#### Achievement night

Achievement night for The Bethlehem Junior Grange will be held Nov. 18 at the Grange Hall, Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, Selkirk. Family and friends are cordially invited. Refreshments will be served.

#### Another fish fry

With their last fish fry such an overwhelming success, the Ladies of Selkirk Fire Company No. 1, have decided to hold another. The dinner will be this Friday at the firehouse, Maple Ave., Selkirk. Beginning at 4:30, with continuous servings through 7 p.m., the fry offers fish, french fries, cole slaw and beverage at \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. Takeout orders will again be available — but the ladies ask that you bring your own container.

#### Turkeys

Turkeys, turkeys, and more turkeys. The Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk, is offering an additional attraction to their regular generous prizes for Tuesday Night Bingo. With Thanksgiving only a few days away, the Elks will be giving over a dozen turkeys away as door prizes this coming Tuesday, Nov. 22. It's a chance to carry home your Thanksgiving dinner, win some money towards Christmas, and help the community. All proceeds from The Elks' bingo are contributed to charities and local organizations — sounds like a great way to spend the evening!

#### County in 1776

Author and historian Dr. James A. Crowley of the Guilderland Historical Association will speak on "Old Albany County in the American Revolution" at 8 p.m., Nov. 17 in the Bethlehem Historical Association Schoolhouse Museum, Clapper Road and Rt. 144, Selkirk. Dr. Crowley, who is associated with the State University, has published a book on the subject of his address.





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### **Task force forms after** 'Chemical People' aired

#### By Tom Howes

More than 60 people in the Voorheesville School District turned out for the drug and alcohol abuse awareness program "A Call To Action" Wednesday night. Gathering at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, the group is now loosely organized as a community task force.

The program, part two, of "The Chemical People" aired nationally over public television, attempts to curtail drug and alcohol dependency among young people by providing the impetus and some of the knowledge necessary to establish and maintain effective community-wide task forces. The program stresses power through participation, an active role for the entire community.

Philip Joyce, the evening's moderator, led the group through creation of an 8point list of local program goals. They are in order: provide more activities for high school students; prevent access to drugs and alcohol; educate younger children; help parents recognize, cope with and act upon the problem at home; establish a parent support group; increase problem awareness in the community; establish a student support group; and establish a treatment referral service to give people with a problem a place to get help.

Those in attendance filled out "talent" cards indicating what personal attributes they considered most useful to the task force.

Joyce also announced the names of nine district residents willing to act as temporary leaders. The group, members of which represent the student population, parents, community, school board and clergy will provide information on the program to any interested party. They are: Rev. Richard Hibbert (7652743), John Ryan (765-4869), Sue Nachbar (439-0515), Jack McKenna (765-4826), Dick Leach (861-8147), Marsha Larabee (765-4761), Sandy Peregine (439-7092), Sean Rafferty (439-9195) and Barbara Goliber (7,65-4727):

The task force will next meet at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 5, at the high school. At that time, Joyce hopes to see a permanent leadership chosen, as well as a large group present to "brainstorm" specific goals and logistics.

#### Fog takes its toll

Last Thursday's early morning fog was blamed as a factor in two auto accidents within 20 minutes on Rt. 32, A Nassau man suffered minor injuries and was taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital by the Delmar Rescue Squad. According to the police report, the car he was driving was involved in a collision with a car driven by a South Bethlehem resident. About 20 minutes later, two occupants in another car suffered minor injuries in a rear-end collision involving a vehicle driven by a Voorheesville woman. No charges were filed.

#### Injured on the job

Alan A. Sloane, 41, of Wormer Rd., New Scotland, remains in serious condition at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, with injuries suffered last Wednesday when a front-end loader he was operating in New Scotland overturned. Sloane was working on Normanskill Rd. when a wheel on the loader went off the pavement and the machine tipped over an embankment, state police at Westmere said.



Lyn Stapf 765-2451

#### Two bazaars

For those who are getting their holiday shopping done early there is another great weekend of bargains coming up right here in Voorheesville.

To begin with, St. Matthew's Catholic Church will hold its third annual Christmas Crafts Bazaar this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church on Mountainview Rd. The event will feature a multitude of various craft items, including Christmas ornaments and decorations, toys, baby goods and household items. All handmade, the articles are priced to sell. Those who attend will not go hungry since many homemade goodies will be available, such as canned items, candy, baked goods and the ever popular fried dough.

Babysitting will be provided from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Shopper's helpers will also be available to assist with carrying purchases. A visit from Santa is also expected.

Across the bridge, the United Methodist Women of Voorheesville's First Methodist Church will also be holding their annual Christmas bazaar, featuring many holiday craft items. This yearly event is marked by the making of the church's famous "stone soup" which will be available along with hot dogs, cheese sandwiches and fresh baked goods and candy. The profits from this event are donated to the missions. This mini-fair will be open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

#### Joint service

The annual joint Thanksgiving service sponsored by St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the United Methodist Church will be held this Sunday at St. - Matthew's Church on Mountainview Rd. The service beginning at 7:30 p.m. will feature a combined choir from the two churches, who will present an evening of special music, accompanied by organist Ralph Ware. All are welcomed to join this evening of prayer, song and fellowship.

#### Who dunit?

This is it! Children's Book Week is here and on Thursday, Nov. 17, Librarian Nancy Hutchinson will announce the winners of the mystery writing contest. All are invited to the library at 4 p.m. to see the three top winners receive their prizes and to view two short films. Those who cannot come to the library at that time may view the three budding authors when they read their stories on the Public Access Channel at 7 p.m. that evening.

With Thanksgiving weekend coming up, some changes in the library schedule are planned. Of course, the library will be closed on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, but will reopen on Friday. However, the preschool story usually held on Friday will not be held this week. Instead, story hours will be held on Monday, Nov. 21 and Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 10:30 p.m. for this week only. Regular story hours will resume on Monday; Nov. 28.

#### **Book fair continues**

Also in conjunction with Children's Book Week, a reminder that the annual PTSA Family Book Fair is still going on this week. Held at the Media Center in the Elementary School, the fundraiser offers books for all ages including many suggested by speaker Frank Hodge. The event will continue through Thursday,





Ann Marie Pierro, 5, at left, and her sister, Laura, 10, admire some of the handmade gift items that will be available for sale at the Christmas crafts bazaar Saturday at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesille. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Nov. 17, with the center being open from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. each evening.

Those showing a 1983-84 PTSA membership card will receive 10 percent of their total book order. Cards will be available at the book fair.

#### **Visitors** welcome

This is also American Education Week and parents are welcome to come and . observe their children's classes at both the grade school and the Junior-Senior high school.

To confirm days and hours of visitation at the elementary school parents should consult the sheets sent home with their children. At the high school parents may visit at their convenience but are requested to call ahead to the office so that arrangements may be made for their visit. . . . . . /

#### Cubs at work

Voorheesville's Cub Scout Pack 73 would like to thank all those who supported their annual fundraiser and assures their customers that their items will be in, in plenty of time for Christmas.

This Thursday, the scouts will hold their monthly Pack meeting at 7 p.m. in the Voorheesville Elementary School sgymnasium. Besides enjoying some Thanksgiving skits and songs, as well as a game or two, the cubs will share in the true meaning of the season. As s special project each den has planned a meal and will donate the foods to St. Matthew's Human Concerns Committee.

Houghtaling's Market

Also as an early Christmas project the boys will be collecting good-used clothes and toys to help an area scout, John Manns, with his service project. Those who would like to donate needed objects may contact Cubmaster Nareen Copeland at 765-2390. Items will be donated to the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland for distribution.

#### Christmas collection

Another area group of young people will also be collecting items for the needy for Christmas. The three Voorheesville Indian Guide/Indian Princess tribes as well as other Y-Guide units in the Capital District, will be holding their annual drive to obtain items to be used by the children of the Tuscarora Elementary Indian School in Niagara Falls and the St. Regis Mohawk Indian School in Hogansburgh, N.Y. Needed are new or good used toys for children from preschool age through fifth grade, as well as warm clothing, especially boots and sneakers; blankets, sheets, pillow cases and towels. Those interested in donating any of these items may contact either Roger Cooper at 765-4572 or John Oates at 765-4073.

#### Language and Theater

Students in French III and IV classes at the high school will get a chance to put their language studies to good use this week, when they travel to Koda Junior High School in Clifton Park on Thursday, Nov. 17, to view the Moliere classic "The Physician Cures Himself" being presented by the National Theater of the Performing Arts.

Jovana Ilic, a foreign exchange student from Yugoslavia who is studying at the high school this year, has read the play independently and will explain it to both classes - in French.

To add even more French flavor to the day the students will conclude the field trip with a Gallie lunch at L'Ecole Restaurant in Guilderland. Their teachers, Karen Griffin and Marguerite Montouri, will accompany them.

#### Musicians to perform

This weekend students from Clayton Bouton Junior-Senior High School will participate in the New York State Area-All State Festival sponsored by the New York State School Music Association. Selected musicians will attend rehearsals at Saratoga Junior-Senior high on Friday, Nov. 18, and Saturday, Nov. 19. with a public concert being given on Saturday evening at 8 p.m. All are welcome to attend this evening of fine music.

