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BC tax hike cut; boundary settled

By Caroline Terenzini

For the second year in a row, the tax rate increase for the Bethlehem Central School District is lower than the rate forecast when the budget proposal went before voters. A year-end fund balance more than double the forecast, a districtwide assessment increase almost a million dollars above the estimate, and an unforeseen additional \$109,000 means the district will retain a \$350,000 fund balance "to help stabilize the tax rate in future years" while dropping the tax hike from the projected 5.16 percent for Bethlehem taxpayers to 3.5 percent.

For New Scotland residents of the Bethlehem district, the tax hike will be 2.6 percent, or \$7.18 per \$1,000 assessed, instead of the 3.17 percent boost expected. The calculations put the New Scotland school tax rate at \$274.23 per \$1,000 assessed, while Bethlehem's is \$162.22 per thousand.

Hence, a Bethlehem resident whose property is assessed at \$10,000 will be billed \$1,652 in September (with \$121.30 added for the Bethlehem Public Library).

The unexpected changes in the revenue side of the budget prompted the BC board last Tuesday to set aside nearly \$350,000 in the 1985-86 budget as a fund balance to be retained "to help stabilize the tax rates" in succeeding years. The vote by the seven-member board was unanimous. The board also amended the budget approved by voters in May to add \$58,000 to operations and maintenance, mindful of an unforeseen repair underway for pipes at the high school swimming pool. The vote was 6-0-1, with Velma Cousins abstaining.

And, with figures in hand showing an unexpectedly large enrollment at the Clarksville

Elementary School, the seven-member board authorized Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn to hire another elementary teacher, if necessary, amending the budget to add \$25,000 for that purpose. Board member Charles Reeves was opposed, while Cousins abstained on the motion to amend the budget although she voted in favor of adding a teacher.

Board members found they couldn't please everyone when they unanimously endorsed an agreement worked out by attorneys for the Bethlehem and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk (RCS) school districts concerning the boundary between the two. Izak Giwerc, owner of Bronco Development Ltd. and developer of Elm Estates, appealed unsuccessfully to the board to assign undeveloped land he owns there to the Bethlehem district, "regardless of the line."

The arrangement approved by the Bethlehem board, which is still to be voted on by the RCS board, allows Elm Estates homeowners in an "island" of RCS taxpayers surrounded by Bethlehem properties each to choose their district. As the homes are sold, however, they will be placed on the Bethlehem tax rolls and any children living there will attend BC schools. Under the arrangement approved by the BC board, the election by the homeowners is to be made before Aug. 23, if intended to take effect in the 1985-86 school year, or in any case no later than April of 1986.

There has been no explanation as to why a portion of the development north of the line that several town maps show as the school districts' boundary was assigned to the RCS tax rolls. That portion includes about 25 properties along Ellendale Ave.

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Among the more pleasant commercial changes on Kenwood Ave. in Slingerlands to an office building by builder Brian Parenteau.

Tom Shaw

Delaware Ave. looking up?

By Tom McPheeters

Although many of the recommendations of the Delaware Ave. Task Force have yet to be adopted by the town, Bethlehem's main street is already looking better for the effort, say two top officials.

Among recent accomplishments cited Friday by Supervisor Robert Hendrick and Planning Board Chairman John Williamson are the landscaping improvements made by Brockley's at the Four Corners, the site plan for the new Adams Hardware Store at what is now Vet's Garage, the increased setback for the new Citibank building next to Delaware Plaza, the landscaping and facade improvements done by

Community Health Plan to the old A&P building and the site plan for the beauty parlor in a rehabilitated house next to McCarroll's.

"All of these were the result of common sense and negotiation," said Williamson. "We haven't had to use any arm twisting."

Hendrick added that many of the improvements seen on Delaware Ave. the result of a quiet campaign by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, which has been sending letters to merchants reminding them of their civic duty. Chamber President Tom Thorson said the low-key campaign includes responding to complaints from the public about specific eyesores.

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Brockley's Delmar Tavern at the Four Corners underwent a sprucing up after the building next door was leveled. Further down Delaware Ave.,



Jay Hostetter's Sunoco station is abloom with summer flowers.

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Delmar attorney leads states in acid rain victory

By Linda Anne Burtis

Many people can be accused of arguing with their work, but David Wooley of Delmar — environmentalist and lawyer — is more reason than most.

For five years the assistant attorney general has been working with New York State's acid rain problem, a problem so vast that the state cannot hope to solve it by itself. Wooley's job: get the federal government to rein in the midwestern states that generate much of the sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions that cause acid rain in the Northeast.

"I was discouraged by going so long without a victory," Wooley said recently. "But it's always darkest before the dawn, and

boom... this hit."

On July 26, Judge Norma Johnson of the U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C., ruled on a lawsuit brought by New York and six other states and four environmental groups, deciding in favor of reducing acid rain emissions from the Midwest. Judge Johnson gave the federal Environmental Protection Agency nine months to identify those states responsible for acid rain pollution in Canada and order them to improve their industrial emissions for the sake of Canadian health and welfare.

The litigants reasoned that the midwestern coal-burning utilities generate much of the sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide

emissions that cause acid rainfall problems in both Canada and the United States. Any steps taken to improve Canadian air quality will simultaneously benefit the United States, particularly the Northeast.

Wooley was the lead counsel in the lawsuit, and he is under no illusion that the battle is over. Implementation will be slowed by the judicial process, which has yet to review the numbers — that is, the amounts of pollutants to be cut. Also, the parties charged in the lawsuit — not only the EPA but also 77 utility companies and the National Coal Association — have the option of appealing the

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David Wooley at home in the Adirondacks!

Halter Rd. water scotched again

The Town of Bethlehem's second attempt to secure federal funds for the installation of water mains for Halter Rd., a short street off Rt. 144 in Glenmont, has proved unsuccessful, and town officials are running out of ideas for the project.

The town's most recent application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ranked only 161 out of 167 applications received, according to Supervisor Robert Hendrick. HUD received applications requesting a total of more than \$85 million in aid; only \$36 million was available under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program.

After receiving petitions for municipal sewer and water service in the Halter Road area, the Town of Bethlehem had an engineering report prepared in order to estimate the cost of providing water and sewer services.

The proposed sewer extension area, which would have included only the homes on Halter Rd., would have cost an estimated \$150,000. The water main extension, which would have connected to the existing water main at Anders Lane and extended across to the houses on Old River Rd. and then to the

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existing main on Retreat House Rd., including a main on Halter Rd., was estimated at \$230,000.

All of these costs would have to be paid for by the people who live within the proposed extension. This cost would result in a tax rate of approximately \$75 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation and a total bill to each property owner of between \$400 and \$500 per year for the next 20 years — a figure far in excess of what the state comptroller's office would approve.

"Since this rate was excessive, we felt it was not prudent to proceed with this project without some type of financial aid," said Hendrick in a letter to residents.

The first application, requesting both municipal water mains and sanitary sewer services for the Halter Road area, also did not qualify for federal funding.

Most recently, the town learned that a second application for a water district extension was rejected. "At this point, the only solution to the sewer and water problems for your area will have to be a local solution," said

Hendrick told the residents.

Hendrick said the town has offered to assist Halter Rd. residents with the paper work and preliminary engineering necessary to begin a special sewer district expansion without aid.

Firehouse voted down

Voters in the Elmwood Park Fire District Monday rejected a \$350,000 bond issue for a new firehouse on Schoolhouse Road by a vote of 269 to 167.

Just last month district residents rejected a similar proposal by 21 votes.

Fire on Rowe Rd

One of the area's prized historic landmarks was threatened by fire last Wednesday. A shop, barn and a guest house on attorney Fredericks Riester's property on Rowe Rd. near Feura Bush were damaged, according to Oneschaw Fire Chief David Brisco. Brisco said the house and garage were saved.

The house was built for the Van Der Zee family in 1754. It was most recently owned by former state Education Commissioner Ewald Nyquist. Two historic items were damaged — Riester's 1965 vintage Corvette and his 1931 Model A Ford.

First prize winner

Nora Hooper of Delmar won a \$500 first prize in the Altamont Fair Art Show. Hooper's oil painting, entitled "The Last Supper," placed first out of 467 entries.

Hooper is employed as a graphic artist and advertising salesperson for *The Spotlight*. She plans to graduate from the College of Saint Rose this December with a degree in fine art.

Arbitration papers filed

The long-simmering contract dispute between the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association and the town appears to have at least as much to do with work rules and departmental procedures as it does with money, at least according to the PBA's version of issues that need to be resolved.

After a silence of two months, the PBA last week filed a formal request for arbitration with the state Public Employment Relations Board. Bethlehem officials now have a chance to respond to the PBA's proposed modifications and additions to the existing contract, which expired last Dec. 31 (but is still being honored by both sides). Then each side picks a representative on the arbitration panel — the PBA has already designated Peter J. Reilly, president of the Police Conference of New York — and between them the two representatives pick a third to round out the panel.

Three of the 11 issues raised by the PBA deal with money. The PBA is proposing eight percent pay increases in 1985 and 1986, is seeking a modification to the existing longevity benefits and wants a 20-year retirement provision. The town has offered what it says is essentially two six percent raises, in the form of four percent every six months. The current contract offers retirement at 25 years, and town officials have said the 20-year provision would cost about \$50,000.

In earlier interviews, Supervisor Robert Hendrick had said that last November only a few issues stood in the way of a settlement. But by the time the two sides went public in their dispute in June the areas of disagreement had expanded. According to PBA officials, that is because the union now feels the need to protect its members against changes in management practices long taken for granted.

The proposed list of issues to be resolved contains lengthy sections on vacation and compensatory time and how it shall be administered. The union also wants the rights of officers charged with wrongdoing spelled out in more detail and is seeking to place all disciplinary actions under state civil service law.

"I'm happy we're finally going to arbitration," Hendrick said Friday. He said there are "several inaccuracies" in the PBA's list of issues and that the town will issue a response after studying the list.

Delaware Ave.

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The town's slow progress in implementing the task force recommendations has been a source of some embarrassment and is a potential issue in the fall town elections. And neighborhood activists appear to be gearing up for another battle over expansion of a business in a residential section of Delaware Ave. as the Board of Appeals prepares to issue a final ruling on the Verstandig's variance.

Hendrick said Friday that staff work is progressing on the task force recommendations, with the next issue to be considered the side and rear lot requirements for properties fronting on Delaware Ave. After developing a set of standards, Hendrick said, town planners looked at all the properties affected and are now

reworking their recommendations.

"We have to look at the over picture so we don't isolate Delaware Ave. from everywhere else," Hendrick said. When work is done, he said, he will "share" the proposals with neighborhood and chamber representatives before presenting them to the town board.

Also coming up is a new zoning map, promised now by the end of August, Hendrick said. The other recommendations will be dealt with as quickly as staff time allows, he said.

Bicycle found

A black 10-speed bicycle found last Wednesday on Rt. 144 near the Job Corps Center in Glenmont, according to Bethlehem police reports.

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Elizabeth Conley and her puppet, Simon, reached out to children at the Bethlehem Public Library during last Thursday's presentation of "Little Red Riding Hood." Cheryl Clary

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and Belmont Court in Elm Estates.

Giwer, who was represented at the board meeting by attorney Donald DeAngelis of the firm of Kaplowitz, DeAngelis, Rice and Murphy in Delmar, told the board that he would suffer a substantial decrease in the expected financial return on undeveloped land in Elm Estates if that land were on the RCS and not the BC tax rolls. Giwer said the same house would sell for 20 to 25 percent more if it were in the BC district rather than the RCS district. And this price difference would obtain regardless of whether the buyer has children, Giwer said.

DeAngelis said Giwer is planning to build 220 townhouses on that acreage in the next seven or eight years, a \$20 million to \$25 million project. While board members questioned whether a townhouse buyer was as likely to have children and therefore was as likely as the buyer of a single-family home to care about what school district he resided in, Giwer and DeAngelis insisted that the price and the marketability of the property would be affected.

When the board proved to be unmoved by the appeal to "leave

us where we've been all along, regardless of the line," DeAngelis said a lawsuit is possible. He added, however, that the court could be asked to consider only the undeveloped land, letting stand the agreement as it concerns the property owners in the "island." DeAngelis indicated that one basis for a suit would be to challenge the line both districts have accepted as their common boundary. "I don't think anybody knows where that line is," he said.

Roger Fritts, attorney for the district, told board members any legal actions taken would be against the town assessor, but that school districts also undoubtedly would be named in such suits. He said the ultimate question is who has responsibility for saying what properties belong where.

Board member Robert Ruslander was concerned that prospective buyers of homes in the "island" in Elm Estates would not be aware of the agreement. "Some innocent person is going to get burned," he said. Suggestions included notification of all licensed realtors and the county bar association; the possibility of putting a notice on the tax bills, and requiring that a document be filed with the deed in the county clerk's office.

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Local group homes make friends with neighbors

By Tania Stasiuk

The two additional homes for developmentally disabled adults that are on the drawing boards for the Town of Bethlehem have raised the same uncertainties among neighbors that Chris Klemfuss, director of a group home on Kenwood Ave., remembers from 1981.

Four and a half years ago, the Eleanor Roosevelt Developmental Center helped establish a community residence on Kenwood Ave. for 10 mentally retarded adults, ages 21 to 50. Klemfuss, who was at the time assistant director of the home, recalls that most of the neighbors were receptive if unsure about the residence, but one was openly against it. His questions and questions from others were answered at a series of community meetings, and an open house was held at the home so neighbors could meet the clients and staff who would live there.

The two proposed homes, which are planned for existing houses on Gay St. and McCormack Rd. are both offering the same sort of introductions to their neighbors. Already several meetings have been held to discuss the possibilities and legalities of such residences. The state office for Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities and the Cohoes-based Residential Opportunities, Inc., hope to make the transition into the Bethlehem community as well as the three group homes in Bethlehem operated by the Eleanor Roosevelt Developmental Center.

Today, neighbors around the

Kenwood Ave. residence are happy with the home. One woman said that before anyone lived there, she was unhappy with the idea of having such a residence nearby. She attended both the community meetings and the open house to voice her own questions and to learn about the home, but she still was doubtful about the success of such a project, she said. Today, she freely admits that the home's residents make good neighbors. "It's no different than having any other neighbors. If anything, they're more friendly. They always wave and say 'hello' when they walk by." The walks, Klemfuss emphasized, are always supervised and quiet. Most activities take place in the house or on the lawn, and the residents do not interfere with neighbors at all, he said.

In fact, the only problem that has arisen with the Kenwood Ave. residence concerns lawn mowing. The state is supposed to hire contractors to mow the large lot,

but in 1984, for example, the lawn was mowed a total of three times the whole year. Several neighbors complained about the unsightly growth there. This year, the state has given the home a lawnmower, but the job now costs the workers time and gas money (it takes three tankfuls to mow the lawn).

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, which is nearby, has a human concerns group that helps observe birthdays at the home, providing parties on each resident's birthday. Group members also have visited the house for the neighborhood Christmas parties held every year, as have many of the neighbors.

Despite neighborhood concerns at the start of the project, four and a half years later residents near the Kenwood Ave. home are not unhappy with their mentally retarded neighbors. Their experience suggests that those living near the two proposed homes may find they, too, have good neighbors.

BC makes appointments

The following appointments have been made by the Bethlehem Central Board of Education:

Andrew Masino, art teacher and supervisor; Lorraine Guyon, middle school music teacher; Marlene Mendelson, remedial reading teacher at Glenmont; Denise M. Stark, to teach Latin and Spanish at the high school; James Yeara, replacement high school English teacher; Janice Prendergast, remedial reading teacher at Clarksville and Slingerlands.

Also, Maureen Rynish, to teach eighth grade science and math as a replacement; Susan Campbell, art teacher at Clarksville; Karen

Rothaupt, high school chemistry teacher, and Rosemary Brown, teaching assistant at the high school media center.

The board also appointed Patricia Pinchback to the new position of student assistance counselor. During the previous year she was a replacement guidance teacher at the middle school.

William Blanchard, custodian at Elsmere Elementary School, has retired after working for the district 25 years. Beryl Gonzales, a secretary at Elsmere, also has submitted her resignation for retirement, after 11 years with the district.

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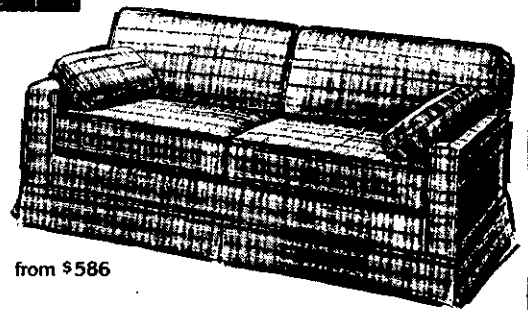


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County to expand in village

Albany County is planning a major expansion to the county Public Works Department building in Voorheesville.

At its meeting last week, the county legislature approved a \$5,100 contract with Clough, Harbour and Associates to study the proposed 6,500 square foot expansion, which will allow County Engineer Fred Doeing to consolidate his staff. The legislature also voted to establish a municipal power distribution agency — called a "paper muni" — that would allow county residents to continue to receive cheap hydroelectric power.

Doeing said last week that the Voorheesville expansion will create new, modernized quarters for his 20-person engineering staff. Currently, about half of the staff works at the county building near Heritage Park in Colonie and the other half works in Voorheesville. The addition will also allow some modernization to the Highway Department portion of the building, particularly in eliminating the large, energy-

inefficient windows, Doeing said.

The project is expected to cost between \$150,000 and \$250,000, he said.

The Albany County municipal power distribution agency will be on the Nov. 5 ballot as a referendum. If approved by the voters, it would allow the county to contract with Niagara Mohawk so that NiMo's customers can continue to receive a share of the cheap hydroelectric power generated by the Power Authority of the State of New York (PASNY). A recent federal court ruling declared that sale of the cheap power to private utilities was illegal, but said that municipal agencies could be purchasers. Albany County would not construct its own facilities but would simply buy the power and pass along the savings through Niagara Mohawk to customers in the county.

No studies have been conducted on the actual savings to electricity consumers. "I would say that it would essentially stabilize rates," said County Attorney William

Conboy after the meeting.

In other action, the legislature authorized the creation of an \$18,500-per-year position of "departmental coordinator" to do public relations work for various county departments. William Heller, a former *Times-Union* reporter hired to do public relations work in connection with the proposed civic center when the county Industrial Development Agency was in charge of the project, is to fill the job. The IDA is being phased out of the civic center project. The legislature split along party lines, with Republicans opposing the hiring.

Dinner out costly

A Delmar resident who went out to dinner last Monday came home an hour and 15 minutes later to find her bedroom ransacked and jewelry missing, according to Bethlehem police reports. A shovel was used to pry open a rear window in the residence on Parkwyn Dr., the report noted. Two gold chains and a pair of diamond earrings were listed as stolen.

Adams-Russell wants 10 years

Adams-Russell Cablevision, which earlier this year asked the Bethlehem Town Board for a five-year extension of its franchise, has decided instead to ask the town for a new franchise with a new rate structure.

The reversal was expected and has to do with the company's desire for long-term stability that will attract investors, according to Adams-Russell spokesmen at a May town board hearing. But town Supervisor Robert Hendrick says the proposal requires careful study because of the shifting federal rules governing the relationship between municipalities and cable television operators. By the end of next year, municipalities will lose the right to regulate rates, although they will retain some leverage in service and in coverage area.

The current franchise agreement (and a similar agreement in the Town of New Scotland) allows the company to seek a five-year extension of its current franchise, and Adams-Russell formally began the steps that would permit that action last year. But at a public hearing in May, Adams-Russell officials explained that five years is not enough time to attract long-term capitalization that would allow for a major expansion of services.

In July, the company filed its request for a new, 10-year franchise, which would be effective Aug. 1, 1986. The new rate structure would actually lower the basic rate to \$7.95 per month, but would add four tiers — \$2.05 for "super cable", \$11.95 for Home Box Office, \$10.50 for Cinemax and \$11.95 for the Disney Channel. The current base rate is \$10, but the new franchise proposal does not explain which channels will be offered in the new basic rate and which will be included in the "super cable" rate.

Adams-Russell is proposing that the present three percent franchise fee be left unchanged. The fee could be reset up to five percent. The company is, however, reducing the number of residences per mile for areas it will service from 50 to 35 — a long-standing bone of contention with the town. The reduced number of residences per mile means that some rural areas and new subdivisions could get cable service without paying extra.

Hendrick said Friday that he has asked the state Cable Commission to analyze the Adams-Russell proposal and will submit the franchise agreement to the town board with the commission's recommendations.

The cable commission provides staff support for municipalities negotiating with cable operators, particularly in interpreting the 1984 federal law that now controls municipal cable franchises.

According to the commission's interpretation, on Dec. 29, 1986, municipalities lose all control over cable rates; until then, cable operators are limited to five percent per year increases without municipal approval.

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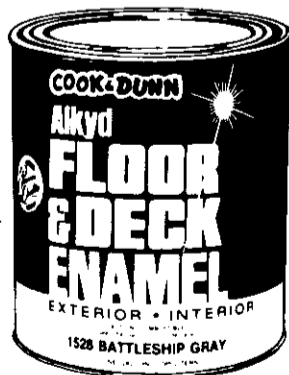


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To subdivide — again?

By Theresa Bobear

A hardware store on Delaware Ave. and a small school on Hudson Ave. received site plan approval from the Bethlehem Planning Board last week, but the toughest question to come before the board was whether land once subdivided should be subdivided again.

During a public hearing, four Daniel St. property owners voiced their opposition to Jean Conway's application for a two-lot subdivision of an AA-Residential lot in the previously approved Woodside South, Section II subdivision.

