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Issues complex in BC election

By Caroline Terenzini

The election scheduled next Wednesday in the Bethlehem Central School District is far from a one-issue vote. While one group is talking tax dollars, another is talking seat-belts. And a third is talking about buses it says are too big. With all these points of view, the outcome of Wednesday's balloting is hard to call.

Last spring, when observers looked for the reason for two successive budget defeats, the prime candidate was the projected 10 percent tax rate increase. This year the tax increase is projected at half that, a figure achieved in part by putting a proposed \$240,000 purchase of five buses into a separate proposition. The proposed five-year financing arrangement, however, does affect the tax rate in that no payment on that debt would be due in the coming year. After the first payment is made in 1986-87, the impact of the purchase on the tax rate would be largely offset by state aid.

Missing this year from the budget debate is the vocal opposition of the late John H. Clyne, a board member for 20 years who died in January. Taking up his banner, however, is the newly formed Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT), for which Sherwood Davies of Delmar is the chief spokesman.

"BUT has not taken a position on the budget — yes or no," Davies said Monday. But the group wants the voter "to become familiar with" the issues it is raising in advertisements in *The Spotlight*, he said. For example, BUT contends the real increase in the district's proposed budget

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is 8.4 percent, not the just under 7 percent increase the district has announced. BUT reached its figure by calculating the budget increase minus the nearly \$200,000 drop in debt service costs in the district's 1985-86 budget plan. BUT's contention, Davies said, is that cost "saving" should be passed along to taxpayers and not used for increased spending in other areas.

Most taxpayers, however, will probably be more interested in the increase in their tax bills — projected at 5.16 percent in Bethlehem and 4.17 percent in New Scotland. These numbers may well change in August, after the tax rolls for the two towns are closed and the total tax base is calculated. Last year, a much larger than expected increase in the total assessed valuation resulted in a substantial drop in the tax rates that had been projected in May.

Also affecting the budget total to some extent is the fact that the district is anticipating seeking voter approval later this year for a bond issue for capital improvements. This had made it possible to avoid including large amounts in the proposed budget for upgrading, for example, heating plants or tennis courts. There is, however, money allotted for routine maintenance.

While local champions of "budget restraint" criticize the spending plan, board members and

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Cable TV rules have all changed

By Tom McPheeters

Whatever limited power Bethlehem and New Scotland once had to set rates for cable television service is gone. But wholesale changes in the way the cable industry is regulated may give the towns some new leverage, with residents in the more sparsely populated areas the big winners.

A lightly attended public hearing on Adams Russell Cable Television's request for a five-year extension to its Bethlehem franchise Wednesday uncovered no glaring defects in the company's service, although a couple of nagging problems did surface. The hearing apparently is only the first step in what could be a complicated negotiation between the town and the cable company.

The most likely beneficiaries are the owners of homes in subdivisions that are under construction, and residents of areas not now served by cable. George Smede, Adams Russell's local manager, admitted that the company has been slow in servicing new areas and said he was taking steps speed up new wiring. Subdivisions such as

Skycrest, Brookfield, Lauralana Heights and Lindhurst and streets such as Caldwell Blvd. and Daniels St. would be candidates for cable.

And Smede said the company is prepared to accept the new state standard for installing cable in an area — 35 homes per mile, rather than the present 50 homes per mile. Currently, residents in areas that do not qualify for cable have to make up the cost difference themselves.

In addition to servicing rural and newly built areas, major issues in the negotiations are expected to be Adams Russell's annoyingly unresponsive phone system, the use of cable to monitor town equipment such as monitoring stations, and a possible increase in the franchise fee.

Complicating the situation is the federal Cable Communications Act of 1984, which changes the rules governing how municipalities can deal with cable companies. Gone are the days a town board could use a rate increase to get concessions from the company. In effect, cable is

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Now you see it . . . Now you don't



This is the last photo of a Delmar Four Corners landmark that dates back to the days when Delaware Ave. and Kenwood were dirt roads and the traffic was horse-drawn. With the last business tenants — a luncheonette and barber shop —

departing for new locations, the two-story structure was demolished Thursday to make room for a parking lot, and a possible future expansion of Brockley's Restaurant.

Tom Howes



New Scotland Elks Lodge Mother of the Year Pat Coons, seated second from left, and her family. Seated, from left, are Sonya, Pat Coons, Tina and Francis Coons. Standing, from left, are Donald, Steven, Kevin, Danny and Billy Coons. Lyn Stapf

They always make room

By Lyn Stapf

Love and understanding . . . those are the secrets to successful parenting, according to Pat Coons, and she should know. Recently named "Mother of the Year" by New Scotland Elks Lodge No. 2611, Pat went on to take the district's title and now is in the state competition.

Although she proudly displays the plaques given to her by the Elks organizations, as well as a letter from the Town of New Scotland congratulating her on her awards, Pat is apparently unchanged by the honors and all the publicity that has accompanied them.

Then again, mothering seven children leaves one little time to

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(We apologize for all those whose names were received too late for this list and those still coming... everyone is appreciated.)

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RCS tax rate up more than budget

By Theresa Bobear

Residents of the RCS School District will go to the polls May 8 to elect five out of nine board members and vote on a \$10,705,668.60 budget, which is up 4.3 percent from last year but carries a tax increase ranging from 7 to 12 percent.

The balloting will take place between 1 and 9 p.m. at the RCS Senior High School cafeteria. Voters will also consider propositions for the purchase of buses and computers and the elimination of at-large elections.

The proposed 1985-86 budget is up \$441,431 from last year and includes an \$18,132 salary increase for district administrators, an additional \$25,817 for central administration contract services and BOCES services, a 4.16 percent or \$208,209 increase in spending for the regular school program, an 11.23 percent or \$68,164 increase for the district's handicapped and remedial programs, a 2.07 percent or \$17,608 increase for the transportation department and increases of approximately 10 percent for each of the district's buildings.

Because of decreased revenues, adoption of the draft budget would bring tax rate increases of an estimated 7.03 percent for New Scotland, 8.06 percent for Bethlehem, 12.41 percent for Coeymans and 7.65 percent for New Baltimore. The estimated tax rates would be \$135.34 per \$1,000 assessed for Bethlehem and \$224.62 per \$1,000 for New Scotland.

Nine candidates will run for five board seats in an at-large election.

9 vie for 5 board seats

Nine people are running for the five available seats on the RCS Board of Education on election day, May 8.

Nine candidates are running at-large for the five available seats on the RCS Board of Education. From a list of nine names; Penny Gould, Ronald Peretti, Anthony Williams, James VanValkenburg, Louis Neri, Ronald Selkirk, Frank Filippone, Frances Curley and Martin Cross III, voters will select five new board members. The three candidates receiving the highest percentage of the popular vote will serve three-year terms, beginning July 1. The two candidates receiving the fourth and fifth highest per-

Last year voters approved a special proposition calling for at-large elections. This year voters will consider reverting from at-large election of board members back to an election of candidates for individual seats on the board.

The proposition for the elimination of at-large elections was added to the ballot at the request of residents who submitted a petition to the board.

The board is presenting a proposition for the replacement of vehicles with more than 100,000 miles of wear. The \$226,400 proposition calls for the purchase of four 60-passenger buses at \$42,000 each, one 30-passenger bus for \$32,000 and two wagons for \$13,200 each.

The buses would be paid for over a 5-year period with interest totaling \$40,752. The district will be reimbursed for between 75 and 90 percent of the purchase price of the buses, depending on how many students are carried. Superintendent Milton Chodack estimated the final cost to residents would be between \$27,000 and \$67,000.

Finally, residents will consider a \$50,000 special proposition for the purchase of computers. The proposition calls for the expenditure of \$17,610 for the purchase of eight microcomputers and disc drives, and 10 monitors for the junior high school. The propositions also call for the expenditure of \$32,390 for 21 microcomputers, software and computer supervision for the district's three elementary schools.

tage of votes will serve two-year terms, beginning May 8.

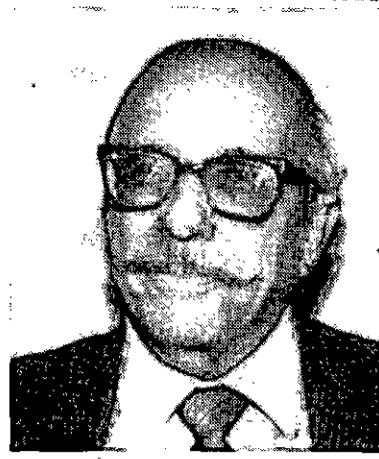
Louis Neri

A graduate of RCS Senior High School, Hamilton College in Clinton and Albany Law School, Louis Neri of South Bethlehem is an attorney with John T. Biscione. He said he has a "vested interest" in the district because his son will attend RCS schools in five years.

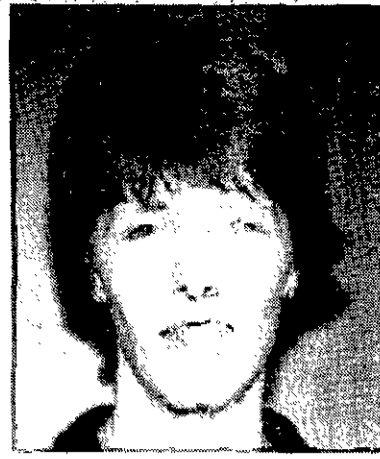
As a member of the board, Neri said he would "strive for efficient utilization of our funds to try to keep the budget at a reasonable level." He said he would like to see the quality of education remain the same or improve for the tax dollars spent. Neri said the district should work to increase the tax base, get more people interested in



Martin Cross III



Frank J. Filippone



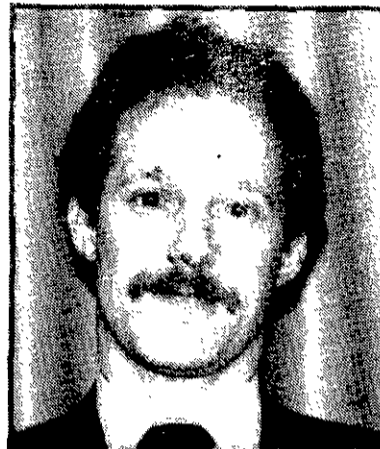
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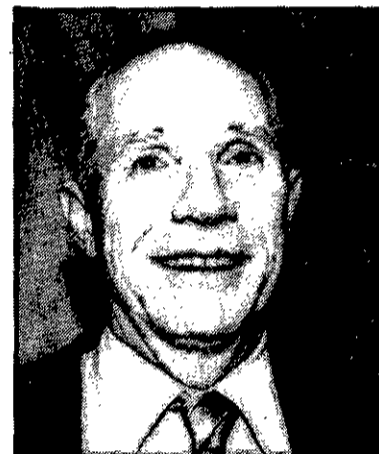
Ronald Peretti



Louis Neri



James VanValkenburg



Ronald Selkirk



Anthony J. Williams

living in the community.

Neri supports the bus proposition in the interest of safety. He said the district should keep the equipment in good running condition. He said he is in favor of purchasing computers for the junior high school. "I'm not sure they need them at the elementary level," he said. He supports the draft budget. Neri supports at-large elections because "people

should run for the board, not against any individual."

"I think the balancing of cost of education and quality of education is the board's primary task," said Neri.

Ronald Peretti

"I am running for the board because I have two children," said Ronald Peretti of Glenmont. "I

want them to have the highest quality of education that the RCS School District can provide."

A graduate of American International College, Springfield Mass., and the University of Massachusetts, Peretti is a field representative for the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT).

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Virtues of Perennials

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Merit scholar
Philip M. Kaminsky of Delmar, a student at Bethlehem Central High School, has been awarded a National Merit Scholarship. Kaminsky is a member of the National Honor Society. During high school he was a member of the tennis, track and volleyball teams for two years each. He served as school newspaper

reporter for two years and school yearbook co-editor for two years. He has received the Descendants of the Signers of the Mayflower Compact American History Award and the Daughters of the American Revolution Award. Kaminsky is interested in the field of biomedical engineering.

☐ Cable hearing

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now a "deregulated" industry in regard to rates. The new law also limits the town's ability to require specific services or channels, although it retains some power in requiring the company to provide certain facilities and equipment. Many aspects of the act remain to be clarified, according to municipal officials.

But that is not to say the town has lost all its leverage. According to William Henchy, a corporate vice president of Adams Russell — and the man who negotiated the original franchise agreement in 1976 — what the cable company really wants is 10 years, not five. And under state rules, that means a new franchise, not a renewal of the existing franchise.

The company had originally asked the town for a five-year extension of the existing franchise, which expires next year. "Our company is really looking at the long haul," explained Henchy. "That five-year window doesn't look long enough when you're asking people to invest."

And, he asked, why should a cable company be restricted as to

what it can charge its customers? "We're a risk business, not a utility," he said.

Added Smede: "Our costs better not get too high or we'll be out of business. I don't think that rates are even an issue."

Smede said the company is "looking at new technology," such as "pay per view" channels and more satellite coverage. "Next year or so you'll see some major changes," he promised.

Some of the company's existing technology got a thorough going over from one member of the audience.

"We can't get out of the commitment we got into 10 years ago, and we're stuck with a dead animal," said Seeley Funk of Delmar. His specific complaints included the system's failure to provide the TBS channel, and a weather channel and stock market service that more than often fail to work properly.

Smede admitted specific problems with the two channels and explained that technical difficulties make a quick fix too expensive. As for TBS, Ted Turner's Atlanta-based channel, he said Adams-Russell, in



Now relics, the wooden mail box cabinets in the Slingerlands Post Office were replaced last week in favor of key-operated metal boxes.
Tom Howes

company with many other systems, finds it too expensive for the programs provided.

For town officials, the system's technical problems are much simpler — when customers can't get through, they call town hall. Smede said the company is looking into a new phone system. "Public relations-wise," said Councilwoman Ruth Bickel, "that's probably the most important thing you could do."

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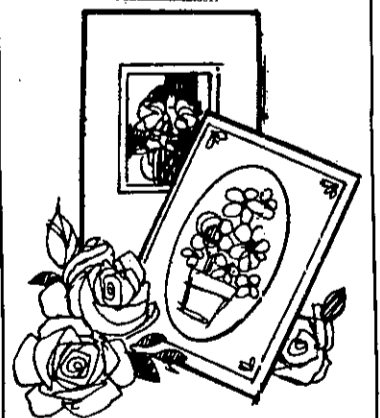
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DAR rings bells

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Board sets speed limit, establishes fire lanes

The Bethlehem Town Board last week approved a 20 m.p.h. speed limit for Kenwood Ave. and rezoned land on Rockefeller Rd., but the action that drew the most attention was a request to create fire lanes at Delaware Plaza.

The new fire lanes were requested by the owners of the plaza, Norris MacFarland and state Sen. Howard Nolan, because the plaza's own security staff lacks the authority to issue tickets for parking violations. With town-recognized fire lanes, Bethlehem police will be able to patrol the area.

"I hardly think that's our responsibility," said Councilman Scott Prothero. "You've got legislation now you can't enforce."

But Prothero and Councilman John Geurtze, who also expressed doubts, voted for the legislation after receiving assurances from Supervisor Robert Hendrick that town police would patrol the area only when called by merchants, and that no extra manpower would be required.

"Speaking as a fireman, if we had a big fire there we'd be out of luck," Hendrick said.

The board also approved legislation reducing the speed limit on Kenwood Ave. from 30 to 20 m.p.h. within 300 feet of the Bethlehem Central Middle School and St. Thomas School. But board members and neighbors

hood representatives, who had requested the legislation, learned that the new limits will be effective only from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on school days, the hours set by state law. At the public hearing on the issue there had been uncertainty over the hours, and Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said Wednesday he was "surprised to find the limits in the state law."

The board also approved stop signs for Adams Pl. at its intersection with Delmar Pl.

Land owned by Dime Savings Bank fronting on Rockefeller Rd. was rezoned from Residence A to AB, which will permit construction of 31 duplexes on a 16-acre parcel. There was little opposition to the zone change at the April 10 public hearing, and Dime representatives had asked the board to speed the decision so construction can start this year.

The board also approved plans for a new pumping station at the Elm Ave. water tank site and for an automated pressure reducing valve to be located on Fisher Blvd., both part of major water system improvements planned for this year and next. Bids will be opened this month.

The board also passed a resolution honoring the late Thomas E. Mulligan Jr., former town historian and a member of the planning board, who died April 22.

PBA seeks arbitration

The Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association, which has been without a contract since Jan. 1, has decided to seek binding arbitration to settle unresolved issues with the town.

The two sides have been in arbitration for about two months, with the most recent session held last week. "We just can't seem to come to an agreement," said Detective John Cox, president of the PBA. He noted that this is the longest stretch the PBA has been without a contract. The town and the PBA engaged in a heated dispute last year over overtime issues, and discipline cases against four officers are still pending appeal.

Supervisor Robert Hendrick said Tuesday he is "still open to any kind of discussion." Both Cox and Hendrick declined to discuss the issues that continue to separate them, but Cox said they will get together at least one more time to clarify what issues need to go to arbitration.

Under rules administered by the state Public Employment Relations Board, an arbitration panel consists of one member picked by each side and a third member picked from a panel of seven names supplied by PERB. Each side eliminates a name in turn to arrive at the final pick. The panel must decide by majority vote, and its decision is final.

Library budget presented

The Bethlehem Public Library's proposed spending plan for 1985-86 is up 11.5 percent over the current budget, with significant increases for maintenance, heat and light, and the library's backbone — books. The budget increase calls for tax rate increases estimated at \$1.21 per \$1,000 assessed in Bethlehem, or 11 percent, and \$1.84 a thousand in New Scotland, up 10 percent.

Barbara Mladinov, library director, pointed out some of the highlights of the spending plan last week. She noted that the 13-year-old building, which is heavily used, is beginning to show signs of wear, including cracks in its concrete floor. For this reason, the budget's maintenance line has been doubled to \$30,000, she said.

Two surveys during the past year provided statistics for measuring use of the library, including the fact that while circulation is approaching 350,000 items annually, the use of materials within the library is about half again that figure, Mrs. Mladinov said. In addition, more than 100 community groups used the library in the past year.

With a payroll covering about 21 full-time equivalents, salaries account for nearly \$500,000 of the total \$1.24 million spending plan and fringe benefits will cost another \$99,000. Continued increases in use of the library prompted scheduling of additional hours for some part-time personnel, Mrs. Mladinov said, but there is no plan to enlarge the staff this year.

With utility costs projected to show significant increases, \$12,000 was added to the budget line for heating, cooling and light. An energy audit of the all-electric building last year resulted in some conservation measures, but rate

hikes tend to outpace these savings, Mrs. Mladinov noted.

The library has budgeted to add to its adult large-print collection and also has a continuing need to keep its reference collection up-to-date, Mrs. Mladinov said. She added that reference materials relating to business were a particular interest in the community.

The library's proposed budget will be presented to voters May 8, on the ballot with the Bethlehem Central School District's

spending proposal. Joyce Strand of Glenmont is unopposed for reelection to the library board for a second five-year term.

Board changes dates

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals Has changed its meeting schedule for the month of May. The board will meet at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, and at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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A glimpse of hamlet that is no more

The Spotlight story of Feb. 20, 1985, centering on Whitehall Rd. and Hurstville, an area formerly within the precincts of the Town of Bethlehem, touched off a spark that sent old residents digging into their personal files to extract early pictures and articles to bring to the author's attention. Among these were Mrs. Harriet Klapp Elmendorf of Voorheesville, and Mrs. Eugene Sellnow and Frank Kakely of Albany.

Hurstville, a hamlet that no longer exists, was located about two miles southwest of the city, along the Albany and New Scotland plank road. Some years before and after the turn of the century everything along New Scotland Rd. beyond So. Allen and as far as the Normanskill Creek was referred to as Hurstville. William Hurst located in the area in 1861, where he ran a hotel, and from him the place derived its name. The post office was located in the hotel for some time, but becoming too much of a responsibility for Hurst, it was transferred to the toll gate house that stood opposite the present entrance to Albany Municipal Golf Course. The post office was abolished when rural free delivery

TIMES REMEMBERED

Allison Bennett



came along in 1902.

Hurst also operated a trotting track for horses on the east side of New Scotland Rd. from the

earn their daily bread by working in an industry that is no longer in existence. The sand that was used to make molds for metal castings was very common in the Town of Bethlehem and much of it was found in the New Scotland-Whitehall Rd. section. Hundreds of thousands of tons of molding sand were removed from the area and shipped to foundries in all

The single-lane plank-paved portion was bordered by an unpaved strip, and when horses and wagons approached each other, one was required to turn out. Going off the road sometimes meant going deep in mud, but courtesy on the part of drivers was usually the rule.

present Hurst Ave. to Whitehall Rd. The Hursts bred horses for racing, and trained and boarded race horses owned by others. The "sport of kings" was quite popular in those early days and anyone who could afford a racing horse was eager to be involved in the sport.

Many men in our town used to

parts of the world. The section west of So. Allen St. was particularly rich in this important industrial sand. Euclid, Lenox and Buckingham Drive also had great deposits. The topsoil was removed to expose the under layer of sand and later this topsoil was replaced.

The work provided jobs for

many diggers and haulers for there was no industrial machinery at that time. Whitehead Brothers of Coeymans employed foreman who lived on the site to oversee the work. The sand was hauled to Coeymans and then shipped down the river by barge. The Whitehead firm did not own the land, but leased it for the purpose of taking the sand. Frank Kakely owned three trucks that he used to haul sand for the Whitehead co. for 10 years, until that firm left the Hurstville area in 1924.

