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Marylou and Paul Stracke relax on an extended weekend together in their large Slingerlands colonial. Celebrating 24 years on June 2, the Strackes have raised a son and a daughter. The whole family has participated actively in the community soccer program.
Lorraine C. Smith

Love and marriage: the middle years

By Lorraine C. Smith

We know about young lovers: beautiful brides pictured in swirls of white alongside handsome young grooms at the beginning of life happily ever after.

We know about the golden couples: proud with their success of years gone by, honored with celebrations by children, by grandchildren, for having achieved a lifetime of togetherness.

But what about the middle years? The years in between that swell with life's struggles: the constant conflicts of career, of children, of considering the future. It is the busy years after the honeymoon, before retirement that demand juggling of priorities: providing enough money for home, enough time with relatives, enough visits with friends, and enough time for nurturing the togetherness, the love, that started it all.

Three such area couples share their love stories, offering new significance to Valentine's Day, that special tribute to sweethearts. Their caring for each other has invited notice by those who know them. All three couples have been involved in their communities and emphasize family in their lives together. All have children in college, and children still at home. Each of the six individuals stresses the importance of religion at home, and each views life with a sense of humor that becomes apparent from even the most fleeting acquaintance.

Marylou and Paul Stracke, of Slingerlands, Kathie and David Cykoski, in Glenmont, and Mary and Jack McKenna, Voorheesville: these are today's Valentines.

*Through the Years...
It seems to me I need you more and more...
Through all the good and bad
I know how much we've had, I've always been so glad
They're here with you.*

Music by Vincent Youmans,
lyrics by Edwin Heiman

They met in college, he a phys ed major, she in business. It was December. They were lavaliered in March, semi-engaged and pinned. Now, almost 24 years later in their Colonial house in Slingerlands, Marylou and Paul Stracke recalled that first attraction. "I've always been drawn to athletic men," Marylou explained. Paul described the Marylou he first met, "Good looking, cheerful, fun to be with," and commented that this portrait is appropriate still.

Marylou was convinced that Paul had qualities she sought in a

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Firefighters battle cold, wind in Slingerlands blaze

By Patricia Mitchell

Roselin Sies was in serious condition Tuesday and her husband, Solomon, 71, was in fair condition at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after fire ripped through their Meadowland St., Slingerlands, home early Thursday morning.

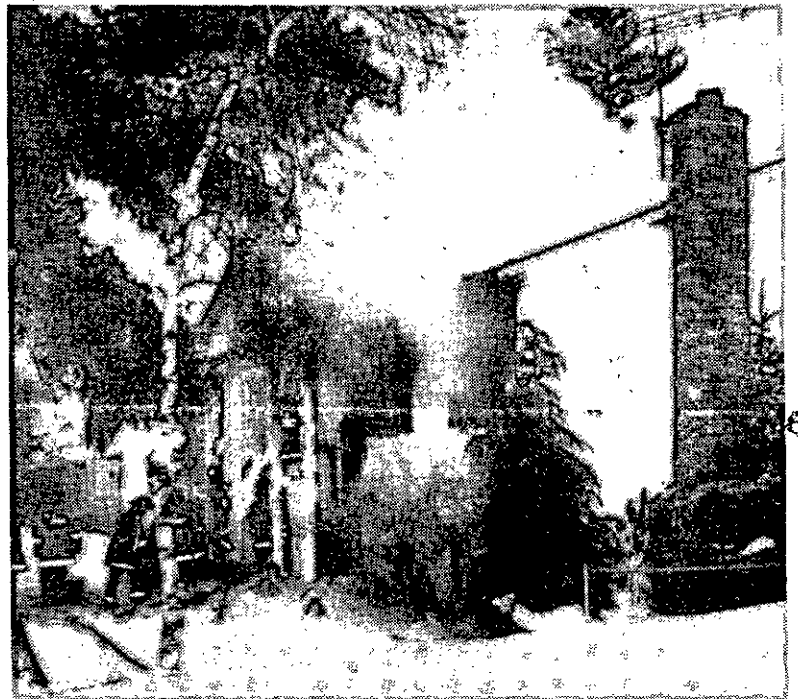
The fire began in the northeast corner of the house, where plants and some small appliances were located, crawled up the east side of the house and was burning heavily when firefighters arrived at the 5:52 a.m. call.

On Monday, some ice still clung to the house and the trees. Two large front windows and their frames were black with fire and smoke damage. Blackened belongings and some furniture were piled up in front of the house and on the side where firefighters had shoveled them out. Slingerlands Volunteer Fire Dept. Chief James McCarroll III said the Sies' have lost just about everything.

When he and his company arrived at 99 Meadowland St., the fire had already gone through the roof of the one-story wood home.

"It was going pretty well," McCarroll said. "It was a worker."

Firefighters found Solomon Sies outside in front of the house, and McCarroll said he and firefighter Bruce Wood found Roselin Sies outside by the back door. The Sies' were taken to St.



Slingerlands firefighters attack the smokey blaze that hit the 99 Meadowland St. residence early Thursday morning. On the cover: Flames light up the morning sky, and the scene as firefighters clean up after the blaze.
Kurt Uhl

Peter's Hospital for treatment of smoke inhalation by the Delmar Fire Department Rescue Squad.

McCarroll immediately put out a call for mutual aid, using Delmar Fire Department's ladder and air bottles from the Elsmere Fire Department, and the North Bethlehem Department was put on standby at the Slingerlands Firehouse to answer in case their were any more calls.

Even though the fire hydrant at Kenwood Ave. and Meadowland was for the most part shoveled out, McCarroll said it was frozen, and firefighters had some delay melting and chopping ice for a few minutes.

Another hydrant at Meadowland and Heron Rd. was used by firefighters from the Delmar Fire Dept., McCarroll said. While it

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RCS considers smoking ban

By Patricia Mitchell

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District may join the no-smoking movement and ban smoking for all students on the high school grounds.

Proposed by the district's School Conduct and Discipline Committee, the policy is intended to educate students on the hazards of smoking. Committee members also said at last Monday's Board of Education meeting that the present policy is unenforceable.

Faculty members at the meeting said teachers and staff would still be able to smoke in designated areas. If the district wanted to ban smoking for the staff, it would have to negotiate with the unions.

Students who are 16 years of age can now smoke in designated areas of the high school with parental permission. About 60 to 70 students now have smoking passes.

The school board decided to table the recommendation to answer questions on students' civil

rights and the legality of taking away cigarettes and tobacco products.

Members of the district committee told the board that the present policy is unenforceable. There is a lot of smoking in bathrooms in the academic wing, where smoking isn't allowed, and at times the smoke gets so bad other students don't want to use them. They also said they assume students are smoking other things besides cigarettes, but they did not elaborate.

Under the proposed policy, students would not only be banned from smoking on school grounds, but cigarettes and other tobacco products would be considered contraband. The contraband would not be allowed in school and would be confiscated if found.

To enforce the new policy, the committee recommended all bathrooms in the high school be locked except one boy's and one girl's bathroom. The district would have to hire at least two monitors

to patrol the bathrooms. Bathrooms at the locker rooms would also be open.

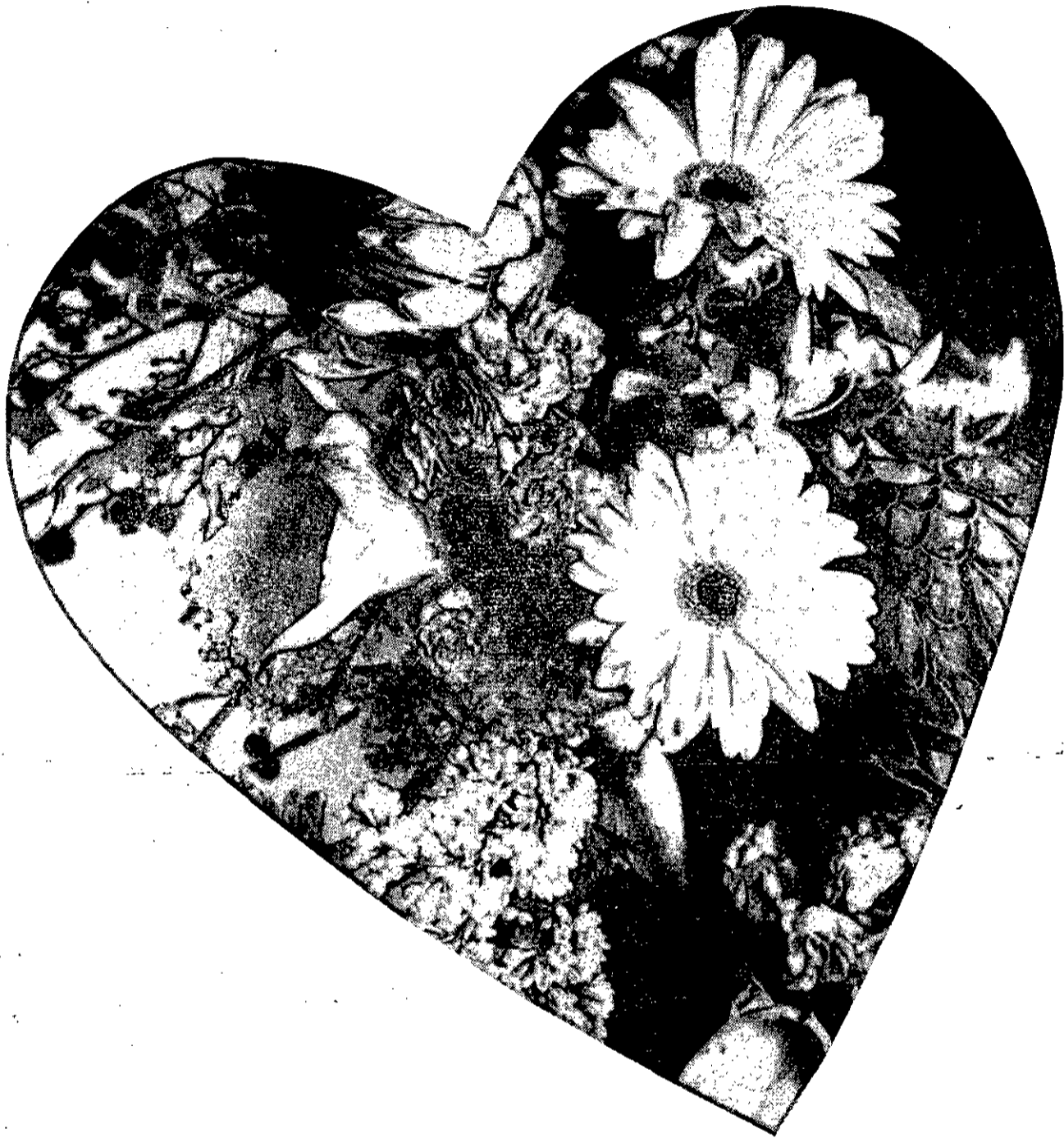
Committee members said the policy would be unenforceable without the bathroom monitors. Business Administrator Rodger Lewis said the two monitors would be paid \$4.05 an hour, six hours a day, plus benefits.

School board members questioned whether the district can lock all but two bathrooms, but committee members assured them that the State Education Department allows such policies if a school board desires.

The committee also recommended a range of penalties if a student violates the proposed policy. For the first offense, a student would have one day of in-school suspension that would be used to educate the student on the effects of smoking, and notification of parents. For a second offense, a student can receive up to three days in-school suspension, and an

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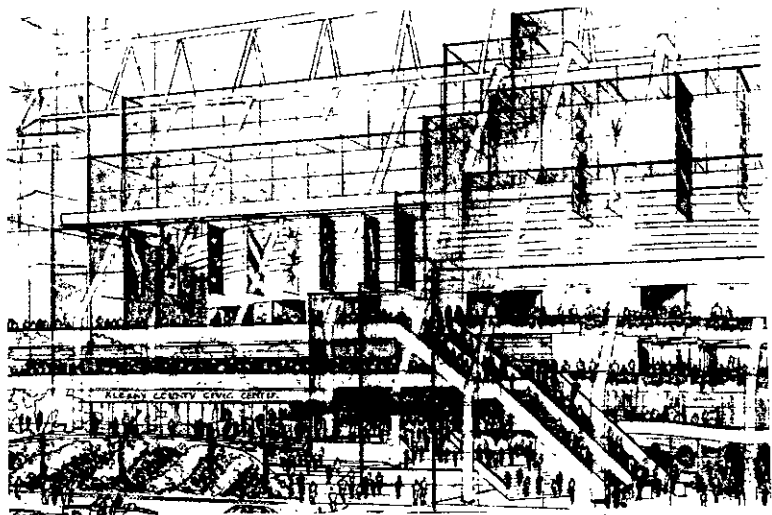


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An architect's drawing of the entrance to the Albany County Civic Center, now under construction.

Civic center gets optimistic sendoff

By Patricia Dumas

About 200 people began gathering shortly before noon. To the tunes of a high school marching band, they slogged through mud, shook hands with a Mickey Mouse and a clown from Ringling Brothers, Barnum & Bailey, tried on white plastic souvenir "hard hats," watched television crews drag equipment around, and waited for dignitaries to assemble on a bunting-draped platform. An array of American and Albany County flags waved in the cold wintry air at Hudson and South Pearl Streets in downtown Albany.

It was Feb. 5, ground-breaking day for the Albany County Civic Center—the \$41.5 million project rooted in controversy for more than three years.

The orange and black uniformed, 130-member Mohonasen High School Band struck up the National Anthem and the ceremony began. There were speeches by Charles Cahill, chairman of the County legislature; Harold Joyce, chairman of the legislature's Civic Center Committee; Thomas M. Whalen, III, Mayor of the city of Albany, and James J. Coyne, Albany County Executive.

After the speeches, the dignitaries, wearing their hardhats, hoisted shiny new shovels and posed for the symbolic ground breaking moment, heralding construction start on the 15,000-seat multi-use entertainment and sports facility.

But everyone wasn't overjoyed. Among the spectators was W. Gordon Morris, Jr. of Delmar, Republican minority leader of the county legislature. He has consistently opposed mounting taxpayer expense for the center which will be funded through county and state monies.

"They're still proclaiming it's the greatest thing that ever happened. We can pray they're right," Morris commented after the speeches. "But," he said, "based on the experience of other civic centers, it won't work out. It is an expenditure that will be borne long by the taxpayers of Albany County, not by those on the podium."

His remarks were in sharp contrast to Coyne's speech. The county executive, who had first proposed the civic center concept in 1983, told the crowd at the ground breaking that the center will bring "economic growth and job development."

There will be 900 temporary jobs during the construction phase—an estimated 18 months to two years time span—and 600 permanent jobs in center-related employment, Coyne said.

He counted off "a full spectrum of events" which the civic center will be able to host—family shows, numerous sports events, concerts, conventions, trade shows and entertainment.

Mayor Whelan congratulated Coyne and the other movers behind the project, saying the ground-braking ceremony represented "the end of a long, arduous and sometimes torturous route through a morass of red tape."

Joyce praised the work of his civic center committee and termed the civic center project "the greatest event in the modern history of our community."

And one of the spectators, an office worker who had stopped during her lunch break to watch the proceedings, was heard to remark:

"It's nice, but I'm not sure we need it."

Webster tapped by GOP

By Kevin Mullen

Fred C. Webster is a man who has paid his dues. The 58-year-old Elsmere resident, chairman of the Elsmere Fire District Commission, won the support of the Bethlehem Republican Committee last Thursday in a vote over planning board member John LaForte to serve out the remaining town board term of W. Scott Prothero, who has resigned.

Webster's name will be submitted to the town board with the recommendation of the Republican Committee. The action may take place at tonight's regular town board meeting. Webster will be there, as he usually is. He said that he's been a "regular" at town board meetings over the years.

Webster, as chairman of the Elsmere Fire District, one of five in the town, oversees the fire district's budget. The fire districts are not connected to town government, but Webster submits a report to the tax collector. Taxes are collected for the districts and are given back to the districts. Webster said that the state Department of Audit and Control also takes part in the operation of the tax collection.

Webster is also manager of employee benefits for The Travelers Insurance Company. He's been with Travelers for 35 years. He



Fred C. Webster

manages claims for major contract holdings.

Born in Hartford, Ct., Webster has lived in "the same house" in Elsmere since 1959. He's been a member of the Elsmere Fire Department for 27 years, serving as chief for three years and as former chairman of the town's Board of Fire Commissioners. Webster is also a member of the Blanchard Post and has been a past president of the Tri-Village Babe Ruth. He's coached in the Little League for seven years. He's also been involved with the Boy Scouts and girls' softball. He enjoys golf.

Webster has been a Republican committeeman for five years. There are 50 members in the Bethlehem Republican Committee, two from each election district. He's also served as block captain.

"I was a block captain when the kids were in Little League," Webster said. Webster and his wife Muriel have four children. He feels that now is the time to take on a new responsibility since his children are all grown and after devoting his time for so many years to his children and their pursuits.

"I've felt that some day I would like to contribute to the town board," he said. "When the opening came up, I thought that I could be of assistance."

Having attended many town board meetings, Webster says that he is "fairly acquainted with most of them (the members)" and knows how they feel about certain issues.

Some of the issues that he's concerned about are some "buzz words" that are heard. He listed the problems of senior citizens, such as housing and the hiring of seniors, and the long-range plans for Route 9W. He said that he is also sensitive to the complaints of "people not having a grocery store."

2 women held

Bethlehem Police said they have charged an Albany woman with driving while intoxicated and a companion with obstructing governmental administration after they stopped the woman as she was driving on Rt. 9W Sunday morning.

The Albany woman and her companion, a Glenmont woman, will also be appearing in Bethlehem Town Court Tuesday on charges of unlawful possession of marijuana, police said.

Police said they stopped the Albany woman for failure to keep right at 3 a.m. Sunday near Bender Lane. After placing the woman in a police car, police said they found a pipe apparently containing marijuana on the driver's seat.

In the meantime, police said the Glenmont woman got out of the car and became very upset. Police said she had to be physically removed from the road.

AARP meeting

Joseph Cooley will speak about "Elderhostels" at the Feb. 17 meeting of the Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. The chapter meeting will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

56th anniversary

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Auxiliary 1040 will celebrate its 56th anniversary with a dinner at the Elsmere post rooms on Tuesday, Feb. 17, beginning at 6 p.m.

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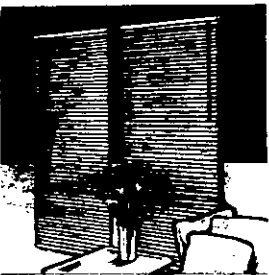
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Roofing, sports fields first priority for BC

By Patricia Mitchell

A 10-year re-roofing plan for all buildings, padding the upper gym walls and improving the girls' sport fields at the high school are just a few of the high-priority wishes for Bethlehem Central's 1987-88 operational and maintenance budget.

Those first priority items, with other work, could add \$275,000 onto BC's proposed basic budget of \$20,138,842. After Wednesday's meeting, Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews said the administration is proposing to add those first-priority items into next year's budget because they feel they are the most pressing areas of need.

Extras for the operations and maintenance budget were the first to come before the Board of Education after last Wednesday's meeting. A new budget process being tried out this year will build up from a Fundamental Operating Budget (FOB), that includes items are considered necessary to continue this year's programs into next, and will add on new programs and expenditures.

No new staffing is proposed under the budget, but it will later have to include negotiated raises for the district's civil service employees. Their contract expires at the end of June.

The total proposed basic budget for operations and maintenance, plus printing services, is \$2,021,855. The total cost of the operations and maintenance extras outlined Wednesday come to \$644,150. However, McAndrews said that is far more than the district can afford. Instead, he said, the \$275,000 in first-priority items is an approximate level that

BC could be looking at in projects. As work progresses on the budget, the school board will be able to pick from those priorities what it would like to fund in next year's budget, so the final cost on new projects in the operations and maintenance budget could change.

