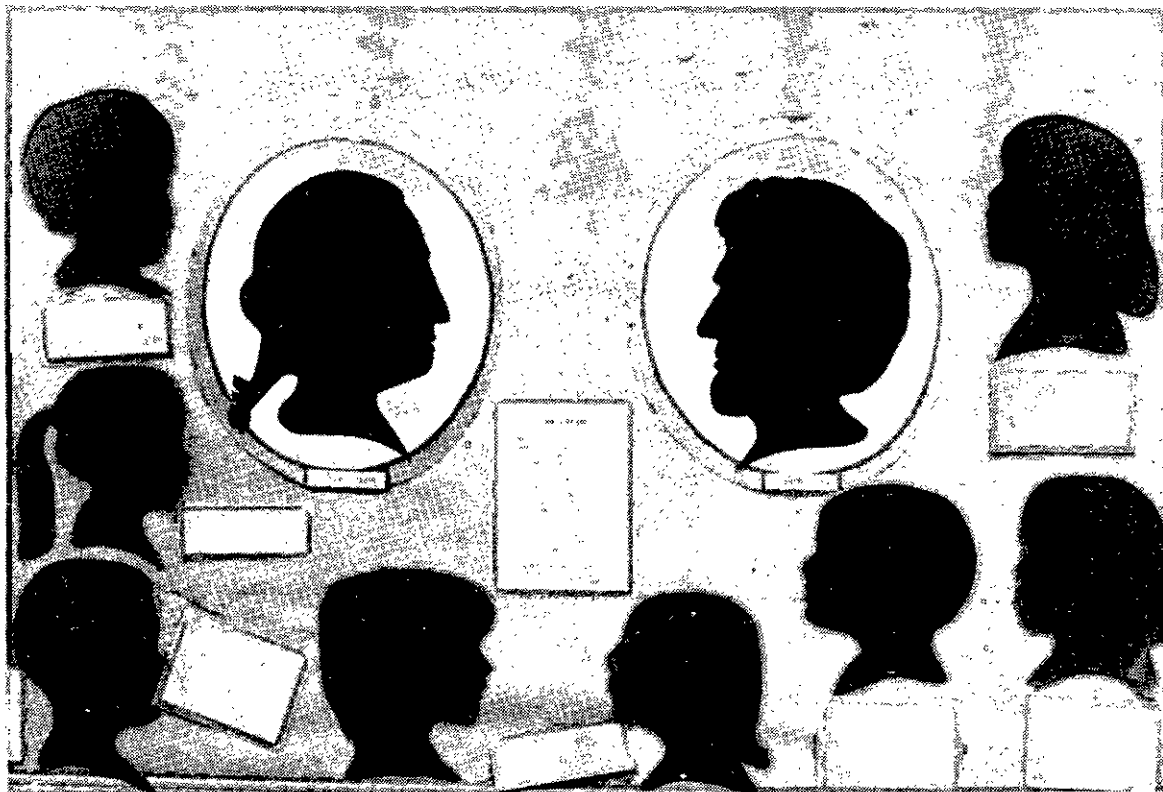


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At Slingerlands Elementary School is a special Presidents' Week display featuring the silhouettes of old and possibly some future presidents. Surrounding George Washington and Abraham Lincoln are Charlotte Rounds' first grade students

with their suggestions, "If I were President." Shelly McManus wrote, "If I were President, I would try to make friends with more people in other countries."

Lynn Finley

Simon is cocky, but charming

New conductor charts course for symphony

By Ann Treadway

Geoffrey Simon is a serious musician, but not always a serious man. His eyes sparkled with humor as he chatted one day last week about his new appointment as music director of the Albany Symphony Orchestra.

Or maybe it's the British slang that lends such a charming light touch to his conversation. He finds it "bracing," for example, that the Albany orchestra has a reputation for taking some musical chances, not always sticking to well-known classics.

And he's eager to prove his ability to conduct the works of some European composers, such as Tchaikovsky and Respighi, whose music, he believes, has frequently been misinterpreted. He heard one such recording recently, Simon said, and it was much too slow, "a bloody dirge."

Simon lives in London, but will be spending a lot of time in Albany for at least the next three

years, the length of his contract with the Albany Symphony Orchestra's Board of Directors. At a press conference held last Wednesday, the 1987-88 schedule was announced, showing Simon will conduct five of the eight programs.

Each concert program, as in the past, will be played on a Friday night at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and then the following Saturday night at the Palace Theater in Albany.

He will also conduct the orchestra's concerts next week, on Feb. 27 and 28. This will be his second trip to the local podium; he "auditioned" here a year ago last December.

Next week's program includes: "Once Upon a Time: Five Fairy Tales" by Bernard Rogers; "Concerto for Improvised Violin and Chamber Orchestra," by Leroy Jenkins, who will also be guest soloist; and "Symphony No. 8 in G-Major; Opus 88," by Antonin Dvorak.

For every concert program he conducts, Simon said, there will be five rehearsals — a long standing tradition for the Albany group which has been led by Julius Hegyi for the past 20 years. (Hegyi has been named Conductor Laureate). That much preparation among professional musicians is "relatively generous," according to Simon.

He plans no personnel changes in the 80-member orchestra for the first year, but hopes eventually to enlarge the strings section.

"The sound of the strings is particularly crucial," he said. "I want it to be well-blended and to achieve a lustrous quality that is more than just the sum of its parts."

Simon, 40, grew up in Melbourne, Australia, and then studied cello and conducting at Indiana University and the Juilliard School of Music. After that, he stayed in this country, teaching music at both the University of Wisconsin and North Texas State University.



Geoffrey Simon

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County ups offer on Jericho Bridge

Apparently in response to public pressure, Albany County Executive James Coyne says the county may be willing to pay one third of the cost of repairing or replacing the Jericho Bridge.

While that represents significant movement on the county's part, the other two parties in the nearly one-year-old dispute over the bridge do not appear to have changed their stances. The Jericho Bridge, the middle of three bridges spanning the Conrail Selkirk Yards, has been closed since last March because of the deterioration of the road surface and the bridge structure. Although Jericho Rd. is a county road, the county claims

that Conrail owns the bridge and should take responsibility. Conrail has refused to do so. And the state has said that there are no funds available for the bridge, since it is already replacing the Mosher Bridge at the east end of the yards and the Rt. 32 bridge at Feura Bush.

The cost of replacing the bridge, which is nearly a quarter of a mile long, has been estimated at \$5 million, and the cost of repairs at \$500,000. However, no detailed engineering assessment of the structure has been made, and no one appears to know if repairs are feasible.

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Trustees to run again

By Patricia Mitchell

Two Voorheesville Village Trustees will be running again for their seats in the village's March 18 election.

Edward Donohue and Richard Langford have filed for the four-year seats on the Village Party ticket. On Tuesday morning, the last day to file petitions, no other nominating petitions were received in the village office.

Donohue and Langford were last elected in March, 1985, to the five-member board. The terms have since been made four years.

Donohue was first appointed to the board in November, 1984, to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of Joseph L. Deidrick.

VOORHEESVILLE

He said he is running again because he is just finishing his first two-year term on the board. The trustee liaison to the sewer commission, Donohue said there is a lot going on in that area, and he is starting to get familiar with the village government.

"The more familiar you get with it, the better job you can do," Donohue said. He is also chairman of the Voorheesville Public Library Board of Trustees.

When he first started on the board, the village was just starting

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Post office is historic

By Patricia Mitchell

Built in 1939 as part of a public works program during the New Deal, the Delmar Post Office has been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

The post office building on Delaware Ave. near the Four Corners is similar to 12 others in the state built during a four-year period during the Great Depression. The list was recently compiled by the National Heritage Trust of the state Office of Parks, Recreation

and Historic Preservation for the United States Postal Service.

Part of the reason for being placed on the register, said Paul Schafer, a consultant to the state office, is that state approval will be needed before any work is done on the post office.