The old plank road (present New Scotland Ave.) began near

Albany Hospital at the lower toll gate, operated for many years by the family of Robert W. Fivey. The upper toll gate was then near the present entrance to Albany Municipal Golf Course, and there was another toll gate near the present railroad underpass in the village of Slingerlands. The toll fare was five cents for a single rig and 10 cents for a team. Those paying the toll at one gate did not have to pay leaving the other gate. There was no charge for "foot passengers."

The plank road was built and owned by the Albany, Rensselaerville and Schoharie Plank Road Co., which was chartered by the state on March 25, 1850, with a capital of \$100,000. The single-lane plank-paved portion was



This farmhouse was owned by George and Mary Brown Kakely, and Frank Kakely was born here. The house, which once fronted on New Scotland Rd., is now at 9 Kakely St. Produce raised here was sold at the farmers' market on Hudson Ave. and fancy lettuce was grown in four greenhouses for sale at Banfill's grocery at Dove and State streets. The Banfill summer home still stands on McCormack Rd. in the Town of Bethlehem, behind the state police training center on New Scotland Rd.

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Hurstville Hotel was located at Krumkill and New Scotland roads in the early part of the century. With prohibition came the roadhouse craze and the

bordered by an unpaved strip, and when horses and wagons approached each other, one was required to turn out. Going off the road sometimes meant going deep in mud, but courtesy on the part of drivers was usually the rule. The 4-by-4 planks were laid diagonally across the road and rested on parallel "sleepers." The planks had to be replaced frequently and the old planks were cut up for firewood.

A quote from the *Knickerbocker News* of Jan. 6, 1951, in an interview with Robert Fivey: "As the automobiles skim over the present concrete pavement, I contrast it with the leisurely pace

old hotel became The Love Nest, with bands and floor shows. Fire destroyed the building on election night, 1929.

of less than half a century ago. I can still see coming along the plank road the team-drawn wagons, hauling flagstones or a load of hay that was going to the hay markets down on Madison Ave. or Grand St. The wagons would creak over the highway, coming back empty at night. On weekends the wheels of the carriages of the wealthy and the middle class would turn sharply over the planks, the occupants all 'going out for a ride.'"

"A great part of Albany's old flagstone walks came from Reidsville, atop the Helderbergs. The flat sheets of slate were large and only four or five could be carried

on a wagon at one time. A seven-foot boom was used to lift and lower the flags, and the wagon brakes were used as a brake for the boom rope. Yet these hardy men went through all that work — loading, driving to Albany, unloading and returning home — all for a couple of dollars. There was a stone yard on Dana Ave. where the flagging was dumped."

There is really not much new under the sun, as we shall see from another quote by Fivey: "A familiar sight on the old plank road was Johnny Mack, who lived in Elm St., where he had a gymnasium. He prided himself on keeping in condition. I can still see

Johnny Mack, bundled in sweaters and a rubber coat, jogging along the plank road, sweating it out. He was a dapper man too, and famous for his English and Scotch tweeds and salt and pepper suits."

With the 1920's came the ease of transportation by auto and bus and the desire of inner city folks to move "out to the newer sections." Albany's growth obliterated Hurstville and the farm fields along Whitehall Rd., but the memories linger on in the following poem:

Whitehall Road

It used to be a country road
With farms of fertile soil.
Where garden crops abounded,
The fruits of faithful toil.

But now it is a city street
As everyone can see,
And all so very different
From what it used to be.

Our city friends think it's "just grand"
But we don't quite agree,
For, while we boast of sidewalks,
We miss the good old trees.

But I suppose we should agree
When folks say "things must change."

Yet notwithstanding all their talk
We feel a wee bit strange...
With streets and houses everywhere
Even though they are man's pride
It can not be forgotten
That familiar views they hide.
We can barely see the dear old woods
Where in the days gone by
We used to gather violets
And berries for a pie.
We used to watch the trees in spring
Put on their fresh green gowns
And change them in the fall time
To yellow, red, and brown.
We miss the glorious sunset
When at the close of day
It slips away so quietly
To light another's way.

And then the good old Helderbergs
Which are always in their place,
Like a strong and ever faithful friend
Whether sun or storm to face.

But, oh, we are so thankful
That the God who made the hills,
And paints the wondrous sunset
Takes note of all our ills.

And while around about us
Vast changes do take place,
We know that God will never change
But keeps us by His grace.

Louise F. Klink



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district administrators point to a dearth of concrete — and informed — suggestions for cuts. Responding to critics, the board and administration this year revised the budget-making process, starting earlier, providing a bottom-line and tax projections from the outset, scheduling additional time for public comment, and conducting budget work sessions at several of the elementary schools in an effort to reach a wider audience. Public participation, however, followed its predictable pattern, with generally little interest expressed in the budget itself, outside of a few observers.

BUT's Davies, the most frequent of these observers, has proposed moving the central administration to the high school and closing the Educational Services Center at Adams Pl. for a projected annual saving of \$25,000. Charles Reeves, a candidate for the late John H. Clyne's seat on the board, who is supported by BUT, in January urged that the district trim its staff through attrition. However, an upswing in elementary enrollment and the state's insistence that the Clarks-ville school have a full-time principal mean three full-time and two half-time elementary teachers are to be hired. The board also has decided to add a drug abuse prevention professional.

There is one issue on which both elected officials and critics agree, however: that is that Bethlehem is getting short shrift from

the state, which finances just under 20 percent of BC's budget as against a statewide average of for school district's of around 40 percent. The state's aid formula considers property values and income in a district equally and, by that yardstick, Bethlehem is well able to finance its education costs.

There are also those for whom the budget is not an issue. These include local advocates of seat-belts in buses, who have expressed dismay that the district does not plan to install restraints in the five buses it intends to purchase. On the school board itself there are a variety of perspectives on the seat-belt issue, ranging from impassioned advocacy to flat-out rejection — reflecting the range of viewpoints in the population at large.

Some seat-belt proponents have vowed a negative vote on the bus purchase proposition because the new vehicles would lack restraints, although one activist has suggested a deal might be struck — a vote for the new buses in exchange for future consideration by the board of putting belts in all district buses.

The bus purchase proposition could be in trouble on another score. A number of residents, including some bus drivers, registered strong dissent when the school board chose to have two 81-passenger vehicles among the five new buses. Objections centered on expected difficulty in maneuvering the big buses, which are about four feet longer than a

65-passenger bus, and the difficulty it would pose for one driver to monitor the behavior of that number of students. The board, however, persuaded of their safety, wants two of the bigger buses because of savings projected through eliminating one driver's position. Evidence of the interest in this issue is the full page ad in this week's *Spotlight* placed by the manufacturer of the bus on which board members took a demonstration ride.

The interest groups that are focusing public attention on the May 8 election raise the specter of last year's two decisive budget rejections. Then, there were any number of places to point the finger of blame. The district approached the vote with a long year of increasingly polarized contract negotiations still fresh on resident's minds. A wild card was the bankruptcy of Lion Capital Group in New York City, with which the Bethlehem district had nearly \$400,000 invested — a story that broke just days before the vote. And the projected 10 percent tax hike would have been hard to sell in the best of times.

Last year, Clyne, who voted against submitting both proposed budgets to the electorate, criticized the spending plans at board meetings and in a letter to *The Spotlight*. He also assailed the board majority for budgeting some \$60,000 for a program only for gifted pupils. And he took issue with his colleagues for using public money to publish an appeal for a "yes" vote on the budget (an action that has since been given the sanction of the state's highest court). This outspokenness from a member of the board may have served as a catalyst for others' expressions of a variety of dissatisfactions.

Going ahead with a contingency budget after the second budget defeat and with two new members as a result of the election, the board acted to answer its critics on several fronts. A committee of volunteer professionals in the community was named to draft a policy for the district to provide greater security for its investments. Shortly thereafter a Challenge Review Committee made up of educators, parents and other community representatives was appointed to

review the district's program for gifted children and make recommendations.

Perhaps the most significant was the committee of board members, administrators and teachers that met over many months this past year to formulate a negotiating procedure aimed at averting the stalemates that have become the rule in teacher contract talks in Bethlehem. The result — an agreement for open disclosure before the membership of the proposals of both sides, followed by concentrated bargaining — is due to have its first trial this fall.

One additional element in the upcoming vote is more subtle: the apparent "friction" and "antagonism" between the board and its critics that two candidates for board seats have referred to — and which several board members privately have lamented. On the part of board members, if there is any "antagonism," it may be due to the feeling that the board is beleaguered by a variety of interest groups — advocates for seat-belts, for smaller buses, for smaller classes, for "quality education," for smaller budgets, for "no frills," for extra busing. Clearly, the district is home to an increasingly assertive constituency. At the same time, the board as a whole must deal with its own members' relative independence, in the words of one observer who has viewed several area school boards in action.

Looking ahead, with yet another citizen committee working on a plan to deal with crowding at the Glenmont Elementary School that reportedly calls for redrawing school attendance boundary lines, and with the Challenge Review Committee's report and the proposal for a bond issue yet to be dealt with, board members in coming months may find themselves confronted with a whole slew of new issues. How the board deals with those potentially divisive issues could depend in part on how the budget fares next Wednesday.

Pops concert set

The Delmar Community Orchestra will join the choruses of the German American Club in Albany at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, for an evening of music.

Conductor Robert McGowan and the orchestra will present a pops concert and accompany vocalist Marie Franke. All are welcome.

What it all costs

The Bethlehem Central School District's proposed \$17.5 million budget for 1985-86 projects a 5.16 percent tax rate increase for Bethlehem property owners and a 4.17 percent increase for New Scotland residents in the district. That means in Bethlehem the tax rate would be \$167.62 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, up \$8.23. In New Scotland, the rate would be \$278.19 a thousand, up \$11.14.

The rates are not final, however, until property tax rolls are closed Aug. 1.

Also on the May 8 ballot will be a proposition seeking authorization to purchase five new school buses at a total cost of \$240,000, to be financed over a five-year period. If approved, the financing would require no payment in the coming year — meaning no effect on the tax rate. In 1986-87, taxpayers would be billed an additional 84 cents per \$1,000 to cover the debt. This assessment would drop to 9 cents a thousand the following year, because of state aid reimbursement on the initial payment, and would decline thereafter.

A second proposition on the ballot seeks voter approval for busing all elementary children at a cost to the taxpayer of approximately 19 cents per \$1,000 assessed.

If a proposed issue for major improvements to district properties is approved by the voters, sometime later this year its cost will be reflected in tax bills until 1987. As an example, if the district were to borrow \$3.8 million for 20 years at an interest rate of 9 percent (and assuming state aid at 25 percent), the first year's payment would amount to \$1.89 per \$1,000 assessed. Thus, a taxpayer whose property is assessed at \$10,000 would pay \$18.90 that year to cover the bond issue cost. The per-\$1,000 figure would drop to about \$1.70 the following year and would continue declining about 16 to 18 cents per \$1,000 annually.

Lion case not settled

The rejection by the bankruptcy judge of a proposed settlement involving Lion Capital Group in New York City has little impact on the Bethlehem Central School District, which had \$390,000 invested with Lion. According to Franz Zwicklbauer, assistant superintendent for business, the \$169,999 check the district was to have received under the proposed settlement "would have reduced the district's borrowing," but otherwise there is no immediate impact from the judge's decision.

Thursday Judge Howard C. Buschman III sent back the proposed settlement "without prejudice," leaving the way open for renewed efforts toward an agreement between Bradford Trust Co. and other creditors of Lion. Lion declared bankruptcy in May, 1984.

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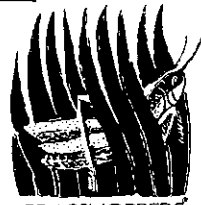


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Budget figures still at issue

With the coming of the *Bethlehem Central Highlights* budget issue in Monday's mail, the debate over the size of the proposed 1985-86 budget is getting down to specifics.

Bethlehem United Taxpayers, a new group seeking to elect Charles Reeves and William Tinney to the Bethlehem Central school board, has taken issue with the size of the district's proposed budget for 1985-86. In several recent ads in *The Spotlight*, the group has urged both "budget restraint" and the election of its two candidates as a way of bringing "experienced business management" to the board.

Recently, as part of the campaign, Sherwood Davies of Delmar, spokesman for BUT, singled out some budget increases for particular attention.

For example BUT focused on an 11.4 percent increase in the budget total for instruction, when pay raises of only 6 percent are due teachers next year. According to Franz Zwicklbaauer, assistant superintendent for business, of the \$1.044 million increase in the total for instruction, roughly half is allocated to cover the pay raises due the district's approximately 230 teachers and also to provide the salary increments that are applied annually as a teacher advances in seniority. Another \$240,000 of the increase is for instructional equipment, Zwicklbaauer said. A third major component of the increase is \$174,000 to cover salaries for five new staff members and the cost of additional duty by the nurses employed by the district so that each elementary school will have a nurse available during all the hours of the regular school day.

In addition, the instruction section of the budget includes negotiated raises for the non-instructional employees who support the instructional staff, such as secretaries, noon-hour aides and aides for the handicapped. This cost is \$57,000, Zwicklbaauer said.

Within that budget area, the lines for the principals' and supervisors' offices also show significant increases — 14.5 for the principals and 21.7 percent for the supervisors, as BUT pointed out. In addition to pay raises of 6 percent for principals and 6.5

percent for support staff (a total of about 20 people), Zwicklbaauer said that budget line includes \$18,000 to cover the cost of switching the Clarksville school principal's position from half-time to full-time, a move required by the state Education Department. The line also includes some \$18,000 for equipment and supplies for the principal's offices and repair contracts that must be charged to that budget line.

The increase on the supervisors' offices line is, again, made up of negotiated pay increases for both supervisors and secretarial staff and also a part-time supervisor for the district's art department (at \$12,000) and part-time supervision of the business education,

home economics and industrial arts departments, Zwicklbaauer said.

The 17.3 percent increase budgeted for the central administration includes \$10,000 to cover fees to be paid to banks acting as the district's agent under the new, more stringent investment policy. An additional \$5,000 is allocated for legal services related to the bankruptcy of the Lion Capital Group, with which the district had \$390,000 invested. Of the \$29,000 increase for business administration, which is under central administration, \$8,550 is allocated for a physical inventory of all district equipment, for insurance purposes, and \$9,750 is to cover pay raises for seven employees.

Caroline Terenzini

Safety an issue

Members of the Elsmere Safety Committee, which has endorsement from the Elsmere school's Parent-Teacher Association, are campaigning for approval of a proposition on the school district's ballot May 8 that would provide busing for all elementary children. The group, organized this past year, is seeking a change in the district's long-standing policy of requiring elementary pupils who live within a half-mile of their school to walk.

Committee members point to increased commercial development along Delaware Ave., as well as to growth in the Tri-Village population as factors contributing to heavy traffic along that major thoroughfare and on cross streets, increasing the hazard for young walkers. A crossing guard is posted on Delaware Ave. in front of the Elsmere school building at the opening and closing of classes, but that is the only crossing area with such protection, proponents of the proposition noted.

About 180 children are listed on school records as walking to elementary schools in the district, with approximately 90 of these at Elsmere. Since state regulations prohibit selective busing, the measure, if approved, would affect the district's five elementary schools.

District officials have said the additional busing would cost about \$7,000 annually, chiefly for added hours for a few drivers. Elsmere Safety Committee and district officials have emphasized that the busing proposition is unrelated to another proposal on the ballot that would authorize the purchase of five buses. The new buses are needed to replace vehicles that are not expected to pass state safety inspections, the district has said.

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THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

Town of Bethlehem, Town Board meets 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.

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

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

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

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

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 Landfill, open at 8 p.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.

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

Food Pantry, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area, Bethlehem Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, call 767-2243, 436-8289 or 767-2977.

Project Hope, preventive program for adolescents and their families, satellite office for Bethlehem-Coeymans, 767-2445.

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

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

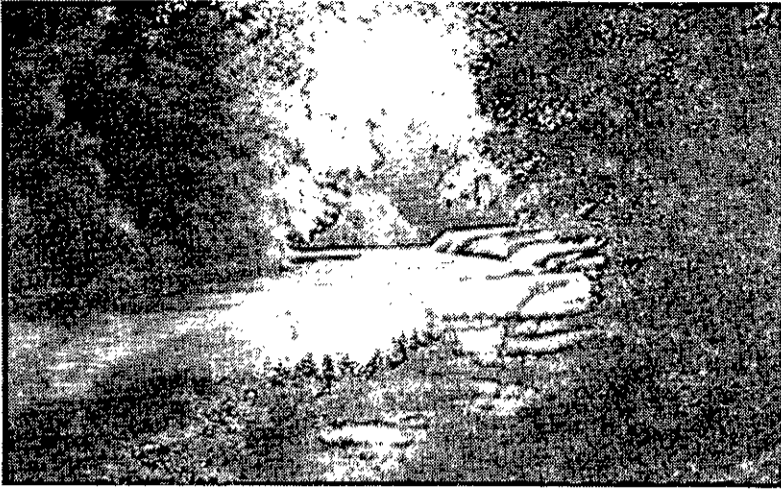
League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. For information, call Kay Valentino at 439-9686.

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

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

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

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



"Summing Evening," a recently released limited edition print by Peter Keating, is now being shown at the F. Kendrick Gallery, 411 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

"Birds and Bird Watching," lecture at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30-9:30 a.m. Information, 457-6092.

Bethlehem Lions Club, meets first and third Wednesday of month, Starlite Restaurant III, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m.

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

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

Onesquethaw Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, first and third Wednes-

days at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

Registration, Bethlehem Pop Warner Football, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-2779.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Readings for the Visually Impaired, 4-7 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 2

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Tae Kwon Do, Korean martial arts, part 4, 7 p.m.; *Real George's Back Room*, 7:30 p.m.; *Conversations*, Adrienne Rockwood and Judy Fruiterman discuss career counseling, 8 p.m.

SADD Community Awareness Meeting, sponsored by BCHS Students Against Drunk Driving, Bethlehem Central High School, room 46, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0898 or 439-6501.

Field Trip, in search of American woodcock, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., all welcome, 6:15 p.m. Free; information, 457-6092.

Bethlehem Art Assn., meeting with Bill Byron demonstrating water color technique, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m.

Organizational Meeting, for persons interested in planning BCHS Class of '74 reunion. Information, 439-0869 or 463-2426.

Bethlehem Archaeology Group, provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience at Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday meetings. Call 439-4258 for more information.

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

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

Energy Assistance Form Aid, for Heating Energy Assistance Program, offered by Harold Maher of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Town Hall, Tuesdays by appointment, 1-4 p.m., Thursdays on walk-in basis, 1-4 p.m. Appointments, 439-4955, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Library Budget Meeting, 1985-86 budget for Bethlehem Public Library presented, library trustee candidate Joyce Strand will answer questions, library community room, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

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

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

Free Legal Clinic, for Bethlehem senior citizens, first Fridays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Appointment required; 439-4955.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, BCHS Variety Show, presented in March of 1984, 7 p.m.

Pen Pal Club, for children 8 and older, children's room, Bethlehem Public Library, 4-5 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Delmar Progress Club, gardening group will visit SUNY Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill, meet at Bethlehem Town Hall parking lot 8:20 a.m. Reservations, 493-6947 or 439-7758.

Citizen of the Year Dinner, honoring Agnes Tucker, with music by Jade Band, Voorheesville American Legion Hall, 6:30 p.m. \$12 reservations, 765-4978 or 765-4336.

Fashion Show, sponsored by St. Thomas Alter-Rosary Society, featuring fashions by Gingersnips and Town and Tweed, St. Thomas School auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0470.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Tri-Village Squares, dance at First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-11 p.m. Information, 439-3289.

Craft Fair and Flea Market, baked goods also available, Clarksville Firehouse, Clarksville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tables available, 768-2902 or 767-2797.

Garage Sale, sponsored by Panhellenic Assn., proceeds to Panhellenic scholarship fund, offering furniture, clothes, sporting goods, toys and more, 39 Woodstream Dr., Delmar, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 449-7743.

Benefit Concert, Spirit Image-Naphtali, formerly with Christian Music Ministries, will present reunion concert for missionary sponsorship of their director, Frederick Schnur, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Elm Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

State Middle School Assn., meeting at Bethlehem Middle School, all welcome, \$5 registration, 8:30 a.m. Information, 439-7460.

Dinner, and "this and that sale," Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396, Selkirk, beginning at 4 p.m.

Onesquethaw Chapter 818, Order of Eastern Star, reception in honor of Myrtle Kirkland, recently appointed grand representative of Puerto Rico, Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

area arts

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

THEATER

"Handy Dandy," by William Gibson, play deals with issues of nuclear freeze movement, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, May 1, 8 p.m. Tickets, 473-3750.

"The Wonderful Tower of Humbert Lavoignet," Capital Repertory Company's Market Theatre, Albany, through May 12, (Tues.-Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m.). Tickets, 462-4534.

"Camino Real," by Tennessee Williams, Skidmore Theatre, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, May 1-4, 8 p.m. Tickets, 584-5000, ext. 2347.

"My Fair Lady," presented by Schenectady Light Opera, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, May 2-4, 8 p.m.; May 5, 2 p.m. Tickets, 393-5732.

MUSIC

Emerson String Quartet, performs Bach, Bartok, Haydn and Schubert. Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, May 2, 8 p.m. Tickets, 372-3651.

"The Pariahs," excerpts from Leonard Kastle's opera, Page Hall Auditorium, SUNYA downtown campus, May 5, 7 p.m. Tickets, 457-8606.

Noon Organ Concert, with Mary Bon and Neil Keen, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 107 State St., Albany, May 10, noon. Free.

"Muse of France," Capital Chamber Artists perform works by French composers, Bush Auditorium, Troy, May 4, 8 p.m.; Albany Institute of History and Art, May 5, 3 p.m. Tickets, 489-0507.