Participants were chosen for the festival based on solo competition and recommendations of their teachers. In the concert choir are Tina Rasmussen, Courtney Brennan, Mary McCabe, Mike Burby, Lewis Bernstein and Kevin Herlihy. Frances Spreer, Debra Bausbach, Jennifer Ten Ecyk and James Volkwein will play in the concert band. Matthew Beals, Sharon McKenna. Wendy Knapp, Kirsten Haaf, Paul Nichols, Eric Phinney, Cynthia Tanner, ... Colleen Taylor and Lynne Richbart will perform with the symphonic band.

#### More about birds

"The Spruce Grouse and its Habitat" will be the topic of a public lecture by John W. Ozard of the state Department of Environmental Conservation's significant habitat unit on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Center'in Delmar. A joint meeting of the Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club and the Albany County Audubon Society explaining the Capital District's Christmas bird counts will precede the free lecture.

The Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club will also take a morning field trip to see geese, ducks, loons and grebes native to Sarafoga and Round Lakes on Saturday. Nov. 19. Car pools will leave Round Lake on Rt. 9 at 8:30 p.m. The public is invited to accompany the bird watchers.

For information, cali 377-1453.

#### Childbirth instruction

Instruction offered in the Lamaze techniques for prepared childbirth is being offered by Tri-Cities Childbirth Instruction at Albany Medical Center Hospital, St. Clare's Hospital in Schenectady, Columbia Memorial School of Nursing in the Hudson area, and in Clifton Park and the Schodack-Valatie area. Day, evening and weekend classes are offered in the eight-session series. In addition, a class to prepare expectant women for Caesarean section birth is conducted on the fourth Sunday of every month at the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing auditorium, at 7:30 p.m. For information and registration, contact Anne T. Tose, 456-0303.







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

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

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

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.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

FISH, Tri-Village 24-hour-a- 767-9140 (after 5 p.m.). day voluntary service year 'round, offered by residents of Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands to help their neighbors in any emergency, 439-3578.



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

- "Mass Appeal" (comedy). Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. Tickets, 346-6204
- "West Side Story" (Broadway musical presented by RPI Players). Playhouse, 15th St., Troy, Nov. 18 and 19, 8 p.m. Ticket information, 266-6503.
- "Look Homeward, Arigel" (Putitzer Prize-winning adaptation of Thomas Wolfe's novel), SUNY Performing Arts Center, Nov. 15-19, 8 p.m. Reservations, 457-8606.
- The Inquest-The Trial of the Rosenbergs," Maureen Staple-Theater, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, Nov. 18 and 19, 8 p.m.
- The Glass Menagerie" (Tennessee Williams captured in this first production of Capital Rep's season), Market Theater, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through Nov. 20 (Tuesdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.: Sundays 2:30 p.m.) Box office, 462-4534.
- "Hizzoner-The Mayor!" (Tony LoBianco stars in premiere of this tribute to Fiorello LaGuardia), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 16, 8 p.m. Community Box Office and Egg box office, 473-3750.
- "Once Upon a Mattress" (musical presented by Heritage Artists formerly Music Theater North), Cohoes Music Hall, Nov. 15-19, 8 p.m. except Sunday at 2 p.m. Information, 235-7969.

#### MUSIC

- "American Romantic Music of the 20th Century" (Cambiata presents series of three chamber concerts); An Evening with Ned Rorem, Nov. 18, 8 p.m.; Americans in Paris, Nov. 19, 8 p.m.; and Palm Courts and Tangos. Nov. 20, 2:30 p.m., Albany Institute of History and Art.
- "City Swing Meets Country Swing" (Doc Scanlon's Rhythm Boys and The Fabulous Armadillos combine forces in benefit for Emergency Food Task Force), Page Hall, Albany, Nov. 18, 8 p.m. Tickets at Community Box Office or at 463-3544
- New York State New Music Network (concerts by contempolrary composers and performers), The Egg. Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 18-20, 8 p.m., and Nov. 20, 3 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg box office, 473-3750.

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

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

Food Pantry, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area, Bethlehem Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, call 767-2243, 436-8289 of

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.

**Bethlehem Youth Employment** Service, Bethlehem Town Hall, Monday through Friday, 1-4:30 p.m. during school year. Call 439-2238.

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 Glenmont Homemakers, third

Wednesday, Selkirk Firehouse No. 2, Glenmont Rd., 8 p.m. Bethlehem Board of Education, Educational Services Center, Adams Pl., Deimar, 8 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club, antiques study group, at Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m.

"Whales of North America," illustrated lecture for Five Rivers Ltd., Roger Quackenbush, BCHS biology teacher and whale watcher, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m. Free, Information, 457-6092

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

Delmar Fire District meets third Wednesdays, Delmar Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Woodrow Beauregard, 456 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, for variance to permit access to premise over easement from Daniel St., 8 p.m., Bethlehem 'own Hałl.

"Le Tragedie de Carmen," lecture by SUNYA Prof. Richard Goldman, for Capital District Humanities Program, at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. \$5 registration, Information, 457-3907.



by PTSA at Voorheesville Elementary School, 5-9 p.m. American Education Week.

government speakers at area schools, state Sen. Howard Nolan, Bethlehem Central High School, 8 a.m.; Assemblyman Clarence Lane, Bethlehem Middle School, 9:45 a.m.; Bethle-Supervisor Tom Corrigan, at Glenmont Elementary School, 2:30 p.m.; New Scotland Councilman Wyman Osterhout, at Clarksville Elementary School, 2:45.p.m.

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

Onesquethaw Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, first and third Wednesdays at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-3883.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

Family Book Fair, sponsored by PTSA at Voorheesville Elementary School, 5-9 p.m.

Albany Audubon Society meeting with Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club at Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m

League of Women Voters, Beth-Jehem unit hears "How to Balance it All: Home, Career and Community Interests," 9:15 a.m. Information, 439-8096.

"Old Albany County in the American Revolution," Bethlehem Historical Association to hear speaker at Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 8 p.m.

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

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

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Town Justice Peter Wenger and police Officer Paul Roberts discuss business law. at Normanside Country Club, noon, Information, 439-0512. >

Fall Pops Concert, student bands and choruses perform at Bethlehem Central High School, 8 p.m. \$2 donation. La Leche League, breastfeeding support group discusses "Overcoming Difficulties," at home of Marti McMahon, Glenmont, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9104 or 439-9917.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

American Education Week, Albany County legislators visit schools: Sue Ann Ritchko, St. Thomas School, 8:30 a.m.; W. Gordon Morris, Jr., Elsmere Elementary, 2:30 p.m.; George Frangos, Hamagrael Elementary, 2:30 p.m., and Anne Gaffney, Slingerlands Elementary, 2:30 p.m. Parenting Program, national expert Adele Faber, at Bethlehem Central High School, 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Registration \$10 for one, \$15 a couple. Information, 439-4921, ext. 283.

Holiday Bazaar and Luncheon, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Elsmere, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tri-Village Squares, workshop, 7:30 p.m., and square dance, 8-11 p.m., at First United Methodist Church, Delmar, Information, 439-4598 or 439-7983.

Christmas Bazaar, First Methodist Church, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Poetry Reading, Hudson Valley Community College professor Joseph Cardillo to read, accompanied on guitar and dulcimer, at Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Free.

Joint Thanksgiving Service, for United Methodist Church congregation at St. Matthew's, 7:30 p.m.

Pancake Breakfast, to benefit Elsmere Wanderers drill team. at Elsmere Firehouse, Poplar Dr., 7 a.m.-noon. Tickets \$3 adults, \$1.50 children.

Senior Citizens Dinner Dance, at Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 1-6 p.m.

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

**Bethlehem Memorial Auxillary** Post 3185, V.F.W., third Monday, Post Rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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

Selkirk Fire Commissioners, at Selkirk Fire Co. No. 1, Maple Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Forum on "The Day After," nuclear war film, at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Bethlehem Freeze Committee.

**Delmar Community Orchestra** Concert at Ohav Shalom, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Public welcome.

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

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

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

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Delmar Camera Club, meeting at St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m.

Mothers' Time Out, Christian support group for mothers of preschoolers meets Tuesdays at Delmar Reformed Church. 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Free child care. Information. 439-9929

Delmar Rotary meets Tues-days at 6 p.m. at Albany Motor Inn, Glenmont.

Emergency Food Pantry, at Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Rd., Feura Bush, 9-11 a.m. Information, 768-2015, 768-2091 or 767-9693.

Tri-Village Family Thanksgiving Service, combined ecumenical service and choir involving nine area churches and clergymen, at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23



- tor's Theater, Schenectady, Nov. 19, 8 p.m. Community Box Office.
- Empire State Youth Orchestra (performing "E-Motions" with Open Mime Dance Company, Palace Theater, Albany, Nov. 20, 3 p.m. Community Box Office.
- New Black Eagle Jazz Band, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Nov. 20, Box office; 346-6204

Dick Gaughan (traditional singer from Scotland), St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, Nov. 21, 8 p.m. Tickets at Community Box Office or Records N Such.

Planist Martha Anne Verbit, St. Joseph's Hall, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.

#### POFTRY

Joe Cardillo reads from his book, "Delicate Passions and Madness." Albany Public Library, Nov. 22, 12:15 p.m.



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**Owens-Corning Fiberglas supports** public television for a better community.