Paul Hite, a land surveyor representing Conway, said both the lots would meet the square foot area requirements of AA-Residential. Hite said the lots would be equal in size to all the lots along the street.

Diane Harrison of Daniel St. said she went to town hall and looked at the map before buying in the area. "I wanted to see exactly what was there before I bought a lot," said Harrison. The Daniel Street resident said she was assured by Building Inspector John Flanigan that there would be no further subdivision of the lots.

Edward Laird of Daniel St. asked what the board's policy was on further subdivision of a subdivision.

Board chairman John Williamson said, "We don't have any definite policy. We handle each case on its own merits. All meetings are public... all discussion we have is available to you people."

Williamson went on to say that the board operates within the confines of town law. Laird asserted that within that framework, the board members are allowed to set rules and regulations for the orderly review of cases.

The board will discuss the hearing at a subsequent meeting.

Site plan approval was granted to Frank Mesiti for the relocation of Adams Hardware from its present Delaware Avenue location near the Four Corners to the building at 333 Delaware Ave., previously occupied by Vet's Body Shop and Garage.

Mesiti's plan was reviewed by the town's building department professionals before being presented to the board. Edward Kleinke, town planning consultant, said the parking would be perpendicular to one side of the building with access on the side. Kleinke said the back area of the parcel would be fenced.

Building inspector John Flanigan said Alan Riedel of the town engineering staff had looked at the site and recommended the installation of a drainage swale.

Timothy O'Brien suggested that the street number on the sign be large enough to be seen by someone driving by.

The board also approved Delmar resident Gaston Cadieux's site plan application for an apartment and a Montessori School to be located in a CC-Commercial zone at 56 Hudson Ave., Delmar. The Blossom Montessori School is currently located in New Scotland.

According to Andrew Prescott, architect representing Cadieux, the school would consist of one classroom for no more than 20 students. Prescott said the west driveway would be one-way in and the east driveway would be one-way out. Prescott said the rear fence would be replaced, parking would be provided for three additional cars and handicapped facilities would be installed.

Williamson expressed his concern about traffic congestion that might result from parents dropping their children off at the same time. Williamson explained that the town has no jurisdiction over the traffic signs installed by the private property owner. "Personally, I'd like to put more thought into this," said Williamson.

After lengthy discussion, the board approved the site plan.

Regarding the proposed subdivision of the lands of Briand Parenteau, located on Bender Lane, board attorney Earl Jones reported that there appeared to be two lots. Noting that Parenteau has applied for and received a building permit for a lot, Jones explained that the developer would have to come in to the planning board for a third lot if he gave a deed for part of a lot.

Finally, the board tabled consideration of a request for the rezoning of land, partially owned by Paul Nelson, on Rt. 9W from B-Residential to CC-Commercial, pending a review of the zoning plan for the area.

At their next meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 20, the board may consider: the proposed one-lot subdivision of Susan Favalaro's land on Elsmere Avenue; John Dare's application for a one-lot subdivision on Beaver Dam Rd., and a site plan application for the two-family residence proposed by Harold Berben Jr. for his property on Beacon Rd. in Glenmont.

The machine

A lecture, entitled "Public Life in Albany: Machine Politics 1870-1945," will be presented at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 18, at the State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

The free lecture, to be presented by M. Craig Brown of the State University at Albany's Sociology Department, will provide a comparative analysis of political machines as key organizational elements in the city's heritage.

Honor at Radcliffe

Francesca Mirabelli of Delmar, a member of the class of 1985 at Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass., received a year-end prize at the college for her work in the humanities and fine arts. A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Mirabelli majored in English and American literature.

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court's decision.

Environmentalists say the states most likely to be ordered to reduce their sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions are Ohio, West Virginia, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky.

Wooley said Canada, which has implemented its own policy of reducing sulfur dioxide emission by 50 percent, and has also reduced nitrogen oxide emissions from automobiles, could pressure the Reagan Administration not to appeal the decision.

Last week New York filed a second lawsuit in Federal Court, this time seeking to have the EPA rewrite its rules to compel Midwestern power plants to improve pollution controls or burn low sulfur coal.

Acid rain is a fact of life in the Northeast, because prevailing winds carry the noxious

pollutants to this area. Acid rain has done more apparent damage to the Adirondack mountains and lakes than it has to the Helderbergs because "there is a natural buffering capacity in the soils in the Helderberg," says Wooley. But, he adds, acid rain is a concern everywhere because sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide cause lung disease. "Young people, the elderly and people susceptible to asthma and bronchitis are particularly vulnerable."

The court decision has given Wooley new resolve. "I've got a tiger by the tail and I don't intend to let it go," he says. The first order of business, though: a hiking trip to the Adirondacks.

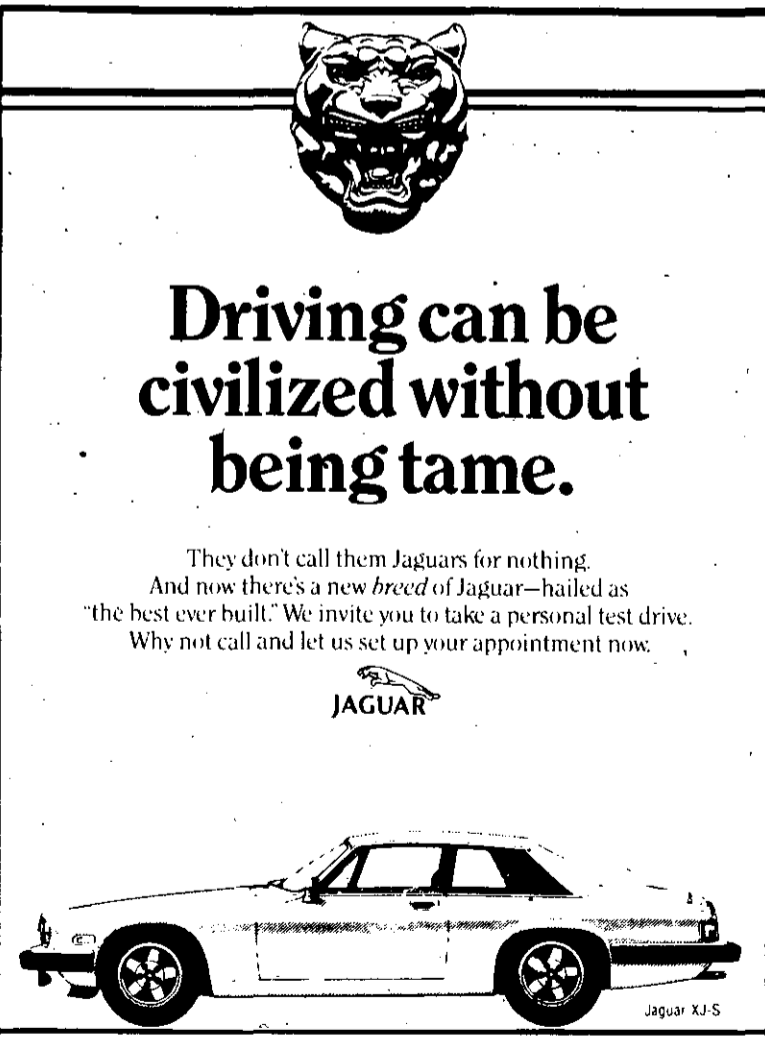
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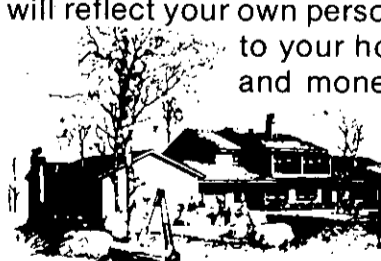

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RCS teachers press for contract

By Theresa Bobear

With another contract negotiation meeting scheduled for Aug. 19, more than 40 members of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Teachers Association attended last week's board meeting to express their concerns about the 1985-86 contract and their desire to reach a contract agreement with the board.

According to Don Prockup, a spokesman for the teachers, the average overall teacher's salary for RCS is the 24th lowest out of 35 schools in the Capital District. Prockup said the average overall teacher's salary for RCS is the lowest of the schools in the Colonial Council, which are of comparable size.

"I feel good about what I do for your children," said Prockup, after distributing a list of more than 100 extra items that teachers do for students.

Prockup said he spoke to members of the RCS Board of Education last week about "getting a fair deal" in the contract negotiations.

"Our salary is in the lower one-third of the Capital District. We signed those contracts (for the last

school year). We may not do that again," said Prockup, noting that he did not think the RCS teachers were in the lower one third in education or in caring for children.

"We're aware of how people are remunerated in other districts," said Prockup. "We're not asking for the store... The best thing for kids is a happy teacher, spiritually, emotionally and in other rewards too."

Board President Anthony Williams said, "We have in the past tried to be fair with the students of the district and the teachers of the district." Williams referred to the negotiation process as a "give and take process" and added, "We certainly would like to start the year on a positive note."

Following last week's meeting, Prockup outlined some items that are key to the teachers. In addition to salary concerns, Prockup listed board contributions to dental insurance, agency fees charged to non-union people, the school calendar and elementary or mandatory duties. Regarding the last item, Prockup said, "freeing

up the teachers to work with kids is the way we look at it."

An impasse in negotiations was declared on May 21. Richard Curreri of the State Mediation Board is providing communications support.

Superintendent Milton Chodack declined to answer questions regarding the negotiations.

Buildings and grounds inspector Angelo Rosato reported about the district's summer maintenance projects. "I don't see any problem with us opening on time," said Rosato. According to Rosato, the roof at A.W. Becker Elementary School and the repairs at the bus garage should be completed during August.

Regarding the roof repairs at the senior high building, Rosato said he had been assured that the workers would be out of the way by the start of school.

Rosato reported that a transformer to the rear of the junior high building was leaking and in need of repair. Rosato said the cost of the repair should fall between \$6,000 and \$12,000.

The board authorized the buildings and grounds committee to approve a final figure for the

repairs so that the work could begin as soon as possible.

In other business, the board:

- Learned that the next meeting of the transportation committee will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Aug. 14) at the district bus garage.

- Approved the fall semester adult continuing education program presented by Joanne Nunan, program coordinator.

- Held RCSTA grievance hearings.

- Accepted a summary of proposed changes to the board's by-laws and rules and regulations. The proposed changes will be discussed on Aug. 19.

- Approved the ordering of a new series of elementary math texts published by Addison Wesley.

- Announced that the board regular meeting on Monday, Aug. 19, will be held at RCS Senior High School at 8 p.m.

RCS offers courses

The registration deadline for the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Adult Continuing Education Program is Sept. 13.

Courses open to all adults include basic photography, dog obedience, sewing, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, stenciling, basketball, computer literacy, quilting, gourmet cooking and aerobics.

Registration is open to all adults, regardless of residency. For information write to Joanne Nunan, RCS Junior High School, Rt. 9W, Ravena 12143, or call 756-2155.

Classes will begin during the week of Sept. 16.

State clears Atlantic site

Atlantic Cement, located on Rt. 9W in Ravena, has been determined not to be a hazardous waste disposal site, according to state Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Henry G. Williams.

The Ravena plant was named as one of 449 potential hazardous waste sites in "The Community Right To Know" survey, which was carried out under an executive order from Gov. Mario Cuomo.

Thus far, Atlantic Cement and 15 other sites have been dropped from the list after a review by the DEC Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste.

Too close

A Selkirk woman was charged with driving while intoxicated as a misdemeanor after her car narrowly missed hitting a patrol car on Rt. 144 in Glenmont shortly after midnight last Wednesday, according to Bethlehem police reports.

Two other motorists were charged with DWI early Sunday morning on Delaware Ave. in Elmsere, police said. One is a man from North Adams, Mass., and the other, a Schenectady resident.

Rings stolen

Bethlehem police are investigating a burglary on Orchard St. in Delmar that was reported last Wednesday. According to police reports, a thief or thieves forced open a rear window in the house and made off with nine rings and gold-filled compact. The value of the stolen items was not listed.

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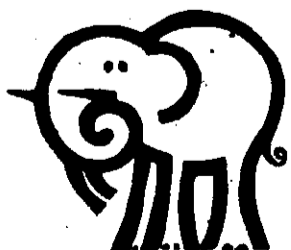
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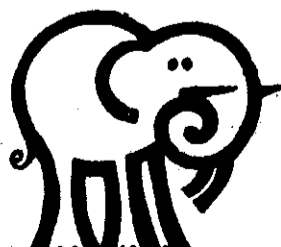
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New Salem area asks for water

By Theresa Bobear

Two petitions for water were submitted to the New Scotland Town Board by residents of New Salem South Road, Meadowbrook Road and Meadowbrook Place last week.

"We'll take it into consideration for you," said New Scotland Town Supervisor Stephen Wallace. "We'll have to get estimates on it... I would hope that you get water there."

The first petition had the signatures of approximately 16 out of 26 property holders and the second petition had the signatures of approximately 18 out of 36 property owners.

After reviewing a letter submitted by Charles Lamby of New Salem, the board voted unanimously to petition the state Department of Transportation for a speed limit reduction on New Salem South Rd. "The increase in traffic combined with the speed of the vehicles has resulted in a minor accident and provides potential for a serious one," said Lamby in his letter.

"Why don't we petition DOT for a 35 m.p.h. speed limit," said Wallace.

In other business, the board:

- Received notification of an 8.3 percent increase on all outstanding State Insurance Fund policies because of an increase in statutory benefits. Maximum total disability benefits have increased from \$275 to \$300 per week. Maximum partial disability benefits have increased from \$135 to \$150 per week.

- Agreed to send town hall personnel to the Small Cities Implementation Seminar in Buffalo from Aug. 13 to Aug. 15. Seminar participants will acquire the basic knowledge required to administer the Small Cities Program.

- Advised a representative from the New Scotland Kiwanis Club to consult the town zoning board of appeals regarding permission to construct a community bulletin board at the intersection of Rts. 85A and 155. "It seems you're entitled to a hearing on the variance," said Wallace.

NEW SCOTLAND

- Advised Saul Abrams, a representative of the Albany Amateur Radio Association, that the town has no news regarding a proposed zoning ordinance amendment to regulate satellite dishes, wind mills and radio towers. The town is expected to rewrite the proposed amendment, giving consideration to input received at last month's public hearing.

Ticketed in crash

A Delmar woman was ticketed for failure to yield the right of way after an accident Friday night at the intersection of Kenwood Ave. and Rt. 85, according to Bethlehem police reports. Robert A. Schramm, driver of the other car involved, received emergency treatment at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany for injuries suffered in the accident and was released, a hospital spokesman said. The collision occurred as the Delmar woman's car was turning left onto Kenwood Ave.

Schramm was taken to the hospital by the Delmar Fire Department Rescue Squad.



Jason Wilkie of Elsmere, left, inspects the miniature he created in the Heideberg Workshop sculpture class as fellow artists Bob Jordan of Elsmere, Brian Wuttke of Voorheesville and Brian Lenhardt of Slingerlands look on. Workshop creations will be

on display tomorrow night, Aug. 15, at the workshop open house and 25th anniversary celebration. The workshop is located on Picard Rd.

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Detour for fairgoers

Motorists headed for the Altamont Fair should watch for orange and black signs directing traffic to routes other than the Rt. 146 bridge over the Normanskill. This bridge is being repaired and is restricted to one lane of traffic that is controlled by a signal.

Rt. 146 between Rt. 20 and Altamont is normally a heavily used route to the fair. This year, signs direct motorists to use alternate roads, including Rts. 158

and 155, 85A and 156.

Lange-Finn Construction Co. of Albany is rehabilitating the Rt. 146 bridge under a \$700,000 contract. Completion of the project is scheduled for December.

Tune out, cyclists

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Community Day set to remember Buckley

It's finally here. The Community Day to help fund the Thomas Buckley Memorial project will take place this Sunday, Aug. 18, beginning at 2 p.m. on the green behind the Voorheesville village hall.

Craftsmen and vendors will be on hand to help fill the afternoon with food and fun. Soda will be sold by the Voorheesville PTSA while the Voorheesville Area Ambulance Squad will tend to the culinary needs of the crowd. A portion of all proceeds will go to the Thomas Buckley Memorial Fund.

Also beginning at 2 p.m. a number of track and field events will be held for youngsters on the playground fields. Co-ordinated by Herb Reilly, the races and games will be free and open to all students who wish to participate.

At 4 p.m. the firematics competition will begin, pitting the Voorheesville faculty against all comers.

The day's events will conclude with a concert by Voorheesville's own rising stars, "Southbound" to be held from 7 to 9 p.m., also on

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the green.

Admission to all the day's activities is free and all are welcome to attend.

Also available during the day will be t-shirts bearing the logo of the memorial fund committee, which is hoping to construct a fitness room at the high school—a long-time dream of Buckley, who coached the varsity football team for over 20 years. Designed by area artist Connie Burns, the t-shirts will also help finance the ambitious project.

As a kick-off there will be raffle tickets available for 5 prizes, including a gas grill, purchased by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland; a picnic table donated by Long Lumber; a set of cross country skis donated by Myers Bike Shop; a \$25 gift certificate from Johnny Evers Sporting Goods, and a \$10 gift certificate



Southbound members Dave Flint, left, Billy Montana, Dave Burnham, Bobby Kendall and Doug Bernhard met last week with Dime Savings Bank President James Kenney, second from right, at the Sign of the Tree for media reception. The

bank sponsored the reception to introduce the band to the area, but for area fans it will be like old home week as Southbound plays at the Altamont Fair Saturday and Voorheesville's Community Day Sunday.

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from Mike DiRossi's Sporting Goods. Tickets are \$1 each for the raffle to be drawn on Oct. 12 at the Homecoming game, when the field will be dedicated in memory of Buckley. The Kiwanis Club and the St. Matthew's men's club are selling tickets.

Other groups or individuals who would like to assist are asked to call Pete Douglas at 765-3108. Douglas, a sixth grade teacher at the grade school, is chairing the raffle. In October he will become president of the Kiwanis Club, which is co-sponsoring the raffle, as well as the new high school football coach.

A separate raffle will also be held the evening of the South-

bound concert, according to Karen Leach, who is co-ordinating the day's events. Featuring cash prizes, tickets will be on sale that evening. Anyone wishing to sign up at the last minute for a craft or food booth or to take part in the firematics competition may contact Leach at 861-8147.

Southbound homeward bound

Speaking of Southbound, the popular local group has during the summer received much attention from new fans as well as old. Receiving rave reviews from the media on their appearance with Crystal Gayle at the Coliseum, the country singers now are expanding their horizons. They

have been touring the U.S. over the summer promoting their record album "All the Way" and making way for their first single to be released by Warner Bros. early this fall.

At a reception last week held at the Sign of the Tree at the Empire State Plaza, Southbound billed as "Warner Bros. newest stars" was formally introduced to members of the media on the eve of their appearance at the Plaza. Sponsored by the Dime Savings Bank and WGNA, the press conference gave local newspapers, as well as radio and television stations, a chance to meet the personable young musicians and see some of their talents as displayed on their various appearances on TV including spots on PM Magazine, New Country on the Nashville network and their video "Southbound Fever."

As a tribute to the fast moving band the Altamont fair has named this Saturday, Aug. 17, "Southbound Saturday Night." During



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that time the group, which has played the fair the past two years, will perform.

In spite of all the fame they have been showered with the last few months, the group is most anxious to appear this week in the park, returning home to where it all began three years ago in August.

New ambulance on display

Besides helping with refreshments this Sunday at the Community Day members of the Voorheesville Area Ambulance Squad will also be doing some entertaining at their own home on Voorheesville Ave. where they will hold an open house to display their new ambulance.

The 1985 Modular Unit was recently purchased with funds from both the village and the town as well as money received from selling the old ambulance and cash which was set aside over the years for such a purchase.

The new vehicle is bigger than the old ambulance, affording the attendants much more space to carry their equipment, where previously some things had to be left behind due to limited space. It also features a center-mounted table giving attendants a chance to work on patients from both sides while in transit.

According to Art Smith, who worked on the purchasing committee along with Paul Jeffers and Gerry Condon, the new vehicle not only gives more room for both treatment and equipment on the inside but handles well, giving a smoother ride to those transported and making it easier for attendants to work quickly and more competently.

Barbara Joyce, captain of the squad, adds that the open house will also give the squad a chance to thank all those who have supported them over the years. A few neighbors they most certainly want to thank are the Brunk-Myers Funeral Home, which has allowed them to use their parking lot; the Reillys, who have stored much of their equipment in their loft; and industrial arts teacher Jim Hladun, who has recently built a rack that now allows them



Area residents are invited to look and the new ambulance during the Voorheesville Area Ambulance Squad's open house on Sunday at 2 p.m. Residents will have an opportunity to visit with the squad members, including, from left, Art

Smith, Barb Joyce, Diane Guyer, Kathy Martin, Peg Sippel, Judy Ramsey, and Hank Donnelly. Absent from the photo are Paul Jeffers and Gerry Condon.

Lyn Staff

to take all their oxygen tanks with them on calls.

All are welcome to stop down after 2 p.m. Sunday. Word has it that those who do may get one last look at the present structure, where the ambulance has been housed since it was built in the early 1960's. It is hoped that in the near future the building will either be expanded or the squad will move to new quarters. The move would not only be to accommodate the larger vehicle but to give the squad more room to adequately train members and to reciprocate in hosting other squads in training sessions.

As always, the squad, which presently lists about 35 active members, is in need of more assistance, especially during the day. Babysitters have been found to accommodate those who have been reluctant to join due to having younger children at home.

Anyone interested in joining the squad may call Barb Joyce at 765-4336.

Movies and more

Even though there are only three weeks left of vacation the library is making full use of that time to help youngsters keep summertime boredom away.