University Symphonic Band and Percussion Ensemble, concert in main theater, SUNYA Performing Arts Center, May 2, 8 p.m. Free; information, 457-8608.

Delmar Community Orchestra and German American Club choruses, in concert at German American Club, Albany, May 4, 8 p.m.

Crane School of Music Jazz Ensemble, Cohoes Music Hall, May 5, 3 p.m. Tickets, 235-7969.

Keith Jarrett, pianist, in concert at Troy Music Hall, May 4, 8 p.m. Tickets, 273-0038.

ART

Old Dorp Quilt and Needle Arts Show, presented by Schenectady Panhellenic Assn., First Reformed Church of Scotia, May 1.

"Of the Earth," exhibition and sale of ceramics to benefit African Famine Relief Fund, Broughton Gallery of Schenectady Museum, May 5 through May 27.

"Chiaroscuro," portfolio by contemporary photographer Ralph Gibson, Union College Arts Building, Schenectady, through June 16.

Exhibit of New York State decorated German chests, Albany Institute of History and Art, through May 26.

Exhibit of prints, The Albany Academy Gallery, through May 26.

"Spaces Within-Without," display by 16 artists, The Gallery, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through May 25.

"Sky's Vietnam: The Combat Art of George L. Skyepeck," State Vietnam Memorial, Justice Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through May 17.

Maria A. Hall, sculpture and drawings, Schenectady Museum, through May 19.

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Flea Market, bake sale and craft fair, to benefit Albany County Home Bureau, LeVie's Farm, 5654 Maple Rd., Rt. 85A, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tag Sale, presented by New Scotland Kiwanis Club, Voorheesville Elementary School, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Prayer Vigil for Peace, all welcome, St. Thomas Church parking lot, noon.

Bethlehem Rural Cemetery Assn., meeting of lot owners, First Reformed Church, Selkirk, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Ravena Area CROP Walk, 7-mile walk to raise funds for hunger relief efforts of Church World Services, Grace United Methodist Church, Ravena, 2 p.m. Information, 756-2486.

Film Series, outlining difference between "the important and the merely urgent," Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Guelderland Community Center, Rt. 146, beginning May 5, 7 p.m. Information, 797-3162.

Evening Walk, and search for woodcock and owls, sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club, all welcome, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 6:30 p.m.

Family Celebration, sponsored by United Methodist Women, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 6

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

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Candidate Forum, candidates for Bethlehem Central Board of Education discuss issues, 7 p.m.; Storytime with Edna Salkever, 8 p.m.

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

Al-Anon Group, support for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m., information, 439-4561.

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

Mother's Time Out, Christian support group for mothers of preschoolers, meets Mondays at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Free child care; information, 439-9929.

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

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

TUESDAY, MAY 7

Delmar Rotary, meets Tuesdays at Starlite Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6 p.m.

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

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

Medicare Form Aid, sponsored by AARP, first and third Tuesdays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments required, 439-2160.

Delmar Progress Club, creative arts group will hear Nancy McEwan give instructions for cross-stitch embroidery, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Open House, School's Out Inc., after-school program for elementary school students, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-9300.

Tawasentha Chapter NSDAR, meeting and covered dish supper, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 6 p.m.

"Secrets of Student Success," presented by Scott Shoblok of Syracuse University, sponsored by Voorheesville PTSA, Clayton A. Bouton High School library, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Bethlehem Lions Club, meets first and third Wednesday of month, Starlite Restaurant III, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m.

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

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

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

Delmar Progress Club, evening group will hear genealogist James Corsaro speak at Bethlehem Public Library, all welcome, 7 p.m.

Luncheon and Fashion Show, sponsored by Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, Albany Country Club, Wormer Rd., Voorheesville, noon. Reservations, 439-5854 or 439-8268.

RCS School District Budget Vote, election of board of education members and consideration of special propositions for at-large elections, transportation and computers, RCS Senior High School, 1-9 p.m.

Bethlehem Central Schools Budget Vote, election of board of education members and consideration of special propositions for transportation, Bethlehem Middle School, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

Bethlehem Board of Appeals, first meeting of month, public hearing on application for variance for existing front porch at 106 Brockley Dr., Delmar, 8 p.m.; on application for variance for addition at 171 Adams St., Delmar, 8:30 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Bloodmobile, sponsored by American Red Cross and Bethlehem Central High School, girl's gym, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

Sunshine Senior Citizens, senior ball at Empire State Plaza for South Bethlehem senior citizens, meet at First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 6:45 p.m.

Second Milers, retired men's club of Tri-Village area, meeting with Col. George Chesbro speaking about "V.E. Day - Before and After," Delmar United Methodist Church, 12:30 p.m. Reservations, 439-1054.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Readings for the Visually Impaired, 4-7 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 9

Energy Assistance Form Aid, for Heating Energy Assistance Program, offered by Harold Maher of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Town Hall, Tuesdays by appointment, 1-4 p.m., Thursdays on walk-in basis, 1-4 p.m. Appointments, 439-4955, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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

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

Bethlehem Archaeology Group, provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience at Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday meetings. Call 439-4258 for more information.

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

Delmar Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary, regular meeting second Thursday of every month except August, at the fire house, 8 p.m.

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

Elsmere Fire Company, meets second Tuesday of each month at the fire house, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

Helderview Garden Club, meeting with Dr. Gilbert Harlow speaking about begonias, Voorheesville Methodist Church, 7 p.m.

Mohawk Chapter NSDAR, meeting and picnic lunch at home of Mrs. Richard Counce, Lower Letter S Rd., Voorheesville, 11:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Tae Kwon Do: Korean martial arts, part 4, 7 p.m.; *Real George's Back Room*, 7:30 p.m.; *Conversations*, Adrienne Rockwood and Judy Fruiterman discuss career counseling, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Middle School Concert, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Carnival, sponsored by Slingerlands PTA, Slingerlands Elementary School, 4-8 p.m.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, video of Bethlehem Central High School 1984 variety show, 7 p.m.

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

Colonial Council Home Economics Fair, projects by Colonial Council students on display at RCS Senior High School, 9-11 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Bird Identification Walk, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 7 a.m. Information, 439-0943.

Dinner, roast pork served at Clarksville Community Church, Delaware Tpke, Clarksville, \$3 and \$6 admission, servings begin at 4 p.m. Reservations, 768-2391.

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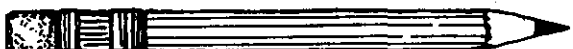
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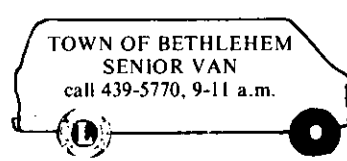
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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR



TOWN OF BETHLEHEM SENIOR VAN
call 439-5770, 9-11 a.m.

May 1	Senior Bowling, Del Lanes, 9:30 a.m.
May 2	Senior Citizens Organization Meeting, town hall, 12:30 p.m.
May 3	Free legal clinic, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Appointments, 439-4955.
May 13	Bowling for senior women, Del Lanes, 1 p.m.
May 14	Senior van shopping trip to Wolf Rd. Shoppers' Park. Reservations, 439-5770.

Every Monday: Grocery shopping at Delaware Plaza for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Every Thursday: Grocery shopping for residents of Glenmont, South Bethlehem, Selkirk area, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Every week day: 9:00-4:00 p.m., the van is on the road taking people to doctors' offices, for hospital treatments and other errands.


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Spring Plant Sale, vegetable and flowers, sponsored by Men's Garden Club of Arbury, Key Bank, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Voorheesville Bike Rally, sponsored by Voorheesville PTSA, Voorheesville Elementary School, 9 a.m.-noon.

Plant Sale, sponsored by Helderview Garden Club, Voorheesville Stewart's and Voorheesville Pharmacy, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Town of Bethlehem Garden Day, town residents invited to pick up free compost and free gardening information, soil testing, \$50, sponsored by town's highway dept. and Council for Preservation of Environment, Bethlehem Highway Dept. Garage, Elm Ave. East, Selkirk, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Project WILD Teacher Workshop, conservation and environmental activities emphasizing wildlife in learning design, open to teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Free; information, 457-6092.

SUNDAY, MAY 12

Mother's Day Dinner, B.P.O.E. 2233, Rt. 144, Selkirk. Reservations required.

Mother's Day Race, for women and girls, sponsored by Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corp. and Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club, Hamagrael Elementary School, noon. Registration by 11:30 a.m.

Registration, for summer Bible school, St. Thomas the Apostle religious education office, May 12-19, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., weekdays.

MONDAY, MAY 13

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

Delmar Community Orchestra, last concert of 1984-85 season, with conductor Robert McGowan, Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Delmar.

MS-Billy Shields Memorial Golf Tournament, to benefit Multiple Sclerosis Society, Albany Country Club, Voorheesville, 1 p.m. Registration, 459-5118.

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

Al-Anon Group, support for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

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

Mother's Time Out, Christian support group for mothers of preschoolers, meets Mondays at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Free child care; information, 439-9929.

TUESDAY, MAY 14

Slingerlands Crafty Companions, second Tuesday of each month, Delmar Reformed Church, 7:30 p.m.

Delmar Rotary, meets Tuesdays at Starlite Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6 p.m.

Slingerlands Fire District, second Tuesday at Slingerlands Fire House, 8 p.m.

Delmar Rotary, meets Tuesdays at Starlite Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6 p.m.

Clarksville PTA, meeting at Clarksville Elementary School, 7 p.m.

Concert, Bethlehem Central High School. Information, 439-3650.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens, trip to Wolf Rd. Shopper's Park. Reservations, 439-5770, between 9 and 11 a.m.

Bloodmobile, sponsored by New Scotland Kiwanis and American Red Cross, United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 9-11 a.m. and 7-9 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club, spring banquet at Colonia Country Club, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville, 6 p.m.

Teddy Bear's Picnic, for children 2-4 years, children's room, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service Registration, employment referral service for students 14 years through college age, RCS Junior-Senior High School, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 439-2238.

Allison Bennett's book *Times Remembered* now available at *The Spotlight*

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

French Language Lecture, Alison d'Anglejan of University of Montreal will review "French Language in Quebec: New Attitudes and Norms," Colonia Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Rd., 7:30 p.m. Free; information, 457-8584.

Writing Workshop, with Albany author Athena Lord, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7 p.m. Registration, 449-3380.

Antiques Lecture, Martha Wilbur will speak about "Hidden Treasures: Beneath the Varnish, Dirt and Paint," Museum of Historical Society of Early American Decoration, 19 Dove St., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Free; information, 462-1676.

Balloon Launch, announcing start of Older Americans Month, sponsored by New York Assn. of Homes and Services for the Aging, north end of Empire State Plaza, Albany, 9 a.m. Free; information 449-2707.

Epilepsy Assn. of Capital District, monthly meeting with guest speaker Debbie Hamilton, director of Center for Independence, all welcome, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Sts., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Free; information 439-8085.

Maypole Dances, performed by Morris Dancers, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 10:30 a.m.

Workshop, on shared housing, sponsored by State Division of Housing and Community Renewal and Albany County Rural Housing Alliance, St. Joseph's Center, Valatie, \$7 registration, 765-2365.

Career Workshop, all welcome, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Free.

Natural History Lecture, of "Neblina: Mountain of Mist," presented by Tim McCabem curator of entomology for State Museum, with slides, Lecture Center 7, SUNY at Albany, 8 p.m. Free; information, 457-6092.

Child Care Discussion Group, hosted by Albany County Health Dept., West Shore Dr., Ravena, 2 p.m. Free.

Architectural Photography Workshop, led by Gary Gold, Rensselaer County



A collection of oil paintings and photographs by Yota Lindroth, a member of the Delmar Camera Club who teaches at Bethlehem Central Middle School, will be displayed at the Bethlehem Public Library from May 6 through May 31.

Council on the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, May 1, 11 and 22, 7 p.m. \$15 registration, 474-7750.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Greater Albany Alumnae Club, meeting and tour of Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 465-7511 or 489-1524.

Arms Control Panel Discussion, sponsored by Lawyers Alliance for Nuclear Arms Control Inc., all welcome, College of St. Rose, 420 Western Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Free; information, 454-5199.

"Views of the North Country," film and lecture series, with Tom Washburn of DEC speaking about bald eagle restoration project, Gideon Putnam room of Administration Building, Empire State Plaza, 7:30 p.m. Information, 584-2000, ext. 43.

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

HEAR, Hearing Endeavor for the Albany Region, self-help group for hearing impaired, meets fourth Thursdays, second floor hearing rehabilitation center, Albany Medical Center, 7 p.m.

Mime, performance by Leland Faulkner, General Electric affiliate artist residency, all welcome, Albany Institute of History and Art, May 2, 12:10 p.m.; Junior College of Albany, May 2, 2:30 p.m.; Albany Public Library, May 5, 1:10 p.m. Free; information, 346-6204.

Youth Counselors Workshop, high school guidance counselors may learn about apprenticeships available in many occupations, sponsored by State Apprenticeship and Training Council, and State Depts. of Labor and Education, Maureen Stapleton Theatre, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 457-6820.

Open House, Albany County Rape Crisis Center, 112 State St., room 640, Albany, with Albany County District Attorney Sol Greenburg, 3-6 p.m. Information, 447-7100.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

Media Seminar, presented by Capital District Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television, Albany Hilton Hotel, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, 8:30 a.m. \$17.50 reservations, 456-1144.

Computer Seminar, entitled "Visual Display Terminals: Fact vs. Fiction," sponsored by Adirondack Regional, Albany-Colonie, Greater Troy and Schenectady Chambers of Commerce, Americana Inn, 8 a.m. \$50 and \$70 registration, 1-800-692-5483.

Registration Deadline, for Friends of the Adirondacks Conference, May 10-11, Siena College. Information 783-2431.

Congregation Beth Emeth Outreach Service, 100 Academy Rd., Albany, 11 a.m. Information, 482-1536.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by Our Lady of Angels-St. Patrick's Outreach Center, St. Patrick's Parish Center, 283 Central Ave., Albany, \$2.50 and \$3.50 admission, 2-7 p.m.

Contra and Country Dancing, with Tony Parkes and Yankee Ingenuity, sponsored by Old Songs Inc., Guilderland Community Center, 2211-B Western Ave., 8-11:30 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

Shaker Open House, featuring demonstrations of Shaker crafts, sponsored by Shaker Heritage Society, Shaker Meeting House, Albany-Shaker Rd. and Rt. 155, donations accepted, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sleuthing Workshop, research local and family history through cemeteries and related sources, sponsored by Albany County Historical Assn., May 4 and 11, 10 a.m. \$10 and \$7 reservations, 436-9826.

"The Ecology of Wetland Societies," films and slides presented by ecologist Erik Kiviati, sponsored by Hudsonia, Bard College, Annandale, 1:30 p.m. Information, 1-914-758-1881.

24-Hour Peace Reading, Half Moon Cafe, 154 Madison Ave., Albany, beginning at midnight. Information, 434-4037.

Spring Antiques Market, sponsored by Knickerbocker Historical Society Inc., Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, Rts. 67 and 40, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Comic Book Conventon, all welcome, Holiday Inn, Central Ave., Colonie, \$3.50 admission, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 439-0963.

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Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club, field trip to Adirondack bog in search of woodpeckers, gray jays and boreal chickadees, all welcome, meet at north end of Latham Circle Mall parking lot, 6:15 a.m.

Albany Antiquarian Book Fair, featuring rare books, maps, prints, photos; autographs, manuscripts and more, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, \$2 admission, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Gardening Seminar, entitled "How to Build a Solar Greenhouse," presented by SUNY at Albany, Division of Continuing Studies, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration, 455-6121.

Spaghetti Dinner, all welcome, Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, 820 Madison Ave., Albany, 5-7 p.m. Reservations, 489-2537.

Special Olympics Equestrian Meet, all welcome, Altamont Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 765-2022.

A.C. Sparkplugs Western Square Dance Club, dance and covered dish supper, sponsored by Foot and Fiddle Club, Esperance Fire Hall, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4122.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Reception, Friends of Albany Public Library salute Judge Francis Bergan, author of *Court of Appeals*, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 3 p.m.

Testimonial Brunch, honoring Edythe Levine, with Rabbi Mordecai Waxman as guest speaker, sponsored by Temple Israel Friends of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Temple Israel, Albany, 10 a.m. \$6.50 reservations, 438-7858.

Albany County Audubon Society, field trip to Schoharie County to search for nesting bluebirds, meet at Schenectady County Community College parking lot, 8 a.m. Information, 346-7270.

Greater Albany Professional Singles, will explore emotional life issues at performance of CDPC Mental Health Players, Little Theater, Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, \$2 admission, 7 p.m. Information, 436-0602.

Conference on Families, workshop entitled "Resilient Children: How Kids Make It," sponsored by Family Agencies Committed to Service, Empire State Plaza, May 5 and 6. Registration, 482-3331.

American Diabetes Assn. Bike-a-thon, 25-mile closed access or open routes, featuring prizes, including trip to Disney World. Registration, 869-0157.

"Albany's Architecture: Reconstructing a City's Past," lecture presented by John Mesick, architect, Rockefeller Institute of Government, 411 State St., Albany, 3 p.m. Free; information, 457-4591.

"Genocide in Guatemala," forum sponsored by Central American Solidarity Alliance, College of Saint Rose, St. Joseph's Auditorium, 785 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 434-4037.

Open House, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 445-1730.

Springfest, on grounds of Schuyler Mansion State Historic Site, 32 Catherine St., Albany, 1-4 p.m.

Coin and Stamp Show, sponsored by Capital District Coin Dealers Assn., Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; pancake breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon. Information, 346-2584.

Brunch, Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 332 Hudson Ave., Albany, 1-3 p.m. Information, 462-6138.

National Heritage Sunday, with Rev. Howard G. Hageman, president of New Brunswick Seminary, preaching, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, 10:30 a.m.

Comic Book Convention, all welcome, Holiday Inn, Central Ave., Colonie, \$3.50 admission, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 439-0963.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

State Legislative Forum, entitled "Criminal Justice — A Continuum," panel discussion moderated by SUNYA President Vincent O'Leary, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 10:30 a.m.

"Choosing a Long Distance Phone Company," with Amy Bach of State Consumer Protection Bureau, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, noon.

Parents Without Partners, Albany Chapter, meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 438-8586.

Open House, Tools Project Inc., 674 Columbia Tpk., East Greenbush, 6-10 p.m. Information, 477-8990.

Former Smokers, support group sponsored by American Lung Assn., meet first and third Tuesdays at American Lung Assn., 8 Mountain View Ave., Albany, 7-8 p.m. Information, 459-4197.

Mid-East Lecture, entitled "State of Siege: Israeli Violation of Palestinian Rights Intensifies," by Jeanne Butterfield and Mohammed Ramieh, Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

"Quebec and Independence: Testimony of American-born Quebecois," lecture and film presented by Dean Louder of Laval University, Quebec City, Colonie Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Rd., 7:30 p.m.

Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club, trip to Henry G. Reist Wildlife Sanctuary, all welcome, meet at sanctuary entrance, Union St. and Rt. 7, Schenectady, 8 a.m.

Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, Capital District Chapter, support group for patients, family and friends, meets at Cusak Auditorium, St. Peter's Hospital, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-2517.

Senior Citizens Ball, sponsored by Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area Inc. and Albany County Council of Senior Citizens Centers and Clubs, Empire State Plaza, \$1.25 donation, 7:30-11 p.m. Information, 465-3322.

Architectural History Lecture, Richard Guy Wilson will speak about "Modernism, The Machine Age in America, 1920-1941," Rensselaer County Council on the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, 8 p.m.

"The Adirondack: The Land Nobody Knows," documentary films explore significance of "forever wild" clause in state constitution, Gideon Putnam room, Administration Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Albany Academy mothers association spring meeting, with preview of Soviet Union tour, Albany Academy, 7 p.m.



John Mountford and Faith Most will appear in Christopher Fry's *The Lady's Not For Burning*, a comedy set in the 15th Century. The play will run from May 8 through May 19 with performances at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. at the Albany Civic Theater.

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A no-tax village budget?!

By Theresa Bobear

It's a rare bird in the world of budgeting. At its April meeting, the Voorheesville Village Board approved a 1985-86 spending plan calling for a 36 percent increase over last year's spending plan and a 100 percent decrease from last year's tax rate.

The approved budget for the village's 1985-86 fiscal year is up by \$176,288; and estimated revenue is expected to increase by \$176,288, without collecting real estate taxes.

Last year's sales tax revenue — \$150,000 higher than expected — is responsible for the unusual situation, which village officials say may not happen again.

At its April meeting the village board also had the somewhat less pleasant task of establishing sewer rents within the newly established Salem Hills Sewer District 1.

Next year's budget includes a number of increases. The 1985-86 budget includes a salary of \$2,000 for each of the village's four trustees, up from \$1,000, and a salary of \$4,000 for the next mayor, up from \$3,000 this year.

The village justice will receive a salary of \$4,000, up from \$3,500 last year.

An additional \$87,150 has been allotted to the Transportation

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Department. The village will spend \$8,000 for hiring a second assistant to the superintendent of highways and \$51,000 for equipment, including \$40,000 for replacement of a dump truck and salter.

The budget also includes an additional \$9,995 for the village recreation program, an additional \$11,500 for personal services through home and community services zoning. The village will spend \$5,000 for storm sewers, up from \$1,000 last year.

Local Law 1, providing for the establishment and collection of sewer rents within the Salem Hills Sewer District 1, was passed by the board. Beginning May 1, residents will pay the village \$30 per month for operation of the Salem Hills Sewerage Disposal plant.

Mayor Richard Lennon said a penalty of 5 percent is effective 20 days after the due date.

The law gives the village discretionary power to discontinue water service if the sewer rent is not paid for an aggregate of three months.