The Delmar Post Office was chosen for nomination because it is representative of a public buildings program during the Depression. The buildings were

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The Delmar Post Office on Delaware Ave. in Delmar hasn't changed much in 47 years.
Patricia Mitchell

County raises exemptions Security talks set

By Patricia Dumas

In line with recent state law, the Albany County Legislature has raised the qualifying income amount for senior citizens seeking property tax exemptions.

The legislature last week approved a local law which will permit elderly taxpayers whose income does not exceed \$12,025 annually to obtain a 50 percent exemption on their county property tax. The income ceiling previously was \$10,025 but the state legislature has authorized local governments to set the higher qualifying level.

In a debateless meeting that lasted less than 15 minutes, the county lawmakers last week also increased the amount of an engineering contract with Clough Harbour & Associates for work on temporary housing at the county jail.

Clough Harbour had been awarded a \$22,000 contract last year for work on a dormitory to house 20 inmates during times of overcrowding at the jail. The space provided, however, was ruled inadequate by the State Commission on Correction, which found that only 12 inmates

could be housed in the dormitory. The extended contract will pay the engineering firm another \$17,000 so that a similar adjacent dormitory can be provided for temporary housing of another 12 inmates.

Acting on other agenda items, the legislators approved a \$7,500 expenditure under the county STOP-DWI Program for compiling of information on accidents related to drunken driving and "hazardous locations" in the county. The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee will cover the cost through a grant.

Crime prevention will be coming into Bethlehem living rooms as the Bethlehem Police start a series on crime prevention on cable, leading up to an open discussion later this month.

The series, featuring Bethlehem Police Officer James Corbett, will be shown over Channel 8, Bethlehem's cable access channel, dealing mostly with residential security. Corbett said the series will discuss different locks, window, patio door and door security, and neighborhood watch programs aimed at trying to keep intruders out of homes. There will

also be some information offered on commercial security.

The first program of its kind for the Bethlehem Police, Corbett said the department tapped the series because television reaches a lot of people. The medium is also convenient, he said. When locks are discussed, for example, viewers will be able to check out their locks while watching the series.

The program will lead up to an open discussion on crime prevention from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at the town hall. Corbett said all residents are welcome to attend to discuss mostly residential security and burglaries.

The series will start at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday (today), with lock security, and continue at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, with home safety and neighborhood watch programs, and 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, with window security.

Suffers frostbite

An Albany youth is being treated for frostbite after being locked out in the cold in Delmar for several hours Saturday night, according to Bethlehem police.

Ru Fitzgerald, 16, of Albany, was taken to St. Peter's for treatment of frostbite to his right foot, police said. He was listed in fair condition Monday at the hospital.

While at a home on Dover Dr., Fitzgerald and a resident of the house had an argument after they both were drinking, police said. Fitzgerald was kicked out, wearing only one shoe and no coat in Saturday night's below-zero weather, police said. After being out for a few hours, Fitzgerald called his family from the Elm Ave. Park to pick him up.

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Rt. 9W development: issue won't go away

By Kevin Mullen

Does Bethlehem need to control growth along Rt. 9W? The question seems to be on the minds of more people these days.

What began as "acknowledging receipt of town zoning maps" at last week's town board meeting ended up in a long discussion about a "master plan" for the Rt. 9W area. The full-color maps will cost \$10 if purchased in the office and \$12 if purchased by mail and were prepared at the urging of neighborhood associations in the town so that citizens could have a better idea of the zoning in their areas.

Robert Zick of Colonial Acres in Glenmont, a former member of the Bethlehem Central Board of Education, told the board that many of the residents in Glenmont and the 9W area "are concerned about the residential and commercial developments, especially in its relationship to the school system."

"We got growth down there, the possibilities are unreal," Zick said.

Zick asked if a building moratorium could be established until a master plan can be created for the Rt. 9W area. "We are seriously concerned with what is going on on 9W," Zick said. "We need a master plan. When can we expect to see a growth plan?"

Town attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said that a moratorium is legal, either on a town-wide basis or on a smaller scale. But, he said, a moratorium is useless without a plan.

Zick also questioned the communication between the town board and the Bethlehem Central School District, but Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick said that there is communication between the two. In the last several years, school officials have used town data in preparing their projections for population growth in the district.

Most of the Rt. 9W corridor is zoned for commercial use, which would also permit residential development. However, with the exception of a small shopping center and a psychiatric hospital near the Delmar Bypass (turned down by the town and currently in court), there have been no concrete development proposals for the area. A major shopping center on Feura Bush Rd. has been announced, but no plans have been submitted to the town.

Last year, Hendrick announced that a town study of the Rt. 9W area would be undertaken. However, a plan presented to the planning board last December

deals mostly with setbacks to permit the road to be widened to four lanes at some future date. The board is continuing to study the area.

Board member Sue Ann Ritchko described the Rt. 9W area as "the last area that we can develop creatively." She said that "we need a joint venture, so everyone is on the same level of information, an information exchange." Ritchko said "people must talk together." Planning board chairman John Williamson said that he would contact the school.

The town board also discussed joining the Capital District Regional Drug Enforcement Task Force, part of the New York State Drug Enforcement Task Force.

Jay Cohen, deputy commissioner of the state task force, said that nine local police agencies are part of the Albany regional task force, which covers seven or eight counties. The state task force is made up of four regional task forces: Albany, Syracuse, Rochester and Buffalo. Each police agency assigns one officer full time to the task force. He said that the state will pay for operational costs, like equipment, space, overtime, and investment funds.

Jack McCarthy, of the Albany office of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency, said that the task forces are seeking the "mid to upper level violators, the people in it for the money, megabucks." McCarthy said that the spread of drugs is on the rise, and that the volume of drugs seized on individuals has increased over the past two years.

Cohen said the Albany regional task force is composed of 17 full-time members using "new weapons it never had before." He described it as a "very excellent enforcement activity and has been very successful in other areas."

The task force is asking for an officer from the Bethlehem Police Department for at least a one year commitment. Hendrick said that he would discuss the request with Police Chief Paul E. Currie.

In other business, the town board:

- Appointed Fred C. Webster to serve the remaining term of W. Scott Prothero's seat on the town board. The term expires at the end of this year and Webster has said he plans to run for a full four-year term this fall.

The 58-year-old Elsmere resident was recommended to the board by the Bethlehem Republican Committee. Webster is a claims



The Delmar Post Office's mural of the Indian Ladder. The Treasury Department commissioned

the mural when the post office was built during the New Deal. Patricia Mitchell

manager for The Travelers Insurance Company and has been a member of the Elsmere Fire Department for 27 years, now serving as chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Elsmere district.

- Adopted a resolution for a 30 MPH speed limit on Font Grove Rd. from its intersection with New Scotland Rd. to the Bethlehem town line.

- Accepted the resignation of Frank Hotaling as provisional police radio dispatcher effective Feb. 11. Hotaling has accepted a position as police officer in Burlington, Vt.

- Handed out certificates of appreciation to Glenmont Job Corps students who volunteered to pick up leaves last autumn. Hendrick said that 30 students contributed 700 hours of work that saved the town thousands of dollars.

- Acknowledged receipt of final plat approval for Vandenburg Gardens subdivision, located on Westphal Dr.

The next regular town board meeting is scheduled on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Stopped for DWI

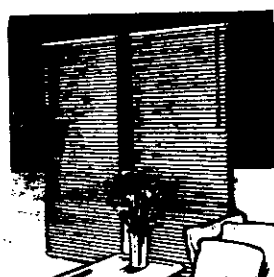
Bethlehem Police said they have charged a 37-year old Mechanicville man with driving while intoxicated.

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all standard in design to provide a public building and help keep the cost down. When they were built, contractors were supposed to hire local people for work, and buy building materials from the area.

The nomination also includes the mural on the south wall showing the Indian Ladder near Voorheesville. Schafer said it is one of 80 murals commissioned by the Treasury Department during the period the post office was being built. All of the murals were supposed to be of local interest.