Christmas may be months away but to cool those hot afternoons the library will present "A Christmas Story" this Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 2 p.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 1 p.m. This funny movie is a memoir of a boy growing up and wanting nothing so much as a Red Ryder BB gun for Christmas. Lasting about an hour and one-half it will be most enjoyed by older children and teens, but all are welcome to this free showing to be held at St. Matthew's.

The Summer Reading Club will

feature movies this week for both the younger and older groups.

The pen pal club will also meet for the second and last time this summer on Friday, Aug. 16, at 1 p.m. at St. Matthew's. All members are invited to come and share their correspondence.

Finally, the last bedtime story hour will take place this Thursday, Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the library. Those interested are asked to sign up at the library for specific times.

Physicals next week

School will be starting in less than a month and those who are planning on participating in the athletic programs at Clayton Bouton Junior-Senior High are reminded that physicals will take place next week in the home economics rooms on the following days:

Monday, Aug. 19 - 10:30 a.m., boys varsity soccer; 2:30 p.m., boys varsity football.

Tuesday, Aug. 20 - 10:30 a.m., boys J.V. soccer; 2:30 p.m., boys J.V. football.

Wednesday, Aug. 21 - 10:30 a.m., girls cross country and field hockey; 2:30 p.m., boys varsity cross country and golf.

Thursday, Aug. 22 - 10:30 a.m., girls J.V. field hockey; 2:30 p.m., girls J.V. soccer.

Friday, Aug. 23 - 10:30 a.m., girls varsity swimming, tennis and cheerleading; 2:30 p.m., by appointment, all levels, girls first. Make-ups to be arranged between the coach and the nurse, Mrs. Rogers.

Students new to the district who wish to participate in fall sports must make arrangements with the nurse for a physical. Students may have physicals from their own doctors providing that it has been within an approximate time of the start of the season. Proof of the physical must be given to Mrs. Rogers who will then issue a 1985 physical card.

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

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

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 each month at 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, bottles cleaned with metal and plastic foam removed. Tuesday and Wednesday 8 a.m.-noon; Thursday and Friday noon-4 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m.-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 offices for Bethlehem-Coeymans, 767-2445.

THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

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

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

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at the 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, 8:30 a.m.-noon. Call 439-2238.

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

LaLeche League of Delmar, meets one Thursday each month to share breast-feeding experiences, 8 p.m. For meeting schedule and breast-feeding information call 439-1774.

North Bethlehem-Selkirk-South Bethlehem Route: Leave Bethlehem Central Bus Garage 11 a.m., to North Bethlehem Fire House via Cherry Ave., Rt. 85, Blessing Rd., Krumkill Rd., Schoolhouse Rd. and return to Elm Ave. Park via Krumkill Rd. to Rt. 85,

south on Elm Ave. to Feura Bush Rd., east on Feura Bush Rd. to Rt. 9W, 9W north (stop at Glenmont School), 9W south to Rt. 396, Rt. 396 to Beaver Dam Rd., cover Beaver Dam Rd. to Rt. 144, north on Rt. 144 to Clapper Rd. and turn around.

South on Rt. 144 to Maple Ave., west on Thatcher St. to Cottage Lane, cover Cottage Lane to Rt. 9W, north on Rt. 9W to Rt. 396 to South Albany Rd., north on South Albany Rd. to Bell Crossing Rd. to Jericho Rd., Jericho Rd. east to Long Lane, Long Lane east to Elm Ave., Elm Ave. west to Fairlawn, Fairlawn to Elm Ave. Park.

Bus will return to North Bethlehem at 3:45 p.m. and to Selkirk and South Bethlehem areas (via same route as pick up) 4:15 p.m.

Route subject to change depending on need. Call Elm Ave. Park office at 439-4131 to request pick up.

Becker Playground Route:

Pickup 8:30 a.m.; noon return, or pickup at 12:30 p.m., return 4 p.m. Pickup at the Jericho School on Jericho Rd., South on Jericho Rd. to South Albany Rd., south on South Albany to South Bethlehem School then left on Bridge St. to Lasher Rd. Left on Lasher Rd. to Rt. 9W. North on 9W to Elm Ave. Left on Elm Ave. to Jericho Rd. Right on Jericho Rd. to 9W. South on 9W to Beaver Dam Rd. Left on Beaver Dam Rd. to Rt. 144. North on 144 to corner of Clapper Rd. — turn around. South on Rt. 144 to Rt. 396. Rt. 396 to Thatcher St. Along Thatcher St. to Rt. 9W. Cross Rt. 9W to Cottage Lane. Cottage Lane to Beaver Dam Rd. to Rt. 9W to Becker School.

WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST

"Brontosaurus Bash," for all children who participated in Summer Reading Club, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Evening On The Green, featuring Marty Wendell and his '85 tour band, outdoors at Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Free; information, 439-9314.

Youth Tennis Tournament, boys and girls doubles, for residents of Bethlehem under 18 years, sponsored by Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department and Bethlehem Tennis Association, Bethlehem Middle School, 12:30 p.m. Registration, 439-4131.

Public Hearings, before Bethlehem Board of Appeals, Bethlehem Town Hall, on application of John and Joyce Thomas for variance to convert garage to family room and add a new garage at 7 Normanside Ave., Elsmere, 8 p.m.; on application of Hendrick and Irene Collen, 8 Charles Blvd., Delmar, for a variance to permit insurance agency offices at 1280 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, 8:30 p.m.

Half Moon Button Club, meeting with president Jane McCormick speaking about "Crosses," Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, noon.

Field Study, about birds of field and wood, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Registration, 457-6092.

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

New Scotland Democratic Social Club, all welcome, meets second Wednesdays at Meads Corners, Rt. 32, 8 p.m.

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

New Scotland Elks Lodge, meets second and fourth Wednesdays, Voorheesville Post Office, 8 p.m.

Capital District Farmers' Market, Wednesdays through summer, First United Methodist Church, 421 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 3-6:30 p.m. Information, 439-1450.

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST

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.

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

Food Stamp Form Aid, third Thursday of odd-numbered months, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 9:15 a.m.-noon. Appointments required, 439-4955.

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST

Luncheon, honoring children who volunteered to work in children's room this summer, Bethlehem Public Library, noon. Information, 439-9314.

King Kong, film, children's room, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Adirondack District AAU Swim Championships, with 500 swimmers from Northeast participating, Bethlehem Elm Ave. Park pool complex, Delmar, Aug. 16-18.

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.

Farmers' Market, every Friday through October, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

SATURDAY 17 AUGUST

Tri-Village Squares, dance first and third Saturdays, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

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SUNDAY 18 AUGUST

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Voorheesville Community Day, to benefit Thomas Buckley Memorial Fund, featuring children's races, firematics competition and music by Southbound, Village Green, 2 p.m. Free.

Exhibit, of antique gowns and accessories, Bethlehem Historical Association's School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, open Sundays through September, 2-5 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

"Little Mel," The Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, Aug. 14-18. Tickets, 392-9292.

"Verdict," by Agatha Christie, Woodstock Playhouse, Rts. 375 and 212, Woodstock, through Aug. 18 (Wed.-Fri., 8 p.m.; Sat. 5 and 9 p.m.; Sun., 7 p.m.). Tickets, 1-914-679-2438.

"The Comedy of Errors," Shakespeare and Company production, off Rts. 7 and 7A, Lenox, Mass., Aug. 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 30, 8 p.m. Tickets, 1-413-637-1899.

"A Tale Told," by Lanford Wilson, presented by Circle Repertory Company, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, through Aug. 24 (Tues.-Sat., 8:15 p.m.; Thurs. and Sat., 2 p.m.). Tickets, 587-3330.

OPERA

"The Daughter of the Regiment," by Gaetano Donizetti, Aug. 19, 2:15 p.m.; "The Seduction of a Lady" and "The Music Shop," Aug. 15-17, 19-20. Lake George Opera Festival, Glens Falls. Tickets, 793-3858.

"Falstaff," Glimmerglass Opera Theater, Cooperstown, Aug. 16, 18 and 19 (Fri. and Tues, 8 p.m.; Sun., 4 p.m.). Tickets, 1-607-547-2255.

FILM

"Once Upon a Time in the West," Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Aug. 16-19 (Fri.-Mon., 7:30 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 2 p.m.). Tickets, 382-1083.

MUSIC

"Jacques Brel," Washington Park Lakehouse, Albany, Aug. 15-18, 8 p.m. Information, 434-2032. Philadelphia Orchestra, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Aug. 14-17 and Aug. 21-24, 8:15 p.m. Tickets, 587-3330. Paul Geremia, blues guitarist and vocalist, Caffe Lena, 47 Phila

St., Saratoga Springs, Aug. 16 and 17. Information, 583-0022. Stan Getz Quartet, Jacob's Pillow, Becket, Mass., Aug. 25, 3 and 8 p.m. Tickets, 1-413-243-0745.

DANCE

"Inside Out," forum for experimental dance, outdoors at Jacob's Pillow, Becket, Mass. Aug. 20-24 (Tues.-Thurs., 8:30 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 7 p.m.). Free; information, 1-413-243-0745. "Cinderella," presented by Berkshire Ballet, Koussevitzky Arts Center Theatre, Berkshire Community College, West Street, Pittsfield, Mass., through Aug. 19 (Sat., 8:30 p.m.; Sun.-Mon., 8 p.m.). Tickets, 1-413-442-1307.

ART

"The Educated Eye: Art Collections from State University of New York Campuses," State Museum, Terrace Gallery, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Sept. 2.

"Order and Enigma: American Art Between the Two Wars," exhibit of paintings, prints and sculpture, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., through Sept. 2.

Historical exhibits of the Mohawks, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga, Seneca and Tuscarora tribes, Schoharie Museum of the Iroquois Indian, off Rt. 30, north of Schoharie, through Oct. 31. Information, 295-8553.

"The Urban Art of Alan Wolfson," State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Sept. 2.

"Let Paper Speak," works by Eileen Verno and Inge Panko, Hudson Valley Community College, through Sept. 30.

"Saratoga Horse Racing Exhibition," Soave Gallery, 449 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, through Sept. 29.

"Ol' Say Can You See... The American Flag in Art of the Vietnam Era," Vietnam Memorial, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Sept. 4.

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MONDAY 19
AUGUST

Vacation Bible School, Clarksville Community Church, Rt. 443, Clarksville, Aug. 19-23, 9-11:30 a.m. \$3 and \$5 registration, 768-2916.

Selkirk Fire District, meeting and bid opening for construction of addition to Selkirk Firehouse 2, Glenmont, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, A Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Conversations, with Ron Dodson of National Audubon Society, 7 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, 439-4581.

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

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

Bethlehem Memorial Auxiliary Post 3185, VFW, third Monday, post rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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

TUESDAY 20
AUGUST

Free Basketball Clinic, sponsored by St. Thomas C.Y.O., for fifth and sixth grade students, Bethlehem's Elm Ave. Park, 5-7 p.m. Registration, 439-4510 or 458-7881, after 5 p.m.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, A Program on Israel, 7 p.m.

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

AARP, third Tuesday, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY 21
AUGUST

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

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

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

Capital District Farmers' Market, Wednesdays through summer, First United Methodist Church, 421 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 3-6:30 p.m. Information, 439-1450.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, Storytelling with Gramma Ena, 10:30 a.m.; Readings for the Visually Impaired, 4-7 p.m.; Astrology with Judith Longely, 7:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY 24
AUGUST

Chicken Barbecue, at Clarksville Community Church, take-out dinners also available, \$5.50 and \$3.50, 4-7 p.m.

SUNDAY 25
AUGUST

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MONDAY 26
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TUESDAY 27
AUGUST

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

Writers Support Group, meeting at Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

"Tour of An August Evening," led by naturalists at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 457-8092.

September get-together for BC's class of 1974

The Bethlehem Central High School class of 1974 is planning an 11th year reunion for Sept. 6 and 7. Organizers want to locate the following persons:

Claudia Amsten, Carl Benenati, Craig Bernard, Mel Blaisdel, Mike Bohnet, Jim Bananno, Dave Doykin, Ellen Braun, Monica Bristow, Maureen Brown, Helen Burgraff, Brenda Burkins, Carol Byrnes and Al Calcinano.

Lynn Carlson, Gladys Chu, Sorelle Cohen, Glen Coleman, Denton Conklin, Lynn Cook, Dan Craig, Ultima Degnan, Eric DelGiacco, Cindy Deslile, Pete DiLorenzo, Gary Dingman, Steve Ditmer and Karen Dolid.

Also, Ginny Dollard, Deborah Duane, Robin Duncan, Jill Durocher, Jim Edwards, Bob Elliott, Kathy Farrell, Mary Fink, Kathleen Flannigan, John Foot, Dave Furth, Tom Galusha, Diane Gaudette and Emily Glasser.

Also, Julia Grunberg, Janet Gulizia, Walter Hager, Barb Hakim, Rick Hanneman, Tom Healey, Charles

Hendler, Brian Harrington, Larry Hewitt, Sheryl Horn, Jennifer Hotchin, Jeff Howard, Rich Howton, Jim Hughes, Bob Illingworth, Gifford Jamison, Bob Johnson, Madalyn Kalmer, Cindy Keers, John King and Tom Clevan.

Also, Laura Kraft, Rich Kreidler, Kathy Krumiede, Matt Lambert,

Bruce Little, Martha Lucci, Steve Lynch, Ken McDormand, Karen Magliocca, Gordon Martin, Judy Mauer, Pat Mayfield, Lisa McKinley, Steve McWilliams, Gary Mercer, Brenda Meuwissen, Marty Miner, Kathy Malloy, Craig Morgan, Pat Murray and Terry Newton.

Also, Mark Osborn, Julie Patterson, Joe Pemberton, Sue Pendelton, Bob Perez, Diane Pompa, Marilyn Pratt, Karen Randals, Karen Ray, Mike Reagan, Wally Reed, Maureen Reeves, Kathy Reilly, Therese Restifo, Greg Rice Mike Rourke, Bob Rooney, Kathy Ryan, Kevin Savage, Linda Schoch and Albert Schutz.

Also, Frances Sill, Yvonne Sinnamon, Steve Sirotkin, Howard Slingerland, Merlyn Smith, John Smith, Debbie Smart, Jim St. Claire, Tracy St. John, Herbert Steele, Ray Storm, Anne Marie Sullivan, Terry Sullivan and Tim Sullivan.

Also, Mary Szulgit, Pam Talbot, Cindy Taylor, Kim Teevan, Jill Terko, Paul Thompson, Jay Ugol, Greg VanHeest, Melissa Velhage, John Walsh, Rick Webster, Peggy Were, Michelle Wayland, Brad Whiting and George Zator.

Call Lynda Taplin McLaughlin, 861-8037, or Janice Hofaker-Tighe, 477-4284 with information, questions or for reservations.

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WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 14

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

Al Cavalleri and His Band, outdoors at Empire State Plaza, Albany, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free.

"Feathers and Furs," educational look at nature led by Melodee James of Outdoor Education Center, Grafton Lakes State Park, 10 a.m. Information, 279-1155.

"The North Wind," presented by Mettawee River Theatre Company, sponsored by State Office of General Services, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 6:30 p.m. Free; information, 474-5986.

Barbecue and Ceremony recognizing Van Benschoten School, built in 1850, Altamont Fairgrounds, 2 p.m.

Freihofer Country Time Theater, featuring mainstream level western square dance, Altamont Fairgrounds, 7:30-8:30 p.m. and 9:30-10:30 p.m.

50th Anniversary of Social Security Act, celebration sponsored by New York Save Our Security Coalition, members of Bethlehem's American Assn. of Retired Persons chapter encouraged to attend, Roosevelt Home, Hyde Park, 10:30 a.m.

Altamont Fair, featuring livestock, arts and crafts, Royal Hanneford Circus, Reithoffer Shows, food, games and rides, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont. Information, 861-6671.

THURSDAY
AUGUST 15

Altamont Fair, featuring livestock, arts and crafts, Royal Hanneford Circus, Reithoffer Shows, food, games and rides, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont. Information, 861-6671.

One Hour Run, sponsored by Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, on track behind SUNYA Physical Education Building, \$1 and \$1.50 registration, 5:45 p.m. Information, 459-4093.

"Small Business Start-Up and Survival," workshop for prospective small business owners, sponsors include Small Business Administration and Albany County Cooperative Extension, Ramada Inn, Western Avenue, 8:30 a.m. \$12 registration, 447-4144.

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

"The Social Construction of the Human Body," lecture by David Armstrong of Guy's Hospital Medical School, University of London, at Union College, social science building, room 112, 8-10 p.m. Free; information, 370-6288.

Downtown Pine Street Farmers' Market, sponsored by Capital District Farmers' Market Assn., 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information, 732-2991.

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

FRIDAY
AUGUST 16

Altamont Fair, featuring livestock, arts and crafts, Royal Hanneford Circus, Reithoffer Shows, food, games and rides, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont. Information, 861-6671.

International Celtic Festival, featuring performers from Scotland and Wales, Irish music and bagpipe competition, Hunter Mountain, Hunter, Aug. 16-18. Information, 263-3800.

"The Creature of the Blue Zaloom," satirical humor of Paul Zaloom, Interarts Colony, Palenville. Information, 678-9021.

SATURDAY
AUGUST 17

Altamont Fair, featuring livestock, arts and crafts, Royal Hanneford Circus, Reithoffer Shows, food, games and rides, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont. Information, 861-6671.

Chamber Music Concert, Edward Ivanko, tenor, and T. Hrynkiw, pianist, will present works of Barber, Purcell, and others; Music and Art Center of Greene County, Jewett. Information, 989-6479.

Athens Street Festival, Athens. Information, 945-1711.

"Split Britches," benefit performance, River Theatre, Lexington. Information, 989-6433.

Chicken Barbecue and Flea Market, Helderberg Reformed Church, 140 Main St., Guilderland Center, flea market, 11 a.m.; barbecue, 3:30-7 p.m. \$10 table rental, 861-6754.

Antique and Flea Market, with more than 70 dealers offering new and used merchandise, South Westerlo Congregational Church, Rt. 32, Greenville, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 966-8126 or 462-4332.

Dinner, at Thompson's Lake Reformed Church, Rts. 157 and 157A, East Berne, \$6 and \$3 admission, servings start at 4:30 p.m. Information, 872-0544.

Craft Fair, Food Festival and Flea Market, to benefit Colonie Disabled Children's Program, Easter Seal Society, Colonie Elks Club, Rt. 155, Latham, Aug. 17-18, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Information and booth rentals, 434-4103.

Concert and Lawn Picnic, Boscobel Restoration, Garrison-on-Hudson, 6 p.m. Information, 1-914-265-3638.

Peach Festival, featuring make-your-own peach sundae, peach shortcake and more, lawn of Calvary United Methodist Church, West Lawrence at Morris St., Albany, \$1.75 and \$1 admission, 6-8:30 p.m. Information, 482-0486.



Kathy Keenan, above, and Jennifer Keenan of South Bethlehem will appear in the Kid's Fare production of "The Medicine Show" at 8 p.m. from Aug. 22 through Aug. 25 at Washington Park, Albany.

Country, Bluegrass and Folk Festival, and pool party, presented by Silver Cloud Services Inc., Rondout Country Club, Whitfield Rd., Accord, noon-11 p.m. \$12.50 admission. Information, 687-0777.

"Public Life in Albany: machine Politics 1870-1945," part of lecture series entitled "Experiencing Albany: Past, Present, Future," presented by M. Craig Brown of SUNYA, orientation theater, State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 3 p.m. Free; information, 442-3577.

U.S.A. Teen Miss Scholarship Pageant, for students in grades 7-12, Marriot Hotel, Albany. Registration, 1-203-748-6682.

Country, Bluegrass and Folk Festival, and pool party, presented by Silver Cloud Services Inc., Rondout Country Club, Whitfield Rd., Accord, noon-8 p.m. \$12.50 admission. Information, 687-0777.

SUNDAY
AUGUST 18

Altamont Fair, featuring livestock, arts and crafts, Royal Hanneford Circus, Reithoffer Shows, food, games and rides, Altamont Fairgrounds, Altamont. Information, 861-6671.

Raft Race, Catskill board launch site, lower Main St. to Hager's Harbor, Athens. Information, 945-1858.

"The North Wind," presented by Mettawee River Theatre Company, outdoors at Empire State Plaza, Albany, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free.

Jewish Festival, presented by Jewish Community of Capital District, all welcome, featuring history, music, dance, crafts and food, outdoor bandstand, Empire State Plaza, Albany, noon-8 p.m. Free.

MONDAY
AUGUST 19

Data Entry Classes, 10-week course, offered by Albany County Dept of Human Resources, 88 No. Lake Ave., Albany, Mon.-Fri., 1-5 p.m. Free; information, 462-7292 or 434-5342.

Hawk Street Farmers' Market, across from State Capitol, Albany, every Monday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information, 732-2991.

Auction and Barbecue, with actor William Devane as guest of honor and music by Interstate, Washington Park Lakehouse, Albany, 5 p.m. To benefit city's summer theater program. Information, 434-2032.

TUESDAY
AUGUST 20

"A Way With Words: Crossword Puzzles from a Creator's Viewpoint," presented by Warren Reich, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, noon. Free; information, 449-3380.

Open House and Alumni Reunion, at Department of Human Resources, City of Albany, Central and North Lake Aves., featuring review of free training programs and employment services offered at center, 4:30-7 p.m.

Open House, information about Evening Division of Russell Sage College, presented at Albany campus, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7 p.m.; computer advisement session, 6 p.m. Free.

The Compassionate Friends, self-help group for parents whose children have died, with Karen Wasby speaking about "Getting Over a Family Suicide," monthly meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-7316 or 872-2222.