The largest project under operations and maintenance's first priority items is the start of a 10-year re-roofing project that will cover all district buildings, except the Educational Services Center, with first-year costs estimated at \$179,000. With 487,000 square feet of roofing in the district, 382,990 square feet will be re-roofed in 10 years. This is estimated to cost a total of \$1,792,390.

Also included in the re-roofing plan is an eight-year plan to renew 140,000 square feet of roofing at a total cost of \$294,000. The renewal plan will take care of remaining areas not yet covered in the re-roofing program.

Therefore, the plan would replace 522,990 square feet of new roofs and renewed roofs at a total cost of \$2,086,390 over the next 10 years.

Last year's bond issue slated most of the buildings, except the Glenmont School, for roofing. Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Bruce Houghton said only a small amount of the roofs were worked on under the bond issue, and this will cover the balance of what hasn't been done over all the buildings, plus renew older roofs at the same time.

Even though the money could be available in the budget as soon as July 1, Business Administrator Franz Zwicklbauer said work would not begin until summer of

1988. The delay is needed for architects plans to be drawn up and approval by the State Education Department for a return on aid, and because of noise generated by the work, which means it could not begin while school is in session. Even so, Zwicklbauer said, there are some leaks in roofs now that will simply have to wait.

Board President Bernard Harvith suggested the school board could consider a special bond issue and vote for the roofing work in the spring. He said it could be approved separately if the budget is defeated, and that the work may not be able to wait.

Board member Marjory O'Brien said she is opposed to a special election that could get lost in the shuffle.

Other first priority items in the operations and maintenance budget include:

- Replace the carpet in the high school guidance area at a cost of \$5,000. Zwicklbauer said the carpet is threadbare and a hazard where it is ripped.
- Replace the shower controls at the Glenmont School at a cost of \$3,600 because they all leak.
- Add \$5,000 to district-wide contract painting. Zwicklbauer said there is already \$25,000 in that budget.
- Finish reupholstering of the middle school's auditorium seats at \$8,000.
- Add four exhaust fans for the art rooms at the high school at \$4,000. Zwicklbauer said some materials used have fumes that collect in the classrooms.
- Buy a portable electric lift for the middle school at \$3,400.



The Vincent J. Crumme's Acting Troupe at Bethlehem Central High School will be portraying hopeful actors in and around a boarding house in *Stage Door*, offered at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13 and 14. A free dress rehearsal will be offered for senior citizens at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12. Going through their lines are, from left, John Esmond, Morgot Downes and Steve Jordan. *Spotlight*

• Pad the gym walls at the high school where the bleachers have been removed for safety reasons at a cost of \$12,000.

• Generally upgrade the girls sports fields at the high school at a cost of \$25,000. While some work was done in last year's bond issue, Zwicklbauer said other work is needed; for example, a new softball field would be added so the diamond isn't partly in a soccer field. Permanent backstops would also be added.

Second priority items proposed have a price tag of \$206,000. These include: replace the entrance doors at the Clarksville School at \$12,000; refurbish two principal's offices at \$12,000; replace the light dimmer system in the middle school auditorium at \$14,000; provide new bleachers at the high school football field at \$75,000; expand the dimmer system and provide more wiring for the auditorium at the high school at \$38,000; and expand the parking area behind the visitor's bleachers at the football field at \$7,500.

Third priority items come in at \$163,150 extra to the budget. Some projects include: provide radiator covers at the middle school at \$34,000; seal, coat and restripe parking lots at the middle school at \$15,000; and provide materials for baseball dugouts at

the high school at \$8,000, and Zwicklbauer said either parents or the booster club could do the work on them.

Additions to the staffing budget will be the next area to be discussed by the school board in a special workshop at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday (today). After its next regular meeting on Wednesday, March 4, starting at 8 p.m., the board will discuss educational programs and equipment.

Vacation program

A vacation program for children 6 to 11 years will be offered at the Kenwood Child Development Center in Albany during the winter break period, from Feb. 17 through Feb. 20.

Activities will include sports instruction, arts and crafts, movies and special events. A ratio of no more than 10 children to one adult will be maintained. The program will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The facility will open at 7:30 a.m. for early arrivals and close at 5:30 p.m.

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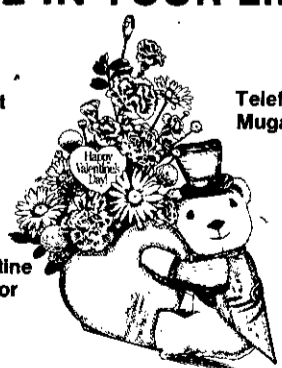


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Stage Door BC hires counselor at BCHS

By Patricia Mitchell

The Vincent J. Crummel Acting Troupe of Bethlehem Central High School will present *Stage Door* at 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 13. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$4 to adults and \$3 to students. Senior citizens are invited to attend the dress rehearsal free of charge on Thursday, Feb. 12, beginning at 8 p.m.

Directed by James Yeara, the play features student actors Margot Downs, John Esmond and Dennis Harrington. Student directors are Janet Joachim and Dennis Hudson.

Other cast members include Laurie Alexander, Lisa Babiskin, Naomi Barr, Beth Biggerstaff, Emma Buckingham, Rogean Cadieux, Tammy Colman, Ellen Donovan, Allison Dorman, Roger Downs, Mickey Ellison, Kirsten Fritz, Tricia Greer, Chris Greenwald, Phil Grenz, Tina Honikel, Michelle Hylan, Steve Jordan, Catherine Karamonal, Erick Kroth, Joshua Levensohn, Keisha Luzzi, Regina Malone, Matt Manzella, Amy Pierce, Geoff Rice, Tyesha Riddick, Perrin Scott, Todd Scudiere, Jillian Shipherd, Lynn Silber, Sara Stasko, Nicole Stokes, Carla Torre, Mikko VonRonne, Beth Whitaker and Randi Wolkenbreit.

Hoping to help high school students with problems that affect their schoolwork, the Bethlehem Central School Board agreed last week to hire a new guidance counselor.

Bethlehem Central will receive about \$7,000 this year from the state for the new counselor, who will help students with detention or behavioral problems. Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews said the state provides funding on an individual basis for support services that can be used for a guidance counselor, social worker or psychologist. That position must be used to affect how students stay in school and to improve retention of students.

Any school has students with behavior and academic problems, McAndrews said, and BC is no exception. The district would like to help students in any way it can if there are effects on school performance, he said. This position will allow BC use non-punishment methods to handle students who have outside problems that affect their schoolwork.

Because the state sets requirements on time and other factors, the state aid that will be received won't be enough to cover the position, and McAndrews said BC will contribute about \$4,000. Next year, BC will receive about \$12,000 for the position, and it will have to kick in about \$9,000.

Following approval by the Board of Education Wednesday,

the district has started to advertise to fill the new position, McAndrews said.

In other business, the school board:

- Nominated Dr. John R. Haines of Hawthorne Ave., Delmar, for a five year seat on the Board of Educational Cooperative Educational Services. His present term expires June 30.

- Increased the partial tax exemption levels for school taxes for district residents 65 years or older. The new schedule raises annual income levels to be eligible for 20 to 50 percent reduction in taxes.

- Gave approval for an addition to the Elsmere School's playground, supported by funds raised by the Elsmere PTA.

The school board went into executive session once at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel and student matters, but McAndrews said no action was taken after the session.

Love notes

"Love Notes in Harmony," a musical valentine in four-part harmony, will be presented by River Valley chapter of Sweet Adelines on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13 and 14. Single and double quartets will be available from 10 a.m. on both days.

The fee for a singing valentine is \$25. For information call Joanne Wasserman at 370-4434, between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.



Ursula Mertz, left, and Marian G. Jewell of the Tawasentha Chapter N.S.D.A.R. look over Mertz's antique dolls that will be for sale at the chapter's Antique Show and Sale. The 16th annual sale will feature selected dealers with a wide range of antiques, appraisals of small antiques, and refreshments. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at Bethlehem Central High School. *Spotlight*

Sonshine puppeteers

The Good News Gang, puppeteers from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Schenectady, will be performing at the closing program of February Sonshine at 7 p.m., Feb. 19, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave.

The life-size puppets are creations of Myra and Myrr Smith of Schenectady, who have been performing since 1973. The community is welcome to attend the show.

February Sonshine is Bethlehem Lutheran's vacation Bible school offered to the community's children during winter break. Registration for classes for age 4 through middle school will be accepted through Feb. 13 at the church office.

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New concerns raised on Delmar Village

By Kevin Mullen

Residents of the area near the proposed Delmar Village, 336 single family homes and apartments between Orchard St. and Delaware Ave., are still concerned about the impact of the giant project on their lives.

At the start of last week's Bethlehem Planning Board meeting, Chairman John Williamson said he received several phone calls during the week from residents asking if they could speak at the meeting. Although no public hearing was on the agenda, Williamson did acknowledge all questions from the audience, and this was a very concerned group of people.

The board was asked questions mainly by four persistent residents.

They wanted to know if the project would create a "strain on the town" and how it would affect the ecology, sewage and other environmental factors. One resident was worried about the safety of school children walking to school.

Edward Kleinke, the town's traffic consultant, said that a traffic study was completed two years ago. He described it as a "fairly extensive look" at the area. Concerning the fears of how the 92-acre project would impact on the environment, Williamson said that when the land, owned by State Sen. Howard Nolan and Norris MacFarland, was granted Planned Residential District zoning two years ago, all the concerns by the town board and planning board about the environmental

impact were "taken care of."

The road that splits Delmar Village also is of concern to some of the residents; it is designed to eventually connect the Delmar Bypass with New Scotland Ave. Robert Brown was concerned about how the increased traffic flow would affect other streets in the area. Brown and several others thought that an environmental impact study should be made of a wider region.

The board also is also concerned about Delmar Village's roads. But here the issue is public versus private, and that issue was the main roadblock that kept Delmar Village from a public hearing on its site plan. The developers have planned for private roads, which Delmar Village would have the responsibility for maintaining.

But Al Worth, the board's engineering consultant, said that "private roads have a drawback as far as the town is concerned." He said that from his experience, private roads located in complexes "seldom conform to town standards

especially as far as alignment is concerned. Tenants descend upon the town" to maintain the roads, he said, "if the people who are supposed to take care of them don't." Worth said that in the long run, public roads would be more beneficial.

Jim Katan, of Alliance Investments, Inc. of Houston, Texas, project manager of the apartment phase, said he didn't think having private roads would create any problem. Surveyor Paul Hite said that making the roads public might entail moving some buildings to meet density requirements. Delmar Village is planned for 56 single family homes and 280 apartments.

The board gave Hite two weeks to modify the plans to convert the private roads into public roads. Public roads have specific requirements and are more expensive to build.

In other action, McDonald's of Delmar received site plan approval by the board for its drive-through window.

Dan Formica, owner of McDonald's, was granted a variance last November from the Board of Appeals to construct a menu board and cash booth. The variance was preceded by a packed public hearing in September when residents of the Mason Road area voiced their concerns about increased traffic on Delaware Ave.

Formica said the plan that was shown to the Board of Appeals had been "modified." Kleinke suggested that four parking places be removed as a "safety feature" that would make it easier to enter the restaurant. McDonald's presently has about 73 parking spaces and, with the construction, there would be 51. With Kleinke's suggestion, that would leave 47 spaces. According to Building Inspector John Flanigan, McDonald's needs 42 spaces to conform to the new zoning ordinance that went into effect last November.

The planning board also:
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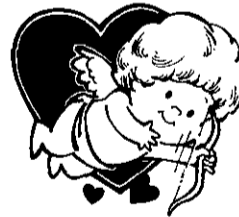
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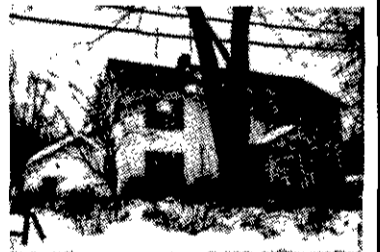
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Lane and the Delmar By-pass.

- Approved a pre-preliminary presentation for F. Crisafulli on a 2-lot subdivision on Hoyt Ave., near Center Lane.

- Approved an amendment to a site plan for lands owned by Weber on 262-264 Delaware Ave. in Elsmere. The owners want to use the existing buildings for office space as well as storage space; the original site plan specified storage space. There will be 24 delineated parking spaces.

- Set a public hearing for March 3 at 7:30 p.m. for the Rickert 4-lot-subdivision, located at the northwesterly corner of Orchard St. and Kenwood Ave. Single family homes are planned, three to face Kenwood Ave. and one to face Orchard and Kenwood, opposite the Deer Run Apartments.

The next planning board meeting is scheduled for Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Puppets twinkle

Das Puppenspiel Puppet Theater from Westfield, N. Y., will perform Rip Van Winkle at the Bethlehem Public Library on Thursday, Feb. 19, at 10:30 a.m.

Free tickets for the 45-minute program will be issued in advance to children in grades 3 and up. For information call the library at 439-9314.

Tree house to go up

It was a quick night at the Board of Appeals. Since there were no public hearings and only three resolutions to draw up, everyone went home early.

- The board drew up a resolution approving a variance for Henry Turner of 6 Bedell Ave. in Delmar. Turner was seeking permission to construct a detached, two-car garage at his residence.

- The board drew up a resolution approving a variance for Joseph and Ellen Bernier of 5 Werner Ave. in Elsmere. The Berniers were seeking permission to add a bath and bedroom to their premises.

- The board drew up a resolution for Dr. Jeffrey C. Rider of 23 Northwood Ct. in Slingerlands, who won the right to finish building a tree house for his children at a public hearing on Jan. 7. The resolution stated that there is "no building criteria for tree houses in the town zoning ordinance" and that a building permit wasn't required.

The next board of appeals meeting is scheduled for Feb. 18 at 8 p.m.



Cub Scout Pack 23 had its flag raising ceremonies Monday at the Hamagrael School, and is welcoming new members. With the new pack's flag are, from left, Howard Banner, cubmaster; Bob Euler, deputy district commissioner of the Governor Clinton Council; and Bob Rice, committee chair of the new pack; as Robert Mudge,

the American Legion's Albany County scouting chairman from the Voorheesville Post, hands American flag donated by the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 to Judith Ciccio, scout coordinator for the pack. For information on the new pack, phone 439-0996.

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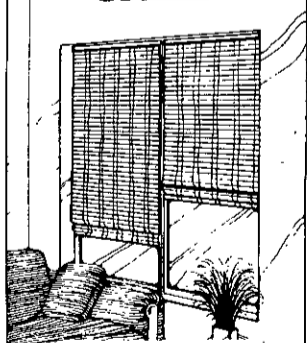
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Garden club meeting

The Heldeview Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 12, at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

Following a brief business meeting, Audrey Hawkins of the Albany County Cooperative Extension will give a lecture-demonstration on drying flowers. Guests are welcome.

For information call Evelyn Berger, president, at 765-2357.

Winter recess

Students in the Voorheesville Central School district will enjoy a winter recess next week. Both the high school and the elementary school will be closed Feb. 16 through Feb. 20. Classes will resume on Monday, Feb. 23.

Vacation activities

The Voorheesville Public Library

has planned events to fill the days of vacationing students.

On Tuesday, Feb. 17, a 2 p.m. crafts program will be followed by a film. On Wednesday, Feb. 18, the library will show the suspense-filled movie *Cloak and Dagger* at 2 p.m. Both programs are free. All are welcome.

Looking for labels

The Voorheesville PTSA has put out a last call for labels for the Labels for Education program, sponsored by the Campbell's Soup Company. Donations in the form of labels from Campbell's, Swansons, Prego and other eligible foods will be accepted through Saturday at Voorheesville Elementary School or the Voorheesville Public Library.

For information call Diane Wozniak at 765-4951 or Anne Lennox at 765-2382.

Choral students selected

Some vocal students at Clayton Bouton Junior-Senior High School had something to sing about recently when they were selected to participate in the first Colonial Council Choral Festival at Lansingburgh High School. Students from six other schools also participated.

Singers chosen from grades 7 through 9 were: Erin Donnelly, Jennifer Kraemer, Dan Coons, Jessica Killar, Katie Ramsey, Emily Hibbert, Alison Meilinger, David Lancor, Brian Wuttke, Robert Stapf, Judy Smith and Tammy Loewy.

Students in grades 10 through 12 chosen for the high school chorus were: Teresa Fernandez, Laurie Warner, Alexis Steinkamp, Vicky Chamberlain, Alison Egan, Stacie Loewy, Jill Guyer, Michelle Schaff, Heather Brennan, Rene Hunter, Jennifer Mistretta, Meg Hladun, Glen Reynolds, David Mistretta, Jason Eberhardt, Justin Defazio, Justin Birk, Mike Mullins, Joe Kraemer and Mike Galusha.

Concert selling out

Speaking of singing, tickets are now on sale for the PTSA benefit concert to be held on Friday, Feb. 27, at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. The concert

will feature Voorheesville's hottest southern rock quintet with a new name and a new look.

Now known as Billy Montana and the Longshots, the group includes lead singer and guitarist Montana, his brother Kyle (a new addition), also on guitar, and members Bobby Kendall on guitar, Doug Bernhard on drums and Dave Flint on keyboard, fiddle and guitar.

Certain to be included in the 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. shows will be "Crazy Blue," the new single recently released nationwide by the group under the Warner Brothers label.

Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. For reservations call Joanne St. Denis at 765-4748 or Aileen Lukomski at 765-2406.

Continuing registration

Those who missed in-school registration for Voorheesville Central's continuing education program may register through the mail until Feb. 23.

For information about the long list of educational and recreational courses call the high school at 765-3314, between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on weekdays.

Valentine's dance

Folks looking for a romantic way to spend Valentine's Day are

welcome to attend the Feb. 14 dinner-dance at the Voorheesville American Legion Hall. The event, which is sponsored by the ladies auxiliary, features round and square dancing, and a buffet.

For \$7.50 reservations call the legion hall at 765-4712.

Kindergarten call

The Voorheesville Central School District is looking for the names of children who will be five years of age on or before Dec. 1 and who will be eligible to attend kindergarten in September of 1987.

Parents of children who will enter kindergarten next fall should call the grade school at 765-2382 and give the name, address and birth date of the child. The information will be used to plan for the spring pre-screening.

Many thanks

The officers and members of the Voorheesville Fire Department would like to express their sincere thanks to the community for the generous support of their annual calendar drive.

The success of the drive has left the company in excellent shape and right on schedule to host the 1987 Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Convention in September. The four day gathering will include parades and a carnival with firemen representing more than 45 companies.

Pot sale charged

Albany County Sheriff's deputies said they have arrested two Loudonville residents after they allegedly sold a small quantity of marijuana in Voorheesville.

Deputies at the Voorheesville Substation said they made the arrests Sunday night at the Stewarts on South Main St. in Voorheesville. Arraigned before Village Justice Kenneth Connolly were a 25-year old man and a 29-year old woman, who sheriffs said works at the Stewarts.

The pair is charged with unlawful possession of marijuana and selling one-quarter ounce of the drug. The Loudonville woman was also charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance and having a small amount of cocaine. She was released on her own recognizance. The Loudonville man is being held at the Albany County Jail on \$15,000 bail.

They pair will appear in village court on the charges on March 4.

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Billy Montana and the Longshots, formerly Voorheesville's country and western group Southbound, will play in a benefit concert for the

Voorheesville PTSA on Friday, Feb. 27, at the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. For information, call 765-4748 or 765-2406.