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Dr. Who Fan Club, sneak preview of upcoming Channel 17 series, at Albany County Cooperative Extension, Rt. 85A and Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 2 p.m.

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

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

New Scotland Town Civic Association, fourth Thursday of month, Room 104, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m. Discussion of pertinent town issues. All residents welcome.

#### ATTENTION KIDS

There are still openingsfor the 1984 Little League season. Players must be between 7 & 12 years old. Their birthdays must be on Aug. 1, 1971 thru July 31, 1977. Interested parties should contact Doug Pratt at 459-6485.

FIBERGLAS



The 85-member Empire State Youth Orchestra will open its sixth season Sunday at the Palaca Theater in Albany. The orchestra and Open Mime, an Albany troupe, will present "E-Motions," dance and mime with an orchestral background. Lizst's "Les Preludes" also is o the program. The performance is at 3 p.m. and tickets are available from Community Box Office and at the door.

Christian Science Thanksgiving Service, at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Violin Recital, Erika Lawson, Bethlehem Central graduate now at Eastman School of Music, performs at Bethlehem-Lutheran Church, Elm Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 Apple Corps Workshop, twopart program on "Apple Writer" word processing, at Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon. To register, call library at 439-

Paperback Book Fair, sponsored by Glenmont PTA, at Glenmont Elementary School,

9314 before Nov. 28.

6:30-8:30 p.m.; children's story hour, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1 Bethlehem Art Association.

impressionist Robert Longley of Slingerlands demonstrates oil painting and fields questions, at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free and open to public.



#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

"Women and Public Policy," Guilderland unit of League of Women Voters, 9:15 a.m. Information, 482-9125.

"The Feminization of Poverty," downtown Albany unit, of the League of Women Voters, 5:15 p.m. Information, 482-2617.

Hudson Valley Community College Open House, for prospective students and their parents, at HVCC health technologies center, Room 245, 6:30-8 p.m.

American Association of University Women (AAUW), dinner meeting at Sheraton Airport Inn, Wolf Rd., Albany, 5:30 p.m./ For \$10 reservations, 439-0308.

Project Strive, Thanksgiving benefit reception with Rev. Wilbur Hogg, at SUNYA Alumni House, 1400 Washington Ave., 6-8 p.m. Reservations, \$15 singles, \$25 couples. Information, 462-5366.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17 **Concerned Friends of Hope** 

House, self-help support group for parents of substance abus ers, Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Aye., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Information, 465-2441.

Alzheimers Association, silent auction benefit at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

"The Crisis in Math and Science Teacher Education," Ohio State Prof. Jon Higgins on teacher shortage, at SUNYA Education Building, Room 335. 1400 Washington Ave., 3 p.m. Free.

Rental Property Owners Association, guest speaker on "Year End Tax Planning for Rental Property Owners," at Albany Key Bank, Western and Tryon Aves., 7:30 p.m. Information, 283-1581

Jawbone Reading Series, Linda Rye-Guild and James Zoller at SUNYA Humanities 354. noon-1 p.m. Free.

Holiday Fair and Art Sale, at St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; magic show, 4:30 p.m.; pot roast dinner, 5:15-7 p.m. Information, 434-3502.

Hospitality House Graduation Dinner, with guest speaker attorney Lenore Gittis, at The Sign of the Tree Restaurant, Empire State Plaza, 7 p.m. Information, 434-6468.

Holiday Fair, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 107 State St., Albany, with handcrafted ornaments and needlework gifts, 9;30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

"In Solidarity With Christ," discussion celebrating YWCA World Week of Prayer, at Albany YWCA, 28 Colvin Ave., 7:30 p.m. Free. Information, 438-6608.

Capital District Town Meeting, National Federation of Independent Business and state 1 Sen. Joseph Bruno díscuss timely issues at Holiday Inn. Rt. 5 and Central Ave., Colonie, 7:45 a.m. breakfast. For , \$6 reservation, call 434-1262.

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November 25, 26, 27, 1983 Fritzer fritzer fritzer Albany Symphony Vanguard Anniversary Dinner, at Americana Inn, Colonie; for \$20 reservations, call 439-1916.

"What in the World? What We Know About the Universe," lecture by cosmologist and College of Saint Rose Prof. Kevin Gannon, at St. Joseph's Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. \$3 admission. Information, 454-5102.

"Editorial Musing on Israel and American Jewry," lecture by Sam Clevenson, editorpublisher of "Jewish World," at Congregation Ohav Shalom, New Krumkill Rd., Albany, at 8 p.m.

Altamont Station Squares, square dance at former Guilderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, 8 p.m. Information, 439-6476.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER-19 Charlie 'Chaplin .in "Modern Times," benefit for Pierce Hall Day Care Center, at Spectrum Theater, Delaware Ave., Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Adults \$3. children and senior citizens, \$2.

**Open Cross-Country Race**, 10km race sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club. in Troy. Information, 489-2053.

Goods and Services Auction, at Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., 8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

"Grandma Moses: The Artist Behind the Myth," museum exhibit opening of paintings and drawings by country's bestknown folk artist, at State Museum, Empire State Plaza,

Arbor House Benefit Cocktail Party, marking 13th anniversary of nonprofit, nonsectarian halfway house, at Mercy High School, 310 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, 6-8 p.m. For tickets at \$7.50, call 489-6030.

mond jubilee reception and buffet supper at Turf Inn, Colonie, 8:30-11 p.m. Information and reservations, 463-1211.

Record Society Workshops, tutoring for recorder players at all levels in medieval-Renaissance Christmas music, at Frederick House, Rt. 146, Guilderland Center, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$10 registration. Information, 462-4666.

Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club, morning field trip to see geese, ducks loons and grebes at Saratoga and Round Lakes, carpools leave from Round Lake, Rt. 9, at 8:30 a.m. Public welcome. Information, 377-1453.

Marriage Preparation, second program on communication and commitment in relationships, at College of Saint Rose Science Hall, 432 Western Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Reservations, 454-5293. Free.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Emma Willard School Open House, for local girls and their parents, at the school's Slocum Hall, Pawling Ave., Troy, 2-4 p.m. Information, 274-4440.

Aerobic Dance-a-thon, to benefit Muscular Dystrophy Association, at Quality Inn, Albany, 1-4 p.m. For information and sponsor forms, call 489-5495.

Shalom Dance, for Jewish singles, sponsored by Albany Jewish Community Center, at-Northway Inn, Central Ave., , Colonie, 7:30-11 p.m. Information, 458-1609.

Mansion Neighborhood Open House for Potential Buyers, Capitol Hill Improvement Corp. showcases homes at 26 Trinity and 81, 112 and 114 Grand, Albany, noon-4 p.m.; seminar for home buyers at Masterson Child Development Center, 50 Philip St., following tours. Information, 462-9696.

Association of the Blind, dia- Craft Guild Holiday Showing, open house and craft sale at senior citizen craft center at 790 Madison Ave., Albany, noon-5 p.m.

> "Super Christian" Film, story of teenager who lives in secula? and Christian worlds, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 107 State St., Albany, noon. Free.

Turkey Rafile Run, sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners 'Club, through Saratoga State Park, 10 a.m. Information, 489-2053.

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Senior Citizens Hearing Screen ing, with audiologists and hearing aid specialists, at Louise Corning Senior Service Center, 25 Delaware Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-noon, 2-4 p.m. For appointments, call 465-3322.

Empire State College Information Session, at 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 447-6746.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Safe Place, support group for families and friends of suicide victims, at Friends Meeting House, 727 Madison Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Friends of the Library Poetry Reading, by Joseph Cardillo, at Albany Public Library, 12:15. Lecture on Man and Nature, guest speaker Frank Knight, director of Stony Kill Environmental Education Center. at SUNYA Lecture Center 7. 1400 Washington Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

Family Life Night Dinner, Albany Masonic Temple, 67 Maided La., Albany (across from the Hilton), with American Gentleman band and the Cross Country Dancers. Reservations, 439-3931

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 Ingmar, Bergman's "Shame," starring Liv Ullman and Max VonSydow in Swedish with English subtitles, at Albany Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Albany Symphony Orchestra **Benefit Art Sale Mayfair Art Gallery** 151 Wolf Road, Albany

#### Sunday, November 27, 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Lithographs, seragraphs, etchings, watercolors and oils by major 20th century artists including:

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### Spotlight adds to sales staff

Glenn Vadney has been appointed to the sales staff of The Spotlight, according to an announcement by James Vogel, advertising sales manager.

Vogel said the Spotlight's growth in both circulation and advertising has. created the need to expand the staff in order to cover the increased number of advertisers who wish to use the paper to reach the Bethlehem-New Scotland market. Advertising volume is up over 20 percent this year. Vadney joins Mary Powers on the sales staff.

Vadney has had extensive sales experience. He was sales representative for A.C. Nielsen, the leading media research company, and Brad Cable Electronics. Schenectady. He was also marketing director for Add Subs Associates, an independent cable television marketing company in Bridgeport, Conn.

Vadney is a graduate of RCS High School, Hudson Valley Community College and Husson College, Bangor, Me., where he earned a BS in business administration. Vadney lives in Feura Bush.