Silver Bullets Square Dance Club, dance with Duane Silver calling and Dennis Viscanti cueing rounds, Knights of Columbus Hall, Remsen, 8-10:30 p.m.

Farmers' Market, parking area of St. Vincent DePaul Church, Albany, every Tuesday, 11 a.m.

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.

Vacation Bible School, featuring stories, recreation, music, crafts and more, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, Aug. 20-22, 8:30-8:30 p.m. Registration, 463-2257.

WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 21

Public Health Forum, James T. Bulger, director of Northeastern New York Health Care Consortium, will discuss "Insurance Coverage and Cost Effectiveness of Home Health Care Services," Empire Blue Cross, Albany Division, 18 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, \$3 reservations, 7:30-9 a.m. Reservations, 472-8545.

Parenting Lecture, "Stress We Put On Our Children" and "How We Limit Their Possibilities," presented by Lynne Golanka, therapist and mental health advisor, Christ the King Church, 20 Sumter Ave., 10:30 a.m.-noon. Registration, 456-1579.

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

Capitals Big Band, dancing music, featuring Norma Hunsberger, vocalist, outdoors at Empire State Plaza, Albany, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free.

Arts and Craft Show, hand-made crafts presented by more than 25 artisans, West Capitol Park, Albany, Aug. 21-23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free.

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'Playboy' to open Rep season

Producing directors Bruce Bouchard and Peter H. Clough have announced that the Capital Repertory Company will launch its fifth season with the classic Irish play by John Millington Synge, *Playboy of the Western World*.

Following will be Joe Orton's farce, *What the Butler Saw*; the premiere of a new play by the award-winning novelist Toni Morrison; Elizabeth Diggs' contemporary comedy *Goodbye Freddy*; and the world premiere of Don Nigro's *November*. Completing the season will be the new adaptation, with music, of Gaston Leroux's classic thriller *The Phantom of the Opera*.

The season will open Oct. 12 and run through May 18 at the Market Theatre in downtown Albany. According to Bouchard and Clough, the theater is projecting a budget of around \$850,000 for the upcoming season, an increase of approximately 20 percent over the previous season. Nearly 65 percent of the budget must be raised from subscriptions and single ticket and group sales, with the remainder coming from individual and corporate contributions, grants, foundations, and the state and local agencies.

Playboy of the Western World is set in a poor Irish village, where Christy Mahon, a simple lad, is hailed as a hero after he brags that he has killed his father. Orton's *What the Butler Saw* is set in a psychiatric clinic where patients and doctors alike engage in uninhibited lunacy.

Toni Morrison's play will open Jan. 4 with special performances to commemorate the first national observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

The comedy by Elizabeth Diggs, *Goodbye Freddy*, will be the fourth offering in Capital Rep's Fifth Anniversary Season, running Feb. 8 through March 9. It is the story of three couples in their

late 30's and how their friendships have developed, grown and lasted since their childhood days in Kansas City.

The world premiere of Don Nigro's *November* will follow, opening March 15 and continuing through April 13. The play revolves around 80-year-old Aunt Liz, who lives in an Ohio rest home.

The final play of the 1985-86 season will be an adaptation of *The Phantom of the Opera*, the gothic tale of horror and romance by Gaston Leroux. Set in the Paris Opera House, Leroux's thriller appeared in numerous film versions. The Capital Rep adaptation blending 19th century opera with contemporary electronic music, will run April 19 through May 18.

Capital Rep is conducting its subscription renewal campaign,

with a goal of 3,800 subscriptions. During the 1984-85 season, the theatre had a total of 3,202 subscribers.

Performances will be at 8 Tuesdays through Fridays, 4:30 and 9 p.m. Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. Sundays.

Prices for six-play subscriptions range from \$50 to \$80, giving subscribers six plays for the price of five. Subscriber benefits include ticket exchange privileges, discounts on additional single tickets, six free issues of Capital Rep's newsletter, and dining discounts on Tuesdays or Thursdays at a choice of 12 area restaurants. In addition, the theatre is offering an extra discount for senior citizens and students who subscribe on Tuesdays, Wednesday or Thursdays, or to the Sunday early shows.

Subscription prices will go up

Oct. 1, at which time single tickets will go on sale. Single tickets will range in price from \$10 to \$16, with discounts offered to seniors, students and groups at most performances.

Capital Rep has scheduled a student matinee for each of the six plays in the 1985-86 season, and can add Sunday evening performances for area businesses, nonprofit organizations or groups that wish to buy out a house.

Run around SUNYA

The Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club will sponsor an hour run on Thursday, Aug. 15, at the State University at Albany's track.

The race will begin at 6 p.m. The winners will be determined by the total distance covered.

Steak roast set

Bethlehem Republicans will have their 26th annual steak roast next Wednesday, Aug. 21, at Picard's Grove. The event begins at 1 p.m., with the steak dinner being served at 6.

Co-chairmen for the annual event this year are Ed Dominelli and John F. Thompson. Tickets at \$28 each can be obtained from the co-chairmen. Dominelli can be contacted at 439-3276 and Thompson at 439-6724.

Clarksville barbecue

A chicken barbecue will be held at the Clarksville Community Church on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 4 to 7 p.m. Take-out orders will be filled.

Admission is \$5.50 and \$3.50.

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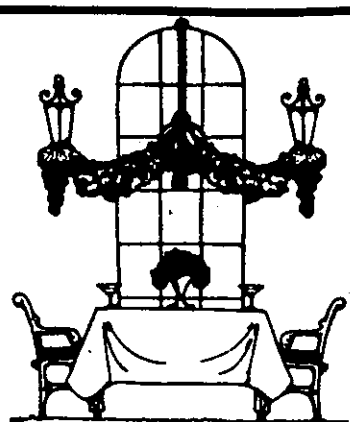
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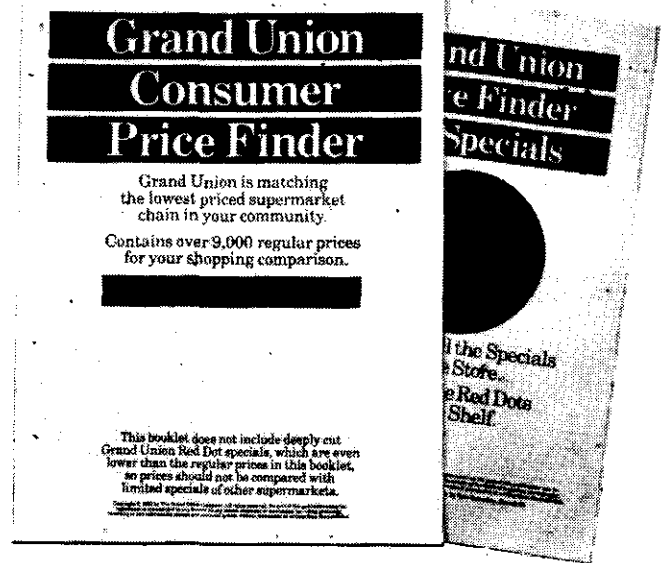
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Education of a board member

Many school board members work long hours wrestling with the complexities of budgets, personnel and education policy—all for absolutely no pay. Susan Gottesman, vice president of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education, is one such hard-working board member. The Spotlight asked her to explain why she ran and what she has learned in her five years on the RCS board.

By Susan Gottesman

My desire to run for a position on the RCS Board of Education arose from my need to effectively educate my five children. After five years, I have found that to be a very naive and myopic reason, because the role of a board member far exceeds education in scope.

One must have a working knowledge of state and federal laws, transportation, maintenance of buildings and grounds, bidding for supplies and materials, financial affairs, developing a budget, and all aspects of dealing with personnel (i.e. hiring, firing, labor negotiations, contracts).

I still haven't said anything about education and the wide assortment of problems one must face when trying to effectively educate not five but two thousand

children with varying needs and backgrounds. I have spent time becoming knowledgeable in all of the above areas but my main concern still remains with the students. I try to use students, not finances or personnel, as the focal point in making decisions.

The school system has evolved, not by choice but by community need, as the great "caretaker" of children. Our schools now must not only educate our students but also meet many of their psychological and social needs. With the crisis in American families, the school system has been forced to assume many of the roles of the family.

As I reflect over the past five years, I am amazed at the number of hours school board membership has consumed. Not only must I attend regular board meetings but also a wide assortment of committee meetings. All of these meetings need a certain amount of preparation and reading. One of the most rewarding aspects of being a board member is the personal contact with parents and students who have a problem. I think that the students of the RCS district know that I will advocate for them because I have had many calls asking for my assistance.

There is no amount of money

that could compensate for my time, so my rewards have been in participating in the growth of RCS. With the development of new programs in the Junior High and Senior High School, I have watched our students become very competitive with other school districts. Our initial success has encouraged more students to avail themselves of the enrichment and advancement courses.

On the whole, my five years as a board member has been one of personal growth and enjoyment. The only truly disappointing time was when I chaired the Committee for Equal Class Size. Our school district has three elementary schools and due to the fluctuation in population, the students are never equally distributed among the three schools. Therefore, class size varies among the schools.

The Committee for Equal Class Size spent a year studying the problem and one of its recommendations, which I feel very strongly about, was to redistrict our elementary schools. This concept, and building an addition to one of the schools, was placed before the voters; both were defeated.

I was very disappointed that I had not effectively communicated my concern to the voters of our



Susan Gottesman, vice president of the RCS Board of Education, at one of the board's regular meetings. Tom Shaw

district; the problem of overcrowding will not just disappear. I wish I knew the magic word to help them understand that a 15 minute longer bus ride that would enable a student to spend six hours in a class of 20 as opposed to a class of 28 or 30 would mean a better education and environment

for their children.

RCS is fortunate in having many excellent teachers who can effectively teach the fundamentals to 30 students, but if they had only twenty students in a class, they could create the miracles that all of us parents and board members are working for.

The first year of college: learning about life

By Julie Ann Sosa

They say that freshman year in college can be nine months spent learning to tame an exponentially growing mound of dirty laundry, unread textbooks and unwritten papers that always have the peculiar knack for being due yesterday.

It can be spent away—literally—on daily telephone calls to Mom and Dad. The advice, hometown gossip and reassurances passed over the wires are meant to wean wide-eyed, bushy-tailed 18-year-olds away from home.

Or so the story goes.

But there is so much more to the freshman metamorphosis than

that. A lot has happened to me between last September, when I left for freshman week at Princeton University, and today, when I already look forward to returning to New Jersey as a seasoned soph. That is, in spite of Organic Chemistry 303, belovedly nicknamed "Orgo" by those of us who will be spending between 10 and 20 hours a week studying it.

In just nine months, the things I've read have inalterably shaped my outlook and subtly tempered my views. Already summer jobs and unshared college experiences have splintered even the tightest high school cliques and made newly-promoted college sophomores tearfully nostalgic about Bethlehem Central.

I may not be smarter, but I think I'm a little wiser. I've sat in the wooden balcony of a cavernous lecture hall with 300 of my classmates to hear some of the greatest living American academicians and then traded ideas with the same intellectual giants in my precepts. It has been humbling and enlightening.

I've spent an hour and a half over dinner, and it wasn't the food that kept me. DFS, officially the Department of Food Services, isn't slandered "Dog Food Services" for nothing. With each mouthful of institutional food, I have learned a new appreciation for Mom's cooking and realized that even such American staples as french fries and ice cream can lose their appeal when they appear at every meal.

Rather, it was my classmates that made meals the best time of day. Princetonians from Alabama, Ohio, Hawaii, Malaysia, Canada, Beverly Hills and Delmar argued angrily about politics and religion and then quickly became best-friends after

reconciling their differences with dessert and a common dislike of Ivy rivals "Hahvahd" and Yale.

College life cannot be quantified by a cumulative GPA and the number of books and periodicals in the library stacks. It can only be qualified as anecdotal, since it is really a mixture of experimentation and adventure.

I have been locked in my room by mischievous hallmates who "penned" me in to avenge another prank. I have returned to my room to BEGIN my homework at 1 a.m. after helping to write and put together the 12-page college daily. My alarm clock has gone off at 4 a.m. on a Sunday so that I could go bird banding and watching in a farmer's muddy field. I have heard the Rev. Jesse Jackson and Dr. Ruth Westheimer, the mother of a member of the Class of '86, address the student body.

And yes, in answer to the perennial query, I have met Brooke Shields '87. It has been a year of firsts for me.

When I initially called my

dormitory room "home," I knew that I had successfully made the move from dependency to semi-independency. Some, but certainly not all of the ties to my parents have been severed. The financial restraints of a college budget have often demanded hand-to-mouth provisions.

Still, I'm looking forward to the next three years of an idyllic college life before the rigors and dangers of adulthood again threaten to intrude when I graduate in 1988.

Julie Ann Sosa is a former member of the Spotlight editorial staff and is on the staff of the daily Princetonian.

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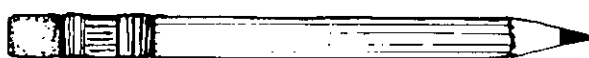
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Mark Houston

B.C. Middle School — 7th

"Well, no classes, I guess... well, maybe the teachers... length of the classes. I'd like less homework."



Frank Bess

Bethlehem High School — 10th

"I don't know, probably the sports program... new coaches... well, you need a lot of homework to get a good education. Like no pain, no gain in football."



Rob Raynsford

Voorheesville High — 10

"I can't say anything. It's perfect. There's nothing wrong with it. I enjoy it. Homework is not bad. Some kids say it is but you need it for the future."



Michael Lurie

Glenmont Elementary School — 5th

"No homework, more recess, half an hour more."



Cliff Nelson

RCS Junior High — 8th

"I don't know... that I didn't have to take a language."



Steve Deitz

RCS Senior High — 10th

"I'd like to have a longer summer. I don't know, make it bigger. There's not enough room."



John Fuller

RCS Junior High — 8th

"Let me see... less homework, I don't know."

New borrowing program set

The 1985-86 school year will see the start of a new state-funded program through which non-public school pupils, along with their public school counterparts, will be able to borrow printed school library materials required for use as a learning aid in a particular class or program.

Under this program, each student in the State enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 may borrow library material valued up to \$2. The money for this program will flow through the local school district. The total amount of this allocation to each district will be based on the total school enrollment as of the first school day of October 1984.

Test becoming a measure for schools, educators too

By Caroline Terenzini

More than a decade ago, the 1.7-million member National Education Association (NEA) urged a moratorium on standardized testing in the nation's schools. The intent was to divert educators from what the huge teachers' union saw as an unhealthy focus on test scores.

The NEA view did not prevail,

regents for the first time this year are requiring all 700-plus school districts across the state to make a "comprehensive assessment report" to their boards, at a public meeting.

This new requirement is part of a swing toward "tightening up" in education that is being implemented under the Regents' Action Plan. Its purpose is to "require districts

ports, "we were aware of the fact that districts would be compared," Ormiston said. "But so what? It's already being done." He said a newspaper on Long Island annually publishes the scores of all neighboring school districts on the state's Pupil Evaluation Program tests, which are given to all third, fifth and sixth graders in the state. "We try to make the people

"The best testing is still done by teachers," says Voorheesville's Werner Berglas. "They really know how to find weaknesses and strengths better than the national test."

however. In fact, the trend since then has been in the opposite direction. There are more tests given in schools today, not fewer. This is in part because efforts to bring equality to education required a way to measure results, because federal funding for a variety of programs required that the success of these programs be measured, and because of an emphasis by educational policy makers on "minimum competency" standards (which critics say tend to become the "maximum" standard). While tests intended to measure intelligence — IQ tests — don't "have demigod status" any more, as Voorheesville Superintendent Werner Berglas put it, there are any number of other tests to keep today's school children on their toes. They include skills tests, achievement tests, diagnostic tests and competency tests . . . and IQ tests haven't gone away.

Tests have their purposes, William Schwartz, assistant superintendent in Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, said. "You have to have some way of knowing what your program is doing." At the same time, the value of tests can be overemphasized, he observed. "We have to be very clear about what we expect these tests to do."

People in the front lines of education — teachers and administrators — emphasize that tests are only one of a number of ways of assessing both individual students and the education being provided them. But policy makers tend to use standardized tests as a way to measure the success of schools in meeting social needs such as providing equal educational opportunity, or as a way to provide for accountability of the schools. This is not a new story, but it has a new twist in that the New York State

to look at their test data more than some have to see if there is need for change in their program, and to see that the public obtains more information," according to Kenneth Ormiston, chief of the Bureau of Elementary and Secondary Testing Programs at the state Education Department (SED).

But local administrators expect that when districts begin making their assessment reports this fall, an offshoot will be that comparisons will be made between districts. The reports will include data derived from standardized tests administered statewide and the SED will provide norms on these tests for the various types of school districts, such as "large city" or "village-suburban." These reports also will include socio-economic information on each district, as well as data on class sizes, enrollment, graduation, regents' exam results and the racial-ethnic composition of the community.

In deciding to require these re-

writing the articles aware of the limitation of the test results," Ormiston said.

The limitations of tests are what educators stress to the public — "they're part of a larger picture" — and what the public throws back at the educators — "if we can't have confidence in the results, why use the tests?"

"We have to recognize that there are a host of reasons" why a child may not do well on a test, Schwartz said. The test may be flawed (as test publishers' constant tinkering with their products suggests); the room may be too hot; the child may have a noisy neighbor or a headache or a pebble in his shoe, or the wrong lead in his pencil.

For these reasons, the administrators in the three local school districts emphasized that standardized test scores are only one of several criteria used in deciding on a child's placement. In fact, said

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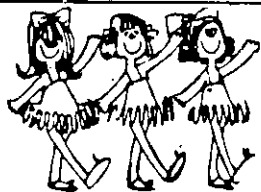
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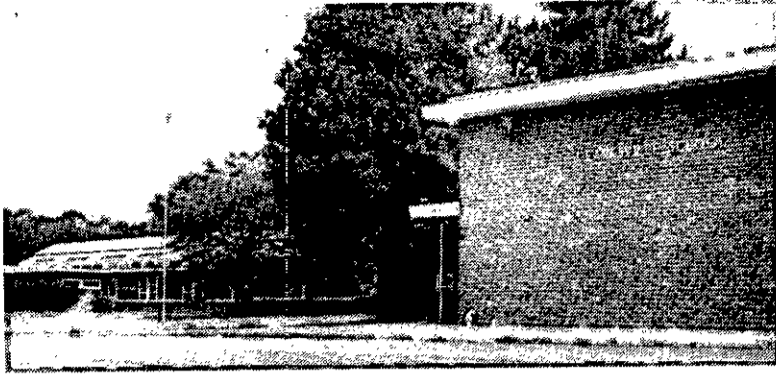
Clarksville: out of this world

By Cheryl Mac Culloch
Principal, Clarksville School

"Clarksville School is Out of This World." That was the slogan accompanying the winning design selected by our school in a recent t-shirt design contest. The students, staff and parents at Clarksville School will tell you it's a great place to be.

Where are we? The school is located six miles from the high school just off Delaware Turnpike surrounded by scenic views of the Heldebergs. The building was constructed in 1948 with two additions, one in 1954 and the other in 1963.

The total student population is about 230 consisting of six K-5 graded classrooms, one 4-5 combination class, four BOCES classes, two language concepts and two skills development classes. The success of the students in our school is in large part due to our fine professional, enthusiastic and caring staff. Three members of our faculty are graduates of Clarksville Elementary School and/or Bethlehem Central High School: Judith Slingerlands Kimes, Marilyn Vaughn Doyle and Robyn Leese Applebee.



Clarksville Elementary School is the only school in the Bethlehem Central School District not in Bethlehem.

During the past school year, two of Clarksville's teachers received \$500 grants from the Teacher Center to develop and teach new programs. Mrs. Lyndaker's unit on whales was incorporated into the district's elementary science curriculum for fifth graders. Mrs. Bartley developed and conducted workshops with parent volunteers to train them to assist teachers in working with students with the district's elementary computer curriculum, LOGO.

As a school we emphasize and encourage reading through a

continuous "Parents as Reading Partners" program. Students are recognized at weekly assemblies for 15 minutes of reading shared per night with an adult. Since recognition is an important factor in a child feeling good about him/herself, we incorporate other types of recognition into our assemblies such as outstanding academic work, a special project, awards from contests, participation in competitions on behalf of the school or a special kindness shown to another classmate or adult in the building.

Each year the staff selects two pieces of fifth grade art work to be framed and hung in the school in recognition of the class graduating to the Middle School.

Parents are important to our success with students and Clarksville School has been fortunate to have involved and supportive parents. The PTA's current project is the construction of a new wood structure playground to be completed in September. For the past several years, parents have lent support and expertise to a school-wide spring musical production.

Clarksville's staff, principal, teachers, secretaries, aides and custodians work together as a team to create the best learning climate we can for children. Our expectations are high — academically, behaviorally, and socially — But we try to accomplish our goals in a caring, positive and fun-loving way.



Vice Principal Betty Singer, left, and Principal Donna Grant were new to the Voorheesville Elementary School last year.

Voorheesville goal is success for all

By Donna Grant Principal,
and
Elizabeth Singer
Assistant Principal, Voorheesville
Elementary School

Voorheesville Elementary School will open its doors to students on Sept. 5 at 8:30 a.m. In addition to the shiny floors and newly painted walls there will be some new faces in the building. Mrs. Hawkins will be taking the place of Mrs. Hatch as the new typist for the teachers. Mrs. White is returning from a leave of absence and will be teaching Class 2C and there will be two new teacher aides working in the building.