Lennon said unpaid rents will be transferred to the village tax bills. The village will relay a copy of this transaction to the Internal Revenue Service so that the sewer rent is not mistaken for deductible real estate taxes.

Lennon said the closing on the sewage plant had been set for Monday, April 29. Lennon reported that the village will receive credit for two pieces of equipment that are listed in the contract but not owned by the sellers, Rosen-Michaels.

Regarding sewage disposal for the Pleasant St. area, Lennon said the sewer commission hopes to meet with residents of Pleasant St. The installation of two tanks at the bottom of the hill would probably be the least costly solution, according to Lennon. "The only way those tanks could handle it was if the storm sewers were drained off somewhere else," said Lennon.

In other business, the board:

- Announced that the Senior Citizens Community Service Council has established a medicare and medicaid form aid program for senior citizens in the village. For information, seniors may call the village office at 765-2692.

- Agreed to send a letter of commendation to the Voorheesville Boy Scouts who raked the leaves out of Scotch Pine Park.

- Learned that the New Scotland Kiwanis plan to post a community bulletin board at the intersection of Rts. 85A and 155.

- Learned that trustee Daniel Reh will meet with village postmaster John Fallos and planning commission member August Berger to consider ways to improve the parking facilities at the new Voorheesville Post Office.



Lady Liberty Alison Bradley, a first grade student at Voorheesville Elementary School, leads her classmates to the finale of their class play about the rich cultural heritage of Americans. The school raised more than \$400 for the renovation of the Statue of Liberty. *Lyn Staff*

"The contractor has more space to develop," said Reh.

- Agreed to post a "no swimming" sign near the Vly Creek.

- Learned that a Conservation Advisory Council brochure will be distributed by the Boy Scouts during the first two weeks of May.

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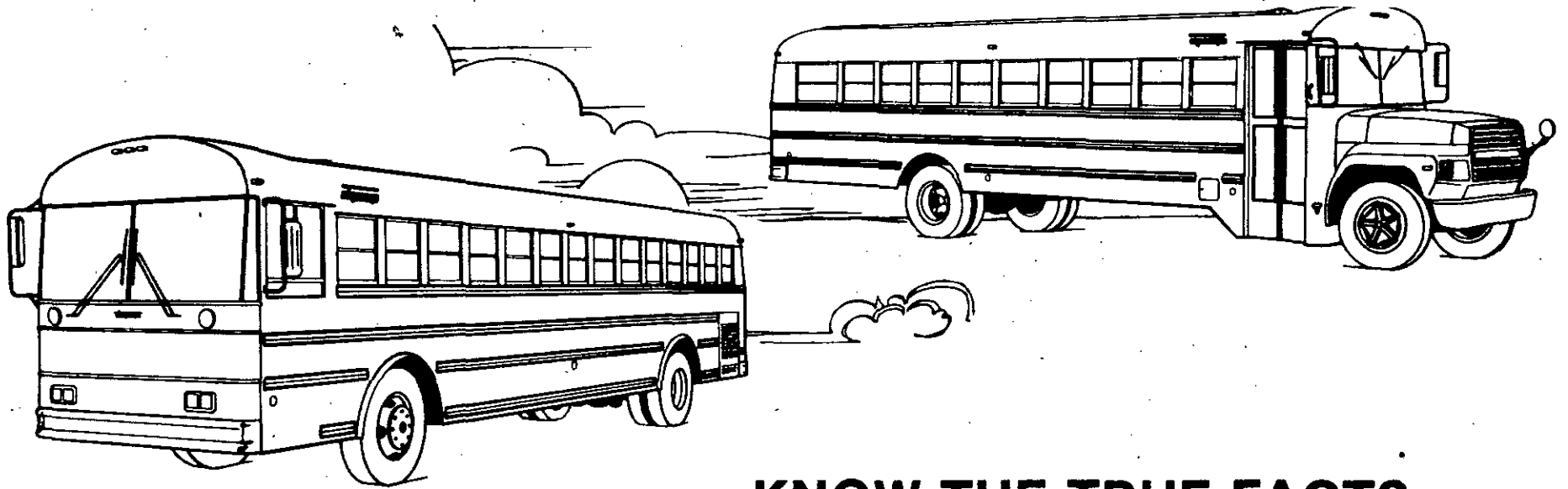
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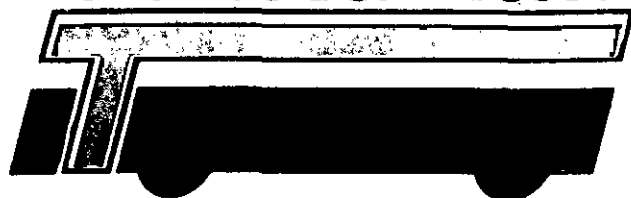
Let's not confuse the issue of seatbelts with the need for new buses. These are separate issues! Seatbelts are available in any size bus. Seatbelts may or may not improve the safety in school buses. There are valid arguments on both sides of this issue. To this date, there are no Federal or State standards pertaining to the type of seatbelt or installation thereof. For this reason, it is conceivable, that seatbelts installed today may not meet the guidelines and standards of the future. For example, if a decision is made to install lap belts now, will a future requirement necessitate the removal of lap belts in favor of shoulder harness? If so, at whose expense?

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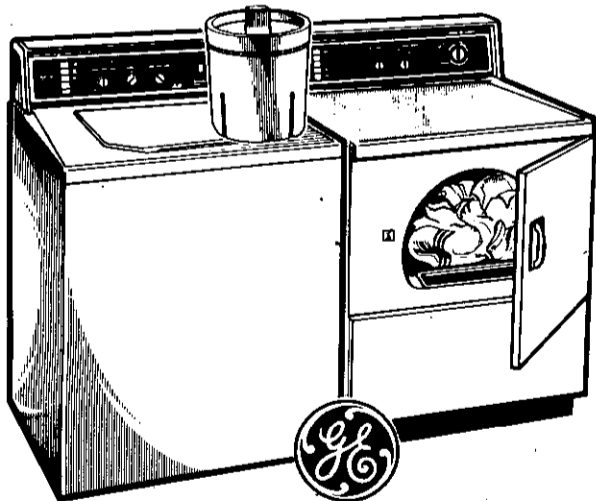
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Signs of spring

Spring is here . . . and to many that means garage sales and flea markets. Not to disappoint those eagerly awaiting the arrival of the bargain-filled events several organizations have planned such festivities for this Saturday.

At the Voorheesville Elementary School the New Scotland Kiwanis Club will hold their annual tag sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The proceeds will go to support the many facets of the Kiwanis Youth program including pee wee wrestling, grasshopper baseball and softball, summer band and youth soccer. Those wishing to donate items for the sale may contact either Joe Perry at 765-4900 or Bruce Martelle at 765-4930.

Also on May 4 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. the New Scotland Chapter of Home Bureau will participate in the second annual Albany County Craft Sale to be held at LeVie's Farm Building on Rt. 85A. The sale will feature crafts, baked goods and a white elephant booth.

Finally, in New Salem the Ladies Auxiliary of the New Salem Fire Department will hold its annual flea market and craft sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the firehouse on Rt. 85A. Those wishing to rent space may still contact Pat DeLorenzo at 765-2817.

All three events will take place rain or shine.

Spring cleanup

Another sign of spring visible this month is the annual spring cleanup to be held in the Village of Voorheesville this coming Monday through Wednesday.

Since the regularly scheduled garbage collection will coincide with the trash collection, but different vehicles will be used for each, residents are reminded to keep their trash separate from their garbage.

Those disposing of large items such as appliances should contact the village office at 765-2692 to make arrangements to have them taken away.

All brush, trees, lumber and metal piping must be cut into four

foot lengths and all grass and leaves must be bagged. The leaf vacuum will not be used because of the many stones and twigs raked up this time of the year.

Village planting

Another sign of spring is the many flowers popping up all over Voorheesville, many of which get help from the Helderview Garden Club, which is responsible for the plantings in the village flower boxes as well as those in front of the elementary school, public library and area churches.

On Thursday, May 9 the Helderview Garden Club will hold their monthly meeting beginning at 7 p.m. at the Voorheesville Methodist Church. Featured speaker will be Professor Gilbert Harlow who will talk about Begonias. Also that evening final plans will be made for the group's annual plant sale to be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in front of Stewart's and the Voorheesville Pharmacy on May 11.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mary Lou Nichols, Rose Symula and Emily Laraway.

PTSA projects

Besides flowers, projects are popping up in Voorheesville. The Voorheesville PTSA has planned several springtime events certain to brighten up the season.

During the week of May 6 to 10 the PTSA will honor the district's teachers with several surprises to thank them for their hard work and dedication to area youth. Those wishing to assist Joanne St. Denis and her committee in this endeavor planned for Teacher Recognition Week may contact her at 765-4748.

Also to help celebrate the occasion, teachers, as well as the rest of the community, will be treated to an evening with Scott Shoblok, a dynamic speaker from Syracuse University who will address the topic of motivating students to succeed. Shoblok, who tempers his wisdom with wit, has a unique way of alerting parents and teachers to notice those ordinary things about students which really makes them extraordinary. Teachers will hear him speak at a special joint meeting in the afternoon, while



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the rest of the community is welcome to join the PTSA at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7 in the high school library.

For the younger set the PTSA will hold its annual bike rally on Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Voorheesville Elementary School. Everyone is invited to come and have their bikes inspected. Minor adjustments will also be made on bikes at that time. A safety course will be set up and guided rally tours will take place on the bike path between the grade school and the high school during the morning. Those interested in helping chairman Mike Malark with the many duties of the rally may contact him at 765-4392. A bake sale will also be held. Those wishing to work or donate goods may also call Mike.

Day care survey

More than 100 responses have been received concerning the child-age day-care survey sent out by the PTSA. Overall it appears that a number of people would be interested in such a program. Those who have not returned their questionnaires may still do so. Those who are interested in working on the researching and formulating of such a program are invited to call Nancy Basal at 765-2637, Mart Van Ryn at 765-2736 or Fred and Bonnie Meservy at 765-4284 to volunteer.

Finally, nominations are still being accepted for next year's PTSA officers. Those who would like to assist the PTSA with their many worthwhile programs may contact Joyce Schrieber at 765-2210.

Technology fair at high school

Students from the Voorheesville High School are also busy getting ready for their second annual all day fair to be held this Thursday at the high school from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's theme will be "Technology and the Quality of Life: From Yesterday to Tomorrow," with projects on everything from television production, to technology involved in sports to the potential effects of nuclear warfare.

Members of the newly formed Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) group will have a display.

Begun last May with the Renaissance Fair, this all-day fair has become an annual event, according to faculty advisors and coordinators Bob Samuels and Richard Leach.

Dinner for Agnes Tucker

A final reminder that the dinner to honor Agnes Tucker, this year's New Scotland Citizen of the Year will be held this Friday beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Voorheesville. Mrs. Tucker, who has served the community on many organizations, will also be honored as grand marshal of the Memorial Day Parade. Those wishing to join the evening of dining and dancing in honor of this worthy

lady may call either Paul Jeffers at 765-4978 or Barbara Joyce at 765-4336. Reservations are \$12 per person.

Ambulance squad to install

Another dinner will be held at the American Legion Hall on Friday, May 17 — this time to install the new officers of the Voorheesville Area Ambulance Squad.

According to Leo Burgoon, commander of the Voorheesville Post 1493, "the Legion, their Ladies Auxilairy and the Sons of the American Legion group are delighted to have the members of this fine community service group as their guests on their installation night."

The host committees for the dinner includes Burgoon, Ladies Auxilairy President Corrine Cossack, and the Sons of the American Legion Commander, Steve Applegate.

There are also a limited number of dinner tickets available at \$10 each for those who wish to join the American Legion organizations in honoring the Ambulance Squad. Those wishing to obtain these tickets for the dinner, which begins at 7:30 p.m., may contact the post at 765-4712.

Grasshopper starts

"Play ball" will ring out from the grade school and the high school this week as members of the grasshopper baseball and softball teams sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland take to the diamonds to participate in America's favorite past time. Over 180 children in grades 2 through 8 will participate in the program, which begins this week and ends on Saturday, June 15, when teams will meet for championship games at the town park followed by a family picnic.

Members of the four girl's softball teams will meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings to play, while boys in the four major teams and boys and girls in the six minor teams pair off Tuesdays and Thursdays. Both grade school and high school fields will be used.

Scouts clean up

Although many members of the Voorheesville Pack 73 (Cub Scouts) and Voorheesville Troop 73 (Boy Scouts) do indeed play ball not all their energy will be spent at the field.

This year's winners of the State Award in Public Service, Troop 73 spent the first day of spring vacation cleaning up the village park located in the Scotch Pine development.

The Cubs, on the other hand, will be taking to the roads to watch the service of others as they and their families visit the Schenectady Air National Guard Station to tour the facilities and its planes this Sunday at 1 p.m.



Chester Boehkle, left, exalted ruler of the New Scotland Elks Lodge 2611, is presented with the charter of the Voorheesville Cub Scout pack 73 by

district officer Robert Euhler as cub master Nareen Copeland looks on during a recent ceremony.

Lyn Staff

Program at museum

The New Scotland Historical Association will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 7, at 8 p.m. at the Old New Salem Schoolhouse Museum. The topic will be "Our National Parks: Contemporary Views," presented by Bob and Marion Parmenter. The public is invited.

Concert by 3 bands

The Voorheesville High School will be filled with the music of three bands on Thursday, May 9, as the Junior High Band under the direction of Lydia Tobler and the Senior High band and Stage Band directed by Frank McDermott present their spring concert

beginning at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to this free evening of instrumental music.

The concert will follow in the wake of the appearance by the

bands at the Legislative Office Building at the Empire State Plaza, where they have been invited to perform on Monday from noon until 1 p.m.

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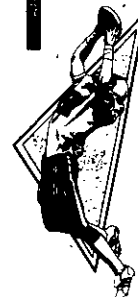
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News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

Barbara Pickup 767-9225



Program at church

"This is My Father's World" is the title of this evening's program which will be led by Mary Dushek at the May meeting of the South Bethlehem United Methodist Women. The 8 p.m. meeting will be at the South Bethlehem Church on Willowbrook Ave. Devotions will be led by Marion Fross, with Edna Perry and Ruth Wright as hostesses. All women in the community are invited.

Museum site for tailgate sale

Members of the Town of Bethlehem Historical Association will have their annual tailgate sale on Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum grounds. The museum is located on Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., across from the Bethlehem Elks Lodge. There will be dealers in crafts, antiques and collectibles, as well as plants, "white elephant" booths, home-baked goods and refreshments for sale. There will also be a table with genealogy information for people interested in genealogical research.

Members heading committees for the event include Charles E. and Evelyn Alford, general chairmen; Mary Ann Twardowsky, refreshments; Mary Law and Mary Elizabeth VanOostenbrugge, baked goods; Charles and Marjorie Crangle, plants; Charles and Helen Clarke, "white elephant"; Charles E. Alford, genealogy, and James Vandervort, posters.

Student work on display

Don't forget this evening, May 1, the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High will have its annual student fair. Friends and family are invited to see examples of the work and special projects done by the students during the school year. The principal's advisory committee has worked hard to make this the best fair yet. They have selected "Past, Present Future — Shaping the Lives of Students" as the theme of the fair.

Beef on Saturday's menu

This Saturday evening, May 4, the Bethlehem Grange is sponsoring one of their home-style dinners. The menu calls for a complete roast beef dinner. Serving will begin at 4 p.m. at the grange hall, Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, Selkirk, continuing until all are served. Reservations are not required, except when large groups want to be seated together.

A capital trip!

Some 140 area residents toured the Washington, D.C., area recently as part of a trip sponsored by the A.W. Becker PTO. Three buses left Selkirk in the morning, April 20 and returned the following Monday evening. The group, which included as many children as adults, enjoyed a tour of the Capitol and visiting the Washington Monument and the Lincoln, Jefferson and Vietnam Memorials the first day in Wash-

ington. Sunday was left open, allowing people to use the time as they chose. Many went to the Smithsonian Institution, others to the zoo, and some were even able to visit the White House and were there when President Reagan returned by helicopter from Camp David.

The third day was devoted to a tour of the FBI building and the purchase of souvenirs before departing for home.

Seniors' gala May 8

The South Bethlehem-Selkirk Sunshine Senior Citizens are going to the ball. It's the annual senior citizens ball sponsored by the Albany County Senior Citizens Clubs of the Albany Area. "Swinging in the Spring" is the theme of this year's gala event, which will be held at the Empire State Convention Center in Albany at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8. The festivities, which will include music by the Johnny Costas Orchestra, waltz contests, free soda and snacks, door prizes and the crowing of the king and queen, are open to all seniors. Tickets are \$1.25, and parking is free.

The South Bethlehem Senior Citizens will organize car pools from the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem at 6:45 p.m. Further information may be obtained by contacting Bob Mayo at 767-3006.

For mothers and others

If you'd like a special way to remember "Mom" on Mother's Day, the Bethlehem Elks Lodge might be able to provide it. They'll be serving a variety of Mother's Day dinners on Sunday, May 12, at 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 p.m. at the lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk. The choice includes a seafood platter, prime

ribs, strip steak, roast turkey and dressing, or baked Virginia ham. All dinners will include salad, rolls, beverage and dessert.

Reservations are required and may be made by contacting the lodge.

RCS mindbenders

The three teams from RCS Junior High School placed second and third in the Regional Olympics of the Mind recently held at Sand Creek Junior High School.

A group of students, including Melissa Shea, Jennifer Schwartz, Philip Christopher, Martin Zaloga, Scott Harris and Corey Thiele, placed second in the music maestro competition.

Students on the compound fracture team, Robbie Wade, Arthur Hobbs, Jeff Schaffer, David Pistrutto, Glenn Lasher, Robert Stumpf and Bill Stanton, won third place honors in the bridge building competition.

A team of sixth graders, including Joanmarie Nunziato, Sara Fink, Ian Anderson, Mike Endres and Joy Donnelly, won third place honors for the circus act that they performed in the big top competition.

Button Club to meet

The Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will meet on Wednesday, May 8, at noon in the Bethlehem Public Library. A slide program on plant life will be given by Mrs. Raymond Bushell of Averill Park. Mrs. James Hefferman of Albany will be hostess for the day. Guests are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join the members for lunch. The club will provide beverages.

Spotlight ON THE SERVICES



Philip White

Airman Philip M. White, son of Philip T. White of 142 Maple Ave., Selkirk, and Anne M. Robinson of Daytona Beach Shores, Fla., has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex.

His wife, Cheryl, is the daughter of James and Carol McGaushan of 18 Grove St., Delmar.

He received an associate degree in 1983 from Sterling College, Craftsbury, Common, Vt.

Army Pfc. Wayne D. Shearer, son of Judy and Doug Shearer of Voorheesville, has arrived for duty in Augsburg, West Germany.

Shearer, a telephone central office repairer with the 2nd Support Command, was previously assigned at Fort Gordon, Ga. He is a 1983 graduate of Voorheesville High School.

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RCS school board candidates

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teachers union, and is adjunct professor at Cornell University.

"I'd like to see an educational system that is competitive with the neighboring districts. I think it (the RCS school district) is at this point," said Peretti.

Peretti said he supports the draft budget and the propositions for computers and buses. He said he is in favor of continuing with at-large elections.

Noting that RCS is a suburban district with a diverse population, Peretti said he would attempt to serve the needs of residents as a member of the board.

Fran Curley

A resident of the RCS School District for the past 12 years, Fran Curley of Selkirk earned a degree in biology education from the State University College at Oneonta and did graduate work at the State University at Albany. She has one child attending Becker Elementary School and two children attending RCS Junior-Senior High School. "This broad distribution of my children gives me a broad view of what goes on in our school and a sincere personal interest in the quality of the school system."

She is a former employee of the State Education Department. Currently she is self-employed as an income tax consultant.

"Over the years I've seen a great many changes in our schools — most of them improvements. New programs, such as REACH and peer tutoring have been steps in the right direction. The new

Regents Action Plan has mandated even more changes for the very near future, and it will be a real challenge for everyone involved in education to implement these changes and accomplish all that is required while at the same time keeping in mind the fiscal realities of our community," said Curley. "In my work as a tax consultant and as a volunteer in Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE), I've become aware of the economic situations with which many of our senior citizens, and younger families as well, must cope. Careful and efficient use of our tax money must always be a high priority."

She said she would like to see taxpayers and parents have a greater voice in determining school policy. She supports the budget and the proposition for buses. "This is a rural district and we have to have buses," she said. She also supports the computer proposition. "I think the children need to learn this," she said. Curley said she would like to see the district remain at-large. "I think it gives the voters more choice," she said.

Ronald Selkirk

A lifelong resident of the RCS School District, Ronald Selkirk was raised on his family's farm in Selkirk. He attended RCS schools through ninth grade and graduated from Bethlehem Central High School. The youngest of his four children will graduate from RCS Senior High School this June. He drives a car carrier for M. and G. Convoy.

Selkirk has served on the board

for the past five years. "I feel that there are projects I would like to see completed, such as the solar and roofing projects, which are now in progress," said Selkirk. He said he would like to keep high quality, economical education for the district.

Selkirk said he supports the budget and proposed bus purchase. He said he has mixed emotions about the computer proposition. "I tend against them because of the grade school side of it," he explained. He said the board made a mistake in putting the proposed computer purchases for the elementary schools and the junior high school on a single proposition. He said he favors the elimination of at-large elections because "nobody can challenge a certain office holder as an individual."

Anthony J. Williams

A lifelong resident of the district, Anthony Williams of Ravena says he has two good reasons for serving on the board and "and they're both going to school." His two children are attending RCS Junior-Senior High School.