#### Transferred to Delmar

Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. in Delmar has announced two new appointments. Charles J. Jenkins has been named personnel manager, succeeding Dennis G. Vereb, who will assume that position at the company's operation in Saudi Arabia. Jenkins joined 'Owens-Corning in 1979 and was formerly, industrial relations supervisor at the company's Anderson, S.C. facility. He has a bachelor's degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a master's in public administration from the University of Pittsburgh.

The company also appointed Gary L. Carlson as factory superintendent at the



**Glenn Vadney** 

Delmar facility. Carlson joined Owens-Corning in 1973 and was previously at the company's Waxahachie, Tex., plant. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University 'of Missouri and a master's degree from the University of Alabama.

#### Gets chairman's post

J. Peter Seagle of Delmar has been named chairman of the management science department in the State University at Albany's School of Business. The school has established six academic departments to replace its more informal structure over the past 15 years, according to Dean Harvey Kahalas. The reorganization, necessitated by the school's growth, is aimed at strengthening ties with the business community, he said. Seagle has a doctorate from Stanford University, Calif., and has been at Albany since 1973.

In Selkirk The Spotlight is sold at Convenient Food Market, Bumby's Deli, Ed's Variety & 3 Farms Dairv.



#### Honored in sales

Simon J. Karam. Jr. of Slingerlands, a representative for the Mutual of Omaha Companies, has been named a member of Mutual's Sales Masters Roundtable for his work in sales and service. Karam ranked among the top 2 percent of the companies' sales representatives this year, the ninth year he has received this honor. He is associated with the J.J. Kearns Agency in Albany.

#### Dealing with bad checks

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce's monthly meeting has been changed to Thursday, Nov. 17, at noon at the Normanside Country Club. Bethlehem Town Justice Peter Wenger and Bethlehem police office Paul Roberts, who works in the bad checks and fraud department, will address the local businessmen about small claims court and business law.

For information, call the chamber at 439-0512.

#### Holiday bazaar

The annual Holiday Bazaar of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere will take place Saturday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The bazaar will feature a pot pouri of hand knits and other hand sewn items, the Christmas with holiday decorations, cards and gift wrapping, a bakery, a country store, the plant booth and one room devoted to white elephant treasures.

A "Soup 'n Sandwich" lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m.



Tom Vresilovic, manager of the new State Photo store at Delaware Plaza, pitched in to help stock the shelves as the doors opened for business. A grand opening is planned Monday to introduce the eighth store in the the 55-year-old Capital District chain, recently acquired by Carhart Photo of Rochester. Along with all the camera equipment and film, the store will offer seven-hour processing and a portrait studio. Spotlight

#### Elected by chamber

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce members have elected four new directors to three-year terms effective Jan. 1. Named to the board in a mail ballot this month are DeForest Whipple, Timothy R. Barrett, Toni Lasher and Thomas Thorsen.



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# Smell the flowers

A girl died last week. She was only 17. It happened quickly, unexpectedly. She had been happy, healthy, alive without any sign of illness. But on Wednesday she contracted a heart virus, according to the doctor, and suddenly on Saturday she was gone.

I didn't know this girl. It was a friend of mine who suffered the loss. The girl was the daughter of his friends with whom he and his family have spent every summer beside one another in their Cape Cod homes celebrating vacations of life. Now they are mourning together trying to accept the impersonal stroke of Fate's pen striking the name of their beloved young girl.

I saw my friend after the funeral as he stopped by on his cross-state journey back home. He told me of his overwhelming need to see his two children and hold them tightly. He uttered in shock how the tragic death of his friends' daughter made the lives of his own children more precious to him. After he left I spent a few more minutes than usual with my sons, spoke a few more words, held their gaze a few more seconds.

Most of us agree that life is precious and awesome in its creation and profusion. Yet we seem to take it for granted most of the time, that is, until its interruption reminds us of its temporary nature. In periods free of death, disease and despondency, we tend to lull ourselves into a state of immunity from life's pains and insensitivity to life's wonders. We center ourselves on the fringes of the life miracle and busy ourselves with making money, washing



ago, it is not unusual for our family dog to saunter over to one of us and forcefully nudge us with her cold nose to be petted. When our children were toddlers, they, too, would present us with attentiongrabbing behavior of a playful variety in similar circumstances.

We initially reacted to such invitations from our kids and our pets as intrusions on our privacy, interruptions of our deep solitude. Gradually, with repetition of these seemingly inappropriate behaviors, we came to realize that in their innocence our children and our animals were responding to our momentary loss of life energy by countering it with a request to touch, to play, to be alive. We no longer try to shush our children or push the dog away, but welcome their reaffirmation of life, and cherish it.

More important, though, is how we live life in times of crisis-free, mundane activity. Quality of life is not measured so much by individual achievement or material acquisitions as it is by those personal acts that proclaim life as a precious and glorious gift to be shared with its other recipients. It is those acts that strengthen the life force within us and between us and enable us to

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our cars, improving our tennis game, getting to our organization meetings on time, and watching other people's lives flash across our TV screens.

But the secret of living life to its fullest. of capturing the essence of the *joie de vivre* is to search constantly for those pieces of life that are growing into flowers and gently lay to rest those pieces that have stopped growing and have, perhaps, joined a larger universe.

I don't know if this has happened to you, but it has happened to my wife and me often enough for us to believe it is what it seems to be. In times of sorrow and depression when we are likely to be sitting motionless on a livingroom couch and our thoughts miles away and years withstand the assault of destructive forces we encounter as well as to be more accepting of the passing of life when that time comes.

Proclaim life by greeting your family cach time you return home instead of quietly slipping into the next chore. And say "goodbye" when you leave; don't just disappear into the outside world so that if your family is asked where you are they must say "I don't know."

When you see a wide-eyed baby in a shopping cart, take a moment to make that baby smile. You will add something to the life force of that baby, its parents, any onlookers, and yourself.

. If you happen to see a rainbow, don't

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. Members of the Tri-Village Clergy gathered recently to complete plans for the upcoming family Thanksgiving service Tuesday at the Delmar Reformed Church. They are, from left, in front, the Rev. Leon Adkins of Delmar United Methodist Church; Mary Ann Wierks of Delmar Reformed Church; the Rev. Clark Callender of Community United Methodist Church in Slingerlands, and the Rev. Johannes Meester of Unionville Reformed Church; in rear, the Rev. John Macholz, Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church. Glenmont; the Rev. James Hale, Bethlehem Community Church, Delmar; the Rev. Robert Hess, Delmar Reformed Church; the Rev. William A. Gorman of St. Thomas Church, president of the Association; and Rev. Larry Deyss of Delmar Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Richard Hibbert of First United Methodist Church in Voorheesville and secretary of the association. Spotlight

keep it to yourself. Share it with those around you. Your appreciation of life's glory is contagious.

Hold open doors for package-laden people. Pick up things for those who have dropped them, be it a set of car keys or a set of feelings. Don't let days pass without telling and showing your loved ones that you love them. Postpone your pleasures to soothe another's pain. When you do return to your pleasure, it will please you that much more.

As life passes, don't pass life. Search for that which grows, feed it and pay homage to it. It will make your life more precious as you walk on your own special path. And, along the way, don't forget to smell the flowers.







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# **Blackbirds show** playoff caliber

Voorheesville's best football display of the year has propelled the Blackbirds into the Class C playoff and a shot at a fourth Sectional championship.

Coach Tom Buckley's 1983 production will square off against Mechanicville under the lamps at Mont Pleasant, Schenectady, tomorrow (Thursday). Kickoff will be at 7 p.m.

Mechanicville, a member of the Colonial Council in every sport but football,



Chris Zeh (45), Voorheesville back, got good yardage on this play against Rensselaer. Zeh also ran 35 yards to a touchdown on a pass interception. R.H. Davis finished the regular season at d Northern-Adirondack League he Blackbirds, who earned the berth with a convincing - 20-7 triumph over Rensselaer in the Capital Conference crossover playoff at home Saturday, wound up 6-3 in the regular schedule. 🍕

For the Blackbirds it will be their fourth post-season excursion in the sixyear history of Section 2's football playoffs. They've won all three appearances, and against Northern League foes, Whitehalf, Fort Edward and Granville.

The fact that he has only three days to prepare for the Cannoneers didn't faze Buckley. He gave his boys the day off from physical violence Monday, letting them relax at the movies -- films of the Rensselaer game. On Tuesday and Wednesday they worked on timing and formations, just trying to stay sharp for the finale.

They were plenty sharp against Rensselaer, a rugged team, giving the chilled crowd a couple of thrills with an interception return and a kickoff return for touchddowns. Said Buckley: "We. probably played our best 48 minutes of football this season. When we did have breakdowns, we didn't let them throw us, There was one fumble, one bad snap and an interception. They (the Rams) scored on the last play (from scrimmage) of the third period, and we came right back with the long kickoff return."

The Blackbirds fashioned a 12-0 lead in the first half by taking advantage of Rensselaer mnistakes and keeping their own'to a minimum. In the second period John Ryan blocked an attempted quick kick, giving Voorheesville the ball on the Rams' 3. A penalty moved the marker back to the 8, whereupon Sean Rafferty



This Sean Rafferty pass was on target and Ed Mitzen (30) was open in the end zone for R.H. Davis Voorheesville's first touchdown in a 20-7 win over Rensselaer.

fired a strike to --- who else --- Ed Mitzen for the TD on the first play.