In addition to our strong academic program, students have the opportunity to participate in our Gifted and Talented program, which is open to all, as well as our Learning Lab program, which assists students with remedial instruction in the areas of reading, writing or math. Field trips related to the curriculum are an important part of our school day. All pupils participate in an annual drama production. Students are also invited to join extracurricular activities such as computer, foreign language studies, sign language club and intramurals.

The elementary school has a Computer Lab, staffed by a full time teaching assistant. Each sixth grade is taught computer literacy and every child on all levels is exposed to computer-assisted instruction.

A strong art program is an integral part of the curriculum and our excellent music program is also an important component. Fifth and sixth graders are offered the opportunity to learn to play an instrument and participate in the school band and chorus. Every student takes part in our diversified physical education program and receives instruction in our library curriculum.

The curriculum will also be augmented with newly revised health education units, more substance abuse awareness, a personal safety program and the Ombudsman Program.

The school's auxiliary staff—speech therapist, resource room teacher, psychologist, elementary school guidance counselor, nurse, and teaching assistants actively participate with parents and staff to enhance the school's programs. Teacher aides and teacher assistants work with children to provide individual instruction and the elementary school comprehensive guidance program enables students to receive individual attention. All of these programs and activities exemplify the school's philosophy that we enable each child to achieve success in school as well as in later life.

This year students in kindergarten through the third grade will be working with a new reading program published by Ginn and Company. This program was selected after a year-long study and evaluation process. And once again computers will be utilized to assist students in reading as well as other basic subjects. In order to keep school records updated, a new registration card will be sent home for each pupil in grades one-six, and a new parent-student handbook, which is being completed by the parents, students and teachers will be distributed later in the fall.

Parents are encouraged to join the school's volunteer program and/or become a member of the Parent Advisory Committee. Our active Parent-Teacher-Student Association is also an integral part of our school program and all are urged to join.

Parent's open house meetings have been scheduled for late in September. If you have any questions please call the elementary school at 765-2382.

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Breakfast at BC a learning tool

By Lorraine C. Smith

Breakfast at Bethlehem Central High School is much more than just sweet rolls and coffee. At least four times a year, the Bethlehem Central High School Community Organization (BCHS-CO) and school staff invite members of the community to a continental breakfast meeting for an informal discussion.

The purpose of the meeting, according to the invitations co-signed by the breakfast chairperson and by Principal Charles A. Gunner, is to facilitate communication between the school and the community. After self-introductions by all those present, guests are given the opportunity to ask questions and to discuss any subject of concern.

"It's good to sit down and talk. This isn't a formal school board meeting. It's not a gripe session," says Peter Staniels.

The invitation lists purposely represent a cross-section of residents. Some breakfasts have been directed towards a common interest group such as members of the clergy, senior citizens or business leaders. Others have had a random sampling of the general public; all the sessions include new parents to the school district.

Dr. Lawrence A. Zinn, superintendent of Bethlehem schools, periodically attends the morning sessions: "We have received a lot of input from new families in terms of what they found here as compared to previous schools, what might have been difficult to adjust to, different methods of doing things. That kind of input contributes to our own readjustments. It's an all-round discussion format that's been very positive."

BCHS Assistant Principal Francis W. Rodgers say the format serves the public well. Members of the community are given the opportunity not only to ask questions, but also to tour the school. "It lets them know several things that are going on at the high school."

Rodgers credited the "design and its thrust" of the sessions to Gunner. A continuing result, he added, is "the strength of communication. The public comes to understand that they are able to turn to the principal, that we are amenable to discussion. And everyone benefits. It's the hallmark of the open-Gunner administration," Rodgers emphasized, and these meetings are one way of "keeping the doors open."

The breakfasts frequently include "alumni parents." Individuals who previously had been very active in the system but no longer have school-age children all too often are just severed from school communication.

Mrs. Benjamin Mendel of Delmar is one such parent who appreciated the invitation to renew school contact. She particularly welcomed being able to ask questions that had been diverted to "over the fence."

As the major institution in the community, schools are supported by tax dollars—lots of them—so taxpayers like Mrs. Mendel appreciate the chance to view firsthand current projects and concerns.

Peter C. Staniels, vice president of Roberts Real Estate, spoke from business' viewpoint in the community. Communication is needed, he agreed, to discuss school concerns in the same context as business restrictions such as the zoning conflicts surrounding Elsmere Elementary School.

A Bethlehem realtor's biggest hurdle to property sales involves school taxes. Realtors must be able to reflect an effective school system. Problems exist within the school-business framework, but the breakfast meetings provide an "open line of communication."

"It's good to sit down and talk. This isn't a formal school board meeting. It's not a gripe session. There's nothing more relaxing than talk over coffee. At least you

can talk," Staniels said.

Both an "alumni parent" and a business owner, Tish Shipp of Northeast Framing described the responsibility, as she sees it, to stay in touch with the schools. "Teachers are in a difficult situation. Our teachers and staff need all the support they can get from parents. They can get it on a level like that."

Shipp acknowledged the frequent financial requests made of local merchants. She felt that the business community should be concerned with changes involved in education. "They have real quality people in the school system, and we need to take care of them. It was a worthwhile hour of my time."

The community breakfast was initiated many years ago by BCHS-CO, the high school equivalent to Parent Teachers Association (PTA.) Approximately 25 persons attend the 8 a.m. gathering, staffed by an early cafeteria crew, and enjoy pastries baked by committee volunteers. The yearly budget, funded by BCHS-CO, is \$55. The chairman generally serves one year.

In addition to the community guests, the hour long breakfasts are customarily attended by a district administrator, the high school principal, a board of education member, the BCHS-CO president, a guidance department representative, two teachers and two students.

Another positive result reflects the participating students. "The students really have a lot to contribute." Carolyn Tweedie, 1984-85 breakfast chairman observed, "and the attendants are impressed with them as representatives of the school."

The coffees have become so popular, residents have asked to be invited. The size of the administrative conference room, where the breakfasts are held, limits the number of attendants to 30 or less. "It's a shame we can't include more, but this (size limitation) is probably a reason for the program's success. Everyone seems to open up. It's a good size group for discussion."

Is anybody ever late? "No," laughed Mrs. Tweedie who arrives at seven to handle details, "People are prompt!"



Classroom in the Elsmere School, circa 1917.

School days long ago

In the early years of the twentieth century, going to school did not entail waiting for the big yellow bus to pick you up and deliver you to the door of a sleek brick, glass and steel, polished terrazzo-floored and elegantly furnished building, where every need of comfort is endeavored to be met by parents' committees and anguished school boards. Parents were concerned long ago, of course, and there was always a group of school commissioners, but the pace was more simple, as was the world of that time. What was it like, going to school in the "old days?" To answer that question we have contacted several people in various sections of the Town of Bethlehem to get their reminiscences.

The author remembers that she lived nearly a mile from the Selkirk School. There were no such things as school buses in my early elementary years. We walked to school every day, no matter what the weather. Only occasionally could our parents drive us in severe weather, since many people did not even own a car and those who did had only one and father took that to work. The railroad men, who made up a large percentage of the population of Selkirk at that time, might be away from home for two or three days when they were "on the road" and then the family had no transportation.

Yes, we walked to school, carrying our metal lunch box, dressed in winter in knitted vests and long underwear, over which the knitted cotton stockings never fitted smoothly, and wearing black buckle canvas galoshes in the snow. On the coldest days our mothers would tie a scarf over our nose and mouth. It seemed like such a long walk to school for our short little legs. We were always warned to be careful on the road because it was the main highway through the village and there were not only cars to watch out for, but big, noisy "stone trucks," hauling crushed stone from Callanan's quarry in South Bethlehem to the barges at the Hudson River in Cedar Hill.

Our school was a new three-room building of modern design, completed in 1929 to replace the old one-room school that stood even farther away on the other side of the village. There was no such thing as kindergarten in those days, except in the most advanced big city schools, where it was still in the experimental stage. The only way the high school children in our town could get to their school was to take the train to Albany or Ravena or the passenger bus on Rt. 144 to Coeymans. By the time I graduated from the eighth grade, there was a bus rented by the school district from the Mt. View bus company that took us to those towns to high school.

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Allison Bennett



Ethel Snyder of Delmar lived on a farm along lower Kenwood Avenue, at a time when there were very few dwellings along that street. She attended the Elsmere school, built in 1911 as a one-room school, with another room added in 1915. Eight grades were taught in this building, located very near where the American Legion hall now stands. The Elsmere train station was next to it, nearer to Elsmere Avenue. There was no underpass there in those years, only a grade crossing. In winter when the snow was deep Ethel and her brothers and sister would walk along Kenwood Avenue to school. In good weather they could shortcut through the fields because there were no houses in that section.

Kenneth McNary, another student at the school, remembers that there was a large apple, pear and cherry orchard located along Ridge Road. When the fruit was ripe it was a tempting place for the children to go at recess or lunch time. One teacher came down from Altamont on the train. Ethel says that she was a favorite of the children and they used to wait at the station each morning for her train to come in. When the pupils graduated from this school, they took the bus to Albany to high school.

Wilbur Hallenbeck, a retired mail carrier, has spent eighty years in the Jericho section of the Town of Bethlehem. He was born on the family farm just up the road from where he presently resides. He spent eight years at the one-room school in Jericho, now converted to a residence.

There were no modern conveniences when he attended that school. A privy was located out back and drinking water came from a hand pump in the school yard. Heat was furnished by a

stove in the left back corner of the room. The janitor came early each morning to start the fire. The school day lasted from nine to three and the smallest seats, for the littlest children were located at the front of the room, the desks and seats becoming larger as one progressed toward the back and the higher grades. The girls sat on the right side of the center aisle and the boys on the left. There was a bell in the entryway that summoned everyone to class.

Since Jericho was a farming community in those days, with no public transportation, the teacher did not go home each night, but boarded with neighboring families. In winter, the children played *Fox and Geese*, in the newly fallen snow at the lunch time recess. The older children helped to bundle up the younger ones in their heavy coats and galoshes.

"Old Ed Selkirk," who carried the mail by horse and buggy, was also a born salesman and carried on a little business venture along with his mail route. The children purchased their school supplies from him—tablets of paper and penny pencils.

Walter "Jimmie" Kunz has lived in Delmar all of his 85 years and has fond memories of events around the town. While he was born in a house on the corner of Adams Place and Kenwood Avenue, he grew up in a house that his father purchased from the Whitticomb property, located along Delaware Avenue where the Key Bank property now stands. His father operated a blacksmith shop next door, on the land now occupied by the D.A. Bennett plumbing firm. Jimmie's grandfather had operated a blacksmith shop on Delaware Ave. opposite Oakwood Place. It was an easy walk for Jimmie to get to the Delmar school, a little brick building of two rooms on Kenwood Avenue. To go to school he had to pass two grocery stores at the Four Corners, a shoe shop in the building that is now a pizza parlor, and across the street on

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Space a challenge at Becker

By Al Keating

Principal, Becker School

The A.W. Becker School has been serving Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk elementary school students who live in the towns of Bethlehem, Coeymans and New Scotland since 1963.

At the present time it houses approximately 340 children in grades one through five with a classroom teaching staff of 16 supported by six other full-time

special subject teachers (learning resource, remedial reading and math, art, library, music and physical education). There are part-time speech, gifted and talented, English as a second language, psychological and instrumental services available as well as assistance from a staff of nine teacher aides and a parent volunteer program.

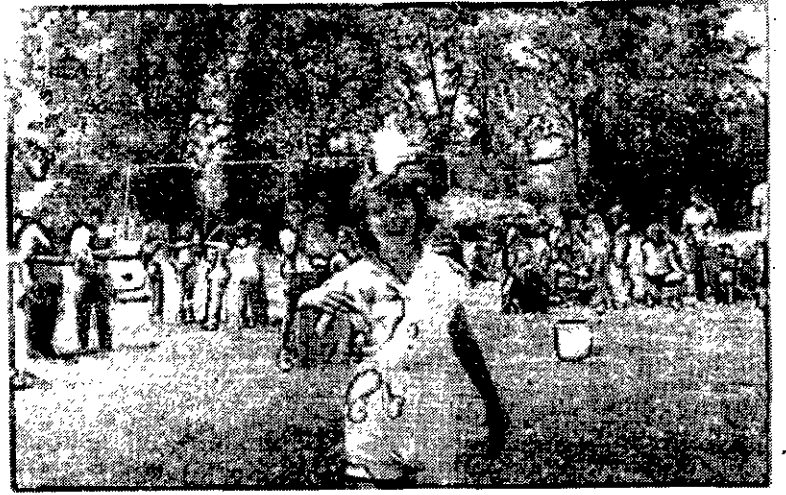
Curricula areas that have been added or restructured to meet higher standards include a per-

sonal safety program, a new math textbook, the DeNealian handwriting system, and an adaptive physical education program. This coming year will bring efforts to improve our science and health curricula, and to expand our fledgling computer program.

We are particularly proud of our involvement with Project Equinox. A part-time student crisis counselor is available to help students, parents and/or teachers deal with special situations such as family crisis (death, divorce, etc.) drug or alcohol problems, or emotional problems such as anger, fear, frustration and anxiety.

A unified computer education program was developed by the administrators and teachers, and approved by the Board of Education last year. The first phase of the plan was implemented last year with the purchase of seven microcomputers and the inservicing of teachers and administrators in the areas of computer literacy and software review. The second phase has been postponed by the defeat of a special proposition on elementary and junior high school computers by the voters of the district; however, the teachers and students will be taking advantage of the resources we already have at our disposal this coming year.

The support of the PTO is one of the extra ingredients that makes the Becker school special. PTO members provide monthly cultural and educational experiences for the students, sponsor a fantastic field day at the end of the



Connie Wright avoids a cool bath by successfully competing in an activity during a fifth grade field day at A.W. Becker Elementary School.

year, and provide the teachers with a grant fund from which monies may be drawn for special projects. There is a principal's Advisory Committee that functions not only as a means for parents to share ideas and concerns with the staff, but also as a support of the school in its relationship with the Board of Education.

The most complex area for the school during the coming year will be on how to most effectively utilize space within the building.

Programs without "a space of their own" include art, music, "gifted and talented," computers tutorial outreach, ESL and itinerant services for the blind. They are all in competition for the little space that we have, and it is not uncommon to see instruction taking place in a hall or the lobby. The school district is aware of the situation and is cooperating in an effort to find solutions to the problem, which is sensitive to changing enrollment and new programs that are either man-

dated by the state or developed by the school district.

The Becker School has a stable, experienced, dedicated staff. They pride themselves in having excellent communication with parents, and they are proud to have the reputation of being generous with their time and of giving children the extra personal attention that is necessary to have a successful elementary school experience.

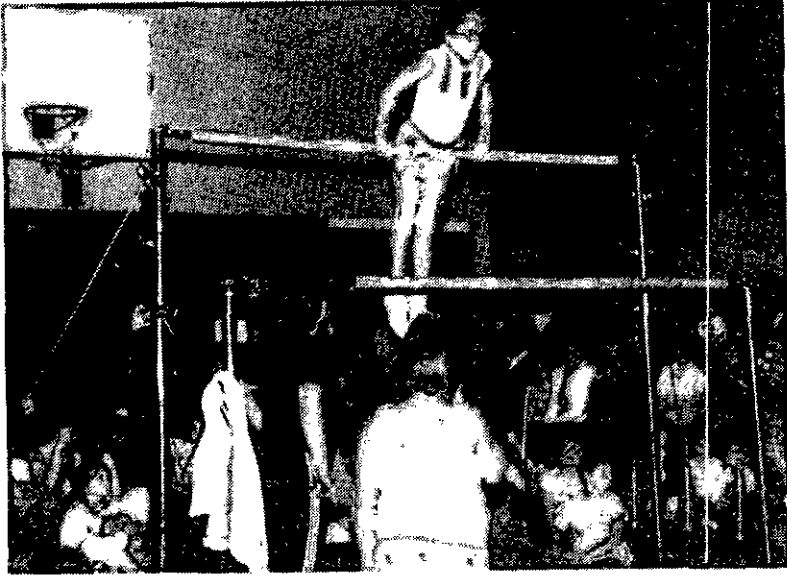
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Elsmere community: a love of learning

By Dorothy Whitney
Principal, Elsmere School

For 60 years the Elsmere School has helped shape the lives of Elsmere's children. There is a community of more than 400 students, 16 classroom teachers, 15 special teachers, and 10 non-instructional staff members who have joined forces to provide the best learning experience possible for the children.

Three new people will be added to our staff this year. Melissa Burdick will be teaching grade two. She had been the assistant teacher to Mrs. MacCulloch in the Clarksville kindergarten last year and had impressed many with her warmth and gentleness with the children. She has also been involved with workshops to help sharpen and improve her teaching skills.

Sue Miller, who will teach grade three, did her student teaching at the Slingerlands Elementary School. She believes that it is important to involve children in solving their own problems rather than allowing them to passively accept another's solution. She also recognizes the importance of frequent communication with parents in providing a good program for the children.

Kathy Jenkins will be teaching Grade Four. Previously, she taught Grades K-7 in a number of states. She has two general rules which she considers important: respect the rights of others and allow the teacher to teach. She enjoys attending workshops where she can increase her knowledge of children's developmental stages and effective discipline techniques.

Two staff members who have been here at Elsmere for many years will not be here for the opening of this school year. Bill Blanchard, our head custodian, has been here since 1960, and his laconic humor will no longer greet us each day. Beryl Gonzales, our secretary, has been at Elsmere for 12 years and her pleasant efficiency will be missed by staff and children alike. We wish both Mrs. Gonzales and Mr. Blanchard the happiest of retirements and hope they will visit us often.

We have been fortunate over the years to have many volunteers freely giving their time, energy, and talents to the school and the children. The list of tasks done by

the volunteers ranges from the sublime to the ridiculous (like cleaning one very dirty popcorn machine), but the work is done with good cheer and efficiency and is received with much appreciation. All offers of help are gladly accepted and parents are encouraged to join us in the wonderful opportunity of educating their children.

While we will spend much time teaching the children to read, to compute, to analyze and to evaluate, we will also work to



Summer is a good time for the folks at Elsmere Elementary School to make preparations for the new year.

instill in them a love of learning which we hope will last for a lifetime. To always be a student,

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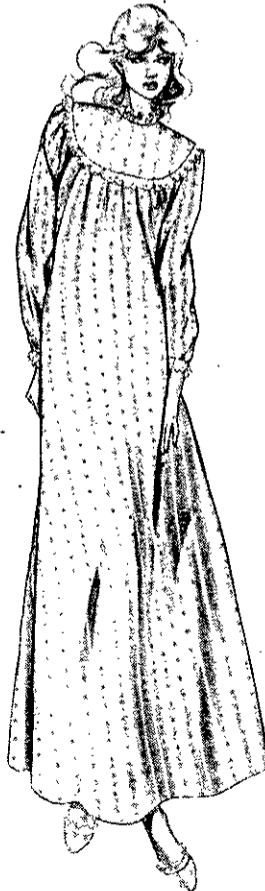
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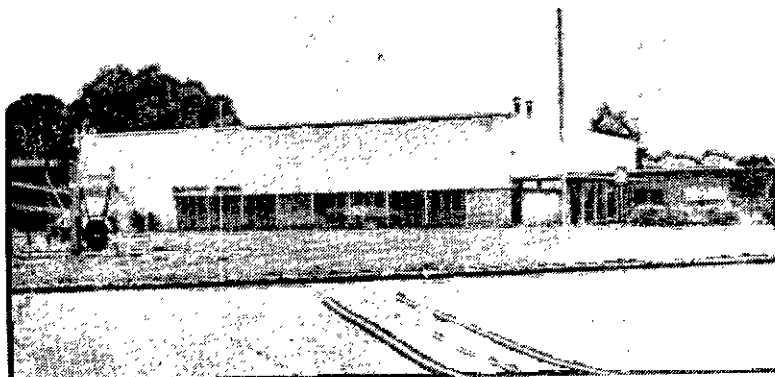
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Glenmont: caring is the motto

By Donald Robillard
Principal, Glenmont School
The Glenmont School, located on Rt. 9W, is the newest of the five Bethlehem Central elementary schools. It was built in 1957 and most people are surprised that it is over 28 years old. Its contemporary design and tender loving care over the years from the thousands of students and the staff are reflected in its beautiful appearance.



The Glenmont Elementary is home away from home for many children in the Bethlehem Central School District.

The school presently houses 14 classes in grade 1-5, with the Glenmont kindergartners being temporarily assigned to the Elsmere School. The fall enrollment will be approximately 317 students.

The Glenmont staff is a dedicated, competent team of professionals, with three classroom teachers holding reading specialist certificates. Four teachers have recently completed the Capital Region Center Institute for Arts In Education training on techniques for integrating the arts into the curriculum. Another teacher is presenting a paper at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Worldwide LOGO 85 conference on the use of the LOGO computer language at the elementary school level. Our librarian is a published author and creator of educational games and crossword puzzles.

Glenmont School parents are a very supportive and contributing group to the school's programs. During the 1984-85 school year, they volunteered 5,206 hours of support.

A very active weekly Parents as Reading Partners program has been in existence since 1979. This is a program in which parents read with their child each night for a

minimum of 15 minutes. The parent then completes a weekly checklist so that the child can be recognized for the family effort.

The Glenmont School also has a Writer's Project. Children work with parent volunteers on creating their own books from stories started in class. Parents help the children with rewriting, illustrating and binding the book for placement in the school library for other children to share.

The Glenmont School motto is "Care About Yourself, Care About the People and Things Around You." At Glenmont...we do.

If you'd like to come meet some of the Glenmont folks, please come to our Glenmont School picnic on Friday, Sept. 13, at 5:30 p.m. at the Glenmont School.



Through the doorway of Hamagrael Elementary School, many new students will soon pass to learn and grow with their friends.