Schafer said his review of the Delmar Post Office found that it has a few integrity problems, but the state was most interested in the exterior and the lobby. The post office has been altered with modern doors and an addition on the back, but he said it is mostly intact.

People take post offices for granted, Schafer believes, but they

are important to the community. Around Buffalo, there are several post offices similar to the one in Delmar, but their communities have grown so much since they were built that there are problems with the sizes of lots and buildings.

The list of buildings compiled by the National Heritage Trust has now been forwarded to the state and will then go to Washington, D.C., where the national office will ultimately decide whether to place the Delmar Post Office on the national register. All post offices built before World War II have to be surveyed state-by-state for nomination to the national register.

Oregon, California and New Jersey have all done surveys of their post offices for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

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BC mulls new staffing

By Patricia Mitchell

New staff at Bethlehem Central next year could include an elementary teacher, an elementary guidance counselor and an athletic trainer.

These and other staffing recommendations made by district administrators could add \$256,243, including fringe benefits, onto BC's basic budget for 1987-88.

The academic and support staffing budget was proposed by administrators at a special board of education meeting last Wednesday. Included with the staff budget were proposals for programs, special teaching and management and staff development.

Projected staffing for next year should be firmer by the middle of March, especially at the high school, said Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews. The first priority recommendations are the most serious needs, and are also related to increasing enrollment, he said.

Most of the increase in the first priority items come from adding a new 8th grade team at the middle school, including two full-time team teachers, with additional art, music, foreign language and physical education sections, and music staff time for programs providing a full half-team schedule. A half-team is made up of two teachers for the basic subjects and 40 to 50 students.

A one-year typing program for 8th graders is also proposed because students did not get typing in 6th and 7th grade, and the district and parents would like students to acquire typing skills before leaving the middle school.

The administration also recommends adding a new full-time classroom teacher at Hamagrael Elementary School. Because of increasing enrollment, a new teacher would be needed to keep student-teacher ratios within district norms.

A full-time elementary school counselor is also proposed for 1987-88 to help more children than can now be handled by school psychologists and social workers. The counselor could be used to help students with adjustment and coping problems, and early intervention for substance abuse prevention.

A part-time athletic trainer is also proposed. The trainer would educate students on injury prevention and care, develop programs for coaches on safety, practice techniques and proper nutrition. Administrators said student injuries would decrease, which is good for liability insurance, and there would be better training techniques for coaches and students.

Other first priority items include part-time positions for a student assistance specialist at the high school, an elementary remedial math teacher, a psychologist, a Board of Cooperative Educational Services coordinator combined with an occupational education supervisor. For support staff, two full-time elementary teacher aides are proposed, and part-time positions for a clerical worker at the middle school, a noon hour aide and custodial worker at Glenmont School and a head bus driver.

Second priority staffing proposals come to \$100,885, and include part-time positions for instrumental music, technology, home and career skills and health at the middle school; part-time earth science and science talent coordinators at the high school; part-time computer coordinator, and occupational education supervisor combined with a BOCES coordinator, two part-time assistant cheerleader coaches, and a full-time media technician.

Priority three items include a full-time social studies teacher at the high school, two lacrosse team coaches, a full-time high school

social studies aide, and a part-time custodial worker at the Elmsmere School. The cost of priority three items is at \$68,014.

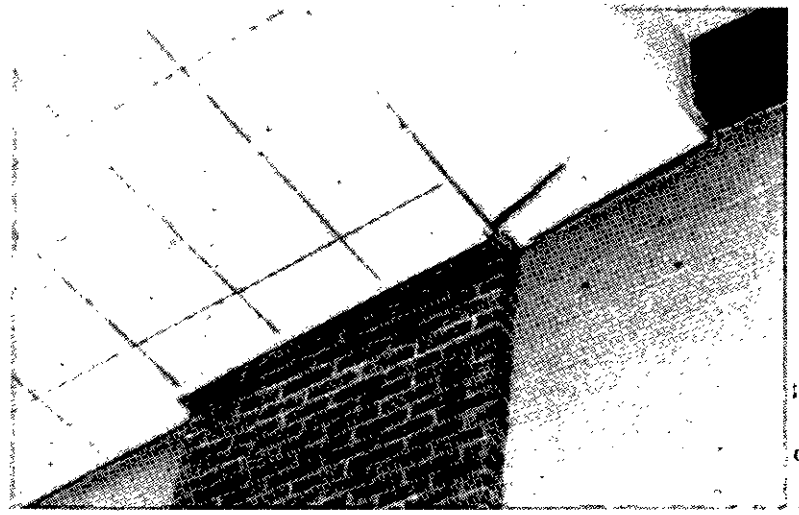
Other proposals include:

- At a cost of \$59,132, three new programs would extend the summer school music program to high school students, begin a four-year computer-assisted remedial math program at the Clarksville Elementary School and start a microcomputer remedial math program at the high school and the middle school and a computer data base search program at the high school.

- Some \$55,756 in special programs for teaching and management needs, including consultant services for studies needing time, special expertise or outside consultation for objectivity; increased pupil allocations to schools due to the effects of the Regents Action Plan; a co-curricular fund for fees charged by the district, chaperone and security payments, and funds to pilot clubs; a training program for coaches; and an employee assistance and wellness program for the staff to assist with problems and with physical fitness.

- And four staff development programs at a cost of \$83,900. These include an inservice program, curriculum revision for all subject areas over five years, peer coaching and a fund for teacher resources for time or materials to develop improvements in programs.

The next budget workshop will be after the regular meeting Wednesday, March 4, at 8 p.m., when the transportation budget will be proposed.



The walls on either side of the auditorium at Bethlehem Central High School have pulled away and bowed slightly, apparently because of a crack in a wood support beam. On Monday a space between the cinder block wall and ceiling was clearly evident. *Spotlight*

Auditorium closed, ceiling cracks found

School officials say they should know by the end of the week how extensive the damage is to the support beams in the ceiling of the auditorium at Bethlehem Central High School.

In the meantime, the schedulers are at work trying to find alternative locations for events that were scheduled for the auditorium. Almost certain to move are the childrens theater performances scheduled for Monday, Feb. 23, and the Village Stage production of *Little Mary Sunshine* scheduled for Feb. 27 and 28.

One possibility may be the auditorium at the Middle School, said Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews. "If they want to come in there we would try to work something out," he said. But, he said, that auditorium also has events scheduled.

The final two performances of the senior play, *Stage Door*, were cancelled Saturday after workmen at the school noticed cracks and buckling of the concrete block walls on both sides of the auditorium Saturday morning. McAndrews said Bruce Houghton, the district's building and grounds superintendent, ordered the auditorium closed and had the main entrance and the corridors on either side roped off. An emergency brace was erected to make sure the beam running the

width of the room did not give way.

BC has no classes this week, and on Monday crews were removing seats so that scaffolding could be erected under the length of the suspect beam. McAndrews said engineers and architects will be brought in Thursday and the district should know the extent of the damage later this week; Friday at the latest.

However, the clearly evident bowing of the two side walls where they have pulled away from the roof indicate that the problem is serious. McAndrews said the building is 35 years old, and that Houghton thinks the wooden support beam may simply have given way.

"He thinks it's a cumulation of stress, and the large accumulations of snow that did it," McAndrews said.

While the movement of the walls may have happened recently, McAndrews said the cause may have built up over time because of snow and other stress.

Red box found

A red box with tools inside was found at 11:45 a.m. Thursday near the Delaware Plaza, Bethlehem Police said. The box is being held at the police station on Delaware Ave., where the owner may claim it.

Residents concerned

More than 50 Bethlehem residents, who are organized as the Coalition of Concerned Residents, met recently to discuss Delmar Village, a proposed 336-unit development between Orchard St. and Delaware Ave., one mile west of Cherry Ave.

The group plans to meet again at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 23, at Bethlehem Town Hall. All concerned residents are invited.