After the kickoff the teams exchanged punts and the Rams started on their own 35. The first play was a pass, which Chris Zeh picked off a few feet from the sideline. He took off like a rabbit; and went into the end zone untouched.

Rensselaer pulled off a 40-yard aerial bomb-for a touchdown in the waning seconds of the third period, but the numbers on the scoreboard didn't stay 12-7 long. The kickoff landed in the arms of Pat Fragomeni, the fastest of the Blackbirds. The fleet senior took the ball on the 13 and darted straight ahead as the Blackbirds cleared out the middle. He emerged from the crowd running to the left, and once that happened there was no, one who was going to catch him. It went

into the books as an 87-yard return, the longest ever by a Voorheesville player. Rafferty threw to Mitzen for the twopointer.

Rensselaer struck back with the playaction pass that earlier had gone for a touchdown, but Ray Donnelly intercepted. The fourth period was what Buckley later called "the John Ryan Show," in which the Blackbirds played ball control. They gave the ball to Ryan nine straight times, and the big senior co-captain bulled for enough first downs to keep the clock running. He ended up with 57 yards on 21 carries.

Mitzen, who sets a school record every time he catches a pass, not only set another single-season standard but he annihilated it. He established a new record at 23 receptions last year as a



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Tom Paeglow (70), one of the Blackbirds' biggest and best linemen, does his job with a protective block that springs quarterback Sean Rafferty (2) for 14 yards on an option keeper against Rensselaer. *R.H. Davis* 

sophomore; on Saturday he ran his 1983 total to 34, good for 491 yards, and he has one-game and another full season to go.

Rafferty may also have set a record, but it will take a bit of digging in the archives to confirm whether his seasonal accumulation of 63 completions in 104 attempts for a 60.6 average is the best percentage ever. Dennis Ulion, the Blackbirds' figure filbert, says it's the best in the last six or seven years, which includes such superlative quarterbacks as Greg Picard and Jim Meacham.

Rafferty was only 5-for-10 last week, with one interception and a total of 73 yards. That gave him 949 yards for the year and nine touchdowns with only five interceptions, a high mark in anybody's book.

#### Grass to be greener

Installation of pipes and sprinklers for watering the golf course at the Normanside Country Club in Delmar is the first step in a major improvement programunderway there. Water will be pumped from the Nermanskill for the system, which is being built at a cost of some \$140,000, according to club officials.

Other prc ects in the \$366,500 improvement program include additions to the club house, swimming pool repair and additional parking space. William E. Tinney is president of the Normanside Corp., which is owner and landlord for the property occupied by the country club.

#### Swim program starts

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a recreational swim program on Sundays at the Bethlehem Central Middle school pool.

The program will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. each Sunday, with the exception of Nov. 27, through Sunday, Dec. 18. It is open to residents of the Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District. Fees are: Adults, \$1 per swim; childre (aged eight through 13) 50 cents per swim; and children under eight, free.

### **Five runners to Syracuse**

Voorheesville will send five runners to the New York State Federation cross country meet at Fayetteville (Syracuse) on Saturday after a fine performance at the state Intersectional championships in Poughkeepsie.

Chuck Rogers, Adam Schaible, Lenny Mertens, Vicki Ross and Kirsten Ford will compete in a selected field of more than 250 from all parts of the state. The Federation meet merges all scholastic divisions (Voorheesville is Class C by size.)

The Intersectionals last Saturday at James Barrett State Park was the high point of the year as the boys' team took fourth in a field of 14 Class C schools statewide. Beaver River won the meet, Onondaga was second and Whitney Point third, just three points ahead of Voorheesville.

Coach Ken Kirik was happy with the finish. "We were picked to finish eighth or ninth, so I'm very pleased," he said. "Next year we have every one back from the varsity team and there is no reason why we shouldn't win every dual meet. We also have a very good chance to winthe state meet," he added.

Rogers led the way with an excellent 12th-place finish, Schiable was 17th, Mertens 28th, Gerry McNamara 41st and Doug Arthur 61st out of 140 runners.

Ross and Ford also did nothing to embarrass themselves as they finished



34th and 44th respectively out of 120 runners. Kirik put their performances in better perspective. "There are no slouches in this race," he said. "They are all very good, so they both had fine races."

Voorheesville's boys' and girls' teams lost narrow decisions to their Guilderland counterparts in a dual meet run last Tuesday at Tawasentha Park. The loss left the boys with a final record of 9-4 and the girls with an 8-3 mark.

Rogers crossed the line first, Schiable third and Mertens fifth. McNamara was 10th, and Arthur 11th.

The girls, who were without Ford, their star runner, managed to give Guilderland a run for their money. Ross won the race, Cathy Teuten finished fifth, Sonja Phinney ninth and Erin Neighmond 10th. It was the first time in three years that either of Voorheesville's teams had lost to Guilderland in their annual meeting.

Frank Baker

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### Playing for next season

#### By Nat Boynton

John Sodergren had no sooner dried out from last week's deluge at Clifton Park — a meteorological as well as an artistic disaster — than he began thinking about next year.

Ordinarily a 47-0 buffeting would be cause for crepe and gloom, but this was Bethlehem football (four league wins in five years), and it was Shenendehowa (12 outright or shared league championships in 13 years). The chief cause for dismay was the pelting rain that drenched last Thursday night's meeting under the floodlights in Saratoga County, a downpour that dampened the fun of running some razzle-dazzle stuff against the mighty Plainsmen with nothing-tolose freedom.

With the season over except for this Saturday's awards banquet (at Valle's at 6:30 p.m., call Mary Dobert, 439-9418, for tickets), Sodergren awoke Friday full of hope for 1984. In the wake of weekly adversity, he had two bona-fide reasons for hope: (1) for the past several games he had fielded eight juniors in both the offensive and defensive starting casts, and (2) the performance of junior varsity players moved up to the varsity - fondly christened "the Bandits" - has given the whole team a shot in the arm.

When 1984 rolls around, the only missing starters will be Charley Lynk, a premier lineman deserving of All-Albany, and Mike Mooney, a fine receiver, both two-way bulwarks; Mike Cronin, a defensive starter who also plays offense, and John Lewis, a fine offensive guard.

And those Bandits will be back, hungry for action. At Shenendehowa the Ban-



**Mike Cronin** 

dits, playing as a unit, blocked a couple of extra points, including one by the league's top placekicker, and hit back at the Shens as though they had never read

the papers. Add to that a sophomore named Brian McGarraghan, a fugitive from Pop Warner football who played most of the game in the BC defensive backfield.

"If our guys work conscientiously during the off-season, build strength and quickness, we can certainly be competitive next season," said Sodergren.

Time will tell whether Sodergren will be the only coach if not one of the few, in the league to field eight experienced starters on either offense or defense on opening day 1984.

At Shenendehowa last week, the downpour took away Bethlehem's best weapon, Steve Mendel's passing to quality receivers Mooney and Cronin.

Even in the rain, and with the help of two key penalties, the Eagles managed a sustained drive from their own 20 to the enemy 4-yard-line in the second period. They were down only 26-0 at the time, but when Mendel fired a spiral to a waiting receiver in the far left corner of the end

John Lewis

#### **Charley Lynk**

zone, a defender stepped in front of the ball, picked it off on the 2-yard-line and galloped unmolested down the sideline for a 98-yard interception return.

That wasn't the worst of it. The Shens, finishing 8-1 and tied for the Suburban Council crown with Columbia, had a 13-0 bulge before an Eagle laid a hand on the ball. To start the game, Bethlehem's kickoff was a line drive that bounced over the heads of the Plainsmen's rear echelon, and was grounded on the 9-yard line. After a penalty, the Eagles piled up a running play, but on second down, a Shenendehowa back squirted through the right side and broke loose for an 86yard touchdown ramble.

The Shens added further insult by recovering their own kickoff moments later. The ball took a high bounce in BC terrain. A Shenendehowa player caught it on the fly, and the Plainsmen scored again three plays later. The kick was blocked, and the scoreboard showed 13zip not quite three minutes into the game.

Sodergren was, philosophical in his post-mortem. "This is what happens when you play teams with skilled athletes. We don't have anybody who can stay with people like they (Shenendehowa) have. It was a class c example of an overmatch. We have no excuses. A lot of guys played well for us, but-we were handled by a much better team. We did show the ability to move the ball on occasion, and it was too bad after we had

worked during the week on some special plays that we couldn't throw the ball in the rain."

Sodergren gave his coaches the holiday weekend off, hence there was no announcement of the weekly bouquet following the movie reviews. Season awards will be given out at the banquet Saturday.

#### **Hikers' workshop**

An indoor-outdoor workshop on orienteering for hikers who have basic map and compass skills will be presented on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 10 a.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Center. Registrants should have compasses and sturdy hiking shoes. To register, call the center at 457-6092.

#### Olympic coach coming

Jim Peckham, one of the coaches of the U.S. Olympic wrestling teams in 1972 and 1976, will be in Delmar Saturday to conduct an all-day mat clinic for participants in Bethlehem Central's district wrestling program. Peckham, athletic director at Emerson College, Boston, conducts a summer wrestling camp in Boston attended by a number of Bethlehem wrestlers. Rick Poplaski, BC varsity coach, says all local wrestlers from PeeWee up are invited, along with interested parents, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.