New directions for Southbound

Billy Montana and the Longshots, the new name for Voorheesville's premiere country-western group, have a new single called Crazy Blue that will be heard on local radio stations

Vacation at 5 Rivers

Two programs for school children and their parents will be offered during the mid-winter vacation at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar.

"Wildlife In Winter," an investigation of how animals survive winter, will be offered on Tuesday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. until noon.

"Snowshoeing and Winter Ecology" will be offered on Thursday, Feb. 19, from 10 a.m. until noon. Snowshoes may be rented for \$1.

during the week of Feb. 11. It should hit the national airwaves by Feb. 20.

With the release of Crazy Blue, Billy Montana, Bobby Kendall, Doug Flint, and Doug Nernhard, formerly known as Southbound, have added the vocal and instrumental talents of Kyle Montana to the group.

Ridge Runners dine

The Helderberg Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club will sponsor a dinner dance at the Clarksville Firehouse on Saturday, Feb. 21, beginning at 7 p.m. Music will be provided by the Country Casuals from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Featured during the evening will be door prizes and a 50-50 drawing.

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New Scotland buys new front end loader

By Patricia Mitchell

The agenda was light last Wednesday as the New Scotland Town Board fielded requests to replace a mailbox, fund a community sentencing program and buy a new front-end loader.

The town board decided to repay a Crowridge Rd. homeowner about \$19 to replace a mailbox which was destroyed in January by a town snowplow.

However, the board tabled a request from the Volunteer Center of Albany for \$634 in funding. Because the town has not donated to the center before, the board decided to discuss the request further. The center runs a community sentencing program that is used by Town Justice Cynthia LaFave, and needs to collect funds from municipalities using it because direct fees do not cover the program's costs. The request is an estimate of the town's use of the program.

On request from Highway Superintendent Peter Van Zetten, the board approved the purchase

of a new front-end loader on state contract for \$30,219. Van Zetten said the lease contract for the loader runs out at the end of February, and if the town decides to buy it after that, it could be more expensive.

The town board sent a second request to the water committee from a family living near Schoolhouse Rd. to hook up to Bethlehem's water supply. The latest request came from the family's doctor, who said the present water supply is inadequate for medical reasons for several family members. The board was told water lines from Bethlehem do extend into New Scotland from Schoolhouse Rd., and several town homes are hooked up to the line, so councilmen said it would only mean adding another tap to the line.

The town board also set 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, for a public hearing to set property tax exemptions for senior citizens.

The next meeting of the New Scotland Town Board is scheduled for Wednesday, March 4 at 8 p.m.

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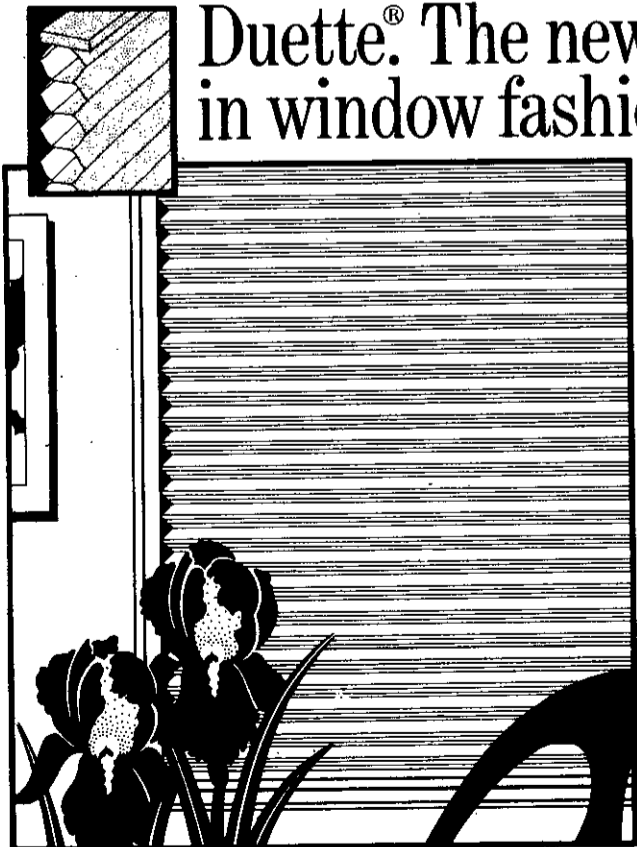
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Town of New Scotland, Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m., Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m. Town Hall, Rt. 85.

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.

Ravens-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 at 7:30 p.m. at the district offices in the high school, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at the Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. For information, call Linda Marshall at 756-6421.

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

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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.

WEDNESDAY 11
FEBRUARY

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

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

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

Second Milers, association of Tri-Village retirees meets second Wednesdays at First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, noon.

New Scotland Senior Citizens, every Wednesday, old schoolhouse, New Salem. Information, Martha Navilia at 439-4039.

Normansville Community Church, Bible study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

Open House, Hamagrael Preschool, offering programs for three and four year olds, Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Ave., Delmar, noon-1 p.m. Information, 439-7854.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Adult Information Classes on teachings of Lutheran Churches, 7:30 p.m.

Thomas Merton and Monasticism, videotape and discussion, St. Thomas Church rectory, lower level, 35 Adams Pl., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3845.

Registration, for Continuing Education, main foyer, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, Voorheesville, 7-9 p.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, adult information classes, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 12
FEBRUARY

Open House, visit classes, learn about programs and receive free low cholesterol diet program at The Diet Workshop, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Elsmere Ave. and Poplar Dr., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-2191.

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.

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

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

FRIDAY 13
FEBRUARY

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

Youth Group Meetings, United Pentecostal Church, Rt. 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

Valentine Workshops, for children age 2-5, 10 a.m., schoolage children and their preschool siblings, 4 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library. Registration, 439-9314.

Full Moon Ski, night-time cross-country ski hike over 2.5 mile course, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 457-6092.

"Stage Door," performed by Vincent J. Crummel Acting Troupe of Greater Bethlehem Central High School, Auditorium, adults \$4, students \$3, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY 14
FEBRUARY

Exploration Walk, travel through forests and fields on snowshoes, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Registration, 457-6092.

Antiques Show and Sale, appraisals by internationally known auctioneer Pamela Moore-Epstein, held by Tawasenth Chapter N.S.D.A.R., Bethlehem Central High School, \$2, 11 a.m.-6 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.

THEATRE

"The Mousetrap," Agatha Christie's murder mystery, Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Feb. 12, 10 a.m.; Feb. 13, 8 p.m. Tickets, 443-5115.

"The Mystery of Irma Vep," Capital Rep Theatre, Albany, through March 8, 8 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 4:30 and 9:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Information, 462-4534.

"Spokesong," romantic musical comedy, Schenectady Playhouse, South Church St., Albany, Feb. 11-15, 8 p.m. Information, 382-2081.

"Under Milkwood," Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, Feb. 13, 14, 20 and 21, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

"Of Mice and Men," Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

"An Evening with Maya Angelou," poet, singer, actress and author, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

MUSIC

Free Organ Concert, featuring organist Mary Bon, St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge streets, Albany, every Friday, 12:05 p.m.

South Indian music and dance, Performing Arts Studio, Arts Building, Union College, Schenectady, Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m.

College of Saint Rose Chamber Groups, St. Joseph's Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Schoharie Valley Concert Band, Bouck Hall Theatre, SUNY Cobleskill, Feb. 13, 8 p.m.

Orlando String Quartet, Memorial Chapel, Union College Campus, Schenectady, Feb. 12, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Warsaw Sinfonia with violinist Yehudi Menuhin, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 11, 8 p.m.

BALLET

Ballet Rambert, from London, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 14, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

FOLK

Friends of Folk Concert, Lake Placid Performing Arts Center, Feb. 14, 8 p.m. Information, 523-2512.

Oscar Brand, Cafe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, Feb. 13 and 14, 8:30 p.m. Information, 583-0022.

FILM

"Art at the Plaza," film series highlighting many contributions of black artists during 1900's, Concourse level, Empire State Museum, through March 24, Sundays, 1 p.m.; Tuesdays, 12:10 p.m. Information, 473-7521.

"The Gods Must Be Crazy," Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 15, 2 and 7:30 p.m.; Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-6211.

"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner," Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Feb. 15 and 16, 7 p.m., \$1.

DANCE

Dance Black America, 90-minute film featuring dance from early African to breakdancing, State Museum, Albany, through Feb. 28. Information and show times, 474-5842.

Footworks, concerts staged by University at Albany Dance Council, Main Theatre, Performing Arts Center, State University of New York, Albany, Feb. 11-13, \$6, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3997.

ART

"Bitter Hope: From Holocaust to Haven," photographic exhibit, State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, permanent exhibit.

"The Ice Age," prehistoric exhibit of men and animal that first roamed Northeast America, New York State Museum, Albany, permanent exhibit. Information, 474-5842.

"Colorful Black and White: Four Photographers from the North Country," Lake Placid Center for the Arts, Saranac Ave., Lake Placid, through Feb. 18. Information, 523-2512.

Betty Warren, a retrospective exhibition, featuring collection of paintings, Albany Institute Galleries, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through Feb. 22, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

Folk Art from Institute's Collection, Albany Institute Galleries, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through Feb. 22, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

"Artists' Self Portraits," artists as they see themselves, Greene County Council on the Arts, Main St., Windham, through Feb. 12, Wednesday-Sunday, 1-6 p.m. Information, 734-3104.

Interplay, annual open juried exhibition of fine arts by regional artists, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through Feb. 21, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

"Kings," exhibit by one of New York's major black artists, Empire State Plaza, South Gallery of Concourse, through February. Information, 474-5987.

"Bouquets for Benny," exhibit of Scott Brodie's still-life floral paintings, College of Saint Rose Picoite Gallery, through Feb. 18, Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

Carol Bailey, one-woman show of sculptures, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, through March 8, 5-8 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday 1-5 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

"The Shape of Abstraction," exhibit of four artists, Rathbone Gallery, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, through March 6, 5-7 p.m.; Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 6-8 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

Works of Bethlehem Central High School students, New York State Eastern Scholastic Art Regional Exhibit at Empire State Plaza Cultural Center, Terrace Gallery, through March 6. Information, 439-3650.

Exhibit to celebrate Chinese New Year, Oriental Line Gallery, 295 Hamilton St., Albany, through Feb. 25. Information, 462-3463.

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Ruth Pelham, originator of the Music Mobile, will perform at Kids Fare at the Albany Hilton at 2 p.m., and the Cobles Senior Citizens Center at 5 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 15. Tickets, available at the door, for Kids Fare are \$3 for kids and seniors and \$4 for adults. For information, call 482-2826.

St. Valentine's Dance and Buffet, live music with Country Casuals, American Legion Hall, Voorheesville, \$7.50, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Information, 765-4713.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Bible study, 7:45-9 a.m.

"**Stage Door**," performed by Vincent J. Crummel Acting Troupe of Greater Bethlehem Central High School, Auditorium, adults \$4, students \$3, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Delmar Presbyterian Church, Church and Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Family Worship and Communion, first Sunday of each month, 10:30 a.m.; Adult Education, 9:15 a.m.; Senior High Fellowship, 4:30 p.m.; Junior High Fellowship, call 439-3052. Information, 439-9252.

United Pentecostal Church, Sunday School and worship service, 10 a.m.; choir rehearsal, 5 p.m.; evening service, 6:45 p.m.; Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

Delmar Reformed Church, church school and worship, nursery provided during worship, 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

First United Methodist Church of Delmar, nursery care provided for pre-school children, church school and worship, 10 a.m.; adult education, 11:20 a.m.; Junior Youth Fellowship, 3:30 p.m.; Senior Youth Fellowship, 5:30 p.m. Information, 439-9976 or 439-2689.

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MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY

Delmar Kiwanis, meet Mondays at Starlite Restaurant, 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.

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.

Quartet Rehearsal, United Pentecostal Church, Rt. 85, New Salem, 7:15 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

Bethlehem Public Library Board of Trustees, rescheduled, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Demonstration, by Albany Dog Obedience Club, Good Samaritan Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar. Information, 439-8116.

Bethlehem Public Library, open normal hours for Washington's Birthday.

Meeting, Board of Commissioners of Selkirk Fire District, Selkirk Fire House No. 1, Maple Ave., Selkirk, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY

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

New Scotland Democratic Social Club, all welcome, meets third Tuesdays at Meads Corners, Rt. 32, 8 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., Eismere, 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.

Meeting, Multiple Sclerosis Support Group of Albany-Rensselaer Counties, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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

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Project WILD, open to teachers and youth leaders, Wildlife In Learning Design, developed to expose students to broad range views about wildlife, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30-6 p.m. Information, 457-6092.

School's Out Film, 1956 classic, "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," Bethlehem Public Library, free, 2 p.m.

February SonShine, annual mid-winter children's vacation Bible school, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., \$3.50. Registration, 458-1757.

Auxiliary Birthday Dinner, celebration of Nathaniel Adams Blanchard 1040 of the American Legion's 56th Anniversary, Post Rooms, Eismere, \$8, 6 p.m. Information, 439-5541.

AARP Chapter Meeting, program on "Elderhostels," First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

Blood Pressure Clinic, Bethlehem Town Hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Free.

Book Discussion Group, discussion of British women writers, "From Innocence to Experience: British Women Writers," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

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

Bethlehem Lions Club, meets first and third Wednesday of month, Starlite Restaurant, 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.

New Scotland Senior Citizens, every Wednesday, old schoolhouse, New Salem. Information, Martha Navilia at 439-4039.

Normansville Community Church, Bible study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Eismere. Information, 439-7864.

Delmar Progress Club, Antique Study Group will present program on carnival glass, members requested to bring pieces to display, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m.

"**Project Learning Tree**," workshop to introduce youth leaders and teachers to environmental and conservation activities emphasizing forest resources, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30-6 p.m. Information, 457-6092.

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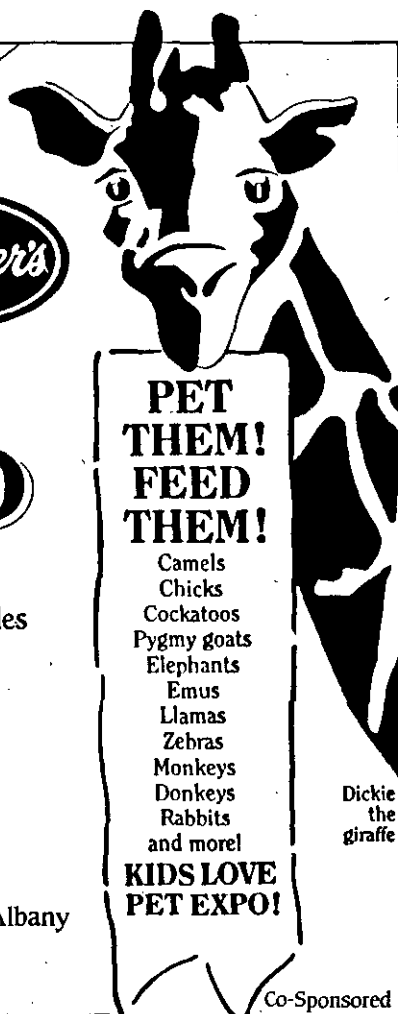
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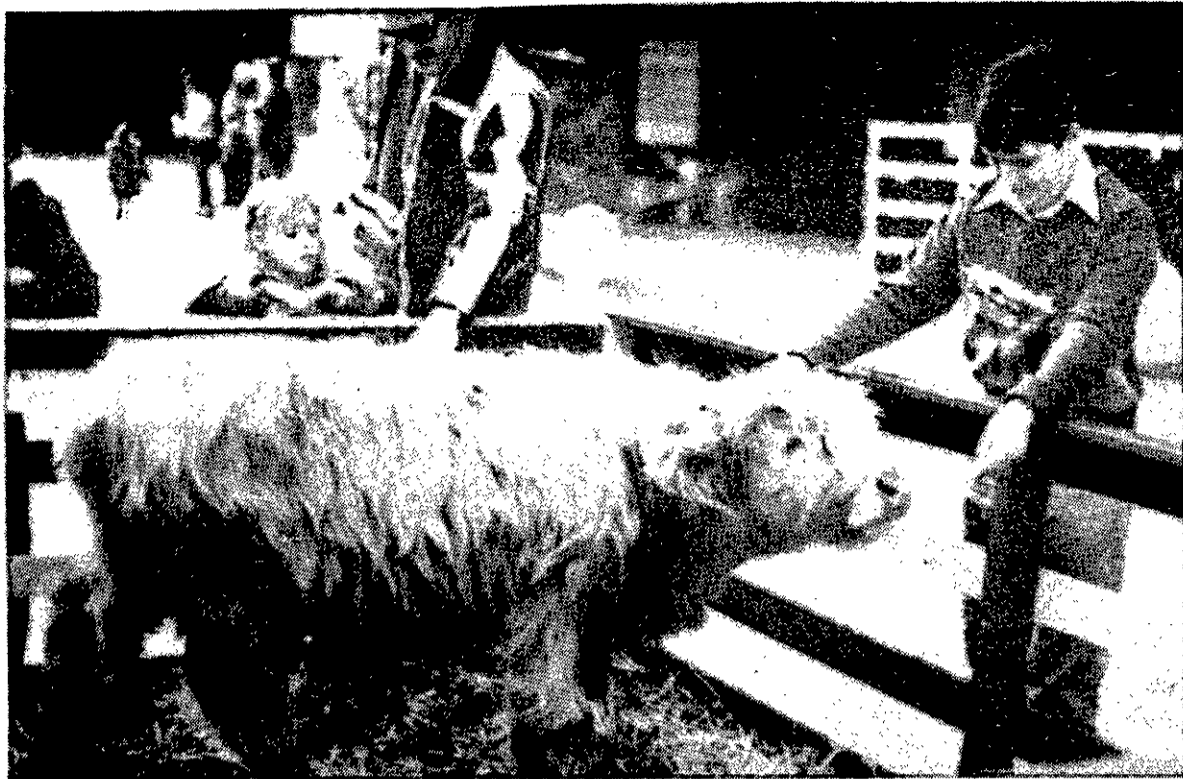
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100 animals from around the world, including exotic animals, a petting zoo, and elephant and camel rides.

Activity Day, sponsored by PTA of Elsmere School for grades K-5, Elsmere School, \$2, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information, 439-8536.

Embroiderers' Guild of America, program on "Hardanger Embroidery," Delmar United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Information, 465-5795.

February SunShine, annual mid-winter children's vacation Bible school, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., \$3.50. Registration, 458-1757.

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

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

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

Overeaters Anonymous, meeting every Thursday at First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

Silver Bullets Square Dance Club, mainstream class, 7 p.m., workshop, 9 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Information, 439-3689.

Puppet Performance, "Rip Van Winkle," by Das Puppenspiel Puppet Theatre, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

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

Comedy Club Workshop, learn monologue and appear on Bethlehem Channel, students in grades 6, 7, and 8, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Capital District Grandmother's Club, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 of the American Legion, Elsmere, new members welcome, 7:30 p.m.

Albany County Audubon Society, monthly meeting, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 482-4164.

"19th Century Dolls," slide program by Ann Vandervort, Bethlehem Historical Association Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 2 p.m.

FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY

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

Youth Group Meetings, United Pentecostal Church, Rt. 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4410.

"Happy Birthday, Thomas Edison," staff of Scotia-Glenville Children's Museum will help celebrate Edison's birthday, for grades 4-6, Bethlehem Public Library, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Bloodmobile, Field and Cultivation Room, Farm Family, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 21 FEBRUARY

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

Roast Beef Dinner, dancing by Country Casuals, door prizes and 50-50 drawing, Clarksville Firehouse, \$12.50, 7 p.m.-1 a.m. Information, 439-1511.