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McAndrews says he's interested

Bethlehem Central's interim superintendent, Dr. Briggs McAndrews, has decided to apply for the permanent position.

McAndrews informed the Board of Education this week that he wants to be considered for the position. The deadline for applications was Sunday.

Following the resignation of Lawrence Zinn, superintendent for 15 years, last September to take over at Saratoga Springs City School District, BC has been conducting a national search to find a new superintendent.

McAndrews said he is comfortable with his position as assistant superintendent for Educational Programs and Instruction, and initially agreed to fill in as interim superintendent for the search period. He said he decided to apply for the position because Bethlehem Central is a good district, has a good staff, and because being interim superintendent has been a positive experience.

"It's new, so it has stimulation," McAndrews said, adding he decided he would like to be superintendent over a longer period.

McAndrews has put in 13 years as assistant superintendent at BC. Before he came to Bethlehem, he



Dr. Briggs McAndrews

was assistant professor of educational administration at Pennsylvania State for a year, and was assistant principal at McClasky High School in Lancaster, Pa. He received his doctorate in education administration from Penn State in 1971.

A native of Pennsylvania, McAndrews was a general science teacher at New Hartford, N.Y., and a biology teacher in Scranton, Pa. He received his master's in natural science from Colgate University in Hamilton, and his bachelor's in biology from East Stroudsburg State College in East Stroudsburg, Pa.

BC loses handicap dispute

By Patricia Mitchell

A handicapped Bethlehem Central student's educational program should be redesigned to offer skills in social development and vocational training, and the district could end up paying to send the student to the Wildwood School, State Education Commissioner Gordon Ambach has decided.

The unusual case of parents challenging an Independent Educational Program (IEP) has been referred back to the school district's Committee on Special Education to develop a new program for the student. The committee could decide that the district will end up paying for the student's \$15,000 per year tuition at the Wildwood School, a private school for learning disabled children, where the student has been going since September.

Bethlehem Central appealed to the commissioner after an independent hearing, requested by the student's parents, found that the IEP set up by the district for the boy was inappropriate and recommended a program similar to the Wildwood School.

The student, 18, has been classified by the district's Committee on Special Education as handicapped with a learning disability. The boy was scheduled to graduate this year from Bethlehem Central High School. Unsatisfied with his progress, the boy's parents sued BC for placement in the Wildwood School, and placed him there in September.

In the unusual case, the school district's appeal of a hearing officer's decision recommending a new program for the student

was denied by the education commissioner because the district failed to demonstrate its program was appropriate. The district must now develop an IEP that would include training in a variety of vocational skills, intensive language training with emphasis in developing communication skills, supportive counseling to assist the student in understanding his strengths and weaknesses, and training in daily life skills.

While the education commissioner said the district can determine whether to build the student's IEP from the district, Board of Cooperative Educational Services or with a private school, witnesses at last July's hearing identified the Wildwood School's program as the only one that will meet the boy's needs, said Robert Wakeman, an Albany attorney for the parents.

"The Wildwood program is the only program that meets the child's needs," Wakeman said. "He has made quite substantial progress in that program."

The case has been referred back to the CSE for review and to make new recommendations on the student's IEP, said Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews. While the district has an option to appeal the education commissioner's decision to a federal district court, McAndrews said the district will decide on that option when the CSE makes its new recommendations.

The parents will seek reimbursement from the district for tuition in Wildwood so far, and Wakeman said he expects the boy will stay in the school.

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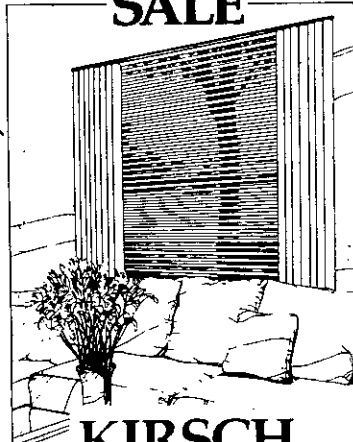
Russian art tour

The Albany Institute of History & Art is offering for the fourth time a two-week tour of the Soviet Union. Once again Erastus Corning III will organize and lead the trip, planned for May 14 to 31, 1987.

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Jericho Bridge

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Coyne's commitment first came on a radio talk show last month, when he responded to several phone calls from residents of the South Bethlehem area. The residents have been using a variety of means to keep public pressure on local officials to do something about the bridge.

On WGY's Contact program, Coyne offered "one compromise I would certainly be willing to do." "If Conrail and the Town of Bethlehem were willing to put up one third of the cost, the county would also, he said. The cost would be less "if we could get the feds in," he said.

Asked later about those comments, Coyne confirmed that he would be willing to recommend the one-third split to the county legislature. He noted, however, that the county has already applied for state and federal funds and has been turned down.

Asked about Coyne's statement, Bethlehem Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick said he welcomed the change in position but noted again that Jericho Rd. is a county road and technically not the town's responsibility.

"I think they (the county) can do better," Hendrick said.

A Conrail spokesman declined comment "until Conrail has met with the county."

Asked when that would be, the spokesman said she had no information. County officials have said since last spring they have been trying to arrange a meeting with Conrail.

Local Conrail officials consistently decline to discuss the bridge situation, citing corporate policy. One official, who asked not to be identified, said Conrail has offered to contribute up to

\$100,000 for the repair of the bridge. He confirmed that no assessment has been done on the repair costs or the feasibility of repairs.

The Conrail spokesman also declined to comment on reports that an agreement to transport minivans produced at General Motors' Tarrytown plant by rail through Selkirk will mean physical changes at the yards. Beginning in 1988, GM plans to ship as many as 200,000 minivans on "triple stack" freight cars, which will require raising 23 bridges from Poughkeepsie to North Tarrytown.

Local Conrail officials said changes to any of the bridges at the Selkirk yard, if any, will be minimal and would involve lowering the railroad beds to allow passage of the higher freight cars.

Registration revoked

The dealer registration of Thomas G. Perry Jr., doing business as Motor City, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, has been revoked and a \$1,000 fine imposed following a hearing conducted by the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

The dealer was found to have committed violations of the Vehicle and Traffic Law and the Commissioner's Regulations in connection with falsely certifying that a 1975 Datsun was in condition and repair to render, under normal use, satisfactory and adequate service upon the public highway.

The facility has the right to appeal the revocation to the Administrative Appeals Board.

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News from Selkirk AND South BETHLEHEM

Barbara Pickup



Enjoying the cold

The Boy Scouts of Troop 81, sponsored by the Bethlehem Elks, participated in a "freeze out" at Camp Wakpominnee of the Mohican Council near Lake George recently. Traveling in a snow storm to reach their destination Jan. 30, the Scouts found the weather conditions perfect for the freeze out, with clearing skies, three feet of snow on the ground and temperatures during the daytime remaining just below freezing.

Sufficiently geared and clothed to meet almost any eventuality the three-day event might hold, the scouts enjoyed a very active weekend in the wilderness. Rustic cabins with woodstoves provided housing for the scouts, but a portion of the Freeze Out was devoted to practicing survival under adverse conditions and creating their own shelters and cooking out-of-doors. The boys also participated in snow shoeing, skiing, sleigh riding and ice fishing.

Attending the event Jan. 30 through Feb. 1 were Boy Scouts Paul Parisi, John Hudspath Jr., Kenny Layman, Billy Cornell, Bobby Burns, Billy Wilkinson, Michael Jordan, Giles Wagoner, Jr., Joe Croscup, Chris Peasley, Chris Stanton, Alex Austin, Cameron Smith and Wayne Osborn. The boys were accompanied by John Hudspath, scout master; William Wilkinson, assistant scout master; Don Cornell, assistant scout master; Giles Wagoner, committeeman; Kerry Layman, committeeman; Robert Burns, committeeman; Dave Austin, committeeman, and George Momberger, committee chairman.