Always some new at Hamagrael School

By Joseph Schaefer
Principal, Hamagrael School

"Education is naturally self-renewing." Each school year offers children, teachers, and the school as an entity a new beginning; as many aspects change as remain the same.

In addition to the newly polished appearance of the facility, the most observable factor on the first day of school is that about one in five children are new to the Hamagrael School. At this time, our enrollment is 354 youngsters in grades K-5 and 70 of those children will cross the threshold for the first time on Sept. 5.

New staff members include Cheryl Judge who will teach an intergrade 4-5 class. Mrs. Judge has had experience at the Slingerlands, Delmar and Glenmont Schools. Jan Xeller will teach in our Resource Room program and

has had experience at Delmar, Clarksville and Elsmere. Marilyn Doyle is relatively new to the Bethlehem Schools and will handle remedial reading responsibilities. Both Mrs. Xeller and Mrs. Doyle will be shared with the Elsmere School this coming year.

Internally, some teachers will be assigned to different grade levels. Joan Hyde and Cheryl Brown will teach grade two and Barbara Cox grade three.

Our primary mission, as always, will be to provide children with a solid foundation of skills in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics without compromising the social and emotional needs of children 5 to 11 years of age. A happy, warm, supportive environment is one of the major keys to unlocking the potential of children and teachers alike. This, too, becomes a primary objective.

Hamagrael, as an integral part of the total school district, will play out its role in such upcoming issues as capital facilities bonding, the possibility of redrawing the elementary enrollment boundaries and, of course, soliciting voter support of the regular school operating budget. Also the elementary schools will begin using a different progress report form with parents this year. The backbone of our reporting system, parent-teacher conferences, will not change. The Challenge Program in the district's elementary schools will also change to mirror the changing needs of all students as well as those who are exceptionally academically talented.

At the building level we'll continue to improve the quality of our science, mathematics, spelling, and computer literacy/higher-level thinking skills programs. The latter program will be enhanced by the acquisition of additional computers, providing one microcomputer in each classroom.

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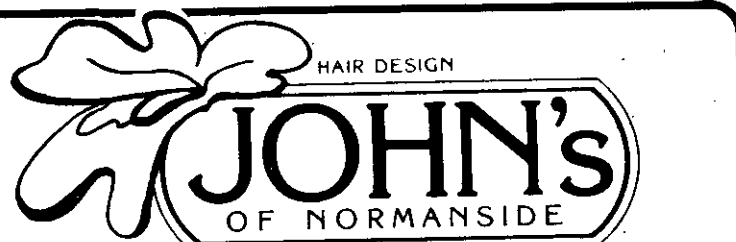
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work will continue on defining the "culture" of the Hamagrael School as it relates to the characteristics of effectiveness and excellence in schooling. Faculty, staff, parents, and students are inextricably intertwined in the culture of a school and all must work closely and together to effect meaningful improvements. In this regard, communication is the key to the accomplishment of our joint mission. Therefore, we'll continue to work with our volunteer organization, our Home-School Association, and individual parents to bring about the strongest possible educational setting for children.

PR director named

Kristi Carr of Delmar has been appointed director of public information for the Bethlehem Central School District. According to Dr. Lawrence Zinn, superintendent.

In her new position, Carr will serve as a spokesperson for the school district, as well as directing public information activities and editing the Bethlehem Central Highlights newsletter.

"Mrs. Carr will be working to improve the school district's relations with various constituencies of our community—parents, teachers, businessmen, students and the media," said Dr. Zinn.

Carr graduated from the university of Missouri in 1971 with a bachelor's degree in journalism. In addition to work as a free-lance writer, she was most recently employed as an editor for the American Vocational Journal, Washington, D.C. Her prior positions include editor of the Missouri LP-Gas Association's monthly magazine and features writer for a daily newspaper. She is a member of Kappa Tau Alpha, national journalism honorary.

Active in various community organizations, Carr presently serves as secretary of the Tri-Village Welcome Wagon.



Students at Slingerlands Elementary School pledge allegiance to the flag

Tom Howes

Slingerlands: a magic place

By David C. Murphy
Principal, Slingerlands School

The Slingerlands School is a very special place. We think it is! The *we* stands for the "students," the teachers, the secretaries and aides, the custodians, the dining room ladies and the principal. If you listen, you will hear laughing; if you look, you will see smiling faces. Our expectations are high; academically, behaviorally, socially. We try to accomplish our goals in a warm, positive, fun-loving way. *Our school is a magic place. We are making tomorrow! Welcome to our world!*

Our school is the epitome of the neighborhood school. We are nestled on a beautiful piece of property on Union Ave. between Kenwood Ave. and Orchard St. We serve approximately 300 pupils K-5. Our staff is a highly enthusiastic, warm, dedicated group of individuals who love kids. Our staff is happy in their profession and glad they are part of the Slingerlands faculty!

Slingerlands has a simple and straightforward philosophy. It is our desire that *each* child will learn, grow and be happy.

With respect to student behavior, we believe what children need, perhaps more than anything, is discipline and a sense of commitment to something larger than themselves. Discipline, however, means many things to many people. To some, discipline means punishment for misbehavior. To others, discipline stands for rules of conduct. At Slingerlands, we prefer to define discipline as the development of self-control.

Our guidelines for behavior, which include our buses, our classrooms, our dining room and our playground, are communicated often to our student body, but

our goal is for each and every student to develop a self-discipline that will help the student throughout life.

At Slingerlands, we have asked *all* to strive to be A Nice Person at all times. Our expectations are high, and, we hope, consistent. We wish to be "partners" with our parents and students as we learn to control our own behavior. If one can do this, the need for long lists of rules diminishes.

The educational offerings at Slingerlands are consistent with our district-wide curriculum. Individualization of instruction and a continuous progress philosophy are two key elements. Individualization is the process of placing a student in a small group with those with similar strengths

and weaknesses. Continuous progress refers to a student's placement in a curriculum sequence; again depending on strengths and weaknesses.

A very important aspect of the Slingerlands School program is the involvement of parents as well as the Parent Teacher Association. A more interested, hard working, dedicated group of people can't be found! A very close relationship between the home and the school exists. Parents donate thousands of hours in the school as well as supporting the program financially and emotionally.

In summary, we feel that the "people" orientation of our school encourages a love of product. We try to treat people decently (pupils, parents, staff) and ask them to excel in what they do. We hope our school plays a vital part in the lives of all who come in contact with us.

Crafts for credit

The Crafts for Credit program of Hudson Valley Community College and the Rensselaer County Council for the Arts will resume in the fall with 16 course offerings.

Holly Christensen, director of continuing education, said that because of the nature of the crafts courses, enrollment is limited and admission is on a first-come, first-served basis. Most classes will meet weekday evenings at the headquarters of the Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy.

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Scholar's simple secrets for high school success

By Peter Fisch

As the summer draws to a close, an annual ritual begins among a variety of ages — returning to school.

Everyone looks at it with a different attitude. Some enjoy coming back to school while others dread the situation. It's a chance to begin a new year with a clean slate. It's a chance to make new friends or strengthen existing friendships. Basically, it's a time to start fresh. There are so many facets of school life that a student needs to consider as they begin a new year.

One important aspect is involvement. Be it sports, music or another area, it's a necessity to be active and involved in the functioning of the school. Very often people sit back and criticize the workings that go on instead of getting involved.

Involvement in activities keeps you busy but often makes you work harder with the little free time you have. With less spare time it becomes necessary to budget time. This allows one to set aside the required amount of time

without neglecting any of the activities. This way fewer problems are likely to arise.

The topic of studying is extremely important. Each individual is different and therefore studies in a different way. When studying, it's not always the quantity of time spent but more often the quality of time spent. One's entire school life revolves around studying and grades, so schoolwork should take preference over other school activities.

Seldom during a school year do students actually interact with the faculty and administration. Teachers are usually more than willing to assist a student with an academic problem or concern. Peer pressure and shyness often keep many students from pursuing extra help or from addressing a teacher. Questions are usually cleared up soon after receiving assistance. Teachers understand what it's like to be a student — they've been there before. Administrators are very busy but will often take time out to aid a student or address a concern.

Basically, students have many advantages right at hand. One of these advantages is the guidance area. When a class becomes too tough or when a student has problems with a class, he or she should consult a guidance counselor. A guidance counselor can help with the scheduling of classes but can also assist a student in searching for a career or college. When a student enlists the help of the guidance counselor in the search, it becomes easier and new options arise.

School is basically what you make it. It can be a good or bad experience depending on how you look at it. It's a challenge but with the right attitude anyone can make it a success.

Peter Fisch is a 1985 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville and is a summer staff writer for The Spotlight.

To help runaways

Equinox, Inc. has been awarded a \$1,000 grant from the National Fund for Runaway Children. Equinox is one of 17 projects in 15 states to receive a grant for special runaway and homeless youth services projects.

National Fund for Runaway Children began in December, 1982, following a series of articles in Parade Magazine which graphically described the tragic stories of runaway and homeless young people.

Equinox plans to use the funds in their Independent Living Program for homeless older youths. The Independent Living Program provides youth who cannot return to their families a stable living alternative while assisting them in developing basic skills.

"We are extremely pleased that Equinox was awarded this grant because the number of homeless youth is drastically increasing," states Donna McIntosh, Equinox Youth Services Coordinator. For more information on help for runaway and homeless youth call Equinox Youth Shelter at 465-9524.

Safety pointers for school buses

Each year nearly 2,000,000 children arrive at school every day on the 25,000 school buses that operate in New York State. In addition to these pupils, thousands of others ride public service facilities operating in many of New York's larger cities. Those not riding public service vehicles are in all likelihood being transported on buses owned by their own school district or by contract carriers hired by school districts to provide the required service.

The State requires that all pupils in non-city school districts who are enrolled in kindergarten through eighth grade and live more than two miles from their school be provided transportation. Those in grades 9-12 who live more than three miles from their school are also entitled to transportation. Some non-city districts, after approval by the voters, provide more liberal transportation than required by state law.

The construction of school buses is highly regulated by the federal government and New York State imposes even more stringent construction standards. In accordance with these standards, all school buses manufactured after 1976 are designed with a feature known as "compartmentalization" which is intended to reduce injuries in the event of an accident. Recently conducted crash tests have confirmed the effectiveness of this design and statistics maintained by the National Safety Council indicate that the yellow school bus is safer than any other mode of transportation available today.

In spite of improvements in bus construction, there is reason for concern over the number of fatalities among children who are disembarking from school buses at the end of the school day. In New York State, there has been an average of one pupil fatality per year in the last five years. The majority of these fatal injuries involve children from 4 to 10 years of age who are being transported home from school. These fatalities, in many cases, result from pupils being run over by their own bus.

Accident statistics indicate that these fatalities are attributable to one of the following conditions:

-The pupil was too close to the bus after discharge. In crossing the road, pupils should move forward until they can see the bus driver before starting to cross.

-The pupil had stopped to pick up a dropped object. In doing so, children disappeared from the sight of the driver. Children must be taught to never stop to pick up a dropped object. Better yet, if children carried all objects in a gym bag or knapsack, the chances of dropping objects would be reduced considerably.

-The pupil attempted to cross the road without stopping at a mid-point to check for oncoming traffic. Children who are struck by a passing motorist do not normally see the motorist. They know cars are supposed to stop for stopped school buses, and rely on the fact that they will. Many times, however, the cars fail to stop.

Children must be taught, at home as well as at school, to observe the following basic safety guidelines while riding a school bus.

- Walk directly to or from your school bus making sure the bus driver can see you.

- Never stop or try to pick up a dropped object. Carry all books and materials in a "knapsack" to and from school bus.

- While crossing, never stop to pick up a dropped object (use a knapsack).

- As you cross the road, always look both ways for oncoming traffic.

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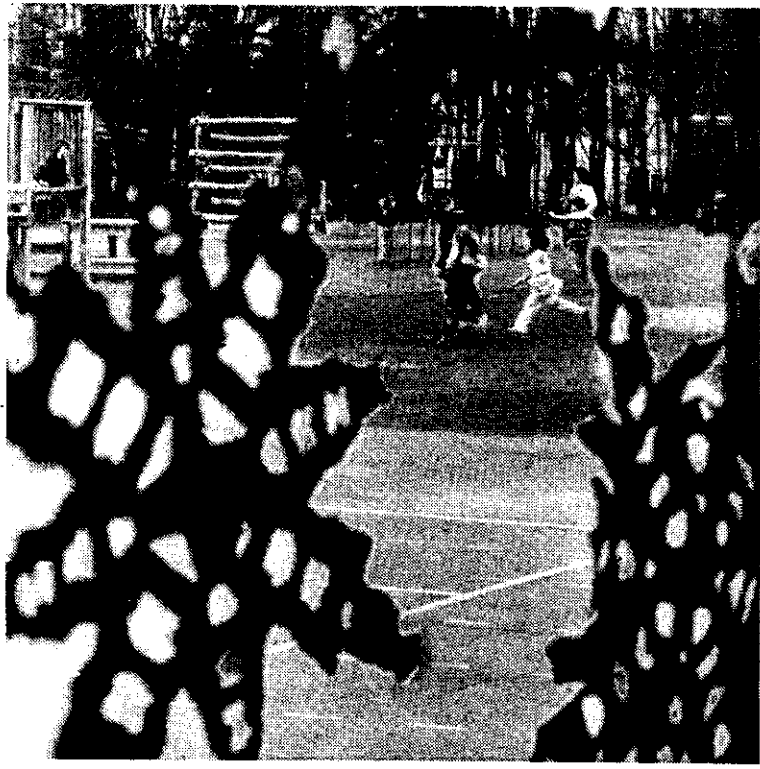
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The students at Slingerlands Elementary School last fall just couldn't wait for Mother Nature to make some snow flakes, so they made a few of their own.

Tom Howes

New performing arts center at the Doane Stuart School

The Doane Stuart School, Albany, has been awarded a \$25,000 grant by The Edward E. Ford Foundation of Princeton, N.J., to enrich the performing arts program at the school, according to Headmistress Sister Lucie Nordmann, RSCJ.

The funding will be used toward the creation of a performing arts center with facilities for modern dance, jazz and ballet classes, an expanded choral and instrumental music program, drama classes, and an art gallery. The center will be located in the former middle school study wing.

"We are excited by this opportunity to offer more arts courses to our students at all grade levels," Sister Nordmann said. "The importance of developing imagination and creativity in our youth cannot be overemphasized."

In an effort to upgrade the arts program, Doane Stuart officials also plan to attract professional artists, dancers and performers to the school for lectures and demonstrations.

"Within minutes of the school is the Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts Center, the Albany Symphony Orchestra, Empire State Youth Orchestra, the

Director appointed

Susan Keitel of Delmar has been named director of board development services at the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) in Albany.

She will be responsible for implementing a program of continuing education for school board members in the 745 member districts throughout the state. Mrs. Keitel also will be responsible for planning and management of the annual NYSSBA convention, which each year attracts more than 3,000 school board members.

Mrs. Keitel has been legislative representative for state affairs since she joined the NYSSBA staff in 1980. From 1975 to 1980, she was a policy and research analyst for the State Senate, and during the preceding year she was research director for the Select Committee on Higher Education of the State Assembly.

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How to find the right college

High school senior Lisa wanted to go to a college with moderate costs to study medical technology. By using Barron's *Profiles of American Colleges* she found at least 20 colleges that would fill her needs. Her classmate Jason was set to apply for admission to a well-known Eastern university until he read in the *Insider's Guide to Colleges* that "many students there do not seem to care about anything except what pair of designer jeans to wear and getting good grades in the least painful way." He's thinking of applying elsewhere.

As September nears, many high school seniors are about to make one of the most important decisions in their lives: which college to attend. The Bethlehem Public Library has a Career Resource Center especially designed to meet the information needs of students, graduates and career changers. The center has a number of references that can help both students and parents select the educational institution that will be right for them.

Among the most popular comprehensive college guides is Barron's *Profiles of American Colleges*. Barron's is a geographic listing of colleges in the U.S. with a brief outline of majors offered, tuition, admissions, and other aspects of college life. Similar information is offered in Lovejoy's *College Guide*, which includes data on tuition, financial aid, SAT/ACT scores, student activities and more.

Two other noteworthy general guides are Peterson's annually published seven volume set on two and four year, graduate and undergraduate programs, and James Cass and Max Birnbaum's

Comparative Guide to American Colleges. Now in its 11th edition, this source lists the number of degrees conferred by each college in each field of study.

Additional help in choosing a college can be found in a number of books that selectively recommend undergraduate institutions based on hard data as well as the author's subjective impressions. Among the more well-known ones are the *Gourman Report* by Dr. Jack Gourman. Now in its fourth edition, the report rates undergraduate programs in American and international universities. The Yale Daily Press publishes the *Insider's Guide to the Colleges*. Written by students for students, this manual features frank impressions of campus atmosphere at the country's better-known post-secondary institutions. An assessment of the social and overall college life on 189 campuses can be found in Lisa Birnbaum's *College Book*.

Other, more specialized guides advise students on the ins and outs of the college admissions process. Among several at the Career Resource Center are Ann Utterback's *College Admissions Face to Face* and *Getting In!* by Paulo DeOliveira and Steve Cohen. These books cover what to expect in an admissions interview, what to look for during a campus visit and how to tackle the admissions application.

Sources designed to help with the realities of paying for higher education include the 1985 *College Money Handbook* from

Peterson's Guides and the *College Money Book: How to Get a High-Quality Education at the Lowest Possible Cost* by Gene Hawes and David Brownstone. The *Money Handbook* lists four-year institutions in the United States, their costs and aid profiles, and directories of colleges offering specific scholarships and loans. Hawes and Brownstone offer students and parents strategies on planning for the costs of college, and on obtaining financial aid through scholarships, loans, grants, and work-study programs.

For the older student returning to school, the center has a number of books. Check out *Back to School* by William Haponki and Charles McCabe or *College After 30* by Caryl Chudwin and Rita Durrant. Also popular are guides to innovative educational programs such as William Halterman's *The Complete Guide to Non-traditional Education* and John Bear's *How to Get the Degree You Want*. Bear's book bills itself as describing "every approach known to earning a degree without ever taking a single traditional course — from the most respectable to the most outrageous".

The library maintains an up-to-date collection of catalogs for local colleges. Also, complete catalogs for several thousand U.S. colleges are available on microfiche.

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□ Tests

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Bethlehem's Assistant Superintendent J. Briggs McAndrews agrees: "A test has to be taken in the total context. What does the teacher say, who has seen the child over a period of time, and who has seen lots of children over the years?" For the individual student, tests are "part of a larger picture of placement and expectations," McAndrews said. Is the student consistently scoring at a certain level? Is there a big fluctuation in one year?

Like other school districts, BC uses test results not only for assessing individual students, but also for assessing the district's educational program. Results of testing each year are looked at by classroom, for each grade level taken as a whole and for each elementary school, McAndrews said. Again, trends and changes are looked for, and administrators ask, "If results changed, why did they change?"

Much testing done in schools today is because of state requirements. New York State requires kindergarten screening of all pupils in order to find those who need remedial help, McAndrews said. That screening can be done in several ways, but in Bethlehem, Voorheesville and RCS standardized tests are used. Bethlehem and Voorheesville use the Stanford Achievement Test and RCS employs the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. In addition, all three districts use the Otis-Lennon Ability Test (sometimes referred to as an IQ test). In Bethlehem all students in grades 1

More tests to come

As part of its Action Plan the Board of Regents is raising educational standards in elementary and secondary schools. As a result, new tests in foreign languages, science, social studies and occupational education are required.

By the end of this decade, all high school students will be required to demonstrate competency in science and social studies as well as in reading, writing, and mathematics in order to receive a high school diploma.

through 8 currently take the Otis-Lennon, while at RCS and Voorheesville it is given in only certain elementary years. A Riverside Press cognitive ability test is given to third, fourth and fifth graders at RCS as well.

The state also has its own tests for elementary pupils, called the Pupil Evaluation Program (PEP), which was begun in 1965. PEP tests in reading and mathematics are given to third and sixth graders, while fifth graders take a PEP writing test.

The state requires that a student pass either regents' competency tests in reading, writing and math, or regents' examinations in English and math, in order to graduate from high school. A preliminary regents' competency test is given to all students in eighth or ninth grade, depending on a district's preference. This state exam, again, is intended to identify those students needing more remedial help.

A different series of regents' exams is required of those students who want to receive a regents' diploma. These exams are provided in 22 subjects currently. In all three local districts, administrators estimated that 60 to 70 percent of their high school students are in a regents' diploma program.

In many school districts, including Bethlehem, the regents' exams are used as the final exams for a number of high school courses. A notable exception, McAndrews said, is the Niskayuna School District, where the school's diploma requirements are held to be more rigorous than the regents' and, hence, less emphasis is given to receiving regents' diploma. While Bethlehem's educational program is at least as good, McAndrews said, historically the regents' diploma has been most valued in the community. Then, too, the regents' exam offers the opportunity for scholarship awards, which enhances its desirability.

High school juniors and seniors who intend to go to college also take a battery of standardized tests that are administered nationwide. Riding on these test results are both money, in the form of scholarship aid, and whether the student has his choice of colleges.

Looking ahead, under the state regents' new Action Plan, there will be more testing. Additional courses being required by the state in science and social studies will mean additional tests.

What do we "know" from all these tests? That there are no easy answers. Criticisms of standardized testing include the contention that tests create the illusion some-

thing is being done, that teachers tend to teach for the test, and that unfairness is inherent in establishing arbitrary cutoff scores. And number-crunchers know that there are any number of ways to put test results together in order to analyze them, but, as one statistician said, "Statistical significance doesn't mean a practical or educational significance." As long as there are tests there will be questions about their reliability, the validity of the results and the uses to which they are put.

improved student was Christina Coons. Amy Storfer received this year's award for the fastest typist with a typing speed of 63 words a minute.