Tri-Village Squares, square dancing called by John Novak, mainstream dancing with plus tip, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-11 p.m. Information, 439-7516.

Cartoon Carnival, cartoons for all ages, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Programs, "Snow: Resource of Many Uses," will examine unique characteristics of snow, 10 a.m.; "They Went That Way," search grounds for tracks and traces, 2 p.m., Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar. Information, 457-6092.

SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Delmar Presbyterian Church, Church and Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Family Worship and Communion, first Sunday of each month, 10:30 a.m.; Adult Education, 9:15 a.m.; Senior High Fellowship, 4:30 p.m.; Junior High Fellowship, call 439-3052. Information, 439-9252.

United Pentecostal Church, Sunday School and worship service, 10 a.m.; choir rehearsal, 5 p.m.; evening service, 6:45 p.m., Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

Delmar Reformed Church, church school and worship, nursery provided during worship, 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

First United Methodist Church of Delmar, nursery care provided for pre-school children, church school and worship, 10 a.m.; adult education, 11:20 a.m.; Junior Youth Fellowship, 3:30 p.m.; Senior Youth Fellowship, 5:30 p.m. Information, 439-9976 or 439-2689.

Normansville Community Church, Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., Sunday services, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

Hudson-Mohawk Bonsai Association, meets fourth Sundays at Albany County Cooperative Extension, Martin Rd., Voorheesville.

Bethlehem Community Church, Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 3-5th grade program, 6:15 p.m.; Evening Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Delmar Kiwanis, meet Mondays at Starlite Restaurant, 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.

Quartet Rehearsal, United Pentecostal Church, Rt. 85, New Salem, 7:15 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

55 Alive, defensive driving course, for those 50 and older, 10 percent reduction on liability insurance, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-5 p.m. Registration, 439-3913.

Auditions, for Amateur Talent Show, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School, Rt. 9W, Ravena.

Community Meeting, ask questions to Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education members, Albertus W. Becker School, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY

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

Chef-of-the-Month, Glenn Durlacher of Durlacher's Delicatessen in Albany will present his methods of food preparation, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

55 Alive, defensive driving course, for those 50 and older, 10 percent reduction on liability insurance, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-5 p.m. Registration, 439-3913.

Next to New Sale, by residents to benefit Arthritis Fund, Good Samaritan Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Information, 439-8116.

Auditions, for Amateur Talent Show, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School, Rt. 9W, Ravena.

WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Normansville Community Church, Bible study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, meeting, all welcome, Bethlehem Town Hall, 3:30 p.m. Information, 439-6885.

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

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

New Scotland Senior Citizens, every Wednesday, old schoolhouse, New Salem. Information, Martha Navilia at 439-4039.

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WEDNESDAY 11
FEBRUARY

Budweiser Empire State Sports Awards Dinner, featuring sports greats Paul Hornung, Rusty Staub, Jo Jo White and George Martin, Albany Hilton, State St., Albany, 6 p.m.

Toughlove, support group offering parents solutions to coping with kids in trouble at school, with substances, family and law, Bishop Gibbons High School. Information, 393-4253.

Minerva Hour, with Barney Frank, Democratic Congressman from Massachusetts, Union College, all welcome, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6172.

Great Decisions, series of foreign policy discussions, "The Constitution and Foreign Policy," Hale House, Union College, Schenectady, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Fishing Instruction, four-week course on bass fishing techniques, top instructors, Russell Sage College, Troy, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Registration, 445-1717.

Awards Presentation, recipients of Thorne Award, Patron Room, Campus Center, State University of New York at Albany, 6 p.m.

Blood Pressure Screenings, free, Albany YMCA, 274 Washington Ave., Albany. Information, 449-7196.

THURSDAY 12
FEBRUARY

"The Pacific Rim", discussion of domestic economies of various Asian nations and their relationship to United States, Room 312, Bailey Hall, Union College, Schenectady, 3:45 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Legislative Breakfast Forum, talk with state Senator Hugh Farley and Assemblyman Arnold Proskin, Turf Inn, Wolf Rd., Albany, 7:45-9 a.m. Information, 434-1262.

Fly Tying Class, learn fishing techniques with Clearwater Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Registration and information, 785-5330 or 783-9207.

Environmental Informational, with authors of Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, Department of Environmental Conservation, 50 Wolf Rd., Colonie, 1-4 p.m. Information, 434-0849.

Talk, "Polish Immigration to the Capital District," Harmanus Bleeker Center, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m.

Concerned Friends of Hope House, support group for parents of substance abusers, rear of Christ Lutheran Church, 1500 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30-10 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

Meeting, Hudson Mohawk Weavers Guild, Our Lady of Hope Residence, Jeanne Jugen La., Latham, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY 13
FEBRUARY

Altamont Station Squares, western style square and round dancers, mainstream level dancing with Al Cappetti, Guilderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, Guilderland, 8-11 p.m. Information, 459-3047.

Union College Talk, Syracuse University Anthropologist John Townsend on, "Persistent Sex Differences in Sexuality and Partner Selection: A Biological Perspective," Room 105, Social Sciences Building, Union College, Schenectady, 2 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Valentines Dance, Contra Dance with live music, Emmanuel Baptist Church, 275 State St., Albany, \$4, learn basic steps taught 8 p.m., dancing 8:30 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

Christian Singles Over 25, covered dish supper and special guest to tell how she uses ceramic scripture tiles as testimony of her faith, Loudonville Community Church, Loudonville, 6:30 p.m. Information, 797-3740 or 355-3921.

Meeting, Albany Amateur Radio Association, Red Cross Center, Hackett Blvd. and Clara Barton Drive, Albany, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY 14
FEBRUARY

Whole Grains Baking Contest, bakers invited to show off their favorite healthy breads, cakes, cookies or pies, Honest Weight Food Co-op, 279 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 482-6250 or 458-9022.

Kid Pix: A Disney Celebration, "The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh," based on popular books by A.A. Milne, State Museum Auditorium, Albany, \$2 adults, \$1 children, 1:30 p.m.

Fund Raising Concert, Empire State Youth Orchestra, Repertory Orchestra, Percussion and Jazz ensembles will conduct annual 10-hour fund-raising playathon, Colonie Center, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Information, 438-8868.

"Steam on Water: Beyond the Romance", discussion on how steamships have changed our world, Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Rd., Colonie, 1:30 p.m. Information, 377-0296.

Spiritual Program, with Sant Thakar Singh, Room 203, Columbia Green Community College, Hudson, morning talk 10 a.m., private interviews 2-4 p.m., afternoon talk 4 p.m., evening talk 8 p.m. Information, 758-7521.

Maple Syrup Workshop, "hands on" maple syrup production program for producers with less than five years of experience, Knox Town Hall, Knox, Rt. 156, south of Altamont, \$3, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 372-1622.

Lecture and Lab Series, "Rocks, Minerals and Ores," with Yngvar Isachsen, learn to identify common rock-forming minerals, State Museum, Albany, 10 a.m.-noon. Registration, 474-5801.

SUNDAY 15
FEBRUARY

Kids' Fare, Ruth Pelham, originator of Music Mobile, will entertain youths and adults with songs that have gained her international popularity, Washington Park Theatre, Inc., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 482-2826.

Winter Series, Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, four, 10 and 20 mile races, Physical Education Building, State University of New York at Albany, \$2, register 10 a.m., run 11 a.m. Information, 286-3067.

Bloodmobile, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd. and Clara Barton Dr., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

MONDAY 16
FEBRUARY

"School's Out, Museum's In", Salt and Pepper Theatre presents, "Through the Eyes of a Child," on children growing up, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m.

Slide Presentation, "Three Emerging Irish Artists," Room 215, Arts Building, Union College, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Auditions, for stage show to be held at Crossgates Mall, Northeastern Association of the Blind, 301 Washington Ave., Albany, 6-9 p.m. Registration, 463-1211.

TUESDAY 17
FEBRUARY

"An Evening with Maya Angelou," poet, singer, dancer, actress, playwright and author, Schat Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

Auditions, for stage show to be held at Crossgates Mall, Northeastern Association of the Blind, 301 Washington Ave., Albany, 6-9 p.m. Registration, 463-1211.

Phonathon, benefit Epilepsy Foundation of the Capital District, 6-9 p.m. Information, 274-3538.

Harlem Globetrotters, will play using signature ballhandling, dribbling, trick shots, slam dunks, RPI Field House, Troy. Information, 783-1333.

Winter Seminar, Dr. Alan Miller of Rockefeller University on "Space Motion Sickness and the Neural Control of Vomiting," Social Sciences, Room 104, Union College, Schenectady, 4:15 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

The Compassionate Friends, self help group for parents whose children have died, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-7316.

Health Works, celebrate Health Education Week, focus on quitting smoking, "Break the Habit," Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 474-5370.

WEDNESDAY 18
FEBRUARY

Minerva Hour, with Michael Fuchs, chairman and chief executive officer of Home Box Office, Union College, Schenectady, free, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6101.

Empire State College, informational sessions on school's programs, meet with representatives, Capital District Regional Center, 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 447-6746.

"Women and the Economy," Dr. Barbara Bergmann, professor of economics at University of Maryland, on "Women in U.S. Economy: Work, Welfare and Reform," Room 110, Humanities Building, Union College, Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Toughlove, support group offering parents solutions to coping with kids in trouble at school, with substances, family and law, Bishop Gibbons High School.



Marie Woodward pedals her way into Dave Charles' heart in Schenectady Civic Players' production of *Spokesong*, playing at 8 p.m., Wednesday to Sunday, Feb. 11 to 15. For information, call 382-2081.

DEAN'S LIST

St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y. — Jennifer Hammer and Courtney Lynn Roos, Delmar.

Berklee College of Music, Boston, Mass. — Eric P. Radzyski and Scott A. Apicelli, Delmar.

State University College at Geneseo — Ann Louise Howell, Delmar.

Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa. — Todd B. Lewis, Slingerlands.

State University College at Plattsburgh — Howard Anderson and Alan Krathhaus, Delmar.

State University College at Oneonta — Patricia Haughney, Jennifer Osterhout and Eric Wilkinson, Delmar.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — Jeffery Bielefeld, Charles Marden, Stephen Kyo Chung, Amy Jane LaForte, Shannah

Deborah Albert, George Charles Turinsky, Patrick Quinn Davis, Scott Roberts and David Ashe, Delmar; Michael John McCarty, Voorheesville; Debra Ann Dunston, Slingerlands, and Michael Saelens, Clement B. Edgar III and John E. Rogers, Glenmont.

Speaks at PR institute

Lorraine C. Smith of Delmar, special supplements coordinator for *The Spotlight*, will be a guest speaker for the Feb. 11 class of the Public Relations Institute of the Albany Business College Evening Division.

Smith is a 1985 graduate of the institute. She was named student graduation speaker and was a recipient of the Lexikos Laureate award.

Smith will focus on the part creative thinking plays in her current position. The Institute includes two sessions in its 15-week program on "Imagineering" as it relates to the profession of public relations.

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in-school parent conference. And for the third offense, a student would receive up to five days out-of-school suspension, and a superintendent's hearing.

On another recommendation by the School Conduct and Discipline Committee, the board adopted a new district-wide discipline system for the elementary schools. Infractions on district rules will be handled at three different levels, with the least offense handled by a teacher, a middle level that would involve some administrators for repeated infractions, and the most serious level that would involve administrators needing outside help.

In other RCS school board action, Superintendent William Schwartz said he planned to meet with the district's architect to get options and general ideas on cost-

effective additions or new buildings for the district. The Committee Addressing Facilities and Enrollment has been working on various proposals to help the district handle growing enrollment and limited space, but no recommendations have been made yet. Schwartz said the district is facing a crunch on building space now, even if enrollment does not increase.

In a report to the board, the committee said it is finding that options such as moving fifth graders to the elementary school as a temporary measure may not work. The committee found that the junior high school may not have the space to handle the influx of fifth graders, and if more students were added, more auxiliary services, such as cafeteria, secretarial and custodial services, may be needed.

The committee has also found that problems would result if students were redistributed using only the district's present buildings.

The committee, meeting since last fall, was scheduled to meet again last Thursday to receive reports on other facilities that could be available in the community, as well as enrollment projections, projected construction, and placement of students in buildings for the best educational program.

After that meeting and the meeting with the architect, the committee hopes to have some recommendations to the board on new building spaces.

In another report, board member Mark Sengenberger said the Education Committee received additional staffing requests from school administrators for the 1987-88 school year and budget. From this, the committee will make their recommendation to be included in the budget. Additional staff include: an elementary teacher, half-time music teacher, and a media specialist at the elementary schools; a guidance counselor, half-time music teacher, and a math-science teacher at the junior high; a guidance counselor at the high school; and a social worker for the district.

The RCS school board also:

- Rescheduled discussion of a policy passed at the last meeting that allows school board members to award diplomas to children and wards. The policy was brought up, discussed and passed at the same meeting, and that action appears to be in conflict with the board's policy that says no rules or bylaws can be amended unless they are submitted in writing before the meeting. The board agreed to place the resolution on the agenda of the next meeting for discussion.

Because of some discussion over whether the resolution is applicable under board policy, Sengenberger said the board should adopt its own written policy manual this year.

- Decided to join the Schenectady-Albany Area School Boards Association.

- Decided to table performance reviews for two elementary school principals who do not have tenure until the full board was present.

The next meeting of the RCS school board is scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17. The school board has also scheduled a community meeting for Monday, Feb. 23, at 8 p.m. at the A. W. Becker Elementary School.

Ham dinner

A ham dinner will be served at the Trinity United Methodist Church, Rt. 143, Coeymans Hollow, on Saturday, Feb. 21, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Admission is \$5.50 for adults and \$2.75 for children 12 and younger.

Bridge repairs

The state Department of Transportation has announced the receipt of a \$245,179 bid from the Atlas maintenance Company, Kirkwood, N.Y., for the repair of six bridges in Albany and Schenectady Counties, including the Cherry Ave. Ext. bridge over the D and H. tracks in Bethlehem.

Bridge supports will be restored with concrete where deterioration has occurred. Debris and dirt will be removed from decks and supports. The project is scheduled for completion by Aug. 1, 1987.

Mysteries featured

Marie S. Carlson, the head of media services at the Bethlehem Public Library, will discuss mystery novels on the next installment of *Foreward: Book Talks From Bethlehem* on the Bethlehem Channel.

Carlson will give tips on what to read when the new book shelf is empty. She will highlight some of her favorite mystery novels and writers.

The program will air on Cable Channel 7 on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, Feb. 23 at 5 p.m. and on Friday, March 6, at 8:30 p.m.

Tri-Village Squares

John Novak will call for the Delmar Tri-Village Squares Square Dance Club on Saturday, Feb. 21, at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. The dance will be held from 8 to 11 p.m. For information call 439-7516.



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Seniors to dine out

The South Bethlehem-Selkirk Senior Citizens are currently making plans to visit the Culinary Institute of America at Hyde Park on Thursday, March 5. The seniors will leave by bus from the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem parking lot at 9 a.m. In addition to touring the institute located on the 75 acre campus which overlooks the Hudson River, the group will be sampling the culinary delights by dining at the school. Reservations are required, and may be made by contacting Robert Mayo 767-3006.

Here's your chance

Do you or someone you know have a special talent — singing, dancing, play an instrument or perform some type of novelty act? If so, the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk girls track team would like to hear more about it. They are sponsoring an Amateur Talent Show on Saturday evening, March 21, at the RCS Senior High School. Auditions for the show are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23 & 24 at the school. Proceeds from the talent show will benefit the track team, and trophies will be awarded for the best acts.

Additional information can be obtained by calling 767-3470 or 767-2152 by Feb. 21.

Grange dinners resume

If you've missed the delicious home-style dinners the Bethlehem Grange normally sponsor throughout most of the year, you'll be happy to learn that they will resume their regular monthly schedule as of March. The first dinner of the New Year will be held Saturday, March 7, at the grange hall, Rt. 396, Beckers' Corners in Selkirk, and will be for the benefit of the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service. Servings for the Roast Beef Dinner will begin at 4 p.m. and continue until all have been served. Reservations are not necessary unless large groups wish to be seated together. The cost is \$6. for adults, \$3 for children.

What's for breakfast?

The Bethlehem Elks, Lodge No. 2233, will hold their next "All You Can Eat" breakfast buffet on Sunday, February 15th. The buffet will be available from 9 a.m. until noon at the lodge, Rt. 144 and Winnie Rd. in Selkirk. The cost is just \$4. for Adults, \$2.50 for children under age 12,

\$3.50 for senior citizens, and the menu consists of pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, waffles, gravy, toast, juice and coffee. The public is invited.

Dolls on parade

"19th Century Dolls," a slide presentation, is scheduled for the next meeting of the Town of Bethlehem Historical Association for Thursday, Feb. 19, in the Bethlehem Historical Association Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd. in Selkirk. The public is invited to attend the meeting which will begin at 2 p.m. Ann Vandervort who, with her husband James, is museum co-chairman of the association and also an antique dealer, will conduct the program.

Asking questions

"Reach" students recently interviewed the new teachers at Pieter B. Coeymans School. For instance, Jennifer Bunyar of the fourth grade interviewed Mrs. Elinor Babcock, who is now a second grade teacher at the school, and learned that Mrs. Babcock was a graduate of Albany Academy for Girls and St. Lawrence University and taught first grade at the

Ravena Elementary School for 20 years.

When Melissa Wade interviewed fifth grade teacher, Sue Panthen, she discovered that Mrs. Panthen used to teach third grade at Voorheesville Elementary School, and that her hobbies include aerobic dancing, camping and skiing.

Injured on Rt. 9W

A Delmar woman received head injuries Tuesday after a car driven by a Houston man pulled in front of her as she was driving on Rt. 9W, Bethlehem Police said.

Elizabeth Bain, 52, of Bain Dr., Delmar, was taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment after the collision, police said.

Bain was driving north on Rt. 9W at about 9 p.m. The Houston man, pulling out of the Town Squire Shopping Center, told police he looked both ways before moving but did not see Bain's car.

The Houston man was ticketed for failure to yield the right of way, police said.

RCS residents meet

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education will hold a community meeting at A.W. Becker Elementary School on Feb. 23, beginning at 8 p.m. During the meeting district residents will have an opportunity to comment on facets of district operation, such as guidance, budget, educational programs, staffing and transportation.

Jailed for bad checks

An Albany man was sent to Albany County Jail Saturday after Albany Police picked him up on a Bethlehem warrant for bad checks, Bethlehem Police said.

Bethlehem Town Judge Roger Fritts set bail at \$500 and sent the Albany man to jail. He will reappear on the charge on Tuesday, police said.

The bench warrant was issued because the Albany man failed to meet conditions of sentencing from an earlier conviction on bad check charges by Bethlehem Police.