Lenten fish fries

The Ladies of Selkirk Fire

Company No. 1 will again this year sponsor their very popular fish fries during Lent at the Firehouse on Maple Ave. in Selkirk. Three dinners have been scheduled. The first one will be held on March 6, the second on March 27, and the third dinner is planned for April 17. The fry will include fish, french fries, cole slaw and beverage. The cost is \$3.50 for adults, \$2 for children under the age of 12. Serving will be continuous from 4:30 until 7 p.m. Takeout orders will be available, but please provide your own containers. Orders may be placed by calling the firehouse the day of the fry at 767-9951, after 4 p.m.

Story telling

On Jan. 22, a group of advanced French students from the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School visited the A.W. Becker Elementary School and presented a bilingual story-telling session for Miss Ryan's first and second grade reach students. The books which were read were written and illustrated by the high school students themselves under the guidance of their teacher, Mrs. Michelle Bloom.

Toys for the grange

If you've been house-bound a little too often this winter and feel in need of something different to do to break the monotony, you might like to help the Bethlehem Grange with a special project. Each year granges throughout the state create toys and donate them to children's hospitals and Ronald McDonald homes. Encouraged by last years' success, the grange has set this years' goal higher than ever to provide pleasure for these seriously ill children. If you sew, crochet, knit—whatever—you're invited to join the Bethlehem Grange by making toys for these youngsters.

Members must meet certain requirements, as the toys are judged in competition before being given to the hospitals, but non-members may use whatever materials they'd like and any style they prefer. Deadline for the stuffed animals is not until August but contributions can be given to grange members any time before then. Further information may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Helen Raynor 767-2770.

Pancake supper

The Glenmont Community Church and the Faith Lutheran Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, are sponsoring a pancake supper Tuesday evening, March 3. The supper will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., and will include Pancakes, sausages, eggs, apple sauce, coffee, juice and dessert. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under the age of 12. Reservations would be appreciated to determine how many to prepare for, and may be made by calling 465-2188 or 436-7710.

Trespassing charged

Three people are scheduled to appear in New Scotland Town Court Thursday for trespassing at the Vly Creek Reservoir.

A 29-year-old Feura Bush man, his 32-year-old brother, and a 17-year-old New Baltimore youth were arrested for trespassing on Sunday, Feb. 8, after they were found fishing at the reservoir.

Cars rolls over

A Ballston Lake man escaped injury Tuesday after his car rolled over after hitting a snowbank on Rt. 157, near Rt. 85, in New Scotland, Albany County Sheriffs reported.

A second car driven by an East Berne woman rolled over Friday as the woman was driving north on Rt. 85A, near the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, when she lost control and struck a snowbank, deputies said.

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Think spring (sports, that is)

If winter is here can spring be far behind? The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland thinks not. Looking forward to the rapid approach of the season, Kiwanis is holding registration for its springtime sports programs during the next two weeks.

Scheduled to be held at the Voorheesville Elementary School, registration will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 24, Wednesday, Feb. 25, and Saturday, Feb. 28. Also, Monday, March 2, Thursday, March 5, Friday, March 6, and Saturday, March 7. Weekday registration will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m., while Saturday hours are from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Registration is open to all residents in the Town of New Scotland and the Voorheesville Central School District. The Kiwanis will sponsor three leagues — Minor League Baseball, open to boys and girls currently in grades two, three and four, plus fifth graders who will not be 11 years old until after July 31, 1987. Major League Baseball is open to girls and boys who will be 11 on or before July 31, 1987, and will not be 13 until after that date. Girls Softball is open to all girls in grades five through eight.

All games will be played during the months of May and June, with practice beginning in April.

A fee of \$8 will be collected at the time of registration to cover the cost of a shirt and hat. Anyone having any questions should call Ron White at 765-3639 between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Blood pressure volunteers

On the subject of Kiwanis, the

men's community service group is looking for volunteers to help staff its monthly blood pressure clinics held on the second Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. Any nurse or EMT interested in taking blood pressures from 9 to 11 a.m. or 7 to 9 p.m. is welcome to call Paul Klevonosky at 765-3609.

Ladies night for Kiwanians

A busy month for the Kiwanians. The men hosted a father-daughter dinner last week to celebrate Valentines Day. This week Voorheesville Mayor Ed Clark will address the group at the weekly Thursday dinner meeting at the New Scotland Presbyterian Church. On Thursday, Feb. 26, the group will hold a ladies night at the Bavarian Chalet where new Voorheesville Superintendent of Schools Louise Gonan and Board of Education President Jack McKenna will be the guest speakers.

Any men interested in learning more about the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland may contact either President Mike Malark at 765-4392 or First Vice President Mike Lancor at 765-4883.

Hospice information

St. Peter's Hospice of Albany will present an informational meeting on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. A co-ordinated effort by St. Peter's Hospice, St. Matthew's Church and the Voorheesville Methodist Church, the meeting will provide information about the work of hospice, in-patient and outpatient services as well as opportunities for volunteer work.

The program will include a question and answer period. All are welcome.

Concert tickets available

Tickets are still on sale for the upcoming PTSA benefit concert to be held on Friday, Feb. 27, at Voorheesville High School. The concerts will be held at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. and will feature Voorheesville's favorite country quintet now known as Billy Montana and the Longshots. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and may be obtained by calling either Joanne St. Denis at 765-4748 or Aileen Lukomski at 765-2406.

Student posters

According to elementary school art teacher Margaret Fennell, 16 students from the grade school have submitted posters to the 43rd annual AAA National Safety Poster Contest.

Those students who contributed artwork on the themes "Cross at Corners" and "Be seen After Dark" were Cortney Langford, Susan Diehl, Jill Kraemer, Beth Lucia, Mike Welker, Wendy Morecraft, Daniel Schrieber, Craig Panthen, Lucas Weston, Brian Smith, Carmina Scannapieco, Kara Relyea, Jaime Tornquist, Danny Rissacher, Emily Geery and Darcy Langford.

Through the program thousands of students each year use their artistic skills to learn the importance of safe behavior in traffic.

Snowmobile safety

On the subject of safety, five students from the elementary school have recently received their permits from the snowmobile safety course given by the Albany County Sheriffs Dept.

According to science moderator Don Otterness, who coordinated the program at the grade school, Blair and Jill Sala, David and Debbie Pebler and George Bugarin successfully completed the course offered in January.

Trustees run

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to take over the Salem Hills Sewer District. Two years later, construction for a new sewer district has started for the high side of Pleasant St.

Donohue is also liaison to the Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance Squad, and they have also bought a new ambulance in the past two years and are now working on building a new building on Voorheesville Ave. And, he said, the zoning and planning is taking off as the village grows.

Now finishing his eighth year as a trustee, Langford was the youngest person ever elected to the board. He said during the last two years the village has made headway into areas that will help make the village better. The deputy mayor of Voorheesville, Langford said the village has been upgrading itself to the times, and has made itself comparable to other municipalities instead of just a small village. A resident of the village since he was six years old, Langford said it is satisfying to know what is going on and to try to help shape Voorheesville.

As the trustee liaison to the building department, Langford said there is now a full-scale department with new zoning regulations and building fees. Recently he chaired a committee that revised building fees, which he said allows the village to break

even on inspecting, and is chairing another long-range planning committee for community projects that will preserve and enhance aesthetic qualities of the village.

For example, Langford said he would like to bring back the old Main St. when it was a high point for the village. Now many people don't go down through there, and it has gotten rather drab, Langford said. He would like to renovate Main St., possibly using federal monies. He would also like to make a few roads like Swift Rd. safer, place more sidewalks, and find some way to repair the railroad bridge on Maple Ave.

Langford, also the trustee liaison to the youth and recreation committee and the village historian, would also like to help to protect the village from businesses who could come in and take advantage of Voorheesville, and to ensure that three or four developments still on the drawing board are adequately planned, and to initiate new building fees for subdivisions.

Mayor Edward Clark was elected to his first four-year term, and trustees Susan Rockmore and Daniel Reh were reelected to their four-year seats last year. This will be the second year that village officials will be elected to four-year terms.