Additionally, this year a number of students were awarded certificates for receiving 98 percent or better on all assignments. They are Leslie Anderson, Amy Aylward, Deneige Barlow, Bryan Carnahan, Jean Marie Cunningham, Kimberlee Dale, Jennifer Grant, Jeremy Hartnett, Jennifer Kiemle, Anne Mineau, Virginia O'Brien, Philip Puthumana, Raymond Robb, Amy Seamon, David Sodergren, Evelyn Wright and Matthew Young.

The students were enrolled in the 13-week introductory typing course offered by the business department to all 8th grade students in the Bethlehem Middle School.

Typist earns honors

Elizabeth Harwick received the 8th grade typing award for outstanding effort this past year at the Bethlehem Central Middle School. Receiving the award for most

□ School days

(From page A-5)

Delaware Avenue was Billy Dunn's saloon.

Jimmie was seven years old when he began the first grade at Delmar in 1906. He remembers that there were no individual desks, only six people sitting on a bench before a long table that had space for books and other paraphernalia beneath. There was no form of physical education at that time—school consisted of reading, writing, spelling, geography and arithmetic. Jimmie walked home for his lunch, since he lived so near the school. The children from further away, those who lived up in the Cherry Ave. vicinity, brought their lunch to school in little tin pails. Each room was heated with a wood stove and all other facilities such as toilets and drinking water were located outside.

About 1909 it was decided there was need for a larger school building, since the village population was increasing, in large part due to the coming of the railroad. People wanted to live in the country to get away from the dirt and congestion of the city. The railroad made it easier to do that and to still reach one's place of business or employment in Albany. The little brick school was torn down and a large wooden four-room building was built on the same site. That

building still stands today on Kenwood Ave. and is used as the Masonic Temple. Jimmie remembers that at the time this new building was constructed the men of the village said: "Well, that's the last darn school building we'll ever need to build in this town."

Going to school in the new building was *really living*, according to Jimmie. All of the facilities were inside, including a furnace for heat. The principal was a Mr. Moore and he was very much interested in sports. He coached a boxing team in the basement in the winter and in spring there was a baseball team that played among themselves and also had games with the Slingerlands school. Jimmie proudly displayed his eighth grade diploma from the Delmar School. It was dated June 19, 1914 and signed by the members of the Board of Education: Frank Bennett, Russell E. Hotaling and Edgar J. Hazelton. When it was time for high school Jimmie rode his bike in the good weather in to Milne High School in Albany. In the winter he took the train, walking up to the school on Western Ave. from Union Station in Downtown Albany.

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(In part 2, a gentle, hard-working man who had been the Royal Gardener before the princess was lost, discovered a small girl crying softly in the woods near the castle. His family welcomed her into their humble home.)

Through the years the little girl showed she was a good worker, a devoted daughter, a bright student in school, and a girl of inner beauty. She developed a natural talent for expressing herself with words, spoken or written. Most of all, she loved writing poems. She would spend much time in the kitchen sitting at the table looking out the window at the countryside. It made her dream, and slowly, words would come to her mind as if someone else were giving them to her, and she would pick up her pen and put them on paper. The poems were about love and peace and kindness and many of the things the people of Ansoner used to feel.

Whenever grace before meals was said, the little girl would add a short thought that usually brought a smile or a tear to the father's face. He would look at her in such moments and see that special glowing from her eyes, but he would see that other uncomfortable feeling, too, the one hidden within her, the one that made him wonder where she came from, where she really belonged.

In the spring of her fifteenth year the young girl's talent for writing poetry revealed startling power. Her younger sister had been out in the fields playing hide and seek with some neighborhood children. While she was crouching behind some rocks, she was bitten by a poisonous viper and was carried back home feverish, swollen, and unconscious. The poor little girl lay motionless for two days breathing just enough to barely stay alive. The entire family stayed at her bedside leaving only to eat or sleep. They were very sad at their littlest daughter's sickness, and when the village doctor told them his medicine could do no more, they began preparing themselves to lose her to heaven.

The young girl sat in despair at the kitchen table sipping some tea and looking out the window, as she so often did. It came as no surprise to her when words began forming in her mind, but these words concerned her little sister. Quickly she took her pen and wrote them down almost without thinking, and brought the poem into her sister's bedroom. Her mother and brother were there. Quietly, she began reading her

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"When a fog has grown thick,
We're alone as can be.
When our sister is sick,
Alone she'll not be;
For we'll join at her side
With our prayers all the while
'Til her eyes open wide
And her lips again smile."

Slowly, the little girl's eyes flickered, then opened. Her mouth smiled weakly toward her mother and brother and her older adopted sister who could hardly believe what had happened as she read her poem. The father came rushing from the kitchen with a mouthful of food when he heard the cries of his wife proclaiming their youngest daughter was alive.

From that day on, the girl discovered that whenever she wrote a poem especially for a particular person who was either ill or troubled in some way, the poem seemed to bring power into that person to overcome the sickness or the problem. The grateful old man thought this to be a gift from God, unquestionably, and told his neighbors of the girl's ability. They doubted his story and laughed about it. He turned away, not in anger, but in sorrow for their ignorance.

In time, the proof of the girl's gift was given to the townspeople when her heart led her to help the village cripple, a simple fellow who could not walk upright due to a large growth on his back which made him permanently bent forward. The girl took pity on him because he was the object of much cruelty in the village. Nasty children would throw sticks at him and push him, then run away. He would try to chase after them, but could not catch them to punish them. Grownups would shove him out of the way when they were in a hurry, and only rarely would someone give him a few coins for food.

The girl wrote a poem for the crippled man and he accepted it



with much gratitude, because not many people gave him kindness. He carried the poem with him and showed it to all the villagers passing by. Gradually, as each day came and went, the people began taking notice of the man, because little by little, his hump was shrinking until one day he awoke standing straight and tall. From then on, nobody teased him, for his arms and legs and abdomen had actually grown quite strong from bending over all those years so that he could now pull and lift as well as any man.

In a very short time, word of this special girl spread to the countryside and beyond to neighboring lands. People began traveling great distances to see the

young girl and ask her to write a poem to heal their sicknesses and help them with their troubles. Since there was much unhappiness in the land, many people sought the girl's help. Day after day they came asking for "the little writer of poems."

The girl's family watched with deep satisfaction never asking for any money or gifts from the many who visited their simple home. Nevertheless, the grateful travelers always left a small offering of food or clothing or tools so that the family no longer felt the hunger and suffering of being poor.

Eventually, news of the young girl reached the castle, and the

King and Queen invited the father to bring his daughter before them.

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August outside

A naturalist's tour of an August evening will be offered at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Tuesday, Aug. 27, at 7:30 p.m.

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(SIPC). Each customer will receive a free subscription to the *Norvest Advisor*, a quarterly newsletter offering economic and investment information, published by another Norstar Bancorp company, Norvest Investment Advisory Services, Inc.

Starting a business?

"Small Business Start-Up and Survival," a workshop for prospective and new small business owners, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 15, at the Ramada Inn, Western Ave.

Sponsored by the Small Business Administration, Norstar Bank of Upstate New York, the Albany County Cooperative Extension Small Business Program and the Albany County Executive's Office, the event is aimed at helping small business owners avoid the problems that lead to business failures.

Topics for discussion will include goals for success, personal factors, legal factors, financial considerations and regulations governing a new business.

For \$12 registration call Pearl Wait at 447-4144.



Deborah Adler

Directs PR at Union

Deborah Adler has been appointed director of press relations for Union College. A native of Delmar, she earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Rochester, and has resided in Phoenix, Arizona, for the past nine years. There she held positions in broadcasting, journalism and public relations.

Adler most recently was account executive with the public

relations firm of Joanne Ralston & Associates. While there she earned a Gold Quill merit award from the International Association of Business Communicators.

Union is an independent, co-educational college with 2,000 undergraduates, and offers programs in the liberal arts and engineering.

Sale for Easter Seals

Gingersnips, Delmar's manufacturer of hand-stenciled children's clothing, will hold a sale at the Albany Ramada Inn, Western Avenue, from Aug. 16 through Aug. 18, for the benefit of The Easter Seal Society.

The sale will run from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Aug. 16, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 17 and from noon to 5 p.m. on Aug. 18.

Proceeds will be used by The Easter Seal Society to help continue direct services to disabled persons in the community.

For newcomers

Roberts Real Estate has announced the publication of an informational packet for people moving to the capital region.

The relocation guide includes profiles of area communities as well as a driving-time chart, information on area real estate practices, utility hook-up procedures, state and local tax rates and licensing requirements for automobiles, watercraft, hunting and fishing.

The community profiles begin with a brief history, and include a variety of up-to-date facts and figures. Medical facilities, services for the elderly, school district facts, libraries, recreational facilities, shopping centers, places of worship, and transportation services are among the topics covered.

A Roberts spokesman said the company has seen an increase in the number of corporate employees moving to this area. The packet should be especially helpful to families, it was noted, since it outlines school programs and includes a comparative chart of school districts with facts on pupil-teacher ratios, percentage going on to higher education, dropout rates and expenditure per pupil.

Class on real estate

A course on the principles of real estate, designed to prepare participants for licensing as real estate salespersons, will be offered Saturday mornings this fall at Hudson Valley Community College.

The course is part of the banking, insurance and real estate curriculum, and offers four college credits, although participants need not be matriculated at Hudson Valley. Classes will begin Aug. 31 and continue into December.

Registration will take place in the Campus Center at the college from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Aug. 14 to 16, and Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19 and 20. Evening registration is scheduled from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 14 and 19.

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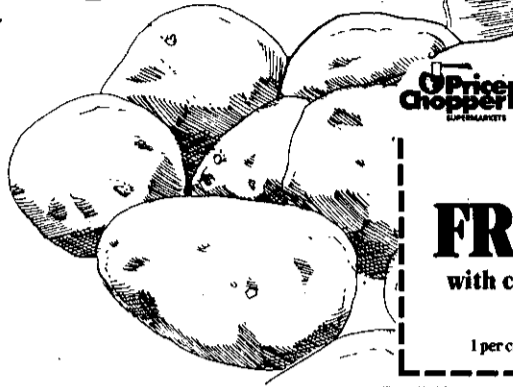
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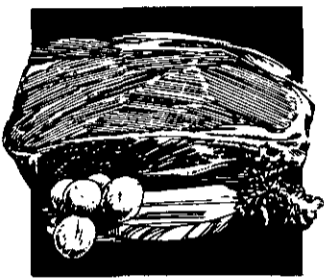
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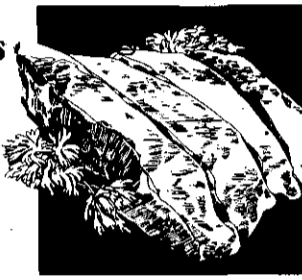


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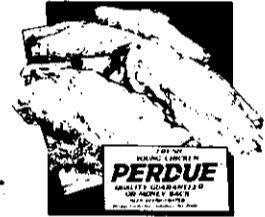
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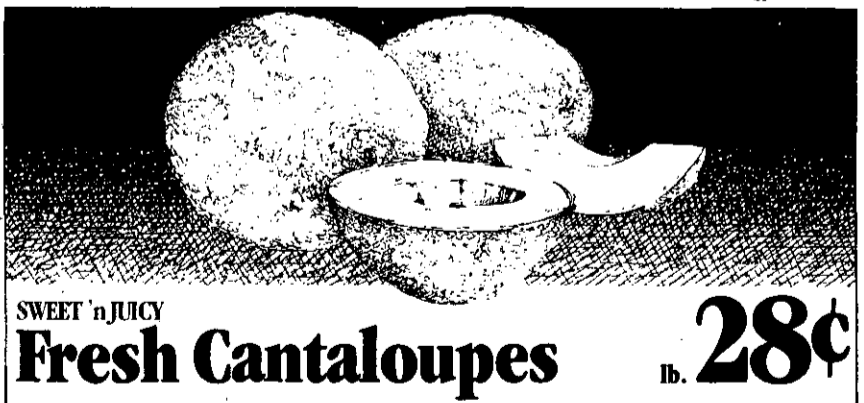
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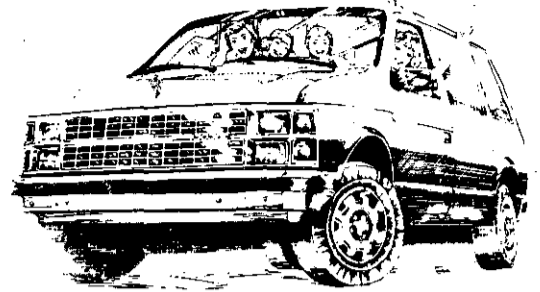


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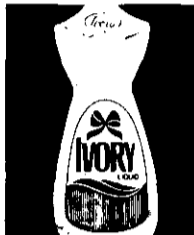
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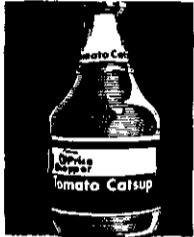
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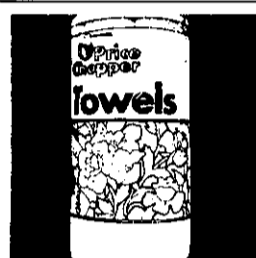
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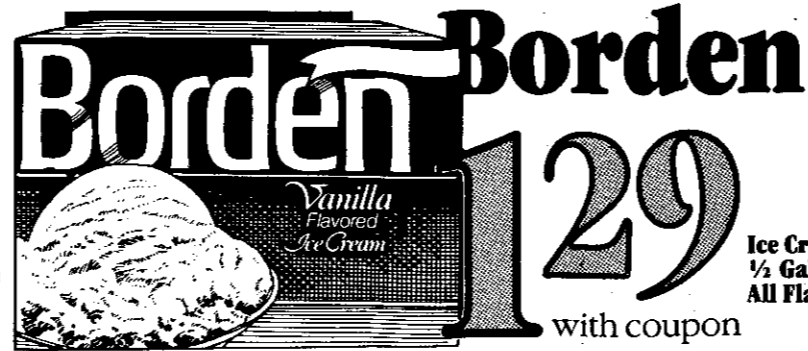
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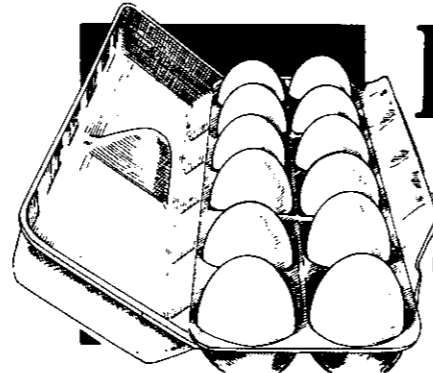
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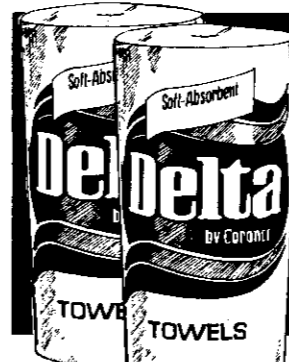
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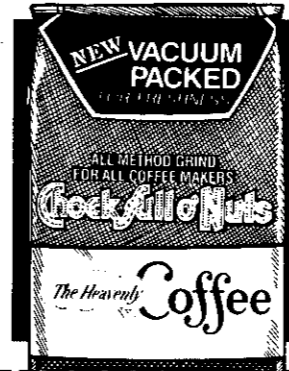
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Sheldon leads area athletes at games

Veteran wrestler Shawn Sheldon added another championship to his record with a gold medal performance at the Empire State Games in Buffalo Sunday.

Sheldon, a former Columbia and Voorheesville High School wrestling standout, registered a title in the Open Greco competition in the 125.5 pound weight class. Only two weeks ago, the Albany State sophomore took home a gold medal from the National Sports Festival in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at the 114 pound level. At Voorheesville in 1983, Sheldon notched his 100th career high school victory before advancing to the state tournament in Syracuse. In addition to being a veteran of the Empire State Games, Sheldon has competed internationally and throughout the United States.

Tim Cluett of Delmar

competed with the Adirondack Scholastic Ice Hockey team this past week as they suffered a 4-2 setback at the hands of Hudson Valley. Tryouts for the squad were held in Lake Placid last April, with Cluett being the only Albany County player chosen. Having just completed his sophomore year at Bethlehem Central, Cluett will attend Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, Mass. this fall.

In the Mens Open Rowing Junior Singles last Friday, Anders Thomson of Voorheesville captured a bronze medal with a time of 7:24.0.

The Adirondack Region consists of the counties of Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery, Saratoga, Schoharie, Schenectady, St. Lawrence, Rensselaer, Warren and Washington.

Spotlight SPORTS



Mike Kayo of Delmar participated in the St. Lawrence University summer hockey camp, recently held in Canton, N.Y.

Area deer permits down

The state Department of Environmental Conservation has announced that applications for deer management permits will be accepted from Thursday, Aug. 15, through Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The regular and land owner quota in unit 61, covering much of rural New Scotland, is 330, down from 485 last year. The regular and land owner quota in unit 66, which includes part of the Town of Bethlehem, is 150, unchanged from last year.

The regular big game season in the southern zone opens on Nov. 18 and runs through Dec. 10.

Fewer permits will be available

Pop Warner begins

The playing fields of Hamagrael are again filled with the sounds of fall as the Bethlehem Pop Warner begins its season. Under the direction of coaches Bob Van Aernam and Butch Blanchard, teams began practicing on Aug. 1. Last year, the Junior Midgets finished the year with a 6-3 mark.

There are still openings on all levels of play. Players between the ages of nine and fourteen may register by going to Hamagrael School at 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday or by calling Kevin Klein at 439-2779.

this year. "This decrease reflects the departments success in bringing populations down from the undesirably high levels experienced in much of the southern zone during the early 1980's," said DEC Commissioner Henry G. Williams.

Individuals at least 16 years of age who have purchased a big game license, a sportsman's license or a combination small game and big game license may purchase a permit for \$5. For information call 457-5400.

RCS fall sports start

Ravenna-Coeymans-Selkirk High School has announced starting dates for fall sports. Athletes are reminded that they must have had a physical exam in order to participate.

The following sports start Wednesday, Aug. 21: varsity and J.V. football, 8 a.m.; varsity and J.V. girls soccer, 8 a.m.; golf, 8 a.m. at Sycamore Country Club; cross country, 8:30 a.m.; and varsity and J.V. boys soccer, 6:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, Aug. 27, girls tennis starts at 10 a.m. and on Tuesday, Sept. 3, modified football begins at 9 a.m. All athletes are to report to the high school except those for golf.

BTA's fall tourney

The Bethlehem Tennis Association will hold its annual fall tennis tournament in September at the Bethlehem Central Middle School courts in Delmar. Players will compete in singles, doubles or mixed doubles. B-level events will be conducted Sept. 6-8 and A events will be Sept. 13-15.

The entry fee is \$9. for the first event and \$6. for subsequent events. Entry blanks are available at area tennis shops and centers and at the Bethlehem Public Library, the town hall and Elm Ave. Park. All entrants will receive a tennis towel.

Entry forms must be received by the tournament committee by 5 p.m. Sept. 3 for the B events and by 5 p.m. Sept. 10 for the A events. The tournament directors are Maryanne Harper and Jamie Greenberg.

Flea market set

The auxiliary of St. Mary's Hospital in Troy has scheduled its market for Sept. 28. The event will be at the Frear Park pavilion from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Masons take rec title

Led by the strong pitching of Al Bradt and the timely hitting of John Safarik, the Delmar Masons took a best-of-three game series from Andrianos to win the Bethlehem Recreation Baseball League championship series.

The Masons rallied for four runs in the seventh inning of the first game to nip Andrianos, 5-4. Bradt turned in a strong mound performance and helped his own cause with the game winning hit. Safarik chipped in a home run for the Masons. In the second game,

Andriano's Keith Getz out duelled Safarik on the mound as he handcuffed the Masons with a 1-0, two hitter.

The series came down to the third and final game and Bradt proved to be the hero once again for the Masons. With only two days rest Bradt tossed a six hitter on route to a 6-2 Delmar win and the championship. Safarik and Dave Reed each hit two run home runs as the Masons won the league for the third time in six years.

Church Softball 1st Round Playoff Results

Glenmont 20, Beth. Lutheran 5
New Scotland 18, Voorhees 17
St. Tom II 9, Del. Methodist 4
St. Tom I 9, Beth. Community 8
Del. Reformed 2, Bethany 1
Presby. 10, Westerlo 4
Wynantskill 19, Clarksville 4

Adult swim lessons

The American Red Cross Albany area chapter is offering swim lessons for adults at the State University at Albany pool. Classes will meet Friday mornings beginning Sept. 13, continuing through Dec. 13, from 9:30 to 11:30. The cost is \$13. Payment and registration are at the first session. For information, contact the chapter at 462-7461.