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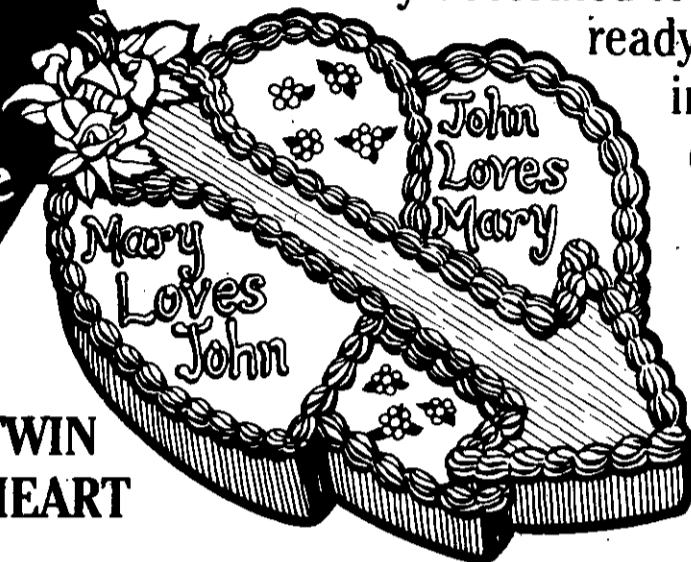
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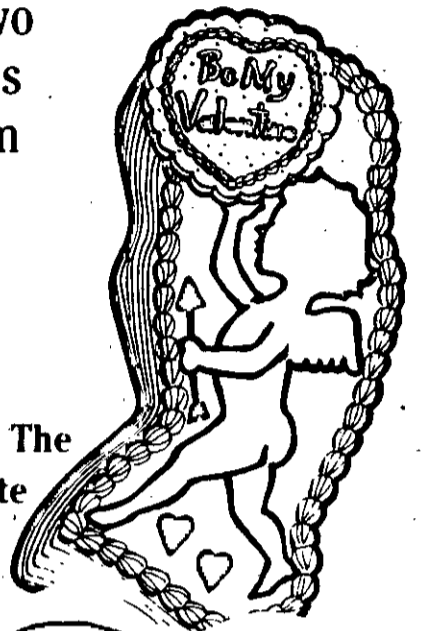
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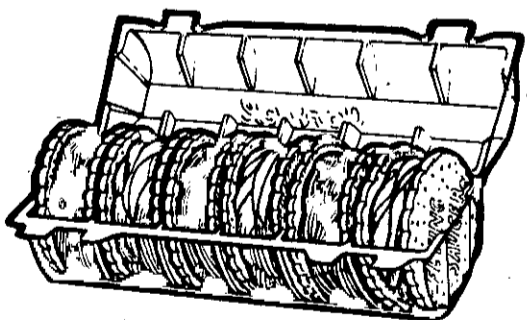


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Digging out hydrants job for neighbors

While fire fighters at Thursday morning's blaze on Meadowland St. had no trouble finding fire hydrants, and say they weren't slowed down too in getting them hooked up, fire officials and town officials are again urging citizens to help by making sure hydrants on their streets are dug out.

"We just don't have the manpower to go out and clear them all," said Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick. However, he said, all of the town's estimated 600 hydrants are supposed to have flags so they can be spotted during heavy snows. Over the years, some of the flags have been removed or fallen off, and town officials would like to know about hydrants that are not marked, Hendrick said.

Also, he said, the town is in the process of putting the location of every fire hydrant in the computer system that is used by the Police Department dispatchers. When the system is operational, dispatchers will be able to radio the information to fire fighters at the scene.

Slingerlands Volunteer Fire Dept. Chief James McCarroll III said that during Thursday's fire a hydrant at Kenwood Ave. and Meadowland St. was mostly shoveled out, but was covered with ice, and firefighters had to take a few minutes to melt and chop the ice.

Another fire hydrant at Meadowland and Heron Rd. was used by firefighters from the Delmar Volunteer Dept., McCarroll said. That hydrant was not shoveled, but it wasn't too hard to get to, said Delmar Chief Amos Bastiani. There was a one or two minute delay while firefighters dragged heavy water hoses over snowbanks to get to the hydrant.

Even though fire hydrants at the scene of Thursday morning's fire were accessible, McCarroll still asked residents to keep hydrants clear of snow so firefighters can get to them quickly in an emergency.

"It only slows things down. It's not for my safety, it's for yours," McCarroll said. "It just takes a few minutes to shovel them out."

Firefighters battle

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wasn't shoveled out, it wasn't too bad to get to, said Delmar Chief Amos Bastiani. It took firefighters about one or two minutes to drag heavy water hoses over snowbanks to get at the hydrants, Bastiani said.

The initial attack into the fire, McCarroll said, was sending two water lines manned by firefighters in through the front door. Fighting fires from the inside is usually the best form of attack, but not always the safest.

"Then the ceiling started to collapse and I had to pull everyone out. It was jeopardizing the safety of the guys," McCarroll said.

The wind blew through the house, spreading the fire and making it harder to fight, and also making it icy around the house, McCarroll said. Rush hour traffic at the busy Kenwood Ave. and Cherry La. intersection had to be rerouted down McKinley Dr. to Heron Rd. to Cherry Ave., and many reporters and television

crews showed up for the event.

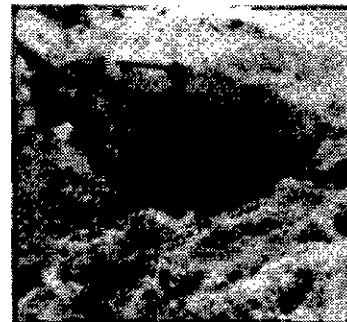
Slingerlands firefighters were at 99 Meadowland St. until about 11:30 a.m., clearing out the house of its hot spots, McCarroll said.

"All the guys involved, they did a great job," he said.

The Sies' have lost just about everything in the house, McCarroll said. Belongings in the garage and a basement family room received some water damage, and firefighters tried to cover them with tarps. He said it is hard when senior citizens lose most everything they have collected over their lives.

According to Bethlehem Police reports, the fire started in the northeast corner of the house where plants were kept. Police said at least one electric heater, plant lights and a dehumidifier were found in the room, along with numerous wires.

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The fire hydrant used by the Slingerlands Volunteer Fire Department at the corner of Kenwood Ave. and Meadowland St. was dug out, but frozen over, fire officials said. Kurt Uhl

Collision on Rt. 32

Snowbanks obstructed the view of a Ravena woman on Rt. 32 and Bender Lane Wednesday as her car crashed into another car, Bethlehem Police said.

At 6:50 p.m., the Ravena woman was attempting to cross Rt. 32 at Bender La. and stopped in the median. The second car was going west on the inside lane of Rt. 32. The Ravena woman told police she could not see the other car because of high snowbanks at the intersection, and the two cars collided.

Blood pressure clinic Canapes caper

This month's free blood pressure clinic will be held at Bethlehem Town Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and from 7 to 8 p.m. For information call 439-4955.

Glenn Durlacher, the owner of Durlacher's Delicatessen in Albany, will speak about the preparation of hors d'oeuvres and canapes at the Bethlehem Public Library on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p.m. For information call 439-9314.

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husband, "Paul is very steady, easy-going, slow to anger," and he was convinced of her desired traits: "There is nothing that she couldn't handle. She was very comfortable in all situations." They celebrated with a traditional June wedding, "a handful of groomsmen, a handful of bridesmaids."

With similar mid-western traditional backgrounds, the couple expressed admiration for each other's family: the good sense of humor of Paul's dad, the positive influence of Marylou's grandmother. "If a marriage succeeds," she would tell Marylou, "You congratulate both. If it fails, you want to blame the other."

The love has matured with the years, a continuing acceptance of each other as they are, a tribute to their absolute belief that happiness comes from within. "Something that might aggravate me now, might not an hour later," Marylou explained. "It depends on your own mood." The changes have come "along the way, we discuss everything, talk over money, major things...shopping for the house...changing jobs."

Married five years before having their first child, the Strackes have centered their lives with family involvement. Marylou, now a literacy volunteer, and active sports participant, has held leadership roles with parent teacher organizations in all three grade levels of their children, Paul Jr. a college freshman, and Lynnette, a Bethlehem Central

High School junior. Both parents have coached soccer teams throughout the Capital District, their children have applied to be coaches as well.

With these child-intense years, how does their marriage stay strong? "We have always known, in the long term, it was going to be him and I, the kids were in the relationship for just 20 years. You keep nurturing that marriage during that time," Marylou explained. "You have to fall in love again. You keep looking for the things that brought you together."

Romance in their marriage highlights their life together: still athletic in his appearance from regular workouts at Nautilus, Paul brings flowers for no reason, expresses his appreciation for little things Marylou does, tells her he loves her, often. Their favorite music is (Lara's Theme.)

Romancing each other also includes birthdays as special days for pampering. "It's being remembered," is how Paul defined his ongoing courtship.

"And being flexible enough," Marylou continued. "If we can't make it the calendar date, it doesn't make any difference. Two weeks, a month later, going out to dinner, then that's your anniversary."

To get through the difficult times, the Strackes rely on their vibrant faith. Although not raised Lutheran, Marylou joined Paul's church for the same purpose she fulfills other aspects of their togetherness. "I believe in unity,"

she said. Religious belief is defined daily at the Strackes: "The way I treat him, the way I treat my children," added Paul, "The three of us, Marylou, God and I will handle everything."

For the last 16 of their 24 years together, Paul has traveled during the week. As a manufacturer's representative, he calls on the agricultural market in the Northeast. The Strackes regard this part of their life as they regard other challenges: from an ongoing upbeat approach. "I do what most people save up for all year, eat in restaurants, see the Northeast," Paul said. "We don't distance ourselves. Just because I'm not home doesn't mean we're apart. We make that effort, calls every day."

And from Marylou, "When he's home, he's home. All that other stuff is gone." Recalling those lonely, difficult times, when Paul was away and the children were young, Marylou revealed her tenacity: "I made it, I made it." Then she laughed, "My teeth may be a lot shorter than what they were then."

In the bright, plant-filled sun-room, casually decorated with baskets of yarn and fabric, with their yellow lab, Patience lying comfortably at their feet, the Strackes laughed and teased each other, with no hesitation in exposing their years together.

Since Paul is a "traveling man," were there ever temptations? "There are always temptations," he acknowledged, but his convictions determine his lifestyle: a

commitment to family life, moral standards guided by religious belief and a preference for intimacy developed only with time.

Although Marylou has chosen not to work outside the home — "I'm very traditional in some areas" — she wants her daughter to be self-reliant. "I think it's a changing world, I want doors to open to her." Paul interjects that Marylou has proven her self-reliance, that she made cultural adjustments each generation must make.

Looking back over their years together, Marylou recognizes the importance of adjustment, of change. "We're not the 20 year old kids we were getting married, although I hope there's still part of that in us."

Why do they think their marriage has worked? "We're two people who enjoy each other. It's not complicated at all."

"We shared each other's nursery," laughed Kathie Cykoski when asked how long she and David knew each other. Childhood playmates, high school sweethearts, they grew up in a small Pennsylvania town still home to their parents and family.

Did they ever date others? Tall, slender and boyishly handsome, David Cykoski explained that he didn't care about being with others, he has always loved Kathie. Strikingly attractive with short silver hair, and a chatty, enthusiastic personality, Kathie joked that David did have the opportunity to date others — in the fourth grade!

Not quite 21, David needed parental permission to get married

that rainy day in August, 23 years ago. It was a traditional wedding, in his Catholic faith. Although Kathie didn't convert to Catholicism until eight years ago, the Cykoskis both consider religion as the strongest influence in their lives. David cited the closeness a family develops in attending liturgy. And Kathie described faith as giving "the strength to continue on in the many ups and downs."

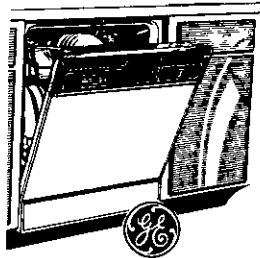
For most of their married lives, with a son and daughter one year apart, and a third child nine years later, the Cykoskis' time alone has been rare, dinner out perhaps, the theatre. "Your involvement with your children — that becomes our time together," David said. "But that was part of our plan, to share our love with children," Kathie stressed. "That's how we discuss our togetherness, in terms of a family."

When their son attended Albany Academy the Cykoskis shared leadership roles. For only the second time in the school's history, David served as president of the Father's Association while Kathie was president of the Mother's Association. They remain on the board of trustees. They are also lecturers and eucharistic ministers at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

The roughest years of their marriage involved a move North, away from their hometown. "In retrospect, it was a bad decision," David said, taking blame for the move Kathie was against. Even though he accepted the business opportunity "for the good of the family," he later promised that Kathie should always have input in family-oriented decisions, that "work is not more important than the family." In 1980, they came to

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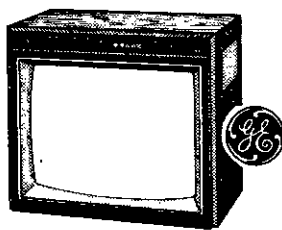
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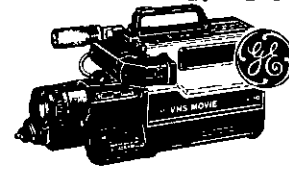


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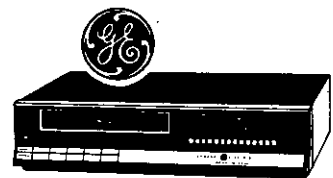
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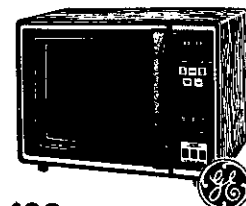
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Kathie and David Cykoski are surrounded by contemporary furnishings in their Glenmont home. Married 23 years last Aug. 24, the Cykoskis have lived in the Albany area for 12 years. They moved to Glenmont for the culture and educational opportunities available in the area.

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Glenmont, "a nice area with culture and educational opportunities."

As a substitute teacher, Kathie's work outside the home would be easier with more of David's cooperation. "When we talk about me working full-time, it's a couples' commitment to housework. I don't want two jobs. I like homemaking, I don't like housework." A regional manager for a Northeast bowling company, David encourages Kathie in both endeavors, indicating that besides her homemaking abilities "she's also a leader of people. She could go into corporate work and meld people together." Kathie reemphasizes her commitment to family life: "I could never be so

totally exhausted from a job and have nothing left for family."

Most arguments concern the children, with David more conservative and rigid, Kathie, the liberal parent. Kathie described their mix as a good balance — "We complement each other that way" — and David questioned the term argue: "We don't argue too much, we discuss things more."

Any annoyances? David spoke up. "I'm not real sympathetic to pain and getting sick, I think people should go on and on." Kathie replied, "David doesn't take care of himself. He works all day and doesn't take time to eat right." Typical of all their

responses revealing singularity of purpose, David added, "But Kathie doesn't nag," and from Kathie, "David's getting better."

Now that two of the children, 20-year-old Heather and 19-year-old Christopher are away at college, only Glenmont fourth grader Erin remains at home. The hectic years are almost over. There were times when all three needed chauffering, parental participation, different schedules, different places.

"I liked those years. I can't say I miss them, but I enjoyed them while we were going through them," Kathie said. "Now it's another stage in our lives, I think it's going to be fun."

Romancing each other comes easy: "We have a strong physical attraction to each other, I don't think that's ever stopped," Kathie smiled. And David, who brings flowers to his lifelong Valentine, added, "She takes care of herself, and always maintains her attractiveness."

Looking to the future, they hope for more vacation time, and wonder how involved they will continue to be in their children's lives. Marriage advice they will offer: "Love can't be selfish, you're sharing your life with another person."

What is the best part of being together? David: "The ability to share each other's thoughts." Kathie: "Everyone needs someone to love them intensely. When you have each other, someone who cares about you, that really gives you life itself."

Freshmen in college, they met through friends. She thought he

was nice and hoped he would ask her out. "I had this feeling we would go well together," she recalls. He was attracted by a certain "girl-next-door quality, a simplicity that appealed to me."

Five children and almost 25 married years later, Mary and Jack McKenna, Voorheesville, reviewed their memories. Two years of dating preceded an engagement, another six months to their wedding, "a big one," with the reception held at the Ten Eyck Hotel, where the Hilton is now.

During a lunch hour interview in the McKenna's spacious brand new home, with Voorheesville's beautiful countryside as a backyard setting, Jack and Mary McKenna discussed their life together, "We never pictured ourselves living in a house like this one," Jack said, indicating that they were never goal-oriented economically. "Our only goal was family." As deputy commissioner for administration in the state Department of Taxation and Finance, he acknowledged the importance of motivation, but "It wasn't just pride to have a good job. Our interest was to have a good family atmosphere with a larger family, from our love of children. Everyone gains from the companionship that goes along with that."

Jack's family included him and his sister, his parents had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mary was one of three children. Her parents Tony and Betty Manning, Delmar, are now marking 52 years together. The McKennas have been influenced by the longevity of their parents' marriages, in some

respects, as an example of stability.

The McKennas' seven-year-old "caboose," Matthew, and Voorheesville high school senior Dan are still home, along with their oldest son Kevin "who is in transition, between college and law school." Twenty one-year-old Brian attends Notre Dame as does their 19-year-old daughter Sharon. The McKennas delight in frequent family trips to Jack's alma mater in Indiana.

Over the years the McKennas have coached boys teams in baseball, girls in softball. Jack is in his eighth year with the Board of Education, president for the last four. At church they are both lay ministers, she directs the choir, he, as a choir member, "hides in the back row."

One by one, as their children leave for college, "our family keeps getting redefined." This "reordering of our activities" accounts for their recent move to a neighborhood setting: their youngest would need playmates. For 14 years they lived on three acres in the country, where everyone had chores. And that lifestyle was chosen as an alternative to the increasingly fast-paced suburban routine of their previous home in Clifton Park.

During the busy child-raising years, the McKennas gave up personal diversions like playing bridge or golf. But, they reflect, it hasn't been a real conflict. "Over the years, things even out. Our

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7 Eagles to wrestle in finals

By John Bellizzi III

This weekend, some of the most talented athletes in New York State will be at the RPI Field House for one of the most important events of the season, the Section Two wrestling finals. Bethlehem Central will be sending seven members of its varsity team to compete: Pat Leamy, Ed Moak, Chris Saba, John Gallogly, John Sinuc, Steve Guynup, and Mike Mosley, with Eric Brown as a possible qualifier. All placed in one of the top four spots in their respective weight classes at the Class A Sectionals last weekend at Burnt Hills (except Brown, who placed sixth).

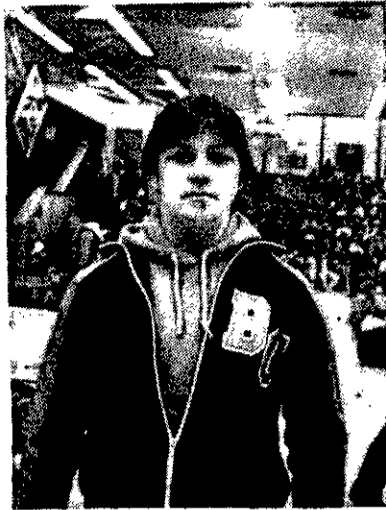
BC came in fourth in the tournament last weekend with a team score of 169, and Moak, Saba and Guynup were tournament champions in their weight classes.

Moak, a fourth-year wrestler, was seeded fourth in the extremely competitive 119 pound weight class. He plowed through several high-ranked challengers Friday evening and during the day Saturday, working his way up to the finals, where he faced and defeated No. 1 seed Gary Arzberger of Shenendehowa, 17-10.

At 126, Saba also upset the top seed to become champion and gain revenge for the Suburban Council Invitational Tournament held at BC last weekend. When Saba and Niskayuna's Gene Monaco stepped on the mat for the finals last Saturday night, no doubt both wrestlers' minds went back to the match that took place a week earlier. This time, the score was 7-5, in Saba's favor.

He wasn't the only one to get a taste of revenge. Guynup decisioned Amsterdam's undefeated Alex Gonzalez 4-3 in the final round. Gonzalez defeated Guynup earlier this season in the Amsterdam tournament. Leamy, Mosley and Sinuc came in second place in their weight classes.

Meanwhile, No. 1 seed junior



Steve Guynup



Chris Saba

co-captain Jim Dayter was on the sidelines due to a pinched nerve in his neck.

"We did a great job in the finals," said BC Coach Rick Poplaski. "Pat (Leamy) had a tough loss, his match could have gone either way. Mosley had a good match against the No. 1 seed from Shenendehowa. Everybody wrestled well."