This year, the village board will oversee a budget of \$724,653. Trustees will be paid \$2,000 for their services.

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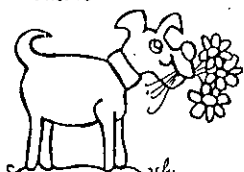
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School district faces revenue shortfall

By Patricia Mitchell

A revenue shortfall this year could increase taxes next year in the Voorheesville Central School District.

A combination of problems that surfaced slowly have indicated that the district could be \$100,000 to \$125,000, and maybe even as much as \$150,000, under this year's budget projections, and this will eat into past years' savings, according to Superintendent Louise Gonan. She stressed, however, that the district will not be running a deficit.

The district froze spending that was determined not to be high in priority as soon as the shortage was discovered. At this point near the end of February, Gonan said, things are looking better.

There were a variety of things that contributed to the shortage,

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Gonan said. The district was told last fall it would be receiving \$85,000 less in state aid than anticipated because student enrollment estimates were too high. Cyclical buying of supplies usually done at the end of a budget was not done at the end of last year's budget, and had to be done in this year's budget.

Last February, the board of education transferred \$35,000 from the unemployment reserve to the general fund, but in an audit, the board was told that it was in violation of the general municipal law, and had to put the money back into the unemployment reserve in January.

And taxes collected this year should have been higher. Tax rates levied were slightly less or unchanged than what the school board predicted for the budget, and they should have been slightly higher, Gonan said.

So for this year's budget, Gonan said, there won't be the usual surplus to fall back on to keep taxes down. More money may need to be raised to help build up that cushion again, Gonan said.

As soon as the shortfall was found, the school board allowed Gonan to stop buying what wasn't necessary and cut back what was possible. Some programs were trimmed, but Gonan said things that were important, such as the Effective Teaching Model for staff development starting this month, were funded by the board.

Another example, said board member David Teuten, was when a member of the coaching staff wanted to attend a conference during two school days, but the board decided it couldn't pay for a substitute.

What this will all mean to district taxpayers won't be known until the school board polishes its budget and presents it for a vote. The board discussed some preliminary figures at the end of their regular meeting last Monday, and held a workshop last Wednesday. However more work will be needed, and another workshop will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 5.

By then, more costs will be predicted, and the district will have some idea of enrollment, state aid and assessments.

Not known at this point are teacher salaries because a new contract will have to be negotiated this year. Gonan has said she would like to bring salaries up so they are competitive with other similar districts.

Tentatively, Gonan said, she is proposing several new positions, including two additional custodial workers, a clerical position, a Committee on Special Education worker, a half-time gifted and talented worker at the elementary school, and a new position for a possible alternative education program at the high school.

For the proposed teaching positions, the cost will be \$2,520,651, an increase of about \$160,000 from this year's \$2,362,508.

Transportation costs may rise too because a new bus route is proposed. All figures for transportation are not included yet in the preliminary budget.

During the budget process, the school board will also have to discuss standees on buses. Gonan said she has received a lot of complaints about three students in one seat, especially at the high school. Board President John McKenna said high school enrollment is projected to drop next year, so that could help the situation.

Turning to insurance, an area of concern for school districts and municipalities, preliminary liability insurance costs are set at \$65,000, but more will be known later as

the budget is put together. This is an increase of about \$6,000 over this year's \$59,194, which skyrocketed from 1985-86 costs of \$39,642.

Employee health insurance could increase about 30 percent from this year's cost of \$232,014, but more will be known when the district gets an estimate from its carrier, Blue Cross, after April 1.

This year, health insurance cost the district \$232,014, about \$36,000 over the budgeted \$196,000. District Treasurer Serita Winchell said a lot of the increase is small charges. Concerned about the rise, Gonan said she is considering asking health maintenance organizations give presentations to the district.

The board has received a letter from Blue Cross that claims for every \$1 paid, \$1.31 is paid out in insurance. But board member Peter Ten Eyck said that could also include reinsurance and office overhead.

More figures on the budget will be known by the school board's next meeting. A public meeting will be held Wednesday, March 25, at 7 p.m., and after that the board will adopt a budget that will be put before voters on May 13.

Status report

Concerned Citizens of New Scotland, Inc., will give a report to town residents at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26.

The informational meeting at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville, will include a report of what the group has done in opposition to a proposed 27-acre gravel mine on, the former Tall Timbers Country Club, and discussion on where the group is going, said Concerned Citizens' chairman Bob Morrison.

Voorheesville Mayor Edward Clark and attorney Kenneth Connolly, also a village justice, will speak about the factual and legal issues about the mine and actions surrounding it.

Gas line ruptures

A ruptured gas line caused 20 Voorheesville families to be evacuated for a few hours Thursday morning, Albany County Sheriffs said.

At about 9:15, families on Elizabeth Ct., Smith La., and Appleblossom La. were evacuated by deputies and members of the Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department, deputies said.

The gas line was ruptured when a contractor working in the area cut the line. Niagara Mohawk crews responded and clamped the line so repairs could be made, deputies said.

Voters to decide on 3 new buses

By Patricia Mitchell

Come budget time, Voorheesville Central School District voters will have to decide on borrowing money to purchase three new buses.

The special borrowing is part of a five-year plan by the district to purchase 12 buses and to make capital improvements. Two more buses will be purchased through the regular budget so a total of five buses would be purchased in 1987-88.

The cost of the five-year plan is set at \$1,383,000, which breaks down to \$755,000 for capital improvements and \$628,000 for buses. The district will be eligible for 60 percent in state aid for the buildings and 75 percent in bus aid, so the final cost to taxpayers over five years will be \$459,000.

Next year's proposed borrowing will be the only time during the five-year plan that the district will borrow. In 1988-89, one bus will be bought through the budget, and for the next three years, two buses will be bought each year.

Because the plan proposes borrowing to buy the three buses, the purchase must be approved by district voters in May.

Superintendent Louise Gonan has advocated improving the two school buildings and purchasing more buses. The capital improvements portion will take care of year-by-year improvements, but no major construction is planned, Gonan said. Several buses are logging a lot of miles, and are getting difficult to keep updated.

The Board of Education decided at their budget workshop last Wednesday to start the plan by asking voters to approve borrowing to buy three buses at about \$130,000. In the budget will be an additional \$90,000 for two more buses, and \$100,000 to start capital improvements.

Because of state aid on previous bus purchases and capital improvements, cost to the district in the first year will be \$169,247, and will decrease slightly over the next five years.

This year's borrowing and spending will start a cycle that will bring state aid into the district by 1988-89. Future expenditures will be financed by state aid and out of the general fund, which will in turn generate more state aid.

An architect will be coming into the district later this month to

review the elementary school and put together a package of proposals for capital improvements. The architect's services will cost about \$10,000, but the cost will be factored into the capital improvements if the district uses the same architect. In the meantime, Gonan said there are projects that can be started on, such as the plumbing and the bathrooms in both schools.

Out of the district's 20 buses, one bus is not used because it is too expensive to fix, three buses have logged over 100,000 miles, and three or four other buses may log that by the end of the school year. Once buses log 100,000 miles or are 10 years old, the state inspects them often and hard. Gonan said the district never can be sure when a bus will break down.

If buses are purchased next year, the school district will have to buy them with seat belts and decide whether or not to require students to use them. Under the new state law, the school board can also retrofit older buses with seat belts after a public hearing. The school board will be discussing the policy, but has decided to put off decisions until June.

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Kids' Club to stay at elementary school

By Patricia Mitchell

The Kids' Club will continue meeting at the Voorheesville Elementary School next year.

The Board of Education and the club, which provides a supervised after-school setting for children whose parents work during the day, has renewed its agreement for space at the school that will allow the program to start its second year.

New to the agreement, however, is a policy that will close The Kids' Club if schools close before 1 p.m. on snow days. And even though directors of the program are thinking of expanding to mornings, they will have to make a new agreement with the board on that issue.