Williams has served as a member of the board for the past eight years and president of the board for the past year. Regarding the budget, Williams said: "We've done what can be done, keeping in mind the taxpayers' interests as well as the interests of our students." He supports the budget, which is up a little over 4 percent from last year. "Our revenues have just not held up to expectations," he said. If re-

ected, Williams said he would "try to keep things as open as possible." He said he would work to keep the community, board members, parents, teachers and administrators as aware as possible.

Williams supports the propositions for computer and bus purchases. "We do need the buses," he said, noting that the vehicles were moved from the regular budget to a special proposition so that they could be paid for over a five-year period.

Williams said the district should give at-large elections a chance. He observed that without at-large elections at least one of the nine candidates for the five available seats would be running unopposed this year. With the at-large elections "everybody is running with some opposition," he said. The competition is good.

A graduate of State University at Brockport, Williams, a former teacher, is employed as quality assurance and energy supervisor for Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corp., Delmar.

James VanValkenburg

James VanValkenburg of Selkirk attended RCS schools through junior year of high school. He has been living in the RCS district for the past 14 years. His son, James, attends Becker Elementary School, and his son, Patrick, will start at Ravena Elementary School in September.

VanValkenburg said he has "a commitment to better education" and "some good ideas to contribute to the educational development of our future adults."

A graduate of Niskayuna High School, he is employed as a boiler technician by General Electric in Selkirk. He is a member and officer of the Selkirk Fire Department No. 1, Selkirk.

He said he would support the teachers of the RCS district in preparing RCS children to succeed in any goal they set. He supports the budget and the propositions for buses and computers.

Penny Gould

Penny Gould earned a bache-

lor's degree in elementary education from the State University College at Geneseo. She lives in Ravena with her two children, aged 2 and 4, and her husband, William Bailey.

Gould is employed as project director of the State Department of Health research program. Previously, she was a program research and development director for the Mohawk Pathway Girl Scout Council in Schenectady.


Gould said she would like to keep the educational level high as her children enter and go through the school district. She believes the board "should be more involved in policy setting and less involved in the administration, the day-to-day administration. We have administrators for that," she said. She supports the budget and the proposed bus and computer purchases. She said the district should stay with at-large elections.

Frank J. Filippone

A resident of the RCS area for 23 years, Dr. Frank Filippone of Coeymans has spent 26 years in public education as a teacher and administrator. He served as principal of RCS Senior High School for 5½ years, and he served as superintendent of the RCS School District for 7½ years. He retired in June of 1975 and joined Hillside House of Coeymans as executive director, his present position. Hillside House provide community residences and supportive living apartments for 45 mentally retarded adults.

After noticing negative public response to his resignation, Filippone, who has served one year on the board, decided to seek reelection. "My conversations with many of our citizens in the past month have convinced me that they are very concerned, not only about the quality of education but also about its cost. Personally I am convinced that education is not a business; however, there is a business side to education which, if neglected, can imperil the best of educational programs. I am also determined to see that RCS operates a system it can afford. Therefore, each new program, each new staff position

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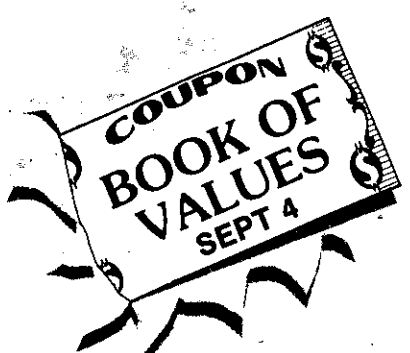


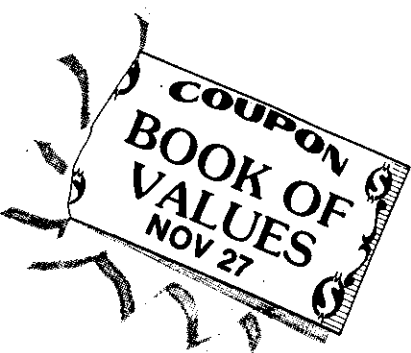
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must be scrutinized from both an educational and financial standpoint. It also means one of our first priorities as a board is to review thoroughly all existing positions and programs to determine if they are needed. I am most concerned about the fact that our school budget has doubled in the past ten years despite the loss of almost 700 pupils in that period of time," said Filippone.

Filippone supports the propositions for the purchase of buses and computers. He would like to see the district continue with at-large elections. "We have enough diversity in this world," he said.

Martin Cross III

A lifelong resident of Selkirk and a graduate of RCS Senior High School, Martin Cross III earned a degree in accounting from Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. He is a rural postal carrier in the Selkirk post office. He lives in Selkirk with his two daughters, aged 2 and 5.

"One of my objectives as a member of the school board would be to establish improved communication between the people in our community and the board," said Cross.

Cross supports the 1985-86 budget drafted by the board. He believes that the computer and bus propositions should be passed. "The expenditure for seven new buses will help to insure safe and continuous transportation for our children. The need for efficient bus service is important in a rural district such as ours," he said.

Regarding the proposed computer purchase, Cross said "If the children are to be properly educated, and prepared for our high tech society, we must provide them with computer training." He believes the at-large elections should be eliminated.

As a member of the school board, Cross said he would "attempt to keep an open mind on all of the issues" and make decisions on a district-wide basis. "The interests of the people and the future of our children will guide my approach to the problems facing our school district," he said.

On planning board

Robert Osborne and Samuel Ciccio of Delmar have been elected to serve on the executive committee of Health Systems Agency of Northeastern New York Inc.

Dr. Ciccio, executive vice president of Albany Medical College, is a member of the health agency's planning advisory group.

Osborne, deputy commissioner of the state Department of Social Services, served as president of the health agency from 1982 to 1984.



Julie F. Green

Student honored

Julie F. Green of Delmar recently received a scholarship from Paul Smith's College of Arts and Sciences, in Paul Smiths, N.Y. She was among more than 120 scholars, athletes and student leaders who were honored at a college awards program.

Green is a freshman studying travel and tourism at the college. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Green of Delmar.

Student cited

Deborah L. Broderick of Selkirk, a student at Becker Junior College, Worcester, Mass., has been named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*. A graduate of RCS Senior High School, she is the daughter of Dan and Carol Broderick. She is studying to become a medical assistant.

Russian tour preview

The Albany Academy Mothers Association spring meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, at the school on Academy Rd., Albany. Following a brief business meeting and election of officers, Erastus Corning III, president of Corning Associates, will present a slide preview of the upcoming tour of the Soviet Union, which is being planned for a group of students at the Albany Academy. Corning has traveled extensively in the Soviet Union and is coordinating the trip for the students.

Garden Day set

Bethlehem's annual Garden Day, sponsored by the town's Highway Department and Council for the Preservation of the Environment, has been scheduled for May 11. Between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., town residents may pick up free compost and gardening information at the highway department garage on Elm Ave. East in Selkirk.

Master gardeners enrolled in the Albany County Cooperative Extension program will perform soil tests for a 50 cent donation. Residents must bring sturdy containers for hauling the compost.

V.E. Day recalled

The Second Milers, a retired men's club of the Tri-Village area, will hear Col. George Chesbro speak about "V.E. Day — Before and After" at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, at the Delmar United Methodist Church.

Visitors and new members are welcome. For reservations call 439-1054.

Flowers for sale

The Men's Garden Club of Albany will sell spring flowers and vegetables at the Delmar Office of Key Bank, Delaware Ave., Delmar, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 11.

Heldeberg invites

An open house will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, at the Heldeberg Workshop. Parents and children may tour the 270-acre facility and register for the 1985 program. The Heldeberg Workshop is located at the base of the Heldeberg escarpment on Picard Rd. in Voorheesville. For information call 765-2777.

Probe \$1,900 theft

Bethlehem police are investigating the theft of good values at a total of \$1,900 from a North Bethlehem garage, according to police reports. The items, which included a welding device and mover's pads, were reported missing last Tuesday from a Pine St. address, police reported.

Kiwansians celebrate Shaker fair

The Delmar Kiwanis recently gathered at the Starlite Restaurant for their 45th anniversary. Guests at the celebration included Lt. Gov. Robert Prentiss, members of the Albany and New Scotland Kiwanis Clubs, and members of the Bethlehem Central High School Key Club.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor Robert Hendrick reviewed his first 75 days as supervisor and discussed various construction projects involving town roads, water lines and sewer lines.

School's Out open

School's Out Inc. will hold an open house for interested parents and children from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

The after-school program operates from 3 to 6 p.m. after every full day of school. The program for elementary school children features piano lessons, arts and crafts, woodworking, floor gymnastics, organized outdoor sports, help with homework and other activities.

To register for the September session call 439-9300.

Radar device taken

A radar detector was taken from a car parked in a driveway on Darnley Green sometime Saturday night, according to Bethlehem police reports. The device is valued at \$250, the report noted.

Evening of song

An evening of four-part harmony will be presented by the 60-voice Electric City Chorus for the benefit of the Epilepsy Association of the Capital District at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, at Bethlehem Central High School.

The evening will also feature music by guest quartets and a community sing. All proceeds will be used to provide free literature, support services, referrals and counseling.

Rings disappear

A New Scotland Rd. resident told Bethlehem police last Wednesday that several rings were missing from her home after a birthday party the previous week, according to police reports. The rings are valued at a total of \$4,050, the report noted.

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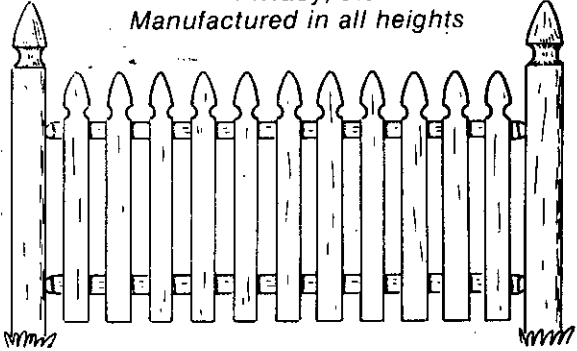
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A lesson on who's the real boss

One day in the early 1970's, before Feminism had attained the status of a social movement, a 16 year-old street urchin came into my psychotherapy office with her boyfriend and went to the reception area awaiting her appointment with me. I had been working with her a short time and had come to know her as a feisty, hot-wired, hair-triggered girl driven by that undefinable impatience to gain adulthood, yet shackled by the social reality that she was still an adolescent.

She hated school and, despite ample intellect, confined her learning to the street rather than the classroom. In fact, she applied her brain power to designing clever ways of avoiding school so she could devote more time pursuing those classes offered by the School of Hard Knocks on the streetcorners of life.

She was not clever enough, however, and I was seeing her at the request of her parents whose reactions to disciplinary notices from their daughter's school had worn so ragged that they were nearing the give-up stage. Every effort they had mustered to

Family MATTERS

Norman G. Cohen



influence their little girl away from her unsavory associations had backfired. Every attempt they had made to woo her back to the straight and narrow path of high school studies had fizzled. Their bright and vivacious girl was now

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making dropout sounds more often, and her rebellion against the conventional was heating up. It looked like the tail was wagging the dog.

As I came out to the reception area to greet her, I heard scuffling noises issuing from that general direction. Rounding the corner of

the waiting room, I beheld my five foot three inch client repeatedly smashing the shoulder of her six foot boyfriend with her fist. He was halfheartedly trying to fend off her attack, but to no avail. She was connecting on two out of every three shots.

His patronizing laugh stopped suddenly when he saw me. Somewhat embarrassed he grabbed her wrists and announced, "Your shrink's here." She reeled around on her chair, spritely said "Hi" to me, leaned over to grab her purse

off the floor, and, before getting up to follow me into my office, gave her boyfriend one more shot in the shoulder for good measure.

She bounced into my overstuffed chair somewhat out of breath and took the lead by asking me, "How're ya doin'?"

"I'm doing fine," I replied, "but how are you doing?"

"Great!" she affirmed

"Then why," I inquired, "were you punching your boyfriend just now?"

"Oh, that?" she answered almost as though she were surprised I noticed such a commonplace act as hitting one's boyfriend. "I do that to him every once in a while to remind him of what I want."

"And what do you want from him?" I quizzed.

"I want him to be the boss, and he refuses. I think the man should be the boss and a woman can't respect a man who isn't."

Such a conventional attitude from this unconventional girl, I

thought to myself. It must come from the values of her street culture, I reasoned.

"So," I said, "you're trying to get him to be the-boss."

"Yup!" she confirmed.

"And when he doesn't do what you want, you punch him."

"That's right. He gets me so frustrated . . ."

"So, let me get this straight," I thought-out loud with her. "If he does what you want him to do, then he will be the boss?"

"Yeh, because that's the way it ought to be," she concluded.

"But then," I posed, "who's giving the orders? Who's the real boss?"

She looked at me, her mouth suspended without words. She closed it, sat back in the large chair, and furled her dirty blonde brow. Good, I reflected, she's thinking.

She sat up toward me, and revealed, "I never thought of it that way. I'd still be the boss, wouldn't I?"

"Yup!" I shot back at her.

"Oooh," she exclaimed leaning back into the cushion. "That's not what I really want."

In that unexpected moment my young client began learning about the limits of her power in getting what she wanted from the people in her life. She also began realizing the effects of her actions on those people, effects which invariably came back to her. More important, she began understanding how to respect people for who they were, not who she wanted them to be.

Jazz at Lake George

Skip Parsons' Riverboat Jazz Band, with Don LaVoie and the 1927 Music Machine, will provide music for a Lake George cruise aboard the S.S. Mohican on Saturday, June 15, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tickets will be available for \$12 at Skippy's Music, 340 Delaware Ave., Delmar.



Athena Lord

Workshop in writing

Athena Lord, local author of books for young people, will present a six-session workshop entitled "Writing Books for Young People" at the Bethlehem Public Library beginning Thursday, May 16. Lord's books, *Pilot for Space-ship Earth*, *A Spirit to Ride to Whirlwind*, and *Today's Special: Z.A.P and Zoe* have won several awards. Mrs. Lord has taught classes in writing at the State University at Albany and has conducted programs in local schools.

To register for this free workshop, call the reference desk at the library, 439-9314. Registration will be limited to 15.

Passes for seniors

Bethlehem's Senior Services Office (SSO) will hold a registration session for senior citizens who would like to obtain discount bus passes and ID discount cards that are honored by many area merchants, on May 16, at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Capital District Transit Authority passes enable seniors to ride CDTA buses at reduced rates and are available for \$1. Merchants' discount passes are available

Senior citizens who would like to obtain either or both types of passes must notify the Senior Services Office prior to May 16, in person or by telephone (439-4955), between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., weekdays.

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□ Mother of the year

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do much else so Pat goes about business as usual — giving some idea as to why this patient, caring woman was chosen for the title. Of course, adding that all Pat's seven children are adopted and that many have special needs brings the picture into focus.

As Pat puts it: "Kids are my life. I've always babysat during our 25 years of marriage, and even though I've never had kids of my own. I've never been childless." She confessed that there were times when she sat during the day, then worked the late shift, because she loved taking care of children so much.

But babysitting for a few hours a day wasn't enough, and since 1970 Pat and her husband, Francis, who works on road maintenance for the Department of Transportation out of Voorheesville, have taken care of over 65 foster children. And when their charges became eligible for adoption, the Coonses opened their hearts and their door to them. From Steven, now 19, to Sonya, aged 8, who both arrived as infants in foster care, to Billy, Donald and Lisa, who came two years ago when they were all in their teens, the Coonses have always made room.

Referring to their house on Rt. 85 near the junction of Rt. 443, where they have lived for the past seven years, Pat said, "It may not be a mansion, but it's some place they call their home."

"And home it is. With seven children, everyone must pitch in and help. According to Francis, that's no problem for their children. "They love helping other people as well as each other." Although he does confess that they might occasionally balk at some assigned chores, it's not unusual for any of them to plan a project on their own and then surprise the family with its completion. "They do it because they want to," he adds. "Not because they expect something for it." The children receive no set allowance, but "do get what they need when they neeed it."

"Giving them money doesn't work," Coons added. "They just go out and spend it on their mother." He proudly motioned to a statue Danny bought Pat with

his birthday money because, "he wanted her to have it."

Then again the Coons children have been given much more than money can buy — love, and a chance to become independent.

"They all know how to cook, clean, work the wood stove and the dryer," Pat said proudly. "I've told them I won't always be there to help you, so you've got to learn to do it for yourself."

For the Coons family, this independence extends past household jobs and includes the children completing their education.

"We keep telling them, after you graduate, you can work at what you want but first get that diploma." And although several of their children have thought of quitting school, they have persisted, encouraged by the maxim, "Nothing comes easy — you've got to work at it."

With the problems several of the children have, school is a much harder job than most face, but the support and help of their parents, family and teachers, the Coons children have "come a long way."

Then again, Pat believes, "All children, whether they have special needs or not, must be treated like everyone else." As Voorheesville's representative to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services advisory committee for the handicapped, she has worked hard to get her point across.

Encouraging other people to welcome foster children into their homes, Pat said, "It's a great feeling to know you've helped someone."

Even with seven children at

home, the Coonses are eligible according to the Social Services Department, to house three more children, since some of their family are over the 16-year-old care requirement. At this time, Pat is content with her full house. But in the future, when her children start leaving the nest, she certainly will invite others into her home. "Kids are my life," she explained. "I've always had them around and I always will."

BIRTHS

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Girl, Jessica Marie, to Maureen and Brian Tansey, Delmar, Dec. 22.

Boy, Michael Samuel, to Mary-Jane and Marc V. Shaw, Delmar, April 12.

Girl, Heather, to Deanna Joyce Brozowski, Selkirk, and Dean Patrick Brady, Delmar, April 16.

Girl, Dana Lynn, to Helen and Charles Herchenrader, Voorheesville, April 18.

Paintings on view

Oil paintings by Eleanor Bolduc of Delmar will be exhibited at the Bethlehem Public Library during the month of May.

Bolduc is a member of the Bethlehem Art Association, the Albany Artist Group, the Colonie Artists Group and the Colonie Art League. She has been painting for 10 years and has studied with Bernie Gerstner of Rockport, Mass., and other local artists.



Oh, sunny day! The turtles enjoy a day of bathing and basking Monday at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center. Tom Howes

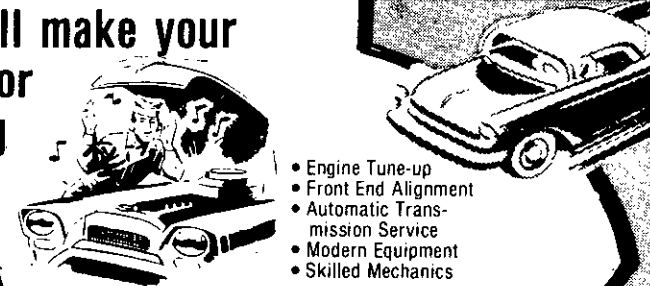
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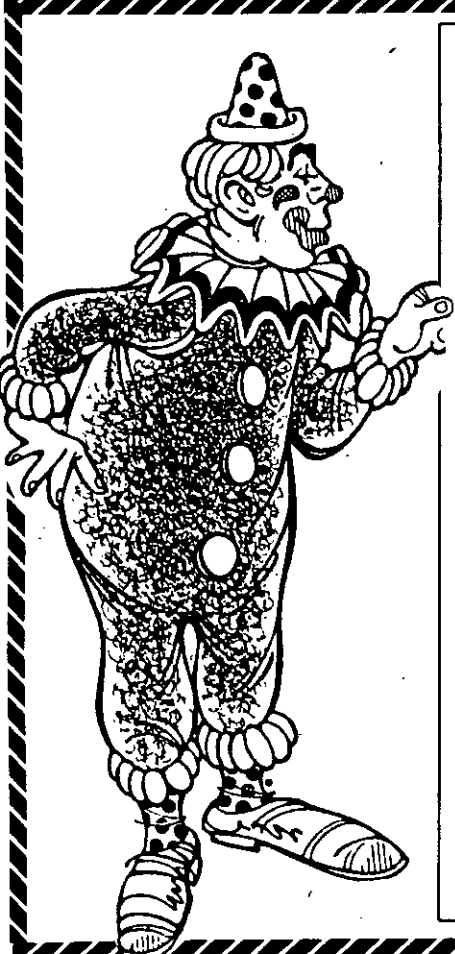
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BEHIND GRAND UNION

Voorheesville's nine heads into stretch

By Dan Tidd

While most high school baseball teams were on spring vacation last week, the Voorheesville baseball team was getting ready for the stretch run of Colonial Council play with four non-league games.

On Tuesday the Blackbirds went crosstown to visit Bethlehem Central and came away with nothing. The Eagles swept two by scores of 9-8 and 12-0. Voorheesville was without the luxury of four starting players who were out of town on vacation.

"We played the whole week with quite a few of our young JV players," said Coach Jerry Gordinier. "I got a chance to play everybody, including those JV players I haven't had a chance to see yet."

Gordinier might have found himself a new starting player thanks to this week of vacation. Chuck Giantasio, up from the JV for the week, was tearing the cover off the ball at a .417 clip. "Chuck had a big week for us, he went 5 for 12 with two triples," said Gordinier. "Don't count us out of this thing yet. We are only 0-2 in league play and have some big games coming up this week. We have enough time to turn it around."

Gordinier's club has a chance to do just that with games this week at Waterford today, Friday at Mechanicville and Saturday morning at always-tough Albany Academy. "We have to forget about that tough opening day loss to Ravena," said Gordinier. "The attitude on the team right now is

good; I just hope it will get us going for the remainder of the season."

On Thursday, Gordinier's team struggled in a 12-1 loss against Tamarac, but turned around with a 12-5 win over Canajoharie on Saturday. The Birds took an 11-4 lead after three innings and never looked back. It was Voorheesville's first win in eight outings.