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### Hammer's standout season

#### By Damon Woo

A champion has arisen from Bethlehem's struggling sports program. Senior Peter Hammer captured many titles in leading the Bethlehem boys' cross country team to one of its best seasons in recent memory.

Peter, an all-around athlete who participated in soccer and wrestling, did not start running until the spring of his sophomore year. After a good track season in which he saw his times become competitive in the distance events, he decided to focus on running and joined the cross country team the following season.

During Hammer's junior year, he won two sectional titles and established school records in distance events. As the cross country team's No. 1 runner, he set a new school course record and placed well in a number of invitational meets. During the indoor track season, Pete continued to improve, winning the Sectional title in the 3200-meter (2 miles) and qualifying for the state meet where he set a school record in that event. His outdoor achievements were almost identical to his indoor - he won another Sectional title and set a school record.

Hammer finished his high school cross country career with an outstanding season. Winning the Suburban Council, Albany County and Sectional championships, he became the first BC boy to do so. In winning the Sectional title, Peter qualified for the state meet. Finishing 41st, he said, "I didn't have a good race."

Hammer also qualified for the Federation race, although he is not sure if he will participate, saying, "I think I'd like a rest before indoors." The Federation race merely eliminates school division based on size.

In looking toward the indoor track

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Peter Hammer

season, Peter comments: "This is my most important season; it's the one colleges will see. I'd like to get off to a good start and finish big. Usually I have problems getting going early in the season." Asked about his season's goals he said, "I'd like to set the 1600-meter (one mile) record; it's been around for a long time. I'd also like to see us put together a good 2-mile relay."

Hammer is a member of the National Honor Society and lists his favorite activity as skiing. He plans to apply to Stanford as his first choice and hopes to receive some financial help for his running ability. He says: "I would like to run in college, but my studies come first. I like to think of my running as recreation."

#### Marathoner clocked

Runner Kevin Tighe of Delmar clocked an average 71/2-minute mile in the New York City marathon in October for a finish time of 3 hours, 17 minutes and 24 seconds. The pace put him 3,185th among the finishers.

### BC fields young team

#### By Julie Ann Sosa

Girls' volleyball has a rich history at Bethlehem Central. Carol Walts, now in her 10th year as head coach, has had only one losing season in her career. The team boasted four Empire State Games selections last year and was second in the Suburban Council and Section 2.

Although the Council as a whole is considered weaker this year, so is Bethlehem. Ten of BC's 12 players graduated, leaving lone senior, Kelly Burke, and junior Julie Liddle to set the pace for members of last year's strong JV team (9-1). Burke will be a starting setter with Kathy Devane, and Liddle will be at net hitting beside Kim Zornow, whose 6foot-1 stature is sculpted for spiking.

Only one game into the season, Walts is juggling players in and out of two starting openings. Krista Mackey and Lori Schimanski have been impressive off the bench, but Karen Burke, Lori Diacetis, Katie Forbes, Jen Grierson, Barb Hipp and Meg Lierheimer are still



Four girls qualified for the state meet in leading the Bethlehem Central girls' swim team to a second-place finish at the Sectional meet. Losing to Burnt Hills, 190-173, BC was not able to match superior depth.

Two records fell as the team won the 200 medley relay and was touched out in the 400 freestyle relay. Mary Ellen Burda, Lynn Schulz, Lynn Apicelli and Sue Mallery combined in the medley to give BC their only automatic ticket to the state meet. The freestyle team, made up of Sandi Blendell, Annika Berge, Kris Mallery and Lynn Apicelli, set a new school record. Despite a strong effort by Apicelli, it was not enough to catch Amsterdam-Fonda.

Sue Mallery, Apicelli and Schulz also qualified in their individual events by making qualifying time. Mallery was outtouched in the 50 freestyle as Apicelli was in the 100. Schulz, though finishing third,

#### Food pantry to open

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#### in the running.

What the team concedes in experience and height, it compensates for in tenacity; BC has proven excellent at catch-up ball. Although it was 2-0 against crosstown rival and Colonial Council champ Ravena last year, Bethlehem dropped a 2-1 scrimmage last week. Down 11-2 at one point, it pulled out the second game to force a third. Again, it fought back from 14-7 to 14-13 and ultimately lost the game and match on a quirk play.

The Lady Eagles won their season opener at Saratoga, 2-1. After dropping the first game, 15-10, BC came back to easily win the second, 15-7, behind eight serving winners by Kelly Burke. Bethlehem overcame a 10-2 Saratoga lead to take the third game, 15-10.

qualified in the 100 breast.

Also finishing in the top six were Kris Mallery in the 200 freestyle, Blendell in the 100 free and 100 fly, and Sue Mallery in the 500 free.

Coach Buzz Jones felt the team performed well. He was especially pleased with Sue Mallery's performance. "Even sick, she contributed much to the team score."

Damon Woo

#### It's a tie

Although the final, title-deciding game was never played, the Voorheesville Babe Ruth League's summer season officially came to an end at its annual "pizza and soda" awards dinner at the high school last week. The Rod and Gun Club and-Spotlight teams, both 9-3, were declared co-champions. Alex Diener, the 15-yearold catcher for Rod and Gun, was presented a special "sportsmanship" trophy by sponsor Hugh Spalding.

The new league officers announced for 1983-84 are Gene Culnan, president; Frank Caimano, vice president; Ed Mitzen, treasurer, and Larry Phinney, secretary. The league has a membership of 50 baseball players, ages 13 to 15, who play on seven teams from Voorheesville and Berne.



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### **RCS's Faxon notches** another championship

Soccer championships come as a routine matter for Ravena's Betty Faxon. one of the winningest coaches in Section 2's girls' athletics. Her 1983 soccer team wrapped up an 11th straight Colonial Council crown with a 7-0-1 record, and narrowly missed a third Sectional title.

In the post-season playoffs, the Indians knocked off Mohonasen, 2-1, before bowing to Scotia, 1-0, in the championship final. The only score came on a penalty kick off a hand-ball violation in the penalty zone only three minutes into the game. Ravena played their rivals even for the remaining 77 minutes and finished the year at 12-4-1.

Faxon will lose eight talented seniors, but she has several good replacements coming up from a jayvee team that is younger than usual. If she devotes next year to gaining experience, Faxon should have strong showings in the seasons ahead.

Right now she has a brief rest from the pressures of competitive athletics, but it will last only through the Christmas recess. Then girls' basketball will be on . stage. The Indians swept league and Section titles in the years Robin Mortensen was bombarding the hoop, and there's always a chance for another



Betty Faxon

banner season.

Faxon used to coach four sports, but she's given up volleyball and track in favor of a more regulated life as a physical education teacher. She is a graduate of Chatham Central, where they have a soccer team, and Cortland State, where they don't. She came to Ravena in 1966 after six years in Catskill, and started the RCS soccer team in 1967. She lives in Old Chatham.

### Coxsackie game cancelled

Ravena's 1983 football team won a game by forfeit but the 1984 varsity "lost" a game 10 months before the season opener, and the coach is angry.

When Coxsackie pulled out of last Saturday's scheduled Capital Conference crossover playoff, Coach Gary VanDerzee was deprived of the opportunity to give a host of younger players a chance to get varsity experience. Under the league format, the ninth and final week of the season is devoted to matching Colonial Division\_and Southern Division teams across-the-board according to their divisional standings.

which ave been practicing with the varsity for the last two weeks. Coaches, players and fans were looking forward to getting a preview of next year's varsity, which has high hopes.

Coxsackie officials notified Vanderzee late Tuesday that they were car celling the commitment. "They had plenty of players for the game," VanDerzee commented. "Th∋y j∟st didn't want to play."

VanDerzee said he would file a protest with the Capital Conference officials. The protest, however, won't bring back the game, lost forever to circumstance.



Bowling honors for the week of Oct.23, 1983 at Del Lanes, Delmar, go to : Sr. Citizen Men - Art Smith 215-573 Sr. Citizen Women - Jean Fissette 192-484

Men — Joe Bellrielle 252, Lenny Barba 633.

Women - Carmella De Marco 210, Lorraine Van Apeldoorn 554.

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Jr. Girls — Kelley Herman 160-420. Prep Boys - Paul Graves 156-451. Prep Girls — Michelle Ortiz 141-359.

Bowling honors for the week of 10/30/83 at Del Lanes go to:

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Men — Joe Fancher 267, Alan Proskin 846.

Women — Judi Douglas 232, Natalie Holmberg 563.

Major Boys - Rob Keegan 213, Mike Lee 509.

Major Girls - Tara McKenna 181, Roxanne Chin 447.

Jr. Boys - Arvid Johnson 156, Steve O'Brien 398.

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Prep Boys - Matt Dennin 178, Kyle Snyder 444.

Prep Girls - Lisa Green 124-329.

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Derek Moak sets for a shot at last year's competition.

#### Hoop shoot set

Young free-throw specialists should sharper, their on-court skills for the 12th annual Elks Hoop Shoot Competition, which will be sponsored locally by the New Scotland Elks on Saturday, Nov. 19, / at 0 a.m. at the Voorheesville High School. The district tournament will also be in Voorheesville on Jan. 21, 1984.