About 22 children enrolled this year, and Nancy Basal of the program said it appeals mostly to new residents. She said the program is going well and there have been no major problems so far.

With enrollment growing in the elementary school and new programs demanding space, Basal said as The Kids' Club grows, it may eventually have to find other quarters. Basal said the directors are looking, and they have some ideas. Board President John McKenna said he agreed that it is a good idea to look now.

A needs assessment has found there is a need for a morning program, possibly from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., Basal said. Some children are dropped off at the school before 8:30 a.m., when the building opens, and some parents also want to use the club but don't want to send their children to a babysitter in the morning and the club in the afternoon.


The Kids' Club shares a room with the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, and Basal said that works out fine because the office is free after 3 p.m., when the club starts. However, if it expands to the morning, another space may have to be found for that time.

In other Voorheesville Central school board business last Monday, the board learned that enrollment is estimated at 1,273 students for next year, with high school enrollment dropping and elementary enrollment growing. There are 89 children at kindergarten age, and Superintendent Louise Gonan said five sections may be needed again next year. This year, there were 80 to 85 kindergarteners expected, but 92 enrolled prompting the district to offer five sections.

Space at the elementary school may be all right this year with the increase in enrollment, Gonan said.

The board also agreed to meet

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in an open forum sponsored by the PTSA on April 21, to discuss school curriculum, transportation, environmental concerns, physical education, after-school programs and other topics. Gonan said there are some new residents to the district and the district doesn't know their concerns yet. She also pointed out she is in her first year at Voorheesville, and she would be interested in talking to residents on concerns.

Some board members were concerned that the meeting would come after the 1987-88 budget is adopted but before the budget vote. The budget could not be changed at that time, but residents still may want to speak on it.

The Voorheesville Central school board also:

- Learned that the student council at the elementary school will be painting scenes from literature classics on the walls of the cafeteria, hopefully starting in March. Principal Donna Grant Canavan said the student council wants to improve the atmosphere of the cafeteria this year.
 - Decided to join the Schenectady-Albany Area School Boards Association for one year for \$50 dues, and appointed board member David Teuten as liaison.
 - Requested more information from two teachers requesting sabbatical leaves in the 1987-88 school year before making a decision.
- The next regular meeting of the school board is slated for Monday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m.
- Planned Parenthood**
- "Personal Decisions," a two-hour Planned Parenthood film that explores the issues women face in deciding whether or not to have an abortion, will be aired on Bethlehem Cable Channel 7 on Monday, Feb. 23, at 8:30 p.m.



Jonathan Roz, of the Glenmont Job Corps food service industry program, serves a slice of Valentine's Day cake to Ethel Vail of Delmar at Thursday's Bethlehem senior citizens meeting.

Conductor

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His decision to live in London and free-lance as a conductor came about, he said, because his wife, from whom he is now separated, is British. She is a concert pianist, and the marriage suffered from the strains of two demanding careers, he said.

Asked about his long-range plans for the Albany Symphony, Simon first paid tribute to Julius Hegyi, saying Hegyi's achievements with the group have been "notable," and that he's "proud to take it over from him."

He explained that he has drawn up next year's schedule of concerts to balance three goals he has for the orchestra. The first, he said, is to continue the group's willingness, referred to earlier, to play American pieces which are somewhat experimental — to honor and encourage contemporary American composers. This is also a particular interest of the Albany

Symphony's president, Peter Kermani, he acknowledged.

Simon's second goal, he said, is to exhibit in person, as he has in numerous recordings, his ability to make the lesser-known music of many European composers sound as "romantic and exciting" as it should.

"This will be more a process of discovery than of chance," he said, grinning to soften the cocky sound of his words.

Thirdly — and this many people will no doubt appreciate — he will make sure the orchestra continues to play some standard, popular classics. On every program, the new conductor said, there should be a "familiar and beloved" number, to give the audience a chance to respond to what they know, and to simply relax and enjoy it.

"This element of every program is important to the orchestra,

too," Simon said, "because we will work on our sound with these selections."

Having outlined these musical goals, which will be of interest to the Albany Symphony's loyal supporters, Simon said he also feels a strong commitment to getting more people to come and hear the orchestra.

"Maybe it's just a selfish ideal not to want to play to empty houses," he said, "but I really want to offer something so damn good that people want to come."

Invited then, as a finale, to describe himself, in effect to "blow his own horn," Simon said he felt he was talented and that he has a great deal of technical knowledge and expertise. But he added that he also has a lot of energy and interest in the Albany Symphony's success — "and hopefully that will be infectious."

"I can't fake these things," he said with another disarming grin. "There will be nothing dishonest in what I say or do about the orchestra — I just want to make it viscerally enjoyable ... to cover everybody with beautiful sound."



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

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

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

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

Voorheesville Board of Education meets second Monday of each month 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.

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.

Ravena-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.

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

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., Elmsere. 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.

Activity Day, sponsored by PTA of Elmsere School for grades K-5, Elmsere 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 SonShine, annual mid-winter children's vacation Bible school, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., \$3.50. Registration, 458-1757.

Crime Prevention Program, run by Bethlehem Police, "Lock Security," Bethlehem Cable Channel, 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Tax Assistance, for seniors, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, sponsored by volunteers of AARP, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

THURSDAY 19 FEBRUARY

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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, new members welcome, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 of the American Legion, Elmsere, 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.

Open House, attend classes, hear about programs offered at The Diet Workshop and receive free low cholesterol diet plan, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Elmsere Ave. and Poplar Dr., 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-9616.

Tax Assistance, for seniors, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, sponsored by volunteers of AARP, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, 1-4 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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

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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 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.

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

"House on Mayhem Street," College of Saint Rose, St. Joseph's Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Feb. 19, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5236.

"Yours, Anne," musical play of "The Diary of Anne Frank," Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen St., Cohoes, Feb. 22-March 15. Tickets and times, 235-7969.

"Alice in Wonderland," as originally conceived by Manhattan Project, Union College, Nott Memorial Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 24-28, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

MUSIC

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

Three-day New Music Festival, University Performing Arts Center Recital Hall, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, Feb. 24-26, \$3, 7 p.m. Information and reservations, 442-3997.

Deller Consort, Renaissance songs of love, infatuation and youth, Union College, Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Feb. 21, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Paul Geremia, performance with acoustic guitar, vocals, harmonica and piano, Cafe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, Feb. 20 and 21, 8:30 p.m.

"Poems of Love and Innocence," performed by tenor Rand Reeves, Recital Hall, State University of New York at Albany Performing Arts Center, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, Feb. 21, \$5, 8 p.m. Information and reservations, 442-3997.

JAZZ

Black Eagle Jazz Band, Lake Placid Center for the Arts, Feb. 21, 8 p.m. Reservations, 523-2512.

FOLK

The Whippersnappers, three musicians playing traditional North American music, presented by Old Songs, Inc., St. Mark's Community Center, Gulderland Center, Feb. 23, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

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.

"Garth Fagan's Bucket Dance Theatre," African, Caribbean, modern and jazz dance, Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, Feb. 22, 2 p.m. Information, 474-1199.

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.

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 Picotte 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.

Patricia Johanson will show slides, paintings and plans of her life-size sculptures, The Albany Academy Gallery, Academy Road, Albany, Feb. 20-March 20, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information and appointments, 465-1461.

"The Humor Show," 85-piece exhibit, College of Saint Rose Picotte Gallery, 324 State St., Albany, Feb. 25-March 29, Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Information, 454-5189.

"Sculpture and Photographs," Harmanus Bleeker Center, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through April 21. Information, 463-4478.

"Art by and/or About Blacks," Learning Resource Gallery, Hudson Valley Community College, through Feb. 28. Information, 270-7395.

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.

German Film Series, "Young Torless," Union College, Social Science 016, Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

"Ragtime," Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage Troy Campus, Feb. 22 and 23, \$1, 7 p.m.