"It will be nice to have everyone back in the starting lineup for the rest of the season," said Gordinier. We needed the time (vacation) to work on our pitching, defense and fundamentals of the game."

Gordinier is relying on three hurlers to carry his team the rest of the way. They are Vince Foley, Jim Hensel and Jerry McNamara.

Swim camp invites for 3

Three Delmar swimmers have been selected to join an elite group of young athletes accepted to participate in the Brown University swim camp in Providence, R.I., on May 24-27.

Justin Baird, a Bethlehem Central eighth grader and a member of BC's undefeated varsity swim team, and Jenny Mosley and Kevin Tyrell will be among 25 boys and 25 girls chosen from swimmers throughout the United States to participate in the camp. All three are members of the Delmar Dolphins Swim Club. They were selected on the basis of their times in sanctioned swim meets that met national AAU times.

Spotlight SPORTS

Rink set for summer

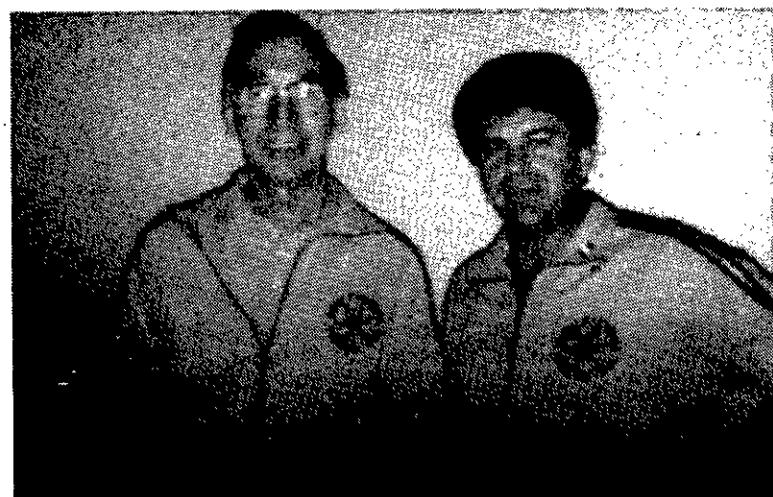
RPI's Houston Field House this summer will host a variety of ice skating activities including a figure skating school, ice hockey school, ice hockey development league, power skating school, speed skating, public ice skating, private rentals and the Empire State Games Adirondack region hockey team training camp.

Last August the field house installed a new dehumidification system that adds to comfort and improves the quality of the ice in warm weather.

The field house will be conducting the summer figure skating school that will include free style and dance skating for all levels of competitive and recreational skating. The figure skating program will include a pre-season training session and daily, weekly and season skating June 24 to Aug. 24. Professional instruction is available. The figure skating program is sponsored by the Hudson Mohawk Figure Skating Club.

The summer ice hockey school and development league will be directed by Mike Addesa, RPI head ice hockey coach. It will provide hockey training for all levels of skill. The hockey school is scheduled from June 24 to July 5, and the development league from July 8 to Aug. 22.

Public skating will take place every Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m., beginning July 1 and ending Aug. 18. Rental skates are available for all public skating sessions.



Mike Scanlon, left, and Greg Weinert.

Two to lead state squad

New York State's first entry in the Golden Masters (age 45 and over) division of the U.S. Volleyball Association's national championship tournament will be led by two Bethlehem residents.

Gary Weinert of Glenmont is captain of the team and Mike Scanlon of Delmar is coach. Weinert has been head coach of volleyball at Siena College and for the past three years has coached in the Empire State Games. Scanlon has coached the Albany area AAU team for the past 20 years, during which time Weinert was a

member of the team for several seasons.

New York State will host the 1985 national championship tournament, which will take place at the Nassau Coliseum in Hempstead, L.I., May 13-18.

The Golden Masters team is made up of players from as far west as Rochester and south to Nyack. The group has been successful in eastern competition and hopes to do as well on the national level, especially when facing west coast teams where most of the Olympic players are drawn.

Mother's Day race

A Mother's Day race for women and girls will be held at Hamagrael Elementary School, McGuffey La., Delmar, on Sunday, May 12, beginning at noon. Sponsored by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. and the Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club, the event will feature 220 and 440-yard races for children, and a 3.5-mile race for women of all ages. Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers.

The \$3.50 registration fee entitles the first 350 entrants to a T-shirt. Children may participate free of charge. Registration forms are available at local running stores, and runners may register prior to 11:30 a.m. the day of the

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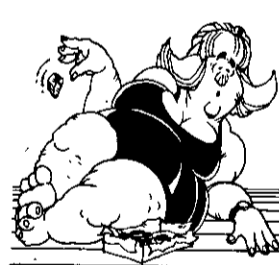
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Hard work helps

By Dave DeCecco

The Bethlehem boys track team held its own against tough area competition Saturday at the Albany County Invitational. A week of hard work and effort pleased head coach John Furey, but produced only mediocre results on Academy's new polyurethane track.

The two-mile relay squad of eighth-grader Ian Berry, freshman Brendan Kearse, junior Greg Dobbert and senior Paul Montanus placed fourth with a respectable 8:42 clocking. Berry ran a 2:14 half-mile split, Kearse did a 2:17, and both Dobbert and Montanus turned in 2:05's.

In the 800-meter run, Montanus and Dobbert placed eighth and ninth respectively, each posting a time of 2:06.

Freshman Craig Isenberg earned a personal record of 10:34 in the seeded 3200-meter run, which

TRACK

gave him 10th place, and freshman Tom Nyilis won the unseeded section of the 3200 in 10:47, also a personal best. In the 1600, sophomore Pete Winkler turned in a 4:51, not his best but good enough for a seventh-place finish.

The only individual scorer for BC was junior Brian McGarrahan, who took sixth place in the long jump with a leap of 18 feet 5 inches.

Yesterday (Tuesday) began an action-packed week when Saratoga and Niskayuna visited Delmar. The Schenectady Invitational will be held on Thursday, and on Saturday BC will send several entries to the Colonie Relay Meet.

Motorcyclist 'fair'

A Selkirk motorcyclist was listed as in fair condition Monday at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after an accident Sunday afternoon on Elm Ave. in Selkirk. Bethlehem police said Robert L. Coffey, Jr., 23, of Selkirk was rounding a curve when his cycle went off the road, slid more than 70 feet and hit a guide rail. The cycle then overturned and hit the pavement twice before coming to stop some 300 feet from where it had left the road, police reported.

Coffey was ticketed for failure to reduce speed at a curve and operating a motor vehicle without the proper class of license, according to the police report. He was taken to the hospital by the Delmar Fire Department Rescue Squad.

Unwelcome visitor

A Delmar woman who didn't answer her door bell had an unwanted guest last Wednesday night, according to Bethlehem police reports. The 78-year-old woman told police she had been in bed when the bell rang at 10:30 p.m. and she decided not to answer the door. A few minutes later, a man carrying a flashlight appeared in her bedroom, the report noted. When she asked him what he was doing there, he fled the Wellington Rd. residence, police said. Jewelry worth a total of \$200 and a pink candle were reported missing from the home, according to police records.

AROUND THE GARDEN

From Albany County Cooperative Extension



Apple scab is a common disease of apple trees, crabapples, and, unfortunately, the ornamental crabapple. While the percentage of Capital District homeowners with fruit trees is small, there is a significant number who maintain ornamental crabapples. A spring drive around the community will attest to this fact!

This disease is caused by fungus and is recognized by light green spots on the leaves and fruit. The infected leaves may be dwarfed or curled and may fall prematurely. The disease overwinters in leaves on the ground. Infection occurs in very early spring during rainy periods and later spreads by fungus spores in the primary sites on leaves and stems. Further infection spreads each time it rains.

Early control of apple scab is essential. Weekly applications of Captan, Benomyl or multipurpose spray from the time the buds show green until mid-June. Additional applications at 12 to 14 day intervals may be made if the infections are not controlled.

For those of you in the planning stages, a word of advice: plant disease resistant varieties such as American Beauty, Pink Perfection, Profusion, Snowcloud, Dolgo and Zumi. Susceptible varieties include Almay, Hopa, Jay Darling and Strathmore (MacIntosh and Cortland are very susceptible fruits).

If you have any questions, check with the supplier or call Albany County Cooperative Extension at 765-2331.

Paper drive set

The South Bethlehem Youth paper drive will be held at the South Bethlehem Methodist Church on Saturday, May 4. Papers may be dropped off the truck in the church parking lot between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Glass and magazines will not be accepted. For home pickups call Mrs. Leigh at 767-9087.

Car stereo taken

Stereo equipment valued at \$250 was taken from a car parked overnight last Monday in a driveway on McKinley Dr. in Delmar, according to Bethlehem police reports. The car was unlocked, the report said.



ROTC Cadet Michael J. McCluskey of Voorheesville receives congratulations from Gen. John A. Wickham Jr., Army Chief of Staff, during award ceremonies at the George C. Marshall Award Conference, Lexington, Va.

Top ROTC candidate cited

Army ROTC Cadet Michael J. McCluskey of Voorheesville, a senior at Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, has been named a recipient of the George C. Marshall Award. The award, given annually to the outstanding fourth-year cadet in each collegiate ROTC detachment, is the highest award a cadet can receive.

McCluskey, son of Joseph and Elizabeth McCluskey, 170 Fairfield Ct., will receive a commission in the Army upon graduation.

Military Science professors from 315 colleges nationwide select their outstanding senior cadet to represent his or her school at the annual George C. Marshall ROTC Award Seminar. During the four-day seminar, selectees attend sessions on topics ranging from national security to the concept of taking charge. The Secretary of the Army, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and

Army Chief of Staff have been among the principal speakers.

McCluskey earned the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award as a junior in his college. He said his future plans include being stationed in South Korea and attending the Special Forces Qualification Course. "I would like to be able to serve with this country's best soldiers — the Green Berets," McCluskey said.

Burglars hit home

Bethlehem police are investigating a report Saturday of a burglary at a Wellington Rd. residence in Delmar. It was not immediately known what items were missing, according to the report.

2 gymnasts in sectional

Two local gymnasts, Colleen Teal of Unionville and Chrissy Mann of Delmar, competed in the U.S. Gymnastics Federation 3 C&O sectional meet at the Colonie Athletic Club April 21 as members of the D.C. Stars gymnastics team. Colleen placed first in the vaulting with a 17.70, fourth in uneven bars, 17.20, and first in all-around with 67.55.

Chrissy placed fifth in vault with a 16.70, third on uneven bars with 16.65, first on beam with 17.45, eighth on floor with 16.30, and second all-around with 67.10.

Both will be participating in the USGF state meet in Monticello, May 11-12.

Keep off the road

The Bethlehem Police Department has received numerous complaints about "off-road vehicles," such as trail bikes and all-terrain vehicles. The department advises that it is illegal to operate these vehicles on any public roadway, sidewalk or lands. It is also illegal to operate these vehicles on private property without specific authorization from the property owner.

Anyone found in violation of these regulations is subject to charges under the state Vehicle and Traffic Law. Violators' vehicles may be impounded and towed at the owner's expense.



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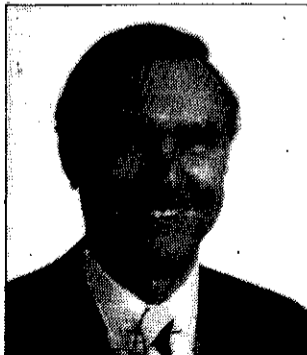
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OBITUARIES

Eva Van Pelt

Eva M. Van Pelt, 79, a resident of Delmar for the past 43 years, died April 21 at the Albany Medical Center Hospital.

She was a middle school teacher in Greenville before moving to Delmar in 1942.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Delmar and the Maranatha Valley Order of the Eastern Star 38.

Survivors include two sons, Dale Van Pelt of Seattle, Wash., and Wayne Van Pelt of Latham, and a daughter, Jean Flansburg of Greenville. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Burial was in the Greenville Cemetery.

William S. King

William S. King, 91, of Delmar, a retired secretary of the State Senate and an Army veteran of World War I, died April 23 at the Guilderland Center Nursing Home.

A native of Ravena, he lived in Delmar for many years.

He served in the State Senate from 1910 to 1959, serving as secretary of the Senate for 20 years. After retiring in 1959, he served as a Senate consultant.

He is survived by his wife, Harriet L. Wellman King; two sons, Rev. Douglas W. King of Hanover, Ind., and Rev. John D. King of Bloomington, Ind., and two sisters, Lillian Oliver of Delmar, and Hazel N. Waite of Schenectady. He is also survived by five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Arrangements were by Marshall W. Tebbutt's Sons Funeral Home, Albany. Burial was in the Albany Rural Cemetery, Menands.

Patricia Chrisholm

Patricia Moffett Chrisholm, 52, of Delmar, a former real estate agent and bond underwriter, died April 21 at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

She was born in Oak Park, Ill., and lived in Voorheesville before moving to Delmar eight years ago.

She attended Syracuse University. She was employed as a real estate agent by Nancy Kuivila Real Estate in Delmar before joining the John Raila Agency, Albany, as a bond underwriter. She retired in 1983.

She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Association of Latham.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph V. Chrisholm; her mother, Helen Ruth Synder Moffett of Norman, Okla.; three sons, John R. Chrisholm of Londonderry, N.H., James Kevin Chrisholm of Springfield, Va., and Richard V. Chrisholm of East Greenbush; two daughters, Carol Lavin of Westmere and Patricia Johnson of Dallas, and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Reilly and Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville. Burial was in the Bethlehem Cemetery.

Dora Gray Graham

Dora Gray (Ritchie) Graham, 84, of Clarksville died April 23 at home.

Born in Ohio, she was a homemaker in Clarksville for many years. She was the wife of the late William Wallace Graham.

She is survived by a son, Andrew Ritchie Graham of Fairport, and two daughters, Lois Elizabeth Allen of Montour Falls and Janet Graham Gregory of Clarksville. She is also survived by ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Meyers Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Emily Rose Thomas

Emily Rose Thomas, 75, of Selkirk died April 27 at home after a long illness.

Born in Athens, N.Y., she was a homemaker in Selkirk for many years.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph Thomas, and a son, Charles E. Thomas of Selkirk. She is also survived by two grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and a cousin.

Arrangements were by the Chicorelli Funeral Home,

Albany. Burial was in Memory's Garden, Colonie.

Newton H. Vroman

Newton H. Vroman, 85, of Clarksville, a volunteer fireman, died April 22.

Born in Coeymans, he was a longtime resident of Clarksville. Before retiring, he was a yard helper for Mobile Oil Company.

He was a member of the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Company and the Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233.

He is survived by his wife, Jennie Kiesel Vroman; a step-son, Richard Hazen, and three sisters, Elizabeth VanAlstyne of Coxsackie, and Dorothy Wilsey and Edith Albert of Coeymans. He is also survived by six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Edmund J.C. Dascher Funeral Home in Albany.

Irene R. Vogel

Irene R. Vogel, 96, of Delmar, a member of the Delmar Reformed Church, died April 27 at the

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A native of Albany, she was a longtime resident of Delmar.

She taught history and geography at School No. 4 in Albany.

She is survived by a son, Willis R. Vogel of Delmar, and three daughters, Luella V. Voorhees and Janet L. Vogel of Delmar and Olive V. Dower of Florida. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Marshall W. Tebbutt's Sons Funeral Home. Burial was in the Albany Rural Cemetery, Menands.

Edward F. Clancy

Edward F. Clancy, 81, of Delmar, a retired budget analyst for the state Division of the Budget, died April 27 at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany.

Born in Albany, he was a longtime resident of Delmar. He was employed by the state Division of the Budget for 45 years before retiring in 1966.

He was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar.

He is survived by his wife, Rose S. Clancy, and two sisters, Marian Scully and Margaret Glavin of Albany.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Waterford.

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Wants specifics

Editor, The Spotlight:

The school board candidates' rhetoric sounds suspiciously like the telephone commercial; everyone says they can do it more cheaply but no one mentions doing it better. I am not overly concerned with my current school taxes but I am deeply concerned about the quality of the education our youth experience. I am more concerned about improving the educational system in Bethlehem than I am in attempting to starve it to death. I am very concerned when candidates for school board seats seem to confuse waste and inefficiency with lack of vision and perpetuation of the historical status quo.

What I want to hear, need to hear if one is to garner my vote, is which programs are wasteful and how so. I need to hear which administrators are expendable and why. I need to hear what services exhibit the blatant mismanagement alluded to. I need to hear candidates' clear perceptions of the schools they want to direct.

Thus far I hear general complaints about taxes. I hear about top-heavy administrative staffs. I hear about frills in programming. But no candidate seems even minimally versed on exactly what is wrong.

I do know some curricula and textbooks in use are out of date. I know classes in elementary schools are too large. I know my youngest will go to a private kindergarten so as not to be bussed across the district to a half-day program. I also know that in the 10 years I've lived in the Bethlehem district my social security taxes have risen substantially more than my school taxes, but I don't have a vote on that.

Dick Allington

Glenmont

Logical extension

Editor, The Spotlight:

Laura C. Kagan, in her reply to my letter of April 17, failed to mention that since 1977 there has been a 15 percent decrease in student enrollment accompanied by a 50 percent increase in the Bethlehem district school budget, prior to newly mandated programs, a baby boomlet, or the recent labor agreement. A logical pundit like myself might graph such data and predict that therefore: a school system run like ours, would with no students at all be the most expensive to operate!

As an apologist for the school board, the good doctor seems to accept carte blanche ever increasing labor costs. Other labor-intensive fields have been struggling with ways to bite the bullet and decrease total labor costs without a decrease in quality, but it's not easy and in this district some oppose even small cuts of any kind. One former school board member in this district has mentioned that a proposed annual savings of \$25,000 would be only pennies to the taxpayer. Over a ten year period, without interest, those same pennies come to a quarter of a million dollars. Enough to buy a lot of science equipment.

Reynard K. McClusky

Delmar

Where are voters?

Editor, The Spotlight:

Where are Bethlehem voters? We are concerned. Aren't you interested? Consider these facts from last year:

- On May 9, 1984, only 4,012 residents voted.

- Only 17 percent of the parents with school-age children voted.

How can we maintain a program of excellence with this apathy? Your vote at the polls is your voice in the schools. When you vote, you support your child, as well as programs that enrich the whole community.

Please make the effort to vote on May 8.

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The 1980 census put the population in the Town of Bethlehem at 24,300, nearly a third of whom were reported as under age 21. Since 18-year-olds can vote, it might be safe to assume that roughly 70 percent of the population is eligible to vote in a school district election — or 17,000 residents in 1980. Ed

Extend responsibility

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a firm believer not only in a free press but in a responsible press, I applaud Tom McPheeter's promise to his readers (Editor's View, April 24, *Spotlight*) that steps have been taken to segregate from the paper the reporters and editors who have taken very public stands on school-related issues. It was both courageous and honest to admit what many of us have known for years, that a *Spotlight* editor has used not only editorials but also news columns to express his own opinions on how our schools should be run and financed. Like Caesar's wife, the press should be beyond reproach and while this situation merits more than a public statement of the obvious, a good-faith effort has been made and should be commended.

Perhaps this exhibition of responsible journalism will in the near future be extended and we will see the beginning of an educational column. I would suggest that the column be authored by school board members and school staff from the several school districts in your coverage area and that it detail what is really going on in our schools and what problems we are facing.

It would also be good if this quality of responsibility applied to the rest of us as members of this

community. While I realize that my position as a candidate in this election automatically labels my views as "biased," I still feel it appropriate to point out to your readers that many of the letters published by your paper seemed to miss the point of why schools exist. The business of the school and therefore of the school board member is, after all, to educate children.

While efficiency and savings are desirable, there is something wrong with presenting erroneous information as fact, in misleading people with statistics and in promoting "solutions" that violate state regulations and laws. As an active viewer of and participant in the system of school budgeting for the last six years, I have noted with some sadness that every year there is little participation in the system until the very last minute, when the people seem to come out of the woodwork to criticize as if the world had functioned in a vacuum until they showed up on the scene.

Had many of these critics taken the time to research or investigate some of their "solutions," they would have found that most of them have been thought of by others, have been considered and in many cases have been discarded as either being wrong for our system, impractical or illegal.

We have seen many times in the past that *Spotlight* columns/editorials have served to create issues where none previously existed. Hopefully the issue of responsibility which you have now brought to our attention will be such an issue and the time will soon come when we can bring things back into focus and temper our freedom to express our opinions with the responsibility to be accurate.

Jed B. Wolkenbreit

Delmar

Credit to paramedics

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recently we had occasion to call the Delmar Ambulance Service. Their response was immediate and the paramedics evaluation of the patient and the emergency treatment was very professional.

One does not fully realize the value of this service to the community until needed in an emergency.

The people in the community are extremely fortunate to have access to this service, also the personnel who volunteer their time in training and in performing this service should be commended. Many thanks.

John and Jean Buno

Delmar

Family grateful

Editor, The Spotlight:

The family of the late Charles E. Houghtaling, Sr., would like to express our appreciation for all the acts of kindness shown to us during our recent loss. We would like to express special thanks to the following: the staff of the Albany County Nursing Home, the Revs. William Schwab, Craig Bartholomew and Johannes Mee-ster; Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233 and auxiliary, Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, and the auxiliary of the Albany County Volunteer Fireman's Association.

Mrs. Charles E. Houghtaling, Jr.
Feura Bush

Need dedication

Editor, The Spotlight:

As the issues concerning our educational values once again comes up for thought and voting, a man dedicated to the values of education for our youth will not be with us — John Clyne.

I knew John Clyne well and often talked with him. His desire for the best possible education for the youth in this community as well as the best values for the taxpayers were always in his thoughts.