Overall, it was a highly successful year for the Bethlehem Central wrestling program. The varsity team achieved a 10-3 dual meet record, scoring victories over Mont Pleasant, Scotia, Colonie, Voorheesville, Columbia, Shaker, Amsterdam, Guelderland, Niskayuna and Mohonasen, and falling to Burnt Hills, Saratoga and Shenendehowa. The team also did extremely well in several tournaments, placing first in the Johnstown, Oxford and Saratoga tournaments, and fourth in the Suburban Council Invitational and Class A Sectional tournaments. The final team competition of the regular season took place last Tuesday, when the Eagles defeated Mohonasen 64-11 in a dual meet. Forfeits accepted by Sean VanWely and Leamy at 91 and 98 gave the Eagles a substantial early lead. 112 pounder Ben Greenberg and his Mohonasen opponent both scored two team points after a 0-0

draw. Moak and Saba won the next two matches by technical fall. Gallogly at 132, Dayter at 138, Guynup at 155, and Mosley at 167 all pinned their opponents. At 177, Pete Bragwin decisioned his opponent 8-1. Sinuc and Sean Nixon both accepted forfeits for Bethlehem.

"It was a very positive season, considering everything," reflected Poplaski. "We're only losing one senior. I'm very pleased with that prospect. Whether or not the wrestlers work in the off-season to try to improve for next year will affect our performance as a team next year. All in all, I'm very pleased with everyone. Every week, someone new rose to the occasion."

The junior varsity team, coached by SUNYA All-American wrestler Jim Fox, finished with a 9-4 dual meet record. The team also placed first in the Queensbury JV tournament, and had good showings in three more tournaments where team score wasn't kept. The JV's also ended their season with a victory over Mohonasen last Tuesday.

One of the most outstanding wrestlers at the JV level this year, according to Coach Fox, was John Gallogly, who had a "phenomenal season" and was "a great asset to the team." Gallogly wrestled back and forth between JV and varsity this year at 132, and ended up with a 25-1 record. Fox described Paul Vichot as "another big asset who had a super year."

"The team made a great improvement," said Fox. "All of these first and second-year wrestlers got much better as time went on. It's tough for me because I can't decide who should receive the award for Most Improved Wrestler."

The modified wrestling team, under the tutelage of John DeMeo and Craig Walker, ended up with a 5-3-1 dual meet record.

"As a whole, the team showed improvement, and that's what I look for at the freshman level," said Coach DeMeo. DeMeo cited several wrestlers, including eighth grade heavyweight Joe Emerich, third year freshman wrestler Scott Mitchell, 134-pound eighth grader Darryn Fiske, and first year grappler Tom Bruni as particularly outstanding.

A tentative date has been set for the annual Bethlehem Wrestling Awards Banquet: Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Crossgates Restaurant on Washington Avenue.

RCS 3rd in Sectionals

By Josh Curley

The dual meets against Galway, Mont Pleasant and Waterford last week were, in essence, just "tune ups" for the Ravena wrestlers' third place Sectional finish.

As a result of the Class B Sectionals Friday and Saturday, RCS has seven members going back for a shot to advance to the state qualifiers this weekend. The top four finishers for each weight division in Class B join the top four finishers in Classes A, C and D in the Section Two State Qualifying Meet.

The Indians who earned this extra day of competition are: sophomores Geoffon (fourth at 91), Bill Stanton (third at 105) and 250 pound Class B Champion wrestler Mark VanHoesen; Tim Baranska (second at 167), the only junior among Ravena's elite wrestlers; and seniors Luther Legg (second at 119), Jerry Baranska (second at 177) and Bob Jordan (third at 215). 98 pounder Kevin Demis placed fifth and 112 pounder Ken Losee and Rob Demis, 126 pound wrestler, captured sixth giving them a slight chance to advance if there are any dropouts among the top four.

Tim and Jerry Baranska lost in the finals by one and two points respectively in matches that went down to the wire. Jerry lost to champion Mark Carey giving Jerry his second loss this season, both to Carey. "They both (Tim and Jerry Baranska) wrestled tough kids in matches that went down to the end, but both came up short," said coach Gary VanDerzee, who added that the Baranska's are likely to face Carey and Tom Lombardoni (who defeated Tim) again at the State Qualifiers.

VanHoesen, Ravena's only champ, managed to live up to his top seeding after only taking third in the Colonial Council Championship. The wrestlers that took first and second in the council are from Class C schools, Mechanicville and Schalmont. So, VanHoesen's competition in Class B wasn't as stiff as it was in the Council.

Coach VanDerzee thinks that Ravena's display of talent, third place out of 13 teams, may have been the best performance Ravena has ever shown in Sectional competition.

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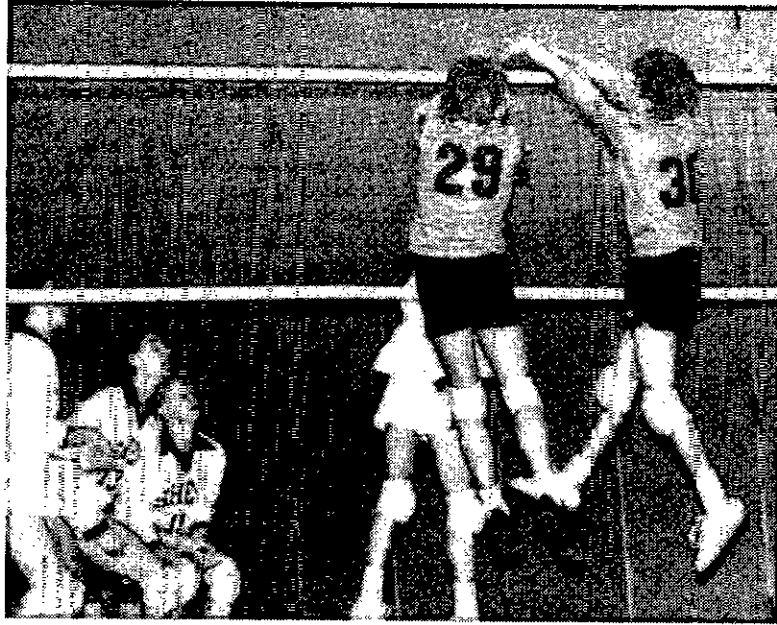
The Bethlehem Central Boys Volleyball team suffered through a topsy-turvy week last week, first playing very well, but then going into something of a decline.

Coach Ray Sliter was very pleased with his team last Monday as BC beat Shenendehowa, which was undefeated until its visit to BC. BC made mincemeat of the Plainsmen tall talent as the entire BC team played extremely well. Pete Russo served very well, in addition to his usual fine hitting. Doug Pratt was his usual consistent self, setting beautifully for the rest of the team. Mark Richter had a fine game hitting, while Bill Liddle and Toby Dunmore also contributed to the effort.

Sliter said this game was "the best we have played all year." The score was an easy 15-6, 15-9. The entire team played well enough to easily beat any team in the league, but, as Sliter said, "the team thought that the season ended after that game."

A week ago, BC "escaped" with a 15-11, 15-13 win over Shaker. Last Wednesday the team was not up to the level of the previous week, but still managed a two-game win. Doug Pratt set as well as ever, and there were other bright spots. In the second game, BC was down 13-6 and came back with 9 straight points, showing its great poise under pressure.

The Eagles were not so lucky on Friday. BC traveled to Niskayuna and played "a good match," according to Sliter. But Bethlehem did not play well enough to win, as



BC's Toby Dunmore, no. 29, and Mark Richter, no. 30, get in some net action against Shenendehowa last Monday. *Bart Gottesman*

the final score was 15-10, 13-15, 15-11, Niskayuna. Sliter felt his team "could've played better," but a single loss won't stand in the way of a great season for BC.

BC's record is 5-1 at this point, and it is tied for first place with Shenendehowa and Niskayuna.

Bethlehem's JV team is also having a good season. After dropping its first game of the season to Guilderland, it has won four straight.

The team has a full schedule this week, as it hosted Scotia on Monday, and then Columbia today (Wednesday). Friday the team will travel to Guilderland.

These should all be good games, with Friday's perhaps the toughest.

Wrestling begins

An 18-class wrestling program for youngsters in grades three through 10 will start at Bethlehem Central's upper gym on Monday, Feb. 23, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Classes will be held on succeeding Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The program is sponsored by Bethlehem Parks and Recreational Department. A fee of \$23 will be charged. Registration takes place at the high school on Monday, Feb. 23. For information call 439-4131.

Lady Indians win council tournament

By Tim Penk

The RCS girls volleyball team ended its season last week by winning the Colonial Council Tournament after an undefeated league record and a 17-2 overall record.

This was perhaps the best RCS girls volleyball team ever. However, because of the new schedule that combined basketball and volleyball, the team was not able to participate in Sectionals, which started on Nov. 1.

The Indians finished their regular season by defeating Holy Names, 15-0 and 15-13, and Voorheesville, 15-0 and 15-8. The Voorheesville game was one of the best games of the year for the team. Marie Setford started the game by serving 12 straight points. Amy Kane and Kris Gerg totalled seven kills to shut the Blackbirds out. Karen O'Brien led the second game, scoring nine points as the team again won easily.

The Colonial Council Tournament was the end of the volleyball season for the seven league teams and Tamarac. The playoffs started with two divisions of four each looking to take first or second to advance. The games started at 4-4, allowing a eleven point game.

RCS started by defeating Holy Names, 15-4 and 15-5, and Voorheesville, 15-4 and 15-6. The Indians looked powerful. Then, Schalmont brought the team down to earth by defeating them 16-14 and 15-12. Ravena missed

too many serves and made a lot of mistakes. However, they placed second and went on to the semi-finals.

Ravena now faced Tamarac, the only team to beat them since November. The first game started tough with the score still 1-1 after six rotations and then moved to 8-8. The Indians finally took control, winning 15-9. However, the second game was even rougher. The Indians fought back from being behind 7-12 and eventually 11-14. Lisa Ray came off the bench to serve three points to tie the contest and RCS won the emotionally draining game 16-14.

The finals were a rematch against Schalmont. In the first game with the score deadlocked at 7-7, Marie Setford served eight straight points to win the game 15-7. The Indians won the championship by also winning the second game, 15-7. Tracy Klein had a great day setting and Marie Setford and Kris Gerg were dominating at the net.

The girls volleyball team will be losing five seniors this year. Marie Setford — described by Coach Ron Racey as "being the best volleyball player in the Council" — will be graduating, as will all star setters Tracy Klein and Colleen Farrell and Amy Kane and Karen O'Brien.

The team had a great year, keeping their minds on the game all the time. They were well balanced, schooled, and possessed that special chemistry of champions.

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Eagles edge Mohon, stopped by Colonie

By Dave DeCecco

The Bethlehem boys basketball team split a pair of league games last week, moving their record to 5-8 within the council, 5-13 overall. Last Tuesday, the Eagles nipped Mohonasen 53-51, and on Friday they fell to Colonie, 51-39.

In the Mohonasen game, BC found themselves in a 10-point hole after three quarters of play, but virtually shut down the Mohons in the final period to come out on top. Coach Jack Moser says that his team "played an exceptional fourth period," and with good defense and many rebounds was able to keep things under control at the end. Todd Wright led all scorers with 21 points, followed by John Peyrebrune with 10 and Mike Hodge with 7. Moser added that Peyrebrune's two clutch free throws down the stretch secured the victory for the Eagles.

Friday, BC visited Colonie's little room that they call a gym, and Moser calls a "closet." Though they came out on the short end of the 51-39 tally, they nearly reached their goal of holding the opposition to 50 points. Shooting was the problem in this one. Bethlehem shot 19 of 58 (33 percent) from the floor, while the Garnet Raiders shot something close to 60 percent, a hard percentage to beat. The other facets of the Eagle's game were all right, but the ball just was not going in for them. Wright again led Bethlehem, this time with 14 points, while John Reagan contributed 10 and Peyrebrune had 8.

Yesterday (Tuesday) BC was at Saratoga, where they faced a quick, strong, and high scoring

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team. They will host Gold Division leader Burnt Hills on Friday in their final regular season game. The Sectional tournament begins the following Friday, and Bethlehem has chosen to compete. Some council schools, including Guilderland and Shaker, have opted out, and as a result, Moser notes the possibility of being the last seed in the tournament, meaning that his squad will meet up with one of many strong entries. He anticipates that they will draw CBA or Bishop Maginn, and that perennial powers Albany and Shenendehowa will receive byes. The first round pairings will be announced the day before the Burnt Hills game.

Bethlehem Boosters set for '87

Recently elected officers of the Bethlehem Boosters Club for the 1987 season are: Bill Acquario, president; Mike Taylor and John Mooney, vice presidents; Connie Heathwaite, treasurer, and Aline Cardona, secretary.

Elected to the board as delegates by the general membership were Doug Pratt, Jerry Riegal and Rex Trobridge. Appointed to the board were Al and Corrine Newman, Lynn and Tom Bailey, Briggs McAndrews, Kevin Klein, Al and Maryann Greehalgh, Larry Miller and Barbara Jadick.

Varsity games scheduled for 1987 are as follows: Sept. 12, Shaker; Sept. 18, Colonie; Sept. 25, Saratoga; Oct. 2, Niskayuna;



Bethlehem's John Reagan, No. 51, pumps in two of his 10 points against Colonie as Todd Wright, No. 55, looks on. R.H. Davis

Oct. 9, Mt. Pleasant; Oct. 16, Guilderland; Oct. 23, Shenendehowa; Oct. 31, Burnt Hills, and Nov. 6, Columbia.

The 1987 activity calendar includes the following events: booster membership picnic, Sept. 7; pep rally, Sept. 11; dinner dance and B.C. open golf tournament, Sept. 26; tail gate party, Oct. 9; homecoming, Oct. 16; Pop Warner Day, Oct. 23, and football awards banquet, Nov. 13.

The boosters hope to sell a season ticket for all home games.

Gymnasts to states

Leslie MacDowell, 10, a student at Elsmere Elementary School, and Amy Schron, 9, a student at Slingerlands Elementary School, qualified for the state gymnastic finals during the New York State Sectional Gymnastics Meet recently held in Binghamton.

MacDowell scored 33.05. Schron qualified with a score of 31.00. The state meet will be held in Gloversville in June.

MacDowell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence MacDowell of Elsmere. Schron is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Schron of Slingerlands.

Fordians top Birds

By Rick Leach

Have you ever heard the saying, "They couldn't put the ball in the ocean if they were standing on the beach?" That's the way Coach Bob Crandall and the Voorheesville Basketball team felt last Tuesday when they took on Colonial Council foe Waterford.

Although the Birds played good defense in shutting out one of the league's top scorers in John Anderson, they just couldn't convert themselves, even though they had many opportunities. It wasn't just outside shots, either. The hosts missed many breakaway lay ups and shots inside.

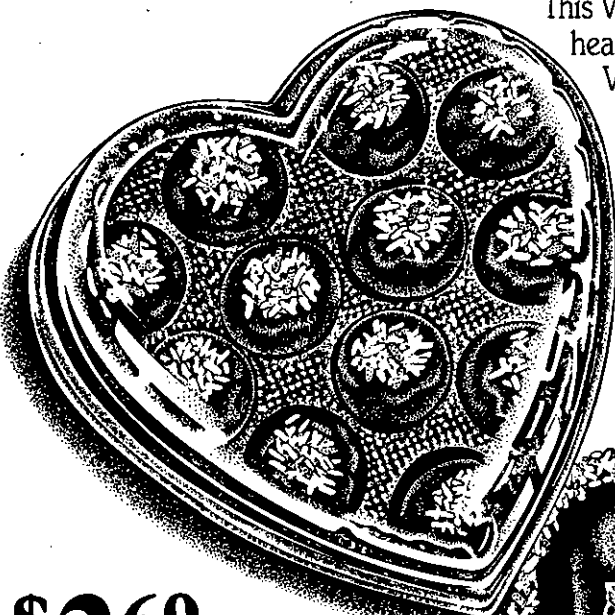
Even with this horrible shooting, Voorheesville led by one at the half and at the end of the third quarter. The lead changed back and forth in the final stanza until Waterford took a three-point lead with less than two minutes to go. John Meacham drove the lane and hit a short jumper to pull within a single point, and then the Purple and Gold got the ball back with a chance to take the lead. However, Kyle Larabee's bank shot rolled off the rim, and the Fordians rebounded. The visitor's Kyle O'Brien nailed two critical foul shots to move them ahead by three, which the Blackbirds answered with a quick field goal, but it was too little too late, as the Fordians hung on for a 37-36 triumph.

All of the statistics in the game were even except for foul shooting, where Waterford was 17-23 and Voorheesville was 4 of 8. "It was not a real pleasant game to watch from a fan's standpoint, and not a good game to coach from a coach's standpoint," said a frustrated Coach Crandall. He also added that "we had scouted them very heavily and did what we had to do in stopping Anderson, but we couldn't stop O'Brien when we had to." The left handed guard posted ten points, four key scores in the last quarter.

Three days later the Blackbirds were on the road to take on an

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Indians squeak by Cadets, Berne-Knox

By Bart Gottesman

They weren't pretty, or easy for that matter, but the RCS Varsity Basketball team won both games they played last week to end a six-game losing streak and move them closer to finishing the season with a better than par record.

The victories came against two teams that Ravena had defeated earlier in the season and were the first two additions to the "W" column in 1987. The margin of victory in both contests totaled only three and therefore gave the fans much excitement.

The first victory came against Albany Academy, the Indianapolis Colts of the Colonial Council. RCS squeaked by the Cadets by a 42-40 score. According to Indian Chief Jim Gorham, "We (Ravena) played down to their level."

Gorham felt that his team should have pulled away earlier and won by more, and they didn't. In the final minute Ravena was up seven points, but Academy cut the margin down to two in that period only to fall short by one basket. Gorham was upset that his troops played poorly but said, "The kids didn't play well and we won. Lately we've played well, but lost. I'm glad we got the win." Seniors Adam Wheeler and Tony Williams paced the Indian scoring attack.

Excitement at the Academy game was no where near that of Saturday's game at Berne-Knox. The opening minutes of the first half belonged to Berne-Knox, which built up a lead of 11 points at one time and "seemed to score each time they got their hands on the ball," according to Gorham.

Toward the end of the first half Ravena had cut into the lead and eventually erased it to go into halftime with a tie score. The third

quarter belonged to Ravena as they opened a lead that they would hold for the duration of the contest. With 56 seconds remaining on the game clock Ravena held a seven point lead.

At that time, Ravena JV and assistant varsity coach Bruce Stott told Gorham that the final 56 seconds would be "the longest 56 seconds of their lives." Stott should become a fortune teller. Berne-Knox scored seven straight points in the final seconds thanks to a pressure defense and foul shooting.

With the score tied and time running out, RCS drove down the court and junior Mike Frazetta was fouled. The clock read :01 and Frazetta stood at the foul line with all eyes affixed on him. Frazetta let the ball go and watched it sail on an arch for the awaiting rim and net. The orange sphere "hit every possible part of the rim before going in," said Gorham.

Leading the Indians in offense were Wheeler and John Waddingham who scored 25 and 13 respectively. Gorham felt that

Waddingham had his best shooting night of the season. Williams added nine for the winners.

This week the Indians play two teams that they have lost to in earlier games. Gorham feels the outcome will depend on his team's defense, a facet of the Indian game that Gorham has been unhappy with all season. The two games are both Colonial Council match-ups against Cohoes, yesterday, and Voorheesville at home on Friday. JV games start at 6 p.m. Ravena is presently 6-8 in the council.

improved Schalmont team, a group they had beaten by 12 at home. The Sabres utilized their quickness and added confidence in rushing out to an 18-12 first quarter lead. Voorheesville played an excellent second quarter to take a three point lead to intermission, but that turned around in the second half, as the hosts cruised to a 63-55 victory. Both teams shot around 50 percent, but again Voorheesville was beaten at the foul line. The Sabres were 11 of 17 in free throws, the Birds 5 of 9. The Purple and Gold threw the ball away numerous times, and were out rebounded 26-23.