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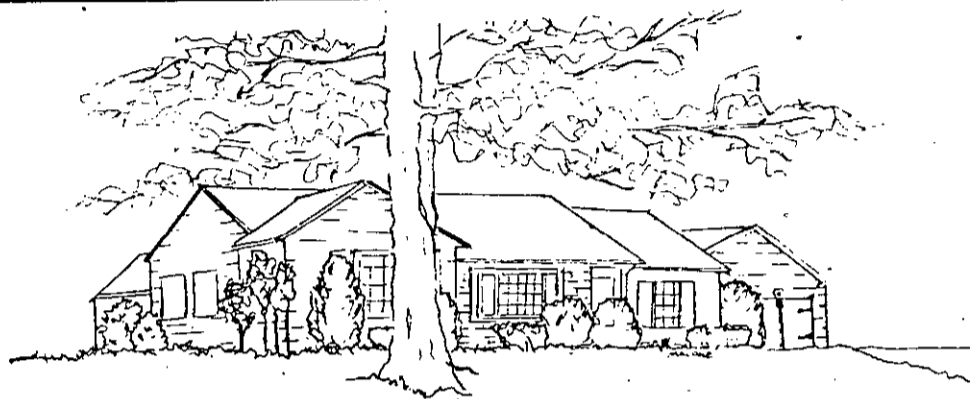
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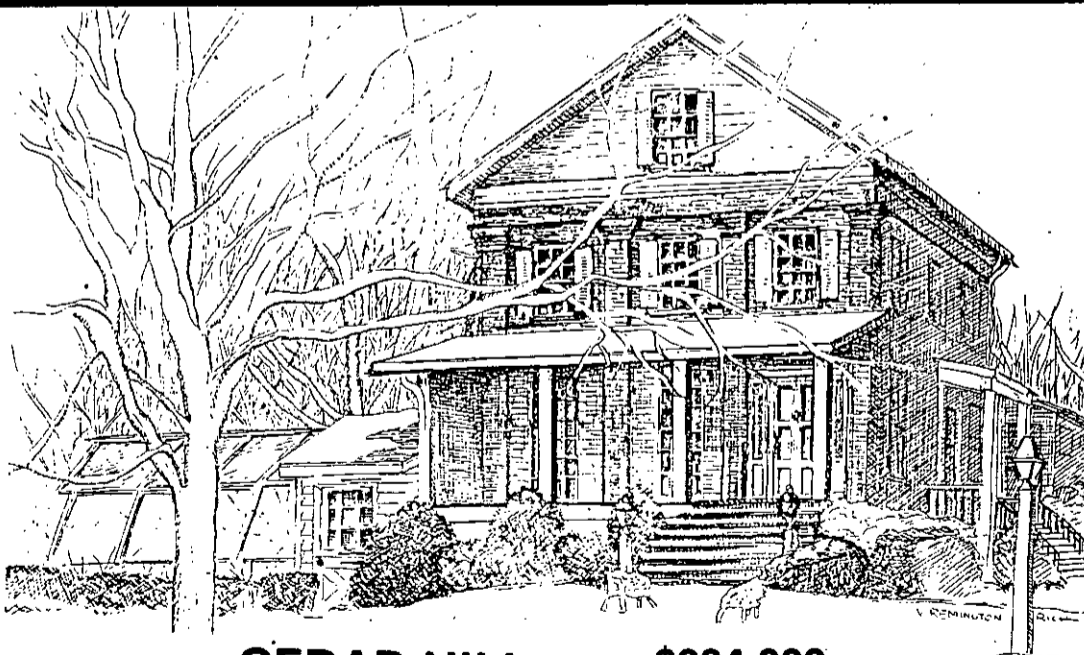


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Obituaries

Leland F. Martin

Leland Frederick Martin, 91, a retired self-employed electrician and long-time resident of Delmar, died Aug. 11 at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, Albany, after a brief illness.

Born in Fort Plain, N.Y., he was resident of Delmar for the past 62 years. He installed the electrical wiring at the Delmar Reformed Church.

He was a member of the Bethlehem Grange and the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post. He was also a member of the Delmar Reformed Church.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Caroline Minshell; two sons, Leland F. Martin Jr. of Feura Bush and Charles G. Martin Sr. of Saranac Lake; and three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Elizabeth) Stellwagon of

Rutland, Vt., Mrs. Ilene Aranove of Eastonelle, Ga., and Mrs. Robert (Donna) Phillips of Ravena. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Brunk-Meyers Funeral Home in Voorheesville. Burial was in the Kinderhook Cemetery.

James King

James W. King, 97, of Albany, stepfather of Richard Dorsey of Delmar, died Aug. 10 at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, after a brief illness.

A 1916 graduate of New York University, he was a retired accountant for the Ebasco Service, New York City.

He is survived by his wife, Edna Dorsey King; two stepsons, Richard Dorsey of Delmar and

James Dorsey of Belmont, Mass; four grandchildren and 10 step-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Brunk-Meyers Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Theodore Passarelli

Theodore Edmund Passarelli, 51, of Cohoes, formerly of Voorheesville, died Aug. 10 at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany.

Born in Albany, he was a resident of Voorheesville for many years. He worked as a library clerk for the State University at Albany.

Survivors include two daughters, Amy Passarelli and Maryanne Passarelli of Voorheesville; a son Gary Passarelli of Voorheesville; his father, Robert Passarelli of Boston, Mass.; a sister, Dorothy May of San Diego, Calif., and a brother, Richard Passarelli of Cohoes. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 15, at the Brunk-Meyers Funeral Home in Voorheesville. Relatives and friends may call tonight (Aug. 14) from 6 to 9 p.m. Burial will be in the Albany Rural Cemetery.

Charles E. Zielfeld

Charles E. Zielfeld, 43, of Selkirk, an Albany firefighter and a member of the Bethlehem Elks, died Aug. 8 at his home after a long illness.

A native of Albany, he was employed by the Star Market in Ravena for many years.

He was a member of the Albany Permanent Professional Firefighters Association, Local 2007, and the Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233 in Selkirk.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine Hughes Zielfeld, and his parents, Karl H. Zielfeld and Alice Burgess Zielfeld of Albany.

Arrangements were by the

Hearley and Son Funeral Home in Albany. Burial was in the Albany Rural Cemetery in Menands.

Frederick W. Memmott

Delmar and Berne, died in his sleep Aug. 6 while on a business trip in Anchorage, Alaska.

A native of Hartsdale, N.Y., Mr. Memmott received his B.S. in civil engineering and his M.S. in transportation planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Korea in 1957 to 1959.

From 1962 to 1973 he was director of the bureau of program analysis in the transportation planning department in the state Department of Transportation. In 1973 he joined the Delmar firm of Creighton Associates as a vice president where he conducted transportation studies for federal and state agencies across the country.

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New Haven as a principal associate. It was in connection with the firm's rail study for the state of Alaska that had brought him to Alaska.

Mr. Memmott lived in Berne for 17 years and was active in the Berne Volunteer Fire Department, serving one term as president. He was also active as a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Delmar. The family moved to Delmar in 1982 and to Madison in June of this year.

Mr. Memmott is survived by his wife, Martha Shoemaker Memmott, and a daughter, Wendolyn Anne. Other survivors include his mother, Margeret Van Wyck Memmott of Hartsdale and Canada Lake; a brother, James and a nephew.

A family memorial service was held in Madison Aug. 10.

Those who wish may send gifts in his memory to either First Church of Christ, Scientist, Delmar, or the Berne Volunteer Fire Company, Berne.

Sentencing set

Sentencing is scheduled Sept. 16 for Alvin P. Lierheimer, 61, of Delmar, who pleaded guilty Friday in County Court to a felony charge of second-degree sodomy. Lierheimer, who has submitted his resignation as an assistant commissioner in the state Education Department, was accused of having had sexual relations with a 12-year-old boy at his home in the spring of 1984.

In court Friday, Lierheimer waived his right to a preliminary hearing and to grand jury action, and pleaded guilty to a superior court information containing the accusation. He is free on \$7,500 bail.

Woman, man bitten

Bethlehem police received two reports of dogs biting people on Friday. A Kenaware Ave. woman who was bicycling on Delaware Ave. Friday afternoon was bitten by a Doberman pinscher, according to police reports, and a

Slingerlands man received 30 stitches to close a wound suffered when he ventured into a neighboring backyard on Maple Ave. and was bitten by a dog tied up there.

Building report due

A citizens committee that is assessing Bethlehem Central School District building needs is expected to report in September. The panel has been asked to review a \$4 million list of building improvements proposed by an architectural firm. The committee's report is intended to help the seven-member school board decide whether to seek voter approval of a bond issue to finance the work and how much to spend.

The 11 members appointed July 10 by the school board have been joined by William F. Bub of Elsmere, of LeGallez Electric, Inc.; John N. Collen of Elsmere, president of Sheridan Supply Corp. in Albany, and Frank Travis, of L.A. Swyer Co., Inc.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 14, 1985 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of John R. and Joyce Thomas, 7 Normanside Avenue, Elsmere, New York, for a Variance under Article VIII Lot Occupancy; Article XIII Rear Yard Set Back; and Article XI Front Yard Set Back, to convert garage into a family room and add a new garage at premises, 7 Normanside Avenue, Elsmere, New York.

CHARLES B. FRITTS
Chairman Board of Appeals
dated: August 1, 1985
(Aug. 7, 1985)

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT, COUNTY OF ALBANY, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM for the Use and Benefit of WATER DISTRICT NO. 1,

Petitioner-Condempnor
NOTICE OF ACQUISITION Index No. 7547-85-against-NOEL S. BENNETT, JR. and VIRGINIA B. BENNETT, Respondents.

TO: Noel S. Bennett, Jr., 1718 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Virginia B. Bennett 1718 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that an Order has been made by Hon. Robert C. Williams, Justice of the Supreme Court, on August 1, 1985, granting the petition of the petitioner-condempnor herein, vesting title to the fee described therein and that said Order has been entered in the Albany County Clerk's Office on August 1, 1985, and further, pursuant to said Order there has been filed together therewith a copy of the easement description describing the rights acquired, a description of the interest acquired and a copy of the acquisition map.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the condemnees of such property shall, if so desired, on or before December 31, 1985, file a written claim, demand or notice of appearance with the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem and with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Albany County, all pursuant to the provisions of Section 503, Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

This notice is being served and published pursuant to, and in compliance with, Section 502 (B), Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

Dated: August 1, 1985.
JOSHUA J. EFFRON
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Bethlehem golf course?

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Town of Colonie has a very good golf course which is limited to the residents and their guests. I have been informed the course runs in the black year after year.

Would it not be feasible for the Town of Bethlehem to purchase the former Tall Timbers Country Club and follow Colonie's format?

I have heard that a Canadian enterprise owns this, but am not sure of the validity.

It would afford employment, enjoyment and revenue to the township. Parking and noise wouldn't be a problem to anyone because of its locality and, I think, with the general population growth, the course would be financially supported.

Name Submitted

An application is before the Town of New Scotland Planning Board for a permit to mine about 27 acres of the former Tall Timbers Country Club, which is located off Rt. 85A in the Town of New Scotland. The property is owned by William M. Larned and Sons, Inc., of Schenectady. Ed.

What's going on?

Editor, The Spotlight:

In view of the recent actions by the Bethlehem Board of Appeals, one would have to ask, what's going on?

First, we have the board tentatively approving the variance allowing the expansion of Verstandig's Florist from 5,000

square feet to 17,000 square feet. One must remember that this is already a non-conforming commercial use in an A residential zone. In a recent *Spotlight* article, board member Thomas Scherer pointed out that the board had granted a similar variance to Verstandig's in 1975. Is one to then assume that because it was granted 10 years ago it automatically is to be granted now? What about more recent attempts to curb such action in an A residential zone by the Delaware Avenue Task Force? Was all that time an effort for nothing? It would appear that the article in *Vox Pop* by Tim O'Brien is right; it is "business as usual," regardless of how hard the Task Force or neighborhood associations try to eliminate the problems.

The second board action that makes one question what's going on is why a recording machine, brought into a public meeting on July 31, by a resident, was placed in a closet by Building Inspector John Flanagan. Chairman Charles Fritts said he could not allow the recording machine. According to Fritts, the board meetings are recorded and copies of the tapes are made available to the public. We then find out that the minutes of June 26, on the controversial Verstandig's variance, are not available to the public until after an Aug. 14 meeting. Now if one were to let one's mind wander, one might think that something very strange is going on at those board meetings, or is it before those meetings, or maybe it's after those meetings—but that's another whole page of guess work. I guess what's really going on is just what

Tim said, "business as usual."

Michael E. Jenks

Delmar

Supports Verstandig

Editor, The Spotlight:

Having followed the various articles pursuant to Bob Verstandig's request for a variance for his business at 454 Delaware Ave., Verstandig's Florist Inc., I was tempted to write a rebuttal to some of the more humorous, and more specious, arguments being used to oppose Mr. Verstandig's requested variance. However, after some thought, it occurred to me that it would be time and energy poorly invested.

I would like to make a brief statement on behalf of Bob Verstandig and his family. Many years ago it was my good fortune to make the acquaintance of one Alphonse Verstandig. Over the years, I am proud to say, Al and I became good friends and, through that friendship, my wife and I became friends of the Verstandig family. We, therefore, know the family and the high moral and ethical code by which they lived and raised their family. Over the more than 50 years the Verstandigs have lived in, and conducted their business in, the Tri-Village Area, they have earned a reputation for their great industry, unquestioned honesty and integrity, fair dealing, community involvement and concern.

This is a trust passed on, by Al and Bertha, to Bob. Bob and his mother are the conservators of that trust. It is totally impossible that they would do anything that would compromise that trust. I therefore urge their friends and patrons to send an avalanche of cards and letters to the Bethlehem Board of Appeals, Charles Fritts, chairman, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, in support of Bob Verstandig's request for a variance.

Robert K. Oliver

Delmar

In Delmar The Spotlight is sold at Handy Andy, Delmar Card Shop, Tri-Village Drug and Stewarts

Tell it to the state

Editor, The Spotlight:

I hope that Mr. Xeller is making sure that his letter (*Spotlight*, July 31) is directed to the New York State Department of Transportation on the dangerous intersections he complains about.

DOT is responsible for all three of these intersections and we at the town level are as anxious as Mr. Xeller to provide the utmost safety for our people as well as for motorists passing through. Where we can be, as recently demonstrated on Kenwood Ave. in the schools' area, we are vigilant about highway safety.

Gregg Sagendorf
Deputy Highway Superintendent
Town of Bethlehem

Good time for all

Editor, The Spotlight:

For the past several years, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 3185 has made sure that their annual picnic for senior citizens in the Town of Bethlehem lacks nothing. The chicken barbecue held last week was no exception.

On Aug. 8, 195 senior citizens gathered at the Slingerlands fire pavilion for an afternoon of good food and companionship.

Our sincere thanks to those who gave so much of their time: Dan Hotaling, commander, VFW Post 3185; Francis Ouellette, VFW picnic chairman; John Flanagan, chief, Slingerlands fire Department, and the Slingerlands firemen for their pavilion, help and equipment; Dick Dalton of Blanchard Post 1040 for his help with facilities, and all those workers who made the day a success.

Karen Pelletier
Coordinator

Town of Bethlehem Senior
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Let businesses grow

Editor, The Spotlight:

Mr. Timothy O'Brien, who wrote in last week's *Vox Pop*, seems to be in a bit of a snit at the Bethlehem Zoning Board of Appeals because they tentatively granted approval to Verstandig's planned expansion. First he

snipes at Kaplowitz and DeAngelis because one of their secretaries types the minutes of the zoning board. Then he refers to the supervisor as Bobby and takes a crack at the Chamber of Commerce. Finally he takes a deep breath and gives a verbal spanking to the residents in the Kenaware and Minnowbrook-Bennett Terrace area because they apparently don't choose to follow the leader over the cliff. Mr. O'Brien apparently ran off in ink because he didn't take Mother and Apple Pie to task.

Mr. O'Brien writes about "those few who time and again, caring for the common good of the community, see tomorrow's needs today." Don't do us any favors, Mr. O'Brien. I'm told the average home contains 1.85 children. Based on an annual educational cost of \$4467.98 per student per year, this results in a school tax debt of \$8265.76 for every new house built in the Bethlehem Central School District. Obviously only a portion of this is paid by the owner and the balance is paid by the rest of us. Business helps offset this tax burden. Businesses sure don't have children in school, yet they pay the lion's share of the taxes. Unless business is allowed to expand, ultimately none of us will be able to afford living here.

If the town follows Mr. O'Brien's line of thinking, I bet I'd have to get up when Mr. O'Brien goes to bed to beat him to the head of the line of people protesting their taxes. No, Mr. O'Brien, tomorrow's needs today are more business not less.

Ray Brownell

Delmar

Cars moving targets

Two youngsters, ages 13 and 14, were referred to the Bethlehem Police Department's Youth Bureau last Wednesday after they allegedly fired BBs that shattered windows in passing cars, according to police reports. Two motorists told police windows in their vehicles had been broken as they were driving on Cherry Ave. in Delmar.



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Dole-Kecken

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory J. Dole of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Mary, to Albert J. Kecken III of Delmar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Kecken Jr. of Catonsville, Md.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Junior College of Albany. She is employed as a secretary in

the New York State Governor's Office of Employee Relations. Her fiance is a graduate of Mount Hebron High School, Ellicott City, Md., and the Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla. He is employed as an airline pilot for National Air.

The couple is planning an Oct. 19 wedding.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Conrad

Richard Conrad married

Lisa Ann Scurrah, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Mark Scurrah of Berne and Richard Allen Conrad, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Conrad of Delmar, were married June 8 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

Kerrilynn Rooney was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sharon Foster, Debbie Campione and Nadine Davi. Best man was Lance Davi, and ushers were James Foster, David Conrad and Steve Ryan.

The bride is employed as an administrative assistant for the Mental Health Association in Albany. The bridegroom is employed by Air Products and Chemicals Inc., Glenmont.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple will reside in Glenmont.

Off to Ogonquit

A one-day bus trip to Ogonquit, Maine, is planned on Friday, Aug. 23. The bus will leave Christ the King Church parking lot, Westmere, at 6 a.m. and will leave Maine at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$23.50 a person, round trip. For reservations call Kathy Nolles, 456-6545, or Anne Nowak, 456-1644.

Ogonquit has many specialty shops and restaurants and is a picturesque harbor city. This trip is open to the public.

School at St. Paul's

"Day by Day," a vacation Bible school, will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 20, 21 and 22 at St. Paul's Episcopal Parish Hall, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany.

The Christian school will feature stories, recreation, music, crafts and more. To register call 463-2257, between 9 a.m. and noon.

Dance cancelled

The A.C. Sparkplugs Modern Western Square Dance Club has cancelled their Aug. 17 dance.

The group's last plus level summer dance will be held at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 31, at the Voorheesville American Legion Hall, Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville.

Volunteer at VA

Volunteers, especially "day leaders," escorts and shoppers, are needed at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Red Cross office in Albany.

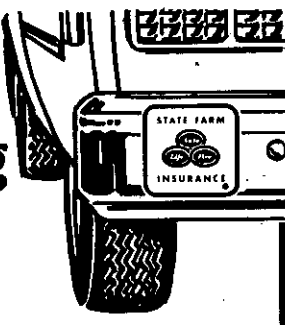
"Day Leaders" contribute one day a week coordinating the activities of other volunteers in an assigned office. Escorts and shoppers provide help for veterans one day a week for four or five hours.

Those who wish to help should contact the Red Cross office of volunteers at 462-7461, Ext. 228.

Custody group meets

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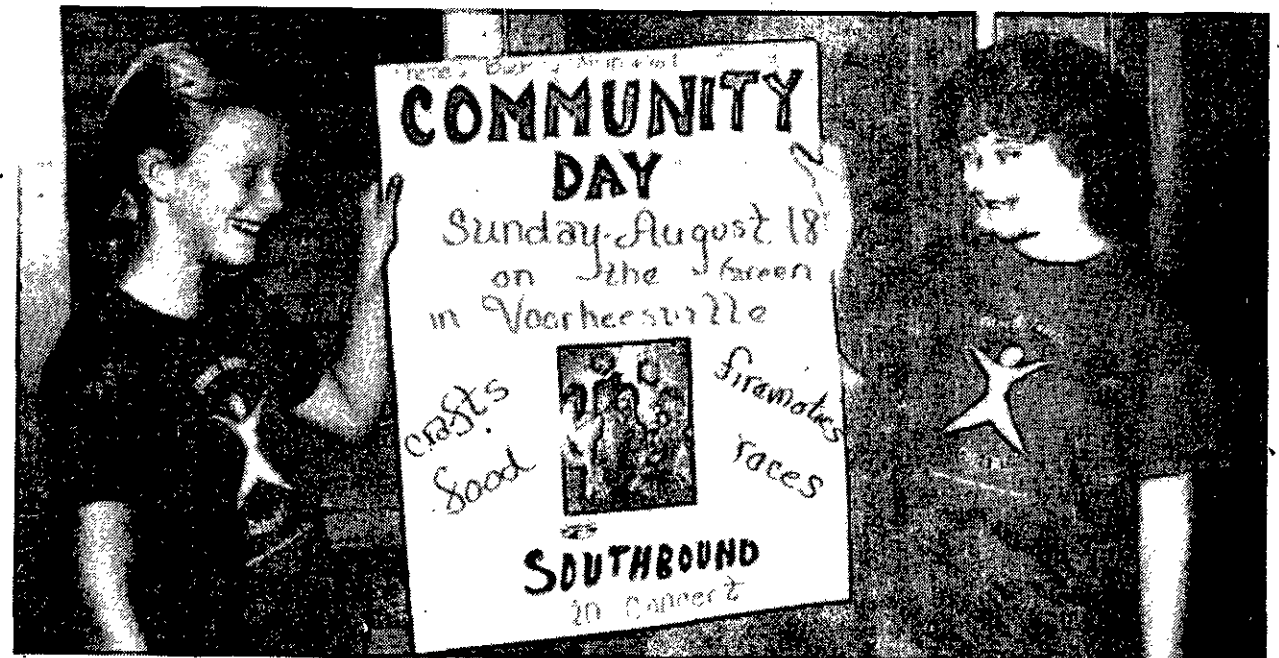
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