Last year, more than three million boys and girls, ages eight to 13, took their 25 shots from the line and tried to advance through four competitive tiers to qualify for the national finals in Indianapolis. Local winners included Cortney Langford and Danny Carmody, 8-9 age bracket; Kelly Donohue and Jonathan Bissell, 10-11 bracket; and Paige Hotaling and Derek Moak, 12-13 bracket. Moak, a state champion who finished second in regional competition in Pennsylvania, will compete again this year.

For information, call local chairman Allyn Moak at 765-2691 or Bob Van Alstyne at 768-2233.



# Norwegian student fits right in

#### By Nina Barringer

If you were to meet Trine Moen, a foreign exchange student from Norway, a you might think that leaving one's native country and family and beginning a whole new way of life is easy.

Trine (pronounced Tree-nuh) is spending a year in the United States living with the Paul Tonetti family on Adams Pl. in Delmar.

"I like my family here very much. All of the people I've met have been very helpful" and friendly. They've made me feel at home," blonde-haired, blue-eyed Trine mused.

Trine is a 16-year-old junior at Bethlehem Central High School for the 1983-84 school year. She arrived here on Aug. 9, and will be returning to her home, a suburb of Oslo, in early July.

"I believe that the courses taught in school are much easier here — except for English," Trine laughed." In Norway, courses such as Norwegian, math, social studies, science and English are required. Trine has taken English for six years.

"In Norway, you must go to school for nine years. Usually, you start at age seven, and finish when you're 16. Because it is very difficult to get a job in Norway at age 16, most people continue their education with a three-year program at a place called gymnasium," Trine added. Gymnasium, she said, is somewhat comparable to a college in the United States.

When Trine returns, she wishes to attend gymnasium, possibly for business courses.

"Before going to gymnasium, I wanted to come to the United States to see what it was like. I wanted to go to California, but I had no choice. But that's okay," Trine quickly added.

Trine left behind her parents, two older. brothers, friends and a boyfriend. "I think of them often, but I am not homesick. I love to write letters, and we keep in touch."

Trine has traveled to such countries as



Trine Moen of Norway, right, is spending this school year with the family of Liza Tonetti, left, of Delmar. The 16-year-old visitor is in the junior class of Bethlehem Central High School. Tom-Howes

England, Germany, Sweden and Denmark.

"It wasn't hard to become an exchange student. You have to go on many interviews and write some personal essays. You just can't be shy, but I'm not," Trine chuckled.

Trine discussed some of the differences between life in Norway and the United States. "The prices and taxes are much higher in Norway. For example, a pair of Levis jeans cost \$50. I like shopping here better because the prices are cheaper," Trine volunteered.

According to Trine, the moral codes of the two countries differ greatly. "The people here are a lot more modest. We're more open about certain things in Norway," she stated.

Trine enthusiastically claims that she enjoys all sports — as a spectator and participant. She is on the girls' soccer team at Bethlehem and was on her school's handball team in Norway. She very much enjoys running and skiing.

Trine adores children and is eager to babysit here.

Trine says that above almost all, she loves food. "Peanut butter cookies, and especially Big Macs and chocolate shakes. M-m-m!" Trine giggled. "There are no McDonalds in Norway."

When she is not doing homework or at soccer practice, Trine enjoys going to school football games or out with friends.

She is fitting in easily and has conformed nicely to life here. "True, there are differences between the United States and Norway, but really, the people are very much alike," Trine concluded.

Nina Barringer is a junior at Bethlehem Central High School with an interest in journalism. Ed.

#### Violin recital Saturday

Erika Lawson, a Bethlehem Central graduate and student at the Eastman School of Music in Roschester, will return home to give a violin recital on Saturday, Nov. 26, at 8 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar. She will perform pieces by Vivaldi, Teleman, Massenet, Saint-Saens and Weiniawski.

Lawson, who began taking Suzuki violin lessons at the age of five, is a prize winner in the Albany League of Arts and Stefan scholarship competitions. She has played in the Albany Symphony Orchestra, Northeastern Youth Orchestra, Schenectady Light Opera and Empire State Youth Orchestra, of which she was concertmaster.

#### Squares on Saturday

The Tri-Village Squares, Delmar's first and only square dance club, will hold its monthly dance on Saturday, Nov. 19, at the First United Methodist Church in Demar. A workshop will be conducted from 7:30 to 8 p.m., and the dance will follow until 11 p.m. Duane Silver of Delmar will call the squares. For information, call 439-4598 or 439-7983.

#### Lecture on 'Carmen'

Peter Brooks' version of Bizet's Carmen will be the topic of a lecture, "Le Tragedie de Carmen," on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. Richard Golman, a State University at Albany professor, will give the lecture, which is sponsored by the Capital District Humanities Program. The lecture fee is \$5. For registration and information, call 457-3907.

#### Film, processing topics

Art Portanova of Speedy Photo will descuss processing and differences in films at the next meeting of the Delman Camera Club on Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Elsmere. The assigned topic for the evening's slide and print competition is "Architectural Details."



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Mark McKinney of Boy Scout Troop 75 of Delmar is all set to start digging holes along Wemple Rd. near Rt. 9W for the troop's signs announcing its upcoming ninth annual Winter Sports Mart, scheduled Nov. 19 at Bethlehem Central High School. The scouts posted the signs at 50-yard intervals along the side of the road in a manner reminiscent Tom Howes of the Burma Shave jingles of bygone days.

#### **Runners do well**

Three Bethlehem runners placec in the tcp 25 in Schenectady's 15-kilometer (9 miles) Stockade-a-Thon Sunday, and three others placed high among the agegroup leaders.

Dennis Northrup was second and Dale Keenan fifth among the men. The Selkirk racers were timed in 46:30 and 47:55 respectively, behind the winning time of 45:46 by Tom Carter of Owego. Andrea Weiss of Slingerlands was 25th among the women in 1:05.59.

Mike Waldenmaier of Selkirk was third in the 35-39 age group in 51:41, Judy Swasey of Slingerlands was third in women's 35-39 (1:06.04) and Carolyn Riley of Delmar was third among women 40-49 (1:06.58).

#### Deer season opening

Deer hunters will be permitted to use shotguns in a part of the Town of Bethlehem for the first time when the season opens on Monday, Nov. 21. EnCon Department restrictions on firearms have been lifted for that section of town lying south of Feura Bush Rd. (Rt. 32) and west of Rover Rd. (Rt. 144).

According to Region 4 wildlife manager Quentin 'VanNorthwick, the 1983 deer take will be somewhat below the records of the past several years. Hunters should note that the quantity of wild apples, beechnuts and acorns varies greatly from one area to another, and coupled with the availability of other foods, will play a major role in the distribution of deer and deer take.

#### Association elects

The Central Delmar Neighborhood Association, successful in its campaign this fall to block commercial zoning for a site at Kenwood Ave. and Adams Pl., plans to continue its efforts to influence planning for commercial development in the Town of Bethlehem. The group recently elected William Glisson aspresident, with Douglas Zeno as vice president; Sandra Walker, recording secretary; David Rhodes, corresponding secretary, and Kevin Mahony, treasurer.

Members of the association's executive committee are Timothy Thornton, Stanford Hoghe, Betty Casper, Marian Austin and Paul DeGaetano.

#### Dr. Who?

A "Dr. Who" fan club will meet to preview upcoming programs in the PBS series (on Channel 17) and discuss activities for the new organization on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 2 p.m. at the Albany County Cooperative Extension headquarters in Voorheesville. Club membership is open to fans of all ages who watch the comic-adventure show. For information, call Beryl Spector at 356-1700 ext. 287.

#### La Leche discussions set

The Delmar branch of the La Leche League will meet to discuss "Overcoming the Difficulties of Breast Feeding," on Thrusday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. at the home of Marti McMahon in Glenmont. Mothers and prospective mothers are invited to the informal meeting, where they can share their breast feeding experiences.

The next meeting will be on Dec. 15, at the same time and place, when "Nutrition and Weening" will be the topic of talk. For information, call Pat Switzer at 439-9104 or Lin Mullenneaux at 439-9917.

#### Sharing in a big way

The bounty that is so much a part of Thanksgiving will be shared by some 3,000 area residents thanks to volunteers with Project Equinox. About 250 volunteer workers are expected to prepare and serve 2,000 dinners at the First Presbyterian Church in Albany on the holiday, while another 1,000 dinners will be delivered. Persons who wish to help or to donate may call 482-7670. That number also may be called to request a dinner for someone. Serving will be from 1 to 6 p.m.



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OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM MARION T. CAMP TOWN CLERK

Dated: November 9, 1983 (Nov. 16)

At a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, New York on the 9th day of November, 1983. PRESENT: Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Bickel,

Mr. Prothero, Mr. Hendrick.

LEGAL NOTICE ABSENT: Mr. Geurtze. The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York does hereby amend the Traffic Ordinance of the Town of Bethlehem adopted on the 17th day of July, 1968, and last amended on the 14th day of September, 1983 as follows: I. Amend Article IV, PARKING by

adding a new section 9. to read as follows 9... The stopping of vehicles is hereby prohibited in the following location:

a distance of 550 feet from the center line of Delaware Avenue to a point opposite the fire hydrant located neor the Curtis Lumber Company building.