"There's no way they should have out rebounded us," Coach Crandall noted. "We had the bigger club." Leading the Blackbirds in a losing effort were Meacham with 13 points and Gordiner Foster with 12. Joe Harding pulled down eight rebounds and Ed Sapienza played very well off the bench.

On Tuesday the Birds challenged league cellar dweller Albany Academy at home, and they will go to Mechanicville for a make-up game on Wednesday and to Ravena on Friday. The Birds beat all of these squads the first time around and need wins here for confidence going into the Sectionals.

Comedy club

A Comedy Club workshop, featuring an analysis of the comic styles of Robin Williams, Eddie Murphy and Bill Cosby, will be offered by Irene Rosenthal, children and young adult librarian, at the Bethlehem Public Library, on Thursday, Feb. 19, at 2 p.m.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to develop their own routines and do a monologue for the Bethlehem cable television channel.

To register for the free program call 439-9314.

Lady Eagles try for sectionals

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

"All things come to those who wait," as the saying goes — finally. This was definitely the case for Bethlehem Girls Varsity Basketball team last week. The Eagles are in a crucial position now — if they win their last two games this week, they will be included in the Sectionals.

The Lady Eagles started off the week with a bang by defeating Scotia 47-34. Then, on Wednesday, they lost a heart breaker to Mohanasen. They were down 18 points in the fourth quarter with 6 minutes left to go and came roaring back, but fell short 45-40. Julie Francis, once again flawless from the foul line, went 5 for 5 in the fourth quarter.

In the Columbia game, the girls lost 46-29, but whether they knew it or not, it served as a springboard for the Colonie game.

According to Coach Gene Lewis, it was a team decision to bring Anita Caplan up to the

varsity level to play against Columbia because of her outstanding performance against the same school at the JV level. She did not disappoint her teammates or her coach and went on to score 8 points and do an outstanding job in her offensive rebounding.

The Colonie game was a "very big and important win" for the Lady Eagles, said Lewis. As a team, the Eagles played an "extremely good defensive game" and stayed with it through three overtimes. Both Colonie and Bethlehem played the first two overtimes evenly and continued to tie it in the third. But it was the third overtime that demonstrated Bethlehem's outstanding will to win as they out scored Colonie by 6-2 at the foul line. Superior efforts were demonstrated by

Caplan in the second overtime, who was also 1 for 2 from the foul line, Julie Francis who was 3 for 4 from the foul line, both Leslie Anderson and Wendy Vogel with one crucial basket each, and Nancy Frattura, who scored the last two points. As Coach Lewis pointed out, it was "an excellent overall team effort."

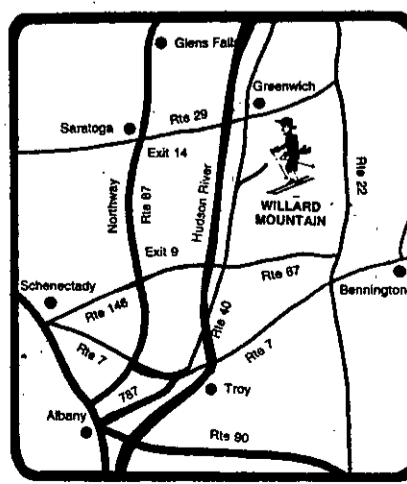
This week, the Eagles play Saratoga away and Burnt Hills for their last home game. These will be very important games for Bethlehem. "Our fate is in our own hands. We have to win," Coach Lewis said.

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Eagles beat New Hartford, off to sectionals

By Kevin Mullen

The Bethlehem Central mens' varsity swimming team continued its winning streak with four more matches last week, including an impressive 94-78 win over New Hartford on Saturday.

Head coach Ken Neff was especially pleased with the victory over New Hartford one of BC's traditional state-wide rivals. "New Hartford looked very good," and his swimmers "swam very well," Neff said. It was the first time all season that his 21 swimmers worked as a unit, he said.

It was New Hartford last year that broke one of the longest winning streaks in area high school sports when they beat BC 46-37 in Delmar. It was the first time Bethlehem had lost in its home pool in 16 years.

Bethlehem began the week Monday against Shenendehowa, winning 51-32 in a meet held at Mechanicville High School. Neff said that junior Graham Sattiger stood out because he qualified for the sectionals in the 100 fly (1:07.8).

"Graham is the most improved performer on the team," Neff said. "He's turning into a pretty good one." Another one to watch is Anthony Ferro, a junior, who has made the difficult conversion from fly to backstroke. "I threw him into the backstroke two weeks ago," Neff said. Ferro qualified for the Sectionals against Shenendehowa with a mark of 1:09.6 in the backstroke.

On Wednesday, Bethlehem

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defeated an inexperienced Niskayuna team. Neff said that Niskayuna has 15 freshman on its varsity and no pool.

On Friday, Guilderville (a combination of Guilderland and Voorheesville) fell to the Eagles. "Nothing much happened against Guilderville," Neff said. "But we got primed up for New Hartford."

On Saturday, Neff said that New Hartford made several strategic errors when they matched up their swimmers in key events against the Bethlehem swimmers. "They didn't know what we had so they placed their people in the wrong events," he said.

In the 200 freestyle, BC took first, fourth, and fifth. Justin Baird took first place (1:49.7).

In the 200 medley relay, BC took first, fourth, and sixth. Cameron O'Connor, Pete Greenwald, Geoff Frank and George Tanner took first place in 1:47.1.

New Hartford cleaned up in the 200 individual medley, taking

first, second and third. Keith Dicks came in fourth. This was one of New Hartford's tactical mistakes, Neff said, since they could have used one of their good swimmers for a later event, like the backstroke.

BC came right back and took first, second and third in the 50 freestyle. Chris Drew, George Tanner and Captain Joe Kowalski took the honors.

Neff and assistant coach Mike Fitzpatrick got a bonus in the diving event when Alex Hall and Scott Reed second and fourth. Neff said he expected a second and a fifth place.

In the 100 fly, the Eagles finished first, fourth and sixth. Geoff Frank had the best time, 57:2, followed by New Hartford's 57:6. Neff said that New Hartford made another mistake here, moving a sure first place winner to another event.

Chris Drew (49:6), Joe Kowalski (52:6) and George Tanner (52:9) were "outstanding" in the 100 freestyle. They placed first, second and fourth. Neff described this event as another example of New Hartford's poor match ups.

Tyrrell in winning style

By Matt Bates

It was another tough week for the Guilderville swim team as they were beaten badly by Glens Falls and by league powerhouse Bethlehem. The squad's record has now reached 1-11.

Kevin Tyrrell was the only individual winner for the team. On Wednesday, he won the 200 free at Glens Falls with an excellent time. Later in the meet,

Tyrrell again had a good time as he won the 100 backstroke.

Last Friday at Bethlehem, the team was up against a very strong foe. It showed as it was again Tyrrell who was the only winner for Guilderville, this time winning both the 50 free and the 100 fly.

As Sectionals approach, it appears that Tyrrell will be Guilderville's only threat. He is looking for some very strong finishes in his best events, the free styles.

4-H club meets

Young people aged 8 to 19 are welcome to attend the 4-H Club's Funster meetings every Thursday, from 7 to 8 p.m., at the Jerusalem Reformed Church.

In the 500 freestyle, BC placed first, third and fifth. Justin Baird (5:03), John McCarthy (5:24.7) and Chris Engstrom (5:27) piling up the points. At the start of the 100 backstroke, BC had a 59-51 lead over New Hartford. BC took third, fourth and sixth in the event with Cameron O'Connor with the third best time.

In the 100 breaststroke, with BC leading New Hartford by a 67-57 score, the Eagles took first, second and fourth. Neff described this event as "another key event." Pete Greenwald (1:07.1), Keith

Dicks (1:09.3) and Scott Whitney (1:11.3) had "very good swims" according to Neff.

In the final event, the 400 free relay, BC took first, fourth and fifth. Finishing first with a time of 3:30.3 were Justin Baird, John McCarthy, Chris Drew and Joe Kowalski.

Neff said that he feels confident going into Sectionals because of the way his swimmers performed on Saturday. The Sectional trials begin at 4:30 p.m. on Friday at the State University at Albany. The finals begin at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Invisible ice makes Monday a nightmare

Bethlehem Police were busy Monday morning as black ice and some snow covered the town's roadways, snarling rush hour traffic and causing many minor accidents.

Monday's road conditions are called black ice because the pavement can be seen through the clear ice making it deceptive to motorists.

Police attended about 20 to 25 collisions, crashes and cars off the road, but only three caused excessive damage, one sending an Albany man to the hospital after his car spun around several times and ejecting him when it finally stopped.

Because of accidents on major routes of Rt. 9W, Rt. 32 and the Delmar Bypass to Rt. 85, rush hour travelers into Albany were either forced to wait in traffic or choose Delaware Ave. that was backed up about one mile into Elsmere at about 9:30 a.m.

Lt. Richard Vanderbilt, while not on duty at the time, said he was at the intersection of Rt. 32 and Kenwood Ave., and he nearly became involved in several crashes because cars were sliding all over on the ice.

"People just couldn't control their cars. They couldn't steer, they couldn't brake, they couldn't do anything," Vanderbilt said.

Sent to the area of Kenwood Ave. and Rt. 32 to investigate, Sgt. Joe Sleurs said at least four cars were off the road there at one time. Many times police were helping drivers get out of snow banks and getting back on the road if there wasn't excessive damage or any injuries.

Johnsville man had the tractor trailer he was driving turn around and then go off the road after it slid on ice on Elm Ave. near Jericho Rd. at about 5 a.m. The driver was not injured, police said.

An Albany man was sent to the hospital after his car spun around several times at Rt. 9W and Rt. 32, hit several snowbanks, finally ejecting him from his car, police said. Raine Lullard, 34, of Albany, told police as the car was slowing down, he unfastened his seat belt, hit another snowbank and was ejected from his car, falling on to the road.

Lullard was taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment of abrasions on his arms and was later released, a hospital spokesman said.

A few minutes later, at 8:05 a.m., an unidentified car collided with an Albany man's car as he was driving south on Rt. 9W. Police said the unidentified car failed to yield the right of way as he entered Rt. 9W from Rt. 32. No injuries were reported.

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RCS' Jackie Mulligan takes a shot for two points. Bart Gottesman

Lady Indians decision three

By Paul Curley

Winning three games in four days was the only way the Ravena Girls Basketball team could hang on to their top ranking in the Colonial Council, tied with Lansingburgh. Carrying an impressive 14-3 record (11-1 in the league) into this last week of the regular season, the Indians play Cohoes today at home and finish with a trip to Voorheesville on Friday.

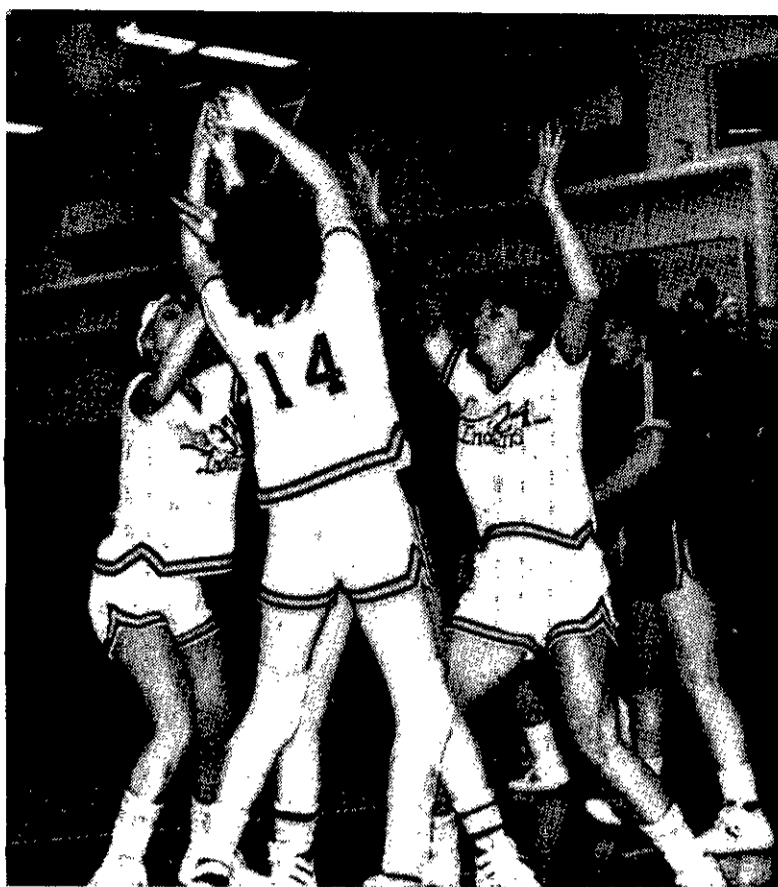
The Indians faced Holy Names last Wednesday in a physical, aggressive game and came out on top 58-46. Frances Losee was a key reason for their success. She kept the Council's high scorer, the Holy Names point guard, from the kind of scoring action she was accustomed to with a box and one defense tactic. Terri Baker was sharp in this game as well with a big 24 points including 6 out of 6 from the foul line. Tracey Tucker added 13 and Jackie Mulligan pitched in with 10 points.

Two days later came a non-league contest versus Averill Park. This was a one-sided game with a final score of Ravena 61, Averill Park 47. The entire nine members of the Ravena varsity squad got into the scoring column for the first time. Baker led again with 16, while Mulligan had 11 and Losee had 10.

The next night Ravena played a make-up game against Watervliet, where they again came away the victors, 50-38. This was an exhausting game that the Indians were simply thankful to win. It was obvious there were two tired teams out on the court and Ravena "did not play very well," according to Coach Betty Faxon. "It wasn't pretty, but we did the job."

Mulligan was the high scorer with 14, and Tucker, Baker and Losee each had 8.

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Tracy Tucker, no. 32, Terri Baker, no. 12, and Lisa Holsapple attempt to steal the ball for the Indians. Bart Gottesman

BC girls even record

By Renee Hunter

The Sectionals just may be in sight for the Voorheesville girls basketball team as they raised their overall record to 8-8 and their league record to 7-5 with a win over Schalmont last week.

Three players, Tricia Carmody, Laura Martin and Jennifer Elliot, were in double figures in the 47-39 victory last Friday. Also scoring for the Birds were Donna Bulgaro and Tally Bausback.

Coach Nadine Bassler said all five girls played well. They were able to make several fast breaks, which led to lay-ups and extra points.

Today (Wednesday) the Voorheesville girls play Holy Names in what may be a close game. The Blackbirds just edged by their opponent in an earlier game, 40-39. On Friday Ravena comes to Voorheesville for the second half of the team's rivalry.

Stolen from car

A tire cover from a tire carrier on a Delmar woman's car was taken Friday while it was parked at 275 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem Police reported. The tire cover, no value available, was taken between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

Golf committees set

Serving on the women's golfing committees at the Normanside Country Club for the 1987 season are Mrs. Levon Bedrosian, Mrs. Dyke Farrow, Mrs. Edward J. Cocoran, Mrs. Raymond J. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Phelan, Mrs. William N. Stasiuk, Mrs. Eugene D. Jagareski Jr., Mrs. Morris Gordon, Mrs. Henry P. Kiernan, Mrs. Graham Redmond, Mrs. John Meldrum, Mrs. Thomas E. Curtis, Mrs. Joseph A. Allgaier, Mrs. Paul F. Devio, Mrs. Robert D. Stone, Mrs. Roger M. Fritts, Mrs. Michael Hodom, Mrs. Madeleine M. Leisenfelder, Mrs. Margaret M. Smith, Mrs. James D. Papile, and Mrs. Frances Hanley.

Open BOU meeting

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited has scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, Feb. 25, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Bethlehem Town Hall. All are welcome. For information call Holly Billings at 439-6885.

Postmaster's plea

Albany Postmaster Kenneth R. Prentiss has asked area residents to remove ice and snow from walkways, driveways, steps and porches in order to reduce the number of slips and falls that result in fractured or broken bones, sprains and back injuries by postal letter carriers and special delivery messengers. For information call 456-5137.

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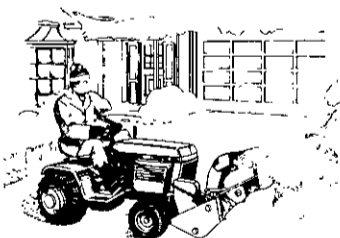
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The films will be presented on Thursdays, Feb. 12 and 26, and March 5, 12, 19 and 26, from 7:30 to 9 p.m., at the St. Thomas School. Admission is \$1 per evening or \$5 for all six evenings. For information call Barb Kelly at 439-0716.

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Finally, "The Nature and Wisdom of Fasting," an overview of fasting in Christianity and other religions and cultures, will be offered at St. Thomas the Apostle Church on Wednesday, Feb. 25, beginning at 7:30 p.m. For information call 439-3945.

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OBITUARIES

M. Elizabeth Smith

M. Elizabeth Smith, 94, of Delaware Ave., Delmar, a former supervisor for the New York Telephone Co., died Monday, Feb. 2, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was a 40-year resident of Delmar. Born in Castleton-on-Hudson, she also lived in Albany.

She retired in 1957 as a supervisor with New York Telephone Co. after many years. She worked for the state Health Department until 1960, and then she became executive secretary for the City Club in Albany until 196

She was a member of the City Club of Albany, the Telephone Pioneers of America and the Business and Professional Women's Club of Albany. She was also an honorary member of the Monday Musical Club of Albany.

She is survived by a sister, Georganna K. Smith of Delmar.

Burial was in Mountain View Cemetery in Castleton. Arrangements were by Marshall W. Tebbutt's Sons Funeral Home of Delmar.

Contributions can be made to the elevator fund of the First Church in Albany Reformed or First Church of Christ Scientist of Albany.

Florence T. O'Brien

Florence T. O'Brien, of Bethlehem Terrace Apartments, a former teacher and actress, died Tuesday, Feb. 3, in St. Peter's Hospital after a brief illness.

She was a resident of Slingerlands for the past two years, and she was born in Hoboken, N.J.

She graduated from Fordham University, received a master's degree from Columbia University, attended Seton Hall, and did postgraduate work at Cambridge University in England.

She was a teacher, supervisor and high school vice principal in the Hoboken school system, and she was honored by the New Jersey State Senate for 40 years of teaching.

She also appeared in operas and in the movies. She studied voice with the head of the Metropolitan Opera House, and appeared in "The Student Prince," "Princess Flavia," and "The Nightingale and Patience." She worked for RCA Corp., appearing in "The Cigarette Girl," and the musicals "Hit the Deck" and "Good News." She was also an understudy for the Broadway plays "Mary Malones" and "Billy."

Her survivors include a sister, Mary Lyons of Slingerlands; two nieces, Patrice Lyons of Washington, D.C., and Rose Gadbois of Bethlehem, Pa.; and five great nieces and nephews.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands. Arrangements were by the Hearley and Son Funeral Home of Albany.

Irene Bink

Irene L. Gifford Bink, 65, of Park Ave., Albany, a former resident of Bethlehem, died Sunday, Feb. 1, at Albany Medical Center Hospital after a brief illness.

She was born in Bethlehem and lived in Albany most of her life.

She was a homemaker.

She was a member of the Schenectady Chapter 188 of the Loyal Order of the Moose.