At one time in talking with John he stated, "when the material for an agenda covering a forthcoming meeting comes to my attention I study it carefully (sometimes until 11 or 12 o'clock at night). It is my desire to be well informed on the issues." John did his work well.

We need a school board that will be as dedicated as John. I believe we have two such men, Bill Tinney and Bud Reeves. These men will give the same study and dedication to the needs of all issues involving our educational system and develop a school budget acceptable to the community.

Vote May 8 — it is a privilege and a duty.

Ethie T. Morway

Delmar

Candidate explains vote

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a candidate for the seat left vacant on the school board by the death of John H. Clyne, I would like to share with you and your readers my reasons why I will vote against the budget and the bus purchase on May 8.

The proposed \$17.5 million budget is more than \$900,000 over last year's figure despite a static or declining student population. To the taxpayers still earning terrific salaries, this may not be a problem, but to a large segment of the community on fixed income, the continuously rising school tax is becoming unbearable. For many the school tax is nearly twice the amount of their city and county taxes.

The irony is that none of this budget will be used to maintain the buildings and equipment without which there would be no school system. Yet over \$13 million of it will go for salaries, pensions and health insurance. And, as I understand it, many of the 450 persons on the BCS system are not required to make any financial contribution to the pension. So every time salary goes up — and it's 6 percent this year — benefit costs go up.

Board members and others say that this is brought about by state Education Department rules and regulations on the one hand, and contracts with the teachers association on the other, and they are powerless to tamper with this 75 percent segment of the annual budget. And I ask why not? Isn't it time that the community — through its representatives, the school board — take control of this imbalanced budget situation and work out a fair and equitable (and affordable) solution?

While I stand ready to vote yes on the purchase of five 59-seat buses, I refuse to go along with the 81-seat monsters. Aside from the problem of a lone driver handling a vehicle with that many children aboard, one has only to stand at the junction of Delaware and Kenwood avenues (Four Corners) or at Delaware and Elsmere at 3-4 p.m. on any school day to visualize the traffic situation with longer

buses. The \$116,000 saving over 10 years, if true, isn't worth it.

In all honesty, I am not convinced that we need \$4 million for maintenance and repairs to the BCS building. Setting up a qualified volunteer committee of local people to actually eyeball the work required and to make an independent estimate of costs would be more convincing to those who must pay back for the bond plus debt service.

For all the above reasons, but especially for the right of the community — through its duly elected school board — to actually control the financing of its children's education, I will vote NO on all three items.

Perhaps during the year's hiatus, on a contingency budget, if this one is disapproved by the community, we can together with the state Education Department, the teachers' association, the school board and others, find a new and more balanced approach to financing the education of our young people.

Joseph A. Constantino

Delmar

Survey at library

The Bethlehem Public Library will conduct an Output Measurement Survey from May 5 to May 11. The library will collect data on many aspects of library use, including how many people come to the library; how many books they use in the library, how many books they borrow and the number and kind of reference questions they ask.

The survey is conducted by all libraries in the Upper Hudson Library Federation. The information gathered helps the library to evaluate its services and plan for the future.

During the first Output Measurement Survey week in the spring of 1984, 5825 people came to the Bethlehem Public Library. They borrowed 6,668 items and used another 4,897 items during their visit. Staff librarians answered 979 reference questions and took 104 requests for specific books.

Seniors have a ball

A senior citizens ball, sponsored by Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area Inc. and the Albany County Council of Senior Citizens Centers and Clubs, will be held in the convention center of the Empire State Plaza, Albany, from 7:30 to 11 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8.

Dancing music will be provided by the Johnny Costas Orchestra. Tickets are available for a \$1.25 donation by calling 654-3322.

Bike-a-thon Sunday

The American Diabetes Association 25-mile bike-a-thon, sponsored by McDonald's Restaurants, will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 5, to raise money for the association's service, detection, education and research programs.

Riders may choose between a closed route circling the State Office Campus and an open route through Bethlehem, Gunderland and Colonie. Many prizes, including a trip for four to Disneyworld, will be awarded.

Sponsor sheets may be obtained at area schools and local McDonald's Restaurants. For information call 869-0157.



Susan Childs

Childs-Frandsen

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Childs of New Salem Rd., Voorheesville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to Timothy Edwards Frandsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Frandsen of Spencer, N.Y.

Miss Childs attended the State University College at Delhi. Her fiancé graduated from Houghton College and the State University College at Delhi. A June 15 wedding is planned.

Ludik-Donahue

Dorothy and Albert Ludik of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jane Dorothy, to Joseph F. Donahue, III, son of Barbara and Joseph F. Donahue, Jr., of East Greenbush.

Miss Ludik graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1977 and attended Albany Medical Center School of Nursing. She is employed by the physical medicine and rehabilitation department at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany and is attending the evening nursing division of Maria College.

Her fiancé graduated from Columbia High School in East Greenbush in 1976 and attended Siena College. He is employed by Boyd Printing Co., Albany, and is attending the New Contemporary School of Radio. An Aug. 24 wedding is planned.

Stenciling for kids

The Museum of the Historical Society of Early American Decoration is offering a stenciling class for children on May 4 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The class, for ages 8 to 14, will introduce the techniques of stenciling with paints. For information contact the museum, 19 Dove St., Albany, 462-1676.



Mr. and Mrs. Greg Robert Davis

Married in Voorheesville

Carole Joann Arpin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Arpin of Voorheesville, and Greg Robert Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Davis of Voorheesville, were married April 13 at St. Matthews Church in Voorheesville.

Janet Arpin was maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Sharon Cillis, sister of the bride, Silvia Affinito, Wendy Verbiest, Marcia Tilley and Kristy Houck. Richard Davis served as best man for his brother, and ushers were Randy Davis, brother of the groom, Edward Arpin, brother of the bride, Joseph Cillis, brother-in-law of the bride, Stephen

Davis, cousin of the groom, and Tyrone Sanderson.

The bride, a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, is employed as a dental hygienist with Drs. Michael M. DeSanti and Charles M. Tramontana. The bridegroom, also a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College, is employed as an equipment operator by D. Bailey Excavation. He is proprietor of Greg's Towing Service.

After a wedding trip to Montego Bay, Jamaica, the couple will reside in Voorheesville.

Choices for summer

A co-educational summer school program offering academic, artistic and leisure activities to elementary age students will be offered this summer by The Albany Academy for students from pre-kindergarten through fourth grade. Subjects will include computer science, language study, music, drama and art in the morning. Afternoon activities will include guided tours in the Capital District and campus offerings such as dance, supervised swimming, and arts and crafts.

The program will begin on Monday, July 1, continuing for six weeks. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with additional supervision

available from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, call 465-1461.

Appeal answered

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany has given more than \$300,000 to Catholic Relief Services for use in famine relief efforts in Ethiopia. Approximately \$250,000 was received from the parishes of the diocese and the balance came from a variety of public and private organizations. The total includes more than \$22,000 from a drive sponsored by Amsterdam city officials and about \$3,000 from the Police Benevolent Association of the City of Schenectady, along with \$1,200 from the municipal employees of Albany.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Bailey

65 years together

Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Bailey of Kenwood Ave. in Delmar celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with a surprise family dinner at the Parkwood Restaurant in Clifton Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey have two children, Kenneth H. Bailey of Voorheesville and Mrs. Milton (Helen) Harris of Newtonville, as well as four grandchildren and

seven great-grandchildren. They were married on April 14, 1920, in the Dutch Reformed Church, Allen St., Albany, and have resided for the past 53 years in Delmar.

Mr. Bailey was a self-employed carpenter in Delmar and Mrs. Bailey retired from Woolworth's in Delmar.

Seniors to bowl

The Town of Bethlehem Senior Services Office has announced that the town sponsors bowling leagues, that are open both to members of the town's senior citizen organization and to those who are not members.

The leagues meet at 9:30 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at Del Lanes in Delmar. For information on how to join the group, call 439-4955 or visit the senior service office at Bethlehem Town Hall between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. weekdays.

Bible school plans

Registration for the summer vacation Bible school at St. Thomas the Apostle Church will run from May 12 through May 19. The Bible school for children will be open from June 24 through June 28. Each day will include time for worship, singing, storytelling, games and a craft project.

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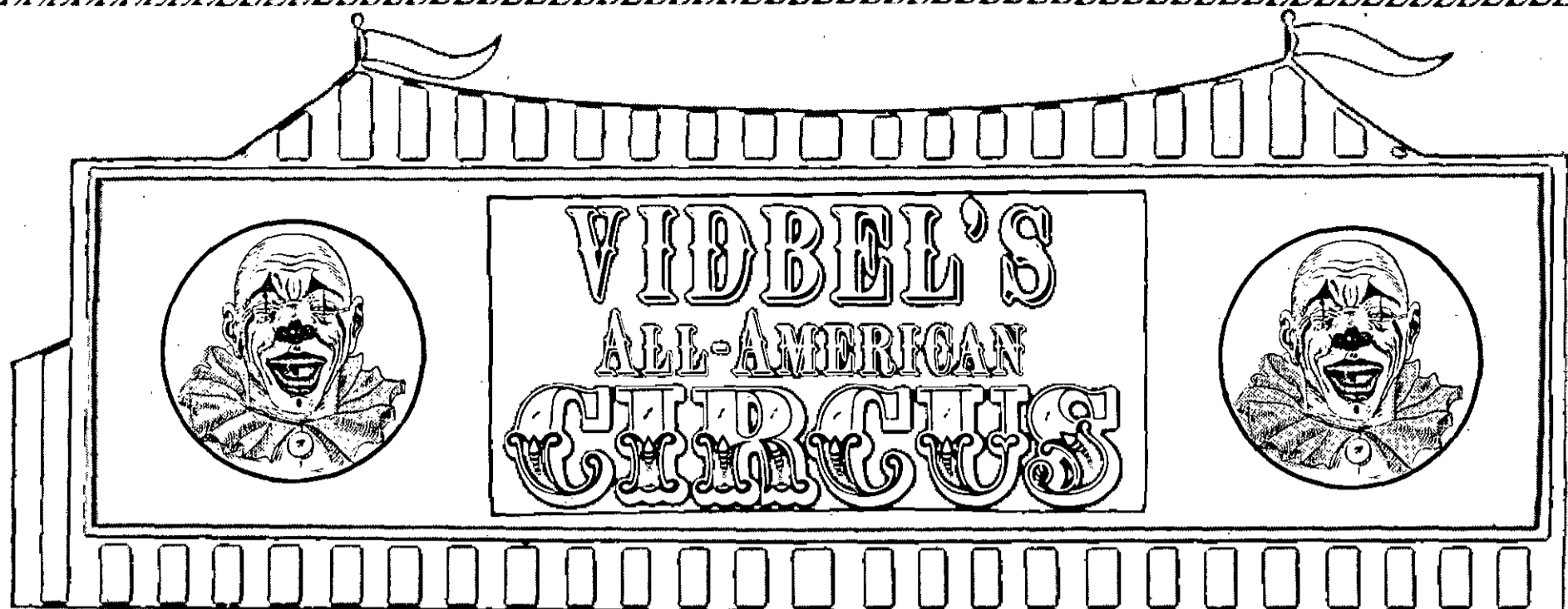
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The Story of the Vidbel All-American Circus

The Vidbel All-American Circus made its world debut in July 1984, the result of many years of planning by producers Alfred and Joyce Vidbel, longtime residents of Windham, New York.

The Vidbels are world-famous animal trainers who have appeared with every major circus in the United States and Canada, including Ringling Bros. — Barnum & Baily and the Shrine Circus tour.

Joyce Vidbel — animal trainer, circus performer, grandmother and now circus producer — visited many circuses across the country seeking the very finest circus talent. Only the best circus acts were invited to appear with her circus.

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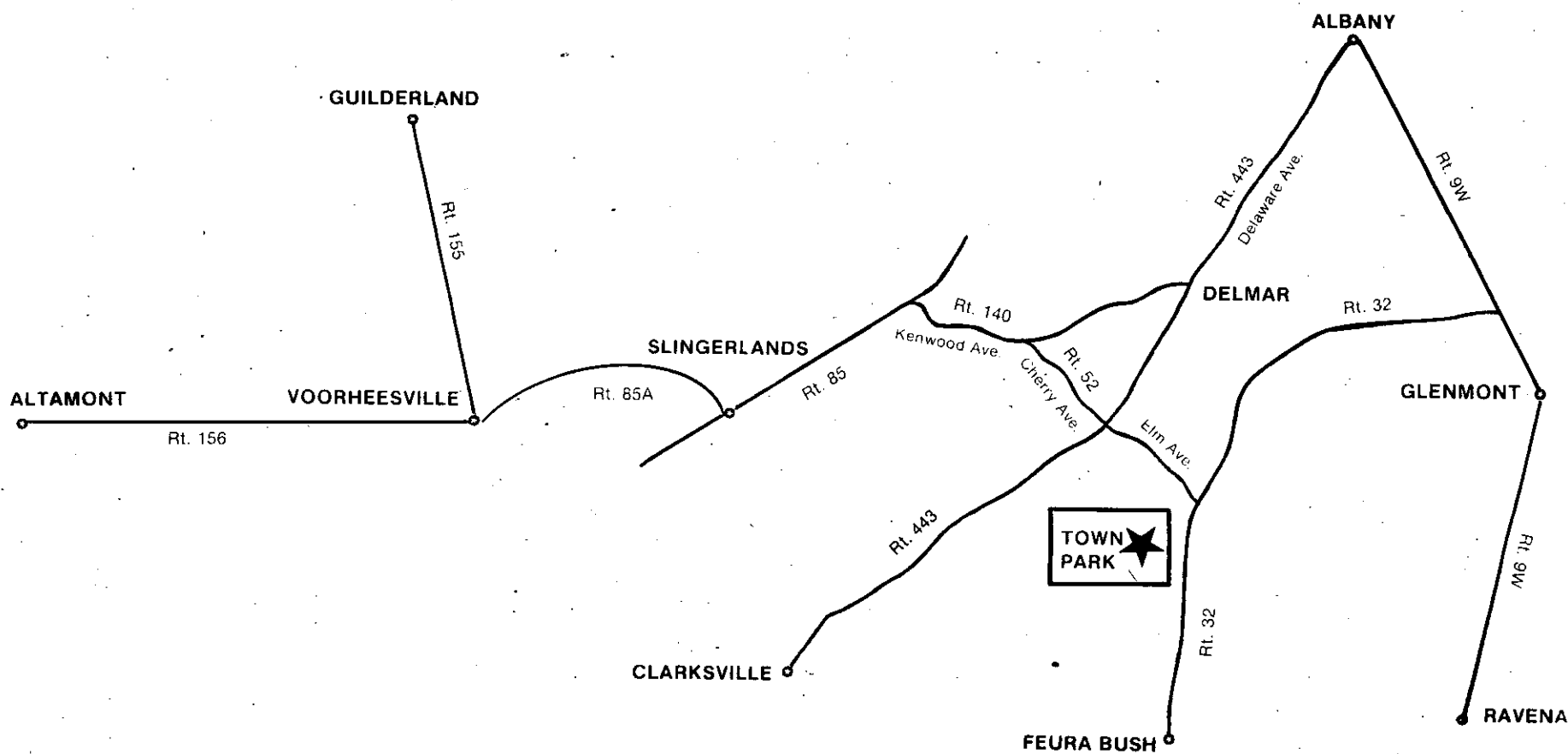
The Vidbels love for animals is obvious, ask any local resident or tourist who drives by their sprawling circus farm in the northern Catskill Mountains. Dozens of exotic animals are housed in a specially constructed, climate-controlled barn. The lucky passersby might catch a glimpse of the Famous Vidbel Elephants when Al take "the girls" for a stroll down a country lane.

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Creating a circus took inner courage and careful planning. The Vidbels believe that if a community sees a fine circus performance then the show's favorable reputation will grow strong and the public's loyalty will continue season after season.

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Across this land the circus has moved for two centuries as a popular amusement institution, creating its own unique phase of the national heritage and leaving behind a tradition of wholesome entertainment.

It has reached into every byway and crossroad of this country, playing to more communities than the movies. Its beginnings go back to Colonial and Federal periods, making it as long-lived as the American theater. Its art forms are as demanding as those of the ballet and the opera. Its appeal is as universal as band concerts, as basic

as baseball, so ageless it attracts grandparents and grandchildren alike.

Despite antecedents in Europe and the constant recruitment of foreign performers, the circus in the form that we know it is a truly American development. Circuses of Europe, Asia, Africa and South America are much like each other; those of North America are unique in their traditions and methods.

The circus occupies a warm spot in the heart of America. It is a favored institution, a part of the national lore, a part of our patriotism. And what is this thing

that we accept so readily and yet know so little about?

Grandparents vie for the privilege of taking children to the circus. Parents debate about whether their first-born is old enough to go — a status reached just before the age of electric trains. Today's children know about the circus even if they live in a city no longer reached by a tented show; they know about clowns and elephants and riders.

But for all the accent on children, the circus is for every age — as the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey announcer says, "children of all ages."

The American circus is a big and blaring thing — bigger and better every year, three rings, more elephants, more horses, more people. In contrast, European circuses emphasize the quality of a performer's art; here the public does not really know the difference between a well-turned pirouette and a poor one. It will applaud a pretty trick sooner than a difficult one. But no matter, American circuses benefit from a marvelous combination of pageantry adds that much more in excitement and action and romance.

Like America itself, the circus

has developed a colorful past described in half-legend, half-fact. President George Washington attended the first full circus in this country and swapped horses with the operator. Circus clown Dan Rice campaigned for Zachary Taylor and was a favorite of Abraham Lincoln. Buffalo Bill was a pal of many cowboy-cavalrymen in Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders, and later Cody and Teddy figured in the founding of the Boy Scouts of America.

Welcome to The Olde Tyme All American Circus!

Dictionary Of Circus Definitions

Aba-daba — Any dessert that was served in the cookhouse.

Advance Men — Men who go into towns ahead of the circus to put up heralds and posters publicizing the arrival of the circus.

Annie Oakley — A complimentary ticket or free pass.

Auguste Clown — A clumsy, slapstick clown who wears no traditional costume.

Bally — A platform used by spellers to give the crowd an idea of the show to be seen inside.

Bibles — Programs or souvenir magazines.

Big Top — The main tent used for the performance.

Blowdown — When the tents are blown down by a storm.

Blues — The general admission seats.

Boss Canvas Man — The man whose job is to decide exactly where and how the tents should be put up at a new circus lot.

Bulls — Elephants (whether male or female).

Butcher — Refreshment merchants; peddler of lemonade, candy, pretzels and other edibles.

Calliope — A musical instrument consisting of a series of steam whistles played like an organ; pronounced cally-ope by circus people.

Catcher — A member of a trapeze act who catches the flyer after he has released himself from the bar in a flying return act.

Cattle Guard — A set of low seats placed in front of the general admission seats to accommodate overflow audiences.

Character Clown — A clown who usually dresses in a tramp costume.

Cherry Pie — Extra work done by circus personnel for extra pay.

Clown Stop — A brief appearance of the clowns while the props are being changed.

Come-In — The period when the public is entering the arena before the circus performance begins.

Dog and Pony Show — A derisive term for a small circus.

Donikers — Restrooms.

Dukey or Duckie — Box lunch. The first cookhouse was known as "Hotel du Quai." When pronounced quickly it sounded like "duckie" and the name stuck.

Feet Jump — In equestrian riding — standing with the feet together, bareback rider jumps from the ground or teeterboard on to the back of a running horse.

Fink or Larry — A broken novelty such as a torn balloon.

Flip-Flaps — The trick of flipping from a standing position to the hands while bareback rider is on a running horse.

Flyers — Aerialists, especially those in flying return acts.

Gilly Wagon — Extra small wagon or cart used to carry light pieces of equipment around the lot.

Guys — Heavy ropes or cables that help to support poles or high wire rigging.

High School Horse — A horse who has been taught fancy steps in special riding academies.

Horse Feed — Poor returns from poor business.

Iron-Jaw Tricks — An aerial stunt using a metal bit and apparatus which fits into the performer's mouth. Thus suspended he performs his tricks.

Jump — The distance between performances in different towns.

Kiester — Wardrobe trunk.

Kinker — Any circus performer.

Liberty Acts or Liberty Horses — Horses trained to work "free" in the ring without any riders.

Midway — The area near the main entrance where the concessionaires sell refreshments and souvenirs.

Perch Act — A balancing act involving use of apparatus upon which one person is performing while being balanced by another.

Planges — Aerialist's body swings in which one hand and wrist are placed in padded rope loop.

Possom Belly — Extra storage box attached underneath a work wagon or railway car.

Rat Sheets — Advance posters or handbills with negative slant toward opposition.

Rigging — The apparatus used in high wire or aerial acts.

Roman Riding — A rider standing on the backs of two horses.

Rosinback — Horse used for bareback riding. So named because horses' backs were sprinkled with rosin to prevent rider from slipping.

Safety Loop — The loop part of a web rope into which a performer places her wrist in aerial ballet numbers.

Stand — Any town where the circus plays.

Strawhouse — A sell-out house. Straw was spread on ground for spectators to sit upon in front of general admission seats.

Toot Up — To get attention of spectators by playing the calliope.

Troupers — Circus entertainers.

Web — Dangling canvas-covered rope suspended from swivels from the top of the tent.

Zanies — Clowns.