The foregoing amendment shall take effect ten days after publication

The foregoing amendment of the Traffic Ordinance was presented for adoption by Mr. Hendrick, was sec onded by Mr. Prothero and was duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Prothero, Mr. Hendrick. Noes: None.

Ahsent: Mr. Geurtze. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM MARION T. CAMP

Town Clerk Dated: November 9, 1983

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#### They filled a need

Editor, The Spotlight:

Casting a vote in an election is a right that all citizens should exercise. In the privacy of the voting booth, persons can cast their vote without any intrusions. It is one's belief, conscience and conviction at work.

The elderly who are residing in a long term care facility (i.e. adult home, health related facility, nursing home) could easily be the forgotten persons in society at election time.

However, through the objective, nonpartisan efforts of the League of Women Voters, residents at the Good Samaritan Home were not forgotten. Recently members of the League visited the Home and assisted residents in the completion of their absentee ballots. Just as an aside, in some communities polling places are located in long term care facilities. Short of that arrangement, the League of Women Voters provide the opportunity for all citizens to cast their vote.

A postal worker from the Delmar Post Office, Barbara Altimari, delivered absentee ballots to the Home and realized a real need: Perhaps residents at the home needed a means to purchase stamps, including commemorative stamps, envelopes and assistance in preparing packages for mailing during the approaching Christmas season. After

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discussing it with the postmaster of the Delmar Post Office, Henry Betke, it was decided to have postal workers come to the home one hour per week on Wednesdays during the Christmas season.

To the League of Women Voters, Henry Betke, Barbara Altimari and her associate Marion Michelle, thank you for remembering the residents of the Good Samaritan Home.

> Richard R. Thomas, Jr., Administrator

#### Incentive for merchants

Editor, The Spotlight:

Delmar

Recent acceleration of development along Delaware Ave. and the Four Corners area points out an obvious connection between the success of new business (or remodeling of old) enterprises and the support of local consumers.

If a business is to be successful, it needs the support of its residential neighbors. The Central Delmar Neighborhood Association Inc. is concerned with the quality of both residential and commercial neighborhoods.

In reviewing the town's zoning ordinance, site plan review provisions and past record, we find that commercial developers are given a great deal of leeway. The town is most likely not going to tell you where to put your parking lot, where to put your building, what trees to cut down, or how attractive your facade should be. But, really, why should they have to? Doesn't it make plain good business sense to give your customers what they want?

So, since the town won't tell you, we will. We want our big old trees. We want our front lawns. We want green areas. We want machinery and dumpsters hidden from view. mathematical and the based and agentical

These things may seem trivial to some. But to us, they are indicators of the care and planning that took place before the bulldozers moved in. Of course, there are other considerations to be made when expanding or starting a business. Certainly, safe ingress and egress, adequate lighting, sound construction, etc. are of primary importance. But it is obvious to us which businesses have looked at nearby residential neighborhoods and incorporated them into their plans and which ones haven't.

We ask that developers show the same concern for their commercial property, that we do for our residential property. We want to support our local retailers. We ask that they support us in return.

William Glisson, president Central Delmar Neighbor Association Delmar

#### The job at hand

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Nov. 9, the Bethlehem Youth Advisory Council sponsored a public showing of the PBS special "The Chemical People" at the BCHS auditorium. This letter is to publicly thank those who attended as well as the notable members of our community who served on our discussion panel. Thanks go to Norman Cohen, Roger Fritts, Charles Gunner, Fred Holligan, Jim Jeffries of Hope House, Greg Mercier of Project Hope in Bethlehem and Dr. Andrew Sullivan.

As we heard during the "The Chemical People," a community can face and deal with the use of drugs and alcohol by youth in creative and caring ways. The next meeting of the Youth Advisory Council on Dec. 14 will be open to the public. Anyone interested may attend at 8 p.m. in the town hall.

Jeannie Peterson, Chairperson Youth Advisory Council Delmar

#### A candidate's thanks

Editor, The Spotlight:

Although it's become fashionable to criticize the news media, I congratulate *The Spotlight* for its probing and extensive coverage of the 1983 local



campaigns, and thank its management and staff for their fairness and helpfulness to me.

I also appreciate the confidence in me expressed in the voting booth, but even more the warm reception I received from . people throughout the Legislative District and the support of my hard-working volunteers.

As Bob Hoffmeister takes office next year, I urge the people in the 36th to share with him their many helpful suggestions and proposals so that together, we can make government work better for us.

Thank you all very much.

Dave Sawyer

#### **Dangers** considered

Editor, The Spotlight:

Delmar

Delmar

Before dark on Halloween, our cat reported to our Douglas Rd. home with a wound under one eye. The veterinarian removed an air rifle pellet which could easily have caused death.

On any day, not least on Halloween, we hope that parents closely supervise their children's use of dangerous weapons.

The animal warden is investigating the incident.

Elizabeth M. Mattox



The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Or-'ganization will screen "On Golden Pond" at 1:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Admission is free.

Each month, the Senior Citizens Organization offers a "silver screen presentation." The group meets each Thursday, from 12:30 to 4 p.m. at the town hall.

Thursday, Nov. 17 will be the last meeting at which Senior Citizens can sign up for the group's annual Christmas party, scheduled Wednesday, Dec. 7, at Normanside Country Club in Delmar.





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Mrs. Christopher Dighton

#### Susan A histrom wed

Susan Grace Ahlstrom, daughter of Mary and Richard Ahlstrom of Delmar and South Durham, was married Nov. 12 to Christopher Michael Dighton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dighton of Bedford, N.Y.

The ceremony was held in Sacred Heart Church, Cairo, with Rev. Robert Sanders of New Milford, Conn., officiating.

In attendance were maid of honor Margaret Keenan and matron of honor Martha Otis. The bridesmaids were Christina Ahlstrom and Elizabeth Dighton. Andre Segatti was best man. Geoffrey Dighton, Christopher Mueller and William Powers, brother of the bride, served as ushers.

The bride and groom graduated from Byram Hills High School, Armonk, N.Y. College and worked for the publishing house of John Wiley and Sons in New York City. The bridegroom received a BA degree in business administration from Pace University, Rye.

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The couple will reside in Hartford, Conn.

#### Susan Goodrich wed

Susan May Goodrich of Delmar became the bride Oct. 22 of Jonathan Edward Moak, son of Douglas and Jennie Moak of Delmar. The bride's parents are Ariel and Barbara Goodrich, also of Delmar.

Nadine Goodrich was maid of honor for her sister in the ceremony in Westminster Presbyterian Church, Albany. Bridesmaids were Erin Egan, Penny Van-Deusen, sister of the bridegroom, and Beth Kebea. Rick Kebea was best man, and ushers were David Moak, a cousin of the bridegroom, David VanDeusen, brother-in-law of the bridegroom and Dennis LaGrange.

The bride is a graduate of Maria College. The bridegroom is employed by the Eastman Kodak Co. in Rochester and is a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College. The couple resides in Rochester.

#### Ecumenical thanks

A Tri-Village family Thanksgiving service involving clergymen, choirs and congregations from nine churches will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 p.m. The Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, Lutheran and Reformed churches will be united in the single ecumenical service, which is being sponsored by the Tri-Village Clergy Association. Mrs. Sydney Smith will conduct the joint chorus.

Worshippers are asked to bring cans of food. Nursery care will be provided.



Mrs. Richard L. Weldon

#### Marjoria Fish bride

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Marjoria Fish, daughter of Arlene M. Fish of Delmar and Raymond D. Fish, Sr., of Albany, was married Sept. 3 to Richard Lawrence Weldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Weldon of Atlanta, Ga., formerly of Delmar. The ceremony took place in St. Joseph's Church, Albany.

Mary Lee Fish, the bride's sister, was maid of honor, with Laura and Margaret Fish, also sisters, and Antoinette Damiano, Elizabeth Burkard and Gail Weirzbicki as bridesmaids. Michael O'Toole was best man, and ushers were

Ted Weldon, brother of the bridegroom, Daniel O'Toole and Raymond, Joseph and David Fish, brothers of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of Russell Sage College and is a research assistant at the State University at Albany. The bridegroom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the State University at Albany, and is a technician at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

The couple will reside in East Greenbush.

#### Vanguard plans dinner

The Albany Symphony Vanguard's 20th anniversary dinner will be held on Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Americana Inn in Colonie. Dr. Donna Evans, a professor at Skidmore College, will be the guest speaker. The benefit dinner will raise funds for Vanguard's project development scholarships, awarded annually to symphony musicians.

Dinner reservations are \$20 and can be made by calling Mrs. V.A. Van Volkenburgh at 439-1916.

#### AAUW dinner

The Albany branch of the American Association of University Women will have a dinner meeting tonight (Nov. 16) at 5:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Airport Inn on Wolf Rd. Nancy Barrett, director of the Albany Council on the Arts, will be the guest speaker. Dinner reservations ire \$10 and can be made by calling Peggy Belden at 439-0308.



#### The Art of Parenting

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Two days of workshops on parenting will be presented Friday and Saturday at Bethlehem Central High School by Adele Faber, a national authority on the subject. The sessions at 7:30 p.m. Friday and at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday are informative and instructional, hence important for parents of elementary and teenage students.

Registration is limited, and there are fees for the various workshops. Call the school (439-4921, ext. 283) on Wednesday and Thursday to reserve a place for the Saturday

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