She is survived by four daughters, Florence Strauss of Clearwater, Fla., Joan Petri of Albany, Helen Zessin of Albany, and Mary Myrick of Pittsfield, Mass.; two sons, David Bink of Schenectady and William Bogdanowicz of Albany; two sisters, Delia Zdzelski of Albany and Esther Perisco of Albany; a brother, Frank Gifford of Feura Bush; 24 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Bethlehem Rural Cemetery. Arrangements were by the Zwack and Sons Funeral Home of Albany.

Doris Wilson

Doris M. Uhl Wilson, 67, of Delaware Turnpike in Delmar, a retired state worker, died Friday, Feb. 6.

Born in Albany, she was a longtime resident of Delmar. Her family once owned Uhl's Grove in Delmar.

She was a retired clerk with the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

She was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Barbara Dorsey; three sons, Lloyd R. Wilson Jr., Theodore J. Wilson and Roger W. Wilson; a sister, Norma Aupperle; and 10 grandchildren.

Burial was in St. Matthew's Lutheran Cemetery in Glenmont. Arrangements were by the Edmund J.C. Dascher Sons Funeral Home of Albany.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice of Albany.

Shirley Heck

Shirley Johnson Heck, 51, of Marlboro Rd. Delmar, a child welfare specialist, died suddenly at her home on Thursday, Feb. 5.

Born in Buffalo, she moved to Delmar about eight years ago.

She attended Buffalo public schools, and graduated from West Virginia State College.

She was director of the Head Start Task Program, director of the Job Placement and Training of the Buffalo Urban League, and she was also a school teacher in Buffalo.

In Albany, she was a child welfare specialist with the state Department of Social Services.

She was the author of the book, "Wrapping Men."

She was a member of Blacks in Government of Albany, and Black Dimensions in Art of Schenectady. She was also a member of the Buffalo Lincoln

Memorial United Methodist Church.

Her survivors include a son, James D. Heck IV of Buffalo; a granddaughter Cherrelle Nicole Heck of Buffalo; four aunts, three uncles, several cousins, and many other relatives and friends.

Arrangements were by the Buffalo Memorial Chapel of Buffalo.

Contributions can be made to Black Dimensions in Art of Schenectady.

Dorothy Beardslee

Dorothy Janice Heberling Beardslee, 68, of Woodwind Farm, Voorheesville, a former softball and tennis player, died Monday, Jan. 26, at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady after a long illness.

She was a resident of Voorheesville for the last 38 years. She was born in Du Bois, Pa., and also lived in Lansing, Mich.

She was a 1938 graduate of Lansing Central High School.

She played softball for the Oldsmobile Women's Team and was the former city tennis champion in Lansing.

Her survivors include her husband, William Walter Beardslee; a daughter, Janice Kirschenbaum of Franklin, Mich.; a son, William Roger Beardslee of Burlington, Vt.; a brother, Paul Heberling of Lansing; and three grandchildren.

Burial was in Deepdale Memorial Park in Lansing. Arrangements were by the Reilly and Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville, and Estey-Leadley Co. in Lansing.

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Day care center planned

FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glastetter

By Patricia Mitchell

They're naming their new day care center Knuffels, which translated roughly from the Dutch means "cuddly, soft and secure." The new center at 1 Bethlehem Court will also be roomy, able to accommodate up to 120 children.

Prospective parents can get a preview of Knuffels (pronounce the "k") during a "hard hat tour" Thursday. From 6:30 to 9 p.m., parents will be able to see the as-yet-unrefurbished building, one of the former state Dormitory Authority Buildings, meet some of the teachers, and get a preview of some of the programs before the center's expected April opening.

That opening date is contingent on town approval of the building plans and state approval of the care plans.

The brainchild of Doreen Signorelli of Delmar and Margaret A. Bell of Ravena, both pediatric nurses, Knuffels is being started because of the shortage of day care facilities in the area. Signorelli said she worked with day care centers during eight years she recently spent in Europe, and had thought about opening one for many years before that. When she and her husband came back to the United States late last year, they had trouble finding supervision for their three children. Signorelli said the lack of facilities made her put the idea on the front burner again and Knuffels was conceived.

Knuffels will be one of the largest day care facilities in the area,

but Signorelli said no matter what the size of the facility, there are always enormous waiting lists. Few families today can afford to have only one parent working, so the choices are a day care center or a responsible babysitter.

"Delmar's growing. There's a demand out there, there's a need," Signorelli said.

As soon as an architect finishes drawing up plans in about three weeks, site plan approval will be sought from the town Planning Board. Signorelli said the 5,200-square foot building is loaded with windows, and has a built-in safety factor of being one-story. More toilets and sinks will be added, a sprinkler system will be installed, and a new coat of paint put on before the center will open.

A large room in the center of the building will be used for an indoor playground and several smaller rooms in the back can be used for classrooms. An outside playground will be put up when the ground turns dry, and a fence will be added around the building.

The state Department of Social Service is working on certification of the center. Signorelli said the size of the center is a concern, but she said the department considers it feasible as long as there is a staff-to-child ratio of one to five.

About 40 percent of the staff has been hired so far, and Signorelli said they are being very picky over who they hire. They are looking for people who are congenial, caring, generally warm and enthusiastic, she said.

Signorelli said early plans call

for spaces for 16 children ages eight weeks to 18 months; two sections for children 18 months to 3 years; two sections of 3-year-olds; two sections of 4-year-olds; and potentially one group of 5-year-olds.

The center is hoping to work out an agreement with Bethlehem Central Schools for transportation to and from the center. Children could be picked up or dropped off at the center before or after half-day kindergarten programs. They would also like to use BC transportation for before and after-school programs for so-called "latch key" children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

As children grow older, the focus of the program will shift from care to learning, Signorelli said. And, because every child starting day care or school for the first time develops a runny nose, she said she would like to try keeping the children well hydrated, encourage more outdoor time and have more fresh air throughout the building.

Signorelli said the center will be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mondays through Fridays for both full and part-time day care. If there is enough demand, the center could be open for a small group of children on Saturdays. Signorelli will be at the center early in the morning and late in the afternoon, and Bell will be there most of the day.

Interested parents may call Signorelli at 475-1019.

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Jan. 29	6:59 a.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Jan. 29	6:59 a.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Jan. 29	6:59 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 29	3:55 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical emergency
Jan. 29	6:30 p.m.	N. Beth. Fire Dept. EMS	Heart attack
Jan. 29	8:59 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Violence
Jan. 30	8:33 a.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto accident
Jan. 30	8:33 a.m.	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Rescue call
Jan. 30	8:33 a.m.	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Standby
Jan. 30	8:33 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto accident
Jan. 30	3:07 p.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Jan. 30	3:07 p.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Jan. 30	3:07 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 31	3:18 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical emergency
Jan. 31	3:26 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical emergency
Jan. 31	2:37 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Jan. 31	2:57 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Jan. 31	7:32 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 31	9:20 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Unknown
Feb. 1	10:52 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Feb. 1	12:30 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical emergency
Feb. 1	3:09 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Feb. 1	3:43 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Feb. 2	11:13 p.m.	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Personal injury
Feb. 3	6:17 a.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Trailer fire
Feb. 3	8:55 a.m.	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Medical emergency
Feb. 3	7:05 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto accident
Feb. 3	7:28 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Feb. 3	11:47 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal injury
Feb. 4	7:17 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical emergency
Feb. 4	10:29 a.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Respiratory distress
Feb. 4	10:35 a.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Respiratory distress
Feb. 4	6:51 p.m.	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto accident
Feb. 4	11:09 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal injury

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Right to govern the issue

Editor, The Spotlight:

Over the last few months there have been many reports of the actions, in and out of court, for and against the proposed gravel mine in the town of New Scotland. We believe the number and complexity of these actions have left the community confused.

In our view, had the Concerned Citizens of New Scotland not intervened, the gravel mine could have been a reality by now. Their actions in opposition to the mine forced the matter into court where the outcome hinges on the answer to two questions: first, can the Environmental Conservation Law be interpreted so that an EnCon mining permit supercedes local zoning; and second, does an applicant have rights under the old law if the application to operate a mine was submitted prior to a change in the zoning law which now prohibits mining.

One judge has answered the first question by saying that state law (The Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1974) prevents local governments from applying zoning laws to the placement of gravel mines. If that judge's decision is upheld on appeal, gravel mines could be placed anywhere in the community without regard to zoning or the character of the neighborhood. The only criteria would be those imposed by EnCon, which does not consider local planning. That decision is being appealed on the ground that it was based on an earlier decision which concerned the ability of local governments to regulate the operation of mines and not on their right to determine the placement of mines through zoning laws.

If, after appeal, the first question is decided against the mine operator and they must comply with local zoning laws, the answer to the second question becomes critical. That is now the subject of a separate lawsuit brought by the mine operator against the Town. They claim their application to operate a mine is not affected by the recent change in the zoning law since was made prior to the change. Under the law the mine operator must show that it has incurred substantial expense or substantially completed construction in order to claim the benefit of the zoning law before it was changed.

When the debate over the gravel mine started the focus was on such matters as water supply, noise, truck traffic, dirt and dust, and the overall quality of life in the community. These matters have been decided. The Town Board, on the recommendation of the Planning Board, unanimously voted to prohibit mining in the area under discussion, immediately adjacent to the most populated portion of the Town. Now the debate has moved into the courts, where the question of whether or not the town has the right to govern itself will be decided. The issue is very much alive. It may be decided by the dedication of the interested parties. How hard are the town government, concerned citizens, and the mine operator willing to fight for what they want?

Edward Clark
Kenneth Connolly

Voorheesville

Edward Clark is mayor of Voorheesville, Kenneth Connolly is village justice, and both are supporters of Concerned Citizens of New Scotland, Inc.

Stop smoking

The "Breathe Easy Five-day Plan to Stop Smoking" will be presented by J. Carlton Keller of

Delmar, and Victor A. Wallenkamph, M.D., director of the St. Clare's Hospital emergency department, on Friday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. The program will be offered at the

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Pitch in

Editor, The Spotlight:

After the fire on Meadowland St. last Thursday, I became aware that both my husband and I didn't know the location of the hydrants on our street. Friday morning, I called the Slingerlands Fire Department and was told to call the Water Department. They gave me the footage of the two hydrants from each corner. My husband found one, tagged and easily accessible, while the second one was completely hidden by the snow. Neighbors gave us the location of the second one and I called the Water Department with the information and they said they would take care of it. Saturday morning the hydrant was still hidden so a few of the neighbors got together and dug it out.

I suggest that each fire vehicle have a list of all hydrant locations on the truck. Had the firemen known where the hydrants were located, there wouldn't have been a 10-minute delay in locating and digging out the hydrants before fighting the fire. I also suggest that the Water Department make an effort to tag all hydrants for the winter months.

Neighbors should pitch in after a snow storm and make certain that there is easy access to the hydrants. It doesn't necessarily have to be the responsibility of the homeowner where the hydrant is located. Should the tags disappear, the homeowner should notify the Water Department to put up a replacement tag.

It takes a tragedy to make us aware of the need to keep the hydrants open during the winter months.

Delmar

Clara Bodian

Delmar Village questions

Editor, The Spotlight:

The following letter has been sent to Mr. John Williamson, chairman, and Members of the Bethlehem Planning Board:

This letter is to acknowledge the courtesy you extended the large group of residents who attended the Planning Board meeting of Feb. 3, which considered the proposed Delmar Village development. It was gratifying to have the opportunity to interact with the developers of the project and Planning Board members.

Delmar Village, a 336-unit development between Delaware Avenue and Orchard Street, includes 280 apartment units, 56 single family homes, a 300-seat amphitheater and approximately 1000 occupants. It is bisected by a 40-mph highway giving cars and trucks access to New Scotland Road along Fisher Boulevard.

This proposal has aroused alarm and concern among many Bethlehem residents. Already, over 200 residents have signed petitions voicing their concern. Three major issues are:

- **Traffic:** the impact of the entire proposed highway system linking the Delmar Bypass to New Scotland Road via Fisher Boulevard, to be studied now, before the project begins, and to include the following:

- A traffic study dealing specifically with the impact of the planned highway on Orchard, Brockley and Union streets. A previous study assumed upgrading and widening of Fisher Blvd., but it may be years before we see these improvements.

- Alternatives to the Fisher Blvd. link in the Bypass System.

- Sidewalks along a 40-mph highway within a one mile radius of the high school.

- **Density:** Recalculation of the density of the multi-family units per acre of developable land to assure conformity to the maximum allowable under PRD zoning.

- **Cost:** A thorough study of the long-term costs to taxpayers of sanitation services, additional schools or classrooms and recreational facilities.

We anticipate increasing interest and involvement of town residents in this highly controversial project, as well as in other proposed developments in town. Bethlehem appears to be "booming." It is imperative that we step back from the developers' drawing board and look at long-term planning. We need a unified vision of the impact of the pieces on the whole so that we can manage our growth positively and effectively, now, instead of years down the road when it may be too late.

Again, we thank you for listening to our ideas. We look forward to your response to the issues raised at the meeting and in this letter

Drs. Richard and Margaret Brown
Dr. and Mrs. C. Pollock

Delmar

Take pity on us

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Business Women would like to add their plea (to the many already voiced), directed to the "powers that be," in Bethlehem concerning the appalling situation of having one supermarket.

It seems ridiculous that more housing is being considered for this area when it is already over crowded with traffic and unable to service the needs of our existing community. Explanations have been made, but it does seem hard to believe that knowing our plight, other stores are unwilling to come because there is not a qualifying number of customers in a given location or that there is not enough space for a store and parking lot to be built. What about the building that housed the Albany Public Market? It was for rent by the Grand Union Co. in November. Somebody should be interested and encouragement should be made to alleviate this problem.

The Grand Union gets more crowded every day, the parking lot is impossible and one wonders how the other stores feel about having the lot taken over by Grand Union customers. The Grand Union does not carry many items, and therefore, customers must travel many miles to compensate. The shelves many times are poorly stocked, ordinary items are frequently depleted, this

emphasizing their inability to handle the many shoppers that are forced to go there.

Please won't some grocery chain take pity on us and come to our aid?

The Bethlehem Business Women

Special business

Editor, The Spotlight:

I read with interest your articles in the Business Supplement (Jan. 28) on the Raskers. We in Delmar should be very thankful for their staying here. They are great and if you ever need anything special in gifts or clothes they are most helpful.

However, I was sorry not to read anything about Brad Kimball who was absolutely fabulous in helping me find presents in the Village Shop.

A thankful customer.

Winnie Hase

Delmar

The 3D dimension

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Elsmere School PTA, we would like to thank you for supporting our 3D show. It is always heartwarming to see a town rally for a fund-raising event.

In spite of the frigid temperatures, the Aubrey's 3D program was very well attended. More than 900 townspeople put on those "funny little glasses" to view slides and learn about "the third dimension."

Special thanks to all of you who added your energies. Elsmere's playground additions to build upper body strength are now a little closer to reality. All we await is Spring and a crew of volunteers to put it all together.

With warmest appreciation, for the publicity the *Spotlight* provided, and to each of you who came to see the show.

*Priscilla Wing
Phyllis Huniger
and the Elsmere PTA*

□ The middle years

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decisions represent a deliberate choice." Mary now has extra time in her work week to serve as religious education director for junior and senior high school students at their church, St. Matthew's Parish.

Their Catholic faith has been "the rock we build on, it has gotten us through the bad times." The McKennas faced two crises, a critical week when their youngest suffered an RH blood incompatibility, and the death of their first child when he was two and a half years old. "Our religion and the relationship between the two of us saw us through." That tragedy established priorities for the McKennas, "That our family was going to be the most important thing to us."

Their togetherness is not a "10," they confess. Jack's stubbornness bothers her, and he feels Mary is too easy-going, letting people take advantage of her, "probably including me!" Immediately after expressing their annoyances, a clear tale of compatibility unfolds: "He's not as tough as he'd like to think he is," adds Mary. "She eases me around," from Jack.

Finding the time for romance? "A day doesn't go by that we don't say I love you," Mary answered. Jack remembers dates, flowers, little surprises. Mary will make a special dessert. They try to get away for a weekend for their anniversary. In the morning hurry with the children, "I always make sure Jack's coffee is there. He always comes first with me."

The McKennas have raised

their four sons and one daughter to think for themselves, to stand up for what they believe, and although they are "too much their own people," they are "arriving at a similar place... no overt signs of a rejection of our values." Their advice to their children will be to find someone with similar values, to give freely of love, and to be open as a family.

Looking ahead to "a little time for ourselves, to travel, to see what has gone before, reevaluate," the McKennas feel satisfied that they have given "all that we have to our family, our community, our church."

The best part of their marriage is the love, the companionship, the partnership. What is love? She: "A total giving of oneself to another. He: "A full commitment in sharing, but one that you receive as much as you give."

Orchestra benefit

The Empire State Youth Orchestra, Repertory Orchestra, Percussion and Jazz Ensembles will raise funds for music, halls, instruments, conductors and scholarships by conducting a 10-hour Playathon at Colonie Center on Saturday, Feb. 14, from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m.

All are welcome. For information call 438-8868.

Winter walks

Two late-winter walks will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, Feb. 21.



Mary and Jack McKenna enjoy the sunshine in their family room's bay window. With a silver wedding anniversary coming up June 30, they have made their home in Voorheesville with their five children for the last 14 years.

Lorraine C. Smith

Maple sugaring talk

Maple sugaring will be discussed during the Feb. 19 meeting of the Albany County Audubon Society at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm

Rd., Delmar. The free meeting will begin at 8 p.m.

Irwin Kling, the state Department of Environmental Conservation's Region IV director, will speak about maple sugaring as practiced at his Sugar Bush Farm in Knox.

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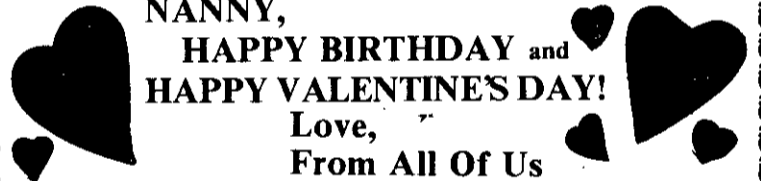
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Community Corner

A birthday note

This year, the United States celebrates the 200th anniversary of the constitution.

From May until September, 1787, the Constitutional Convention met in Philadelphia, and 55 men attended representing the original colonies with the exception of Rhode Island. The initial reason for this convention was only to revise the Articles of Confederation. The delegates from New York were Alexander Hamilton, Abraham Yates and John Lansing Jr. Eight of the men attending had signed the Declaration of Independence, 21 had fought in the Revolutionary War, and many members had helped to write their state constitution.

This group of men representing different areas and interests established a lasting foundation for a nation. The Tawasentha Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution salute these men and their deeds.



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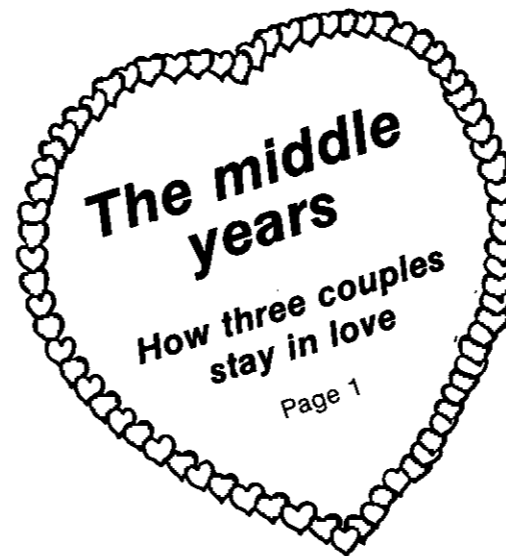
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