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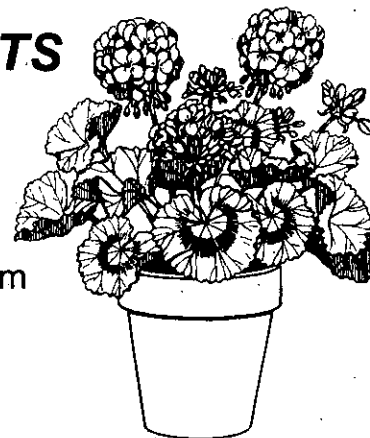
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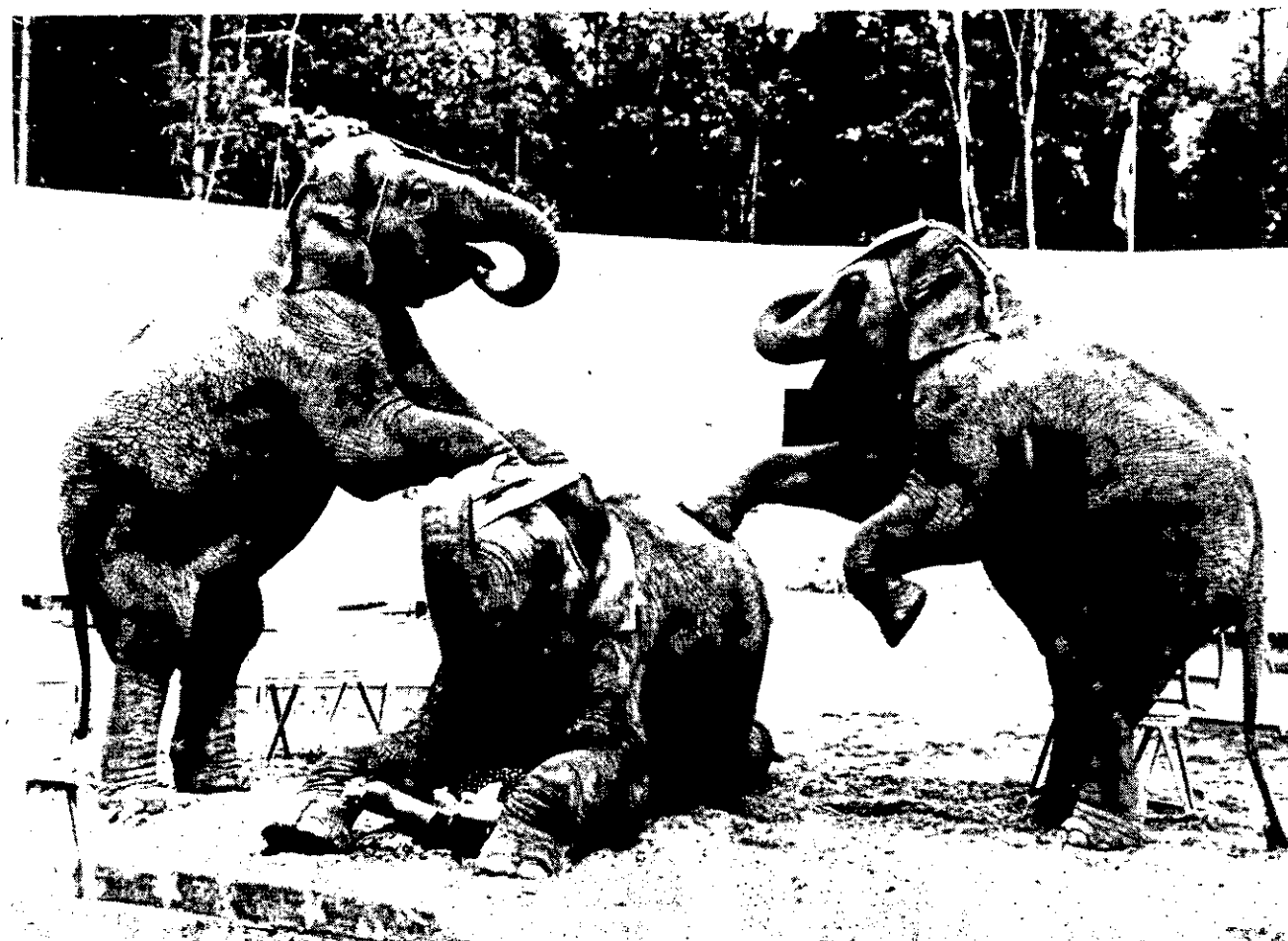
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Three female elephants are presented in this year's edition of the Vidbel All-American Circus. They are the strongest and most powerful of all jungle beasts, yet the gentlest and most easily trained.

In spite of her bulk, an elephant can perform incredible stunts that require precise control and balance — standing on tiny pedestals, dancing, doing headstands, poising a massive foot over a girl's face.

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Teeterboard artistry abounds in Vidbel Circus

Hernandez Troupe takes audiences to new heights

Unprecedented teeterboard artistry abounds in the 1985 edition of the Vidbel All-American Circus with the unforgettable performance of the Hernandez Troupe, who takes audiences to new heights of excitement as these superb athletes demonstrate one of the most popular of all circus skills — the classic art of catapulting human bodies from the springboard into towering totems.

This family team of eight outstanding acrobats performs a nerveless repertoire of majestic mid-air maneuvers designed to "just entertain the audience," according to Mrs. Lisa Hernandez, the matriarch of these teeterboard titans.

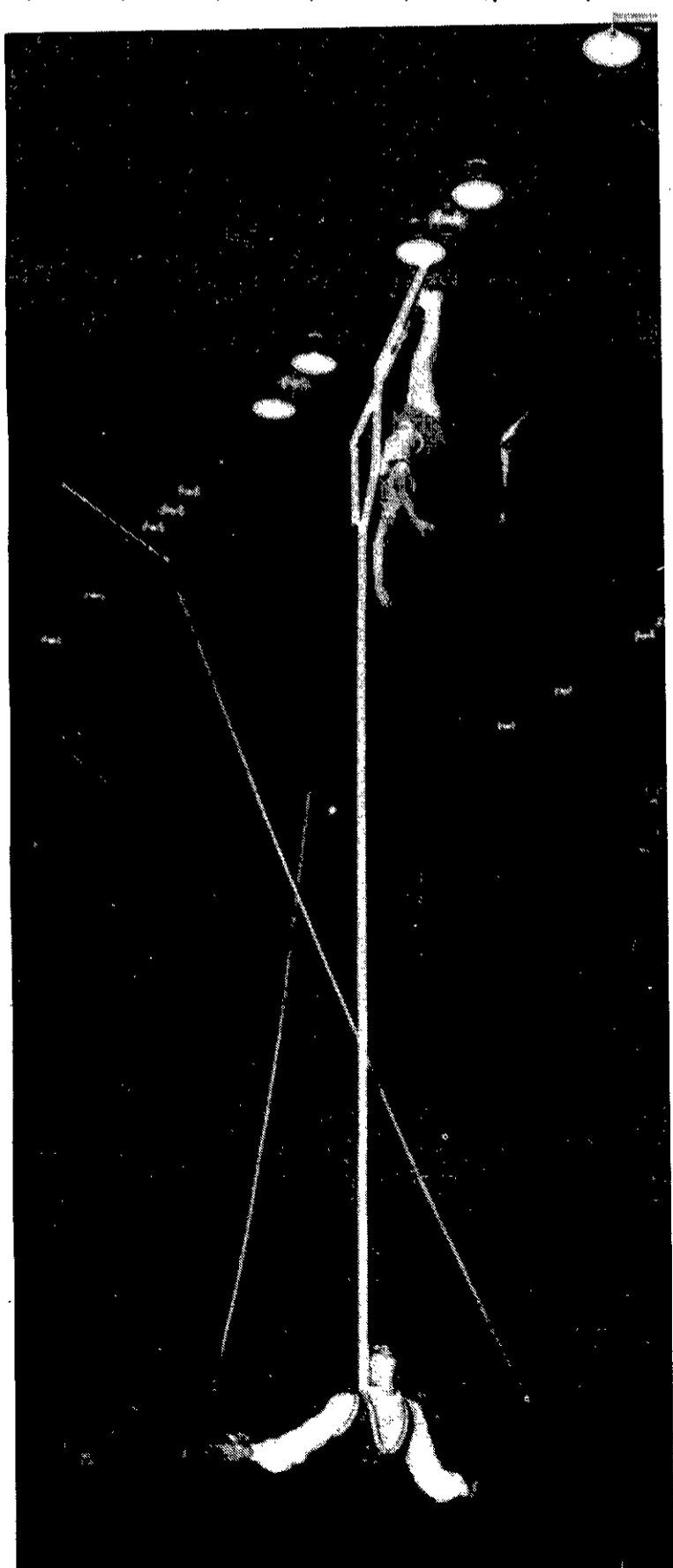
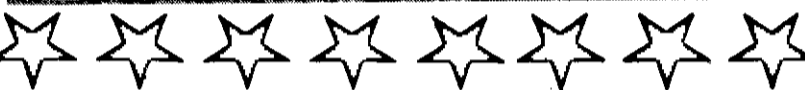
Their fast-paced routine features the beautiful Sylvia performing a backward somersault into a chair perched atop a pole 15 feet high held by her brother. In another brilliant teeterboard display she is propelled from the springboard by her mother, Lisa and brother Danny, through the air in a backward somersault to the waiting shoulders of her brother Tim, as they execute the four-man high pyramid reaching 20 feet in the air! At the bottom of this graceful human totem is another brother, Randy, the act's understander, a person of great strength supporting and balancing the pyramid of performers.

The Hernandez Troupe demonstrates their incredible dexterity and agility as they present a dazzling display of lightning-fast, non-stop gymnastic maneuvers, each one designed to top the previous effort as they carry on the circus tradition begun by their parents.

Like many other circus performers they establish a permanent home in Sarasota, Florida even though the family spends many months traveling throughout the United States. The youngest member of the troupe is 9-year-old Tony Hernandez who attends school each morning under the tutoring of his mother.

Circus producer Joyce Vidbel takes special pride in presenting the fabulous Hernandez Troupe who have just finished multi-year engagements at Florida's Circus World and Busch Gardens theme parks.

Audiences attending this year's edition of the Vidbel All-American Circus will be dazzled by the Hernandez Troupe as these teeterboard artists constantly strive to be "one up" and add new twists to their stirring salvos of sensational springboard superlatives.

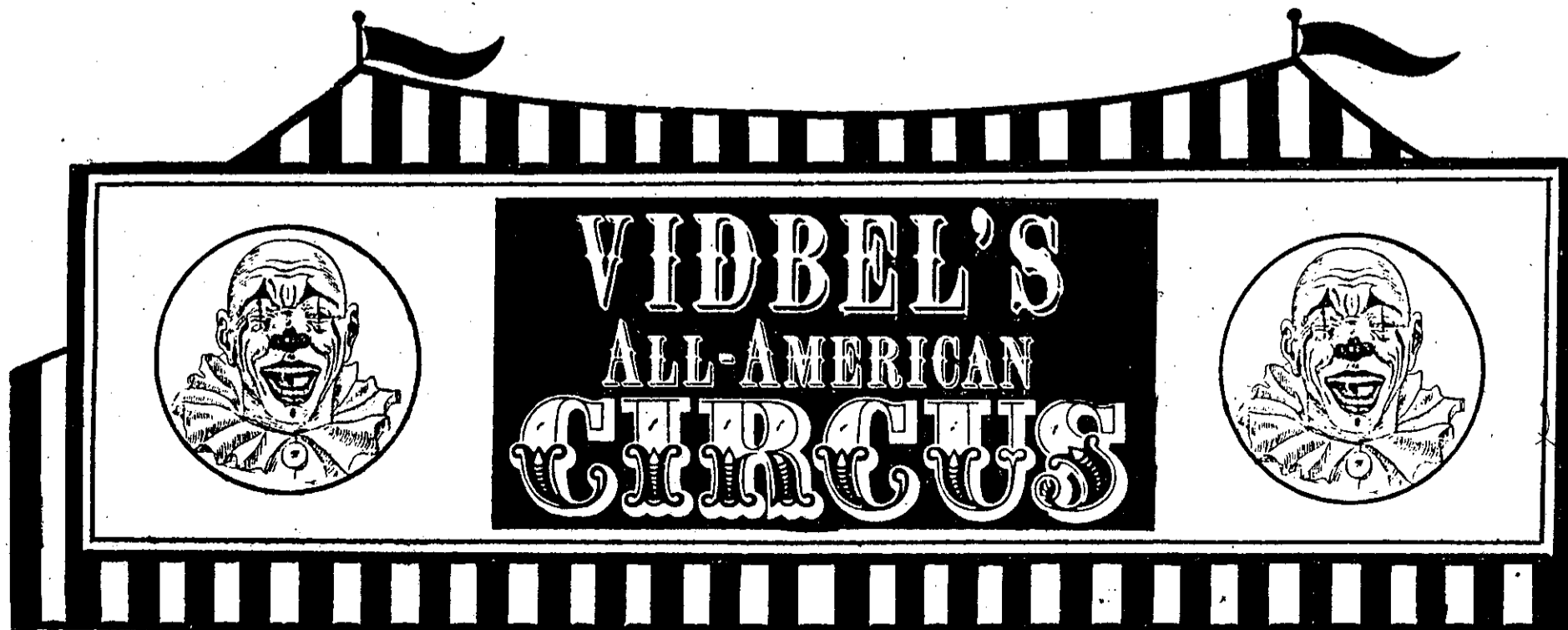


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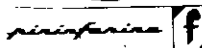
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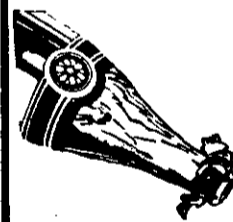
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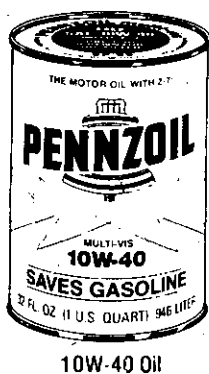
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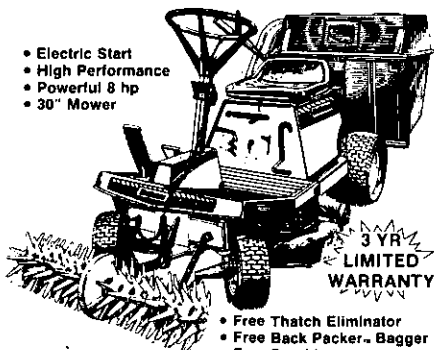
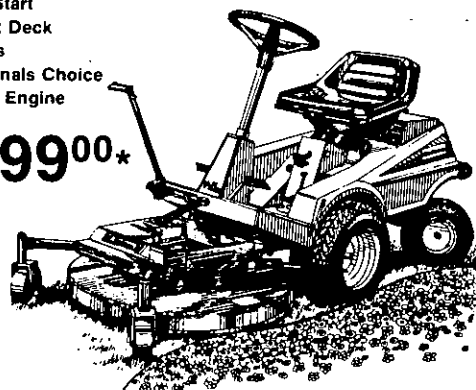
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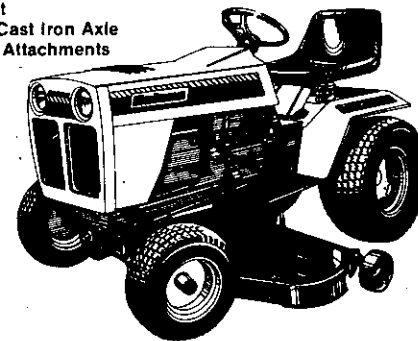
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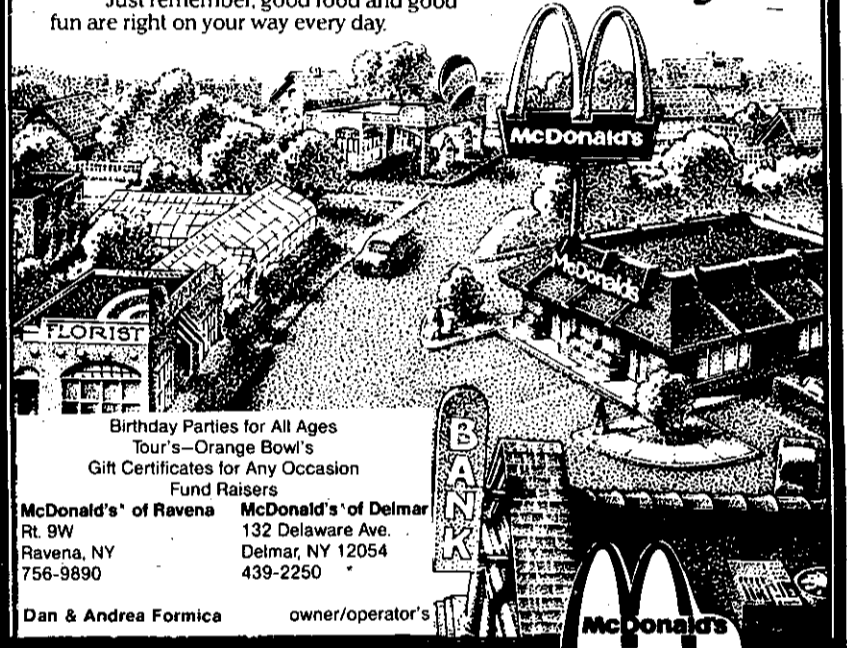
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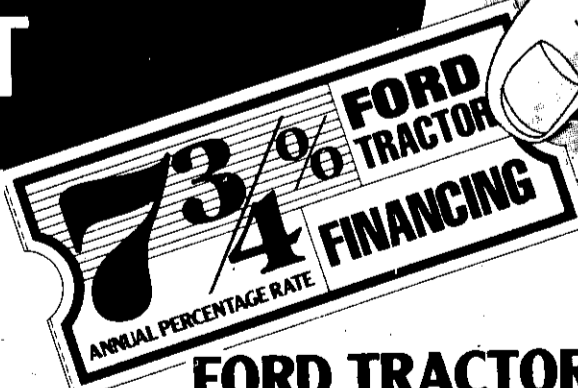
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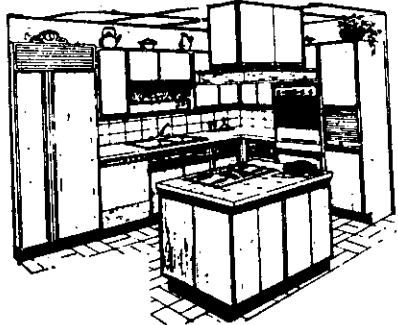
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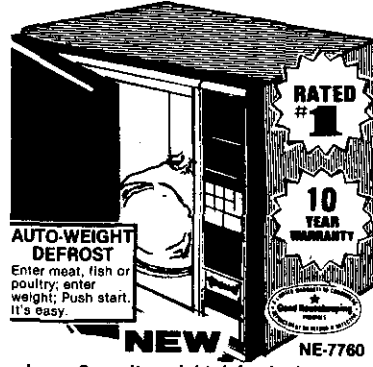
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The Smart Oven

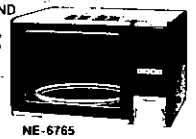
• Auto weight cook
and defrost. Calcu-
lates cooking or de-
frosting time auto-
matically by weight.
Sets power level.
• Digital clock, timer
& delayed start. • 3
stage memory.



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display timer •
Defrost and vari-
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ALL THERE IS
TO IT • Delayed
Start • Weight
Defrost • 3 Stage
Memory



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NEW OVER RANGE MICROWAVE



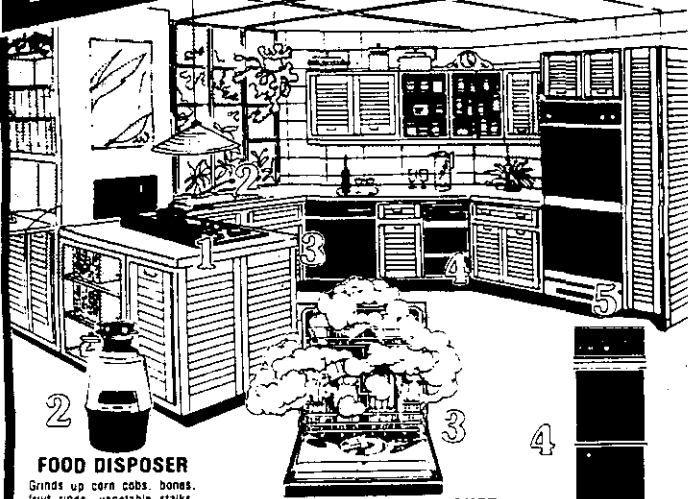
\$110 OFF
Variable power hood
fan. Easy to use. Auto-
weight accuracy \$568
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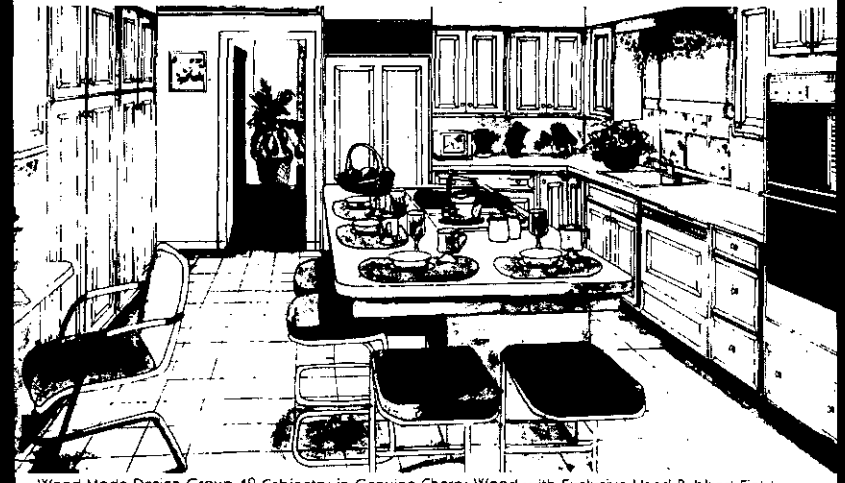
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