SKATING

"Festival on Ice," starring olympic medalist Scott Hamilton, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Feb. 20-22, Feb. 20-21, 8 p.m.; Feb. 21, 2 p.m.; Feb. 22, 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

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

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, "Sign Language: Lesson Two," 4:30 p.m.; "The Spotlight," 5:30 p.m.; "At The Library this Week," 6 p.m.; "Home Safety and Neighborhood Watch Program," by the Bethlehem Police Department, 7 p.m.; "Astrology with Judith Longley," 7:30 p.m.; "To Your Health: The Older Generation," 8 p.m.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21

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.

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

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22

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.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Sunday School and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship, 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 23

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.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, "Foreword: Book Talks from Bethlehem," 5 p.m.; "The Reader's Digest," 5:30 p.m.; "At the Library this Week," 6 p.m.; "A Children's Storytime," 6:30 p.m.; "Sign Language: Lesson Three," 7 p.m.; "Glenmont Opera: If the Shoe Fits," 7:30 p.m.; "Personal Decisions," 8:30 p.m.

Community United Methodist Church, Church School staff meeting, discussion of plans for Easter Sunday, Palm Sunday and Children's Sunday, home of Rowena Hewitt, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-1786.

Adult Education Program, "The Journey Inward: The Road Less Traveled," six-session study group, presented by Tri-Village Welcome Wagon and St. Thomas Church, St. Thomas School Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3945.

Coalition of Neighborhood Associates, discussion and strategy session on 336-unit development between Orchard St. and Delaware Ave., Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 106, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 24

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 FEBRUARY 25

Tax Assistance, for seniors, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, sponsored by volunteers of AARP, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

Adult Education Program, "The Meaning and Wisdom of Fasting," with psychotherapist Gail George, St. Thomas Church, Delmar, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-3945.

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.

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.

Quilting for Beginners, four-part series for those interested in quilting as a hobby, William F. Rice Extension Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, \$5, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3550.

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

Parent Support Group, all parents are welcome to discuss role of parenting in 1980's, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2445 or 439-6885.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26

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

St. Peter's Hospice, informational program, all are welcome, First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m.

Open Meeting and Discussion, on crime prevention, Bethlehem Town Hall, auditorium, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9973.

Open House, attend classes, hear about programs offered at The Diet Workshop and receive free low cholesterol diet plan, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Elsmere Ave. and Poplar Dr., 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-9616.

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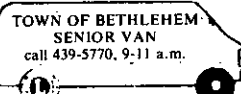
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Thursdays: Residents of Glenmont, Selkirk, So. Bethlehem to Glenmont Plaza 9:00-11:00.

CHEESE DISTRIBUTION

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Yoga Demonstration, Betty Jo Best will talk and show basic yoga positions, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Tax Assistance, for seniors, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, sponsored by volunteers of AARP, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, 1-4 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

Feura Bush Funsters, 4-H group for youths between eight and 19 years, meet every Thursday, Jerusalem Church, Feura Bush, 7-8 p.m.

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem Unit will focus on censorship of books in public schools, all welcome, Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Information, 439-4848.

Tomboy Registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-6045.

SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Tomboy Registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-6045.

"Little Mary Sunshine," presented by the Village Stage, Inc., tickets available at Lincoln Hill Books, Records N'Such, Tri-Village Drugs and Windflower Florist, also available at the door, Bethlehem Central High School.

SUNDAY 1 MARCH

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.

Piano Recital, Janet Wallenkampf will give solo performance, music of Gluck, Beethoven, Schumann and Chopin, open to public, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Pancake Breakfast, Elsmere Fire House, Poplar Drive, Delmar, adults \$3, children \$2, 8 a.m.-noon.

MONDAY 2 MARCH

A.C. Sparkplugs Dance, modern western square dancing featuring mainstream level with caller Al Cappetti, American Legion Hall, Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville, 8 p.m. Information, 765-4122.

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

A.C. Sparkplugs Dance, modern western square dancing featuring mainstream level with caller Al Cappetti, American Legion Hall, Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville, 8 p.m. Information, 765-4122.

Senior Films, two movies about seniors with active lifestyles, "Lady and the Owl," and "Slab City," Bethlehem Public Library, 3 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

TUESDAY 3 MARCH

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

Pancake Supper, Faith Lutheran and Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 5-7 p.m.

Roast Beef Dinner, benefit Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service, Bethlehem Grange, Selkirk.

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Minerva Hour, with Michael Fuchs, chairman and chief executive officer of Home Box Office, Union College, Schenectady, 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. Information, 393-4253.

Business After Hours, Steuben Athletic Club, One Steuben Place, Albany, 5-6:30 p.m.

"School's Out; Museum's In," programs for children and adults, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

Association for Systems Management, meeting on "Government Information Centers," by Howard Stoller, state Department of Tax and Finance, Albany Marriott Hotel, Wolf Rd., Albany, \$18, 6 p.m. Reservations, 483-8431.

THURSDAY 19 FEBRUARY

"School's Out; Museum's In," programs for children and adults, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

Albany's Ethnic History, Lazarus Bachy, past president of Congregation Beth Emeth, will speak on, "Albany's Rich Jewish Heritage," 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.

CDTC Meeting, Capital District Transit Committee will meet to discuss proposed Transportation Improvement Plan, CDTC Central Staff Offices, 5 Computer Dr. West, Albany, 3 p.m. Information, 458-2161.

Albany County Legal Secretaries Association, meeting, offices of Rutnik and Rutnik, Suite 1320, 112 State St., Albany, 5:30 p.m.

Capital District Resolve, meeting and discussion on "Drug Treatment in Infertility," Campus Center, College of Saint Rose, 432 Western Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 381-7048.

"Expanding Your Rental Market," monthly meeting of Capital District Association of Rental Property Owners, Quality Inn, Everett Rd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-1882.

"Small Business Start-Up and Survival," for prospective small business owners and those who have been in business three months or less, Jack's Oyster House, 42 State St., Albany, \$15, 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Information, 447-4196.

Singles Night, reception and preview of "Yours, Anne," Cohoes Music Hall, \$9, 6:30 p.m. Information, 235-7909.

Meeting, Capital District Chapter of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-0887.

Debutante Workshop, on cultural awareness, help prepare for Miss Debutant Contest for scholarship awards, sponsored by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Arbor Hill Community Center, 50 North Lark St., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 474-5313.

FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY

"School's Out; Museum's In," programs for children and adults, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

"In Search of Her: Visions of the Goddess," by Dr. Carol Christ, internationally known writer and lecturer on women and religion, Rockefeller Institute, 411 State St., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 447-6746.

SATURDAY 21 FEBRUARY

"School's Out; Museum's In," programs for children and adults, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

Natural History Lab and Lecture, Bill Rogers, associate scientist, state Geological Survey, will present program on how sedimentary rocks are formed, "Rock Bottom," State Museum, Albany, 10 a.m. Register, 474-5877.

Beach Party, celebrate summer early, wear bikinis and shorts and lay in sand and water, New Scotland Avenue Armory, \$5, 6 p.m.-midnight. Information, 455-5082.

Old Songs Country Dance, live music and caller David Kaynor, Guelderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, Guelderland, \$4, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

Winter Golf benefit Northeastern Association for the Blind, miniature golf, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, Information, 463-1211.


Child Safety Day, featuring "Print-a-Kid" and "Child-I-Dent," sponsored by State Police and "Price Chopper Supermarkets, in conjunction with the "Scout Show" by the Governor Clinton Council, Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 783-3284.

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Behind-the-Scenes Tour, see where museum exhibits are created and produces, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Reservations, 474-5801.

Concert, Ray Hart, well known opera and gospel singer, Peoples Baptist Church, 12 Launfal St., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Snowshoe Golf Classic, benefit Northeastern Association for the Blind, Albany Municipal Golf Course, \$10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 463-1211.

When the curtain rises on the Village Stage's forthcoming production of *Little Mary Sunshine*, audiences will be treated to a special evening of entertainment. Muriel and Marjorie Nevens, along with a cast of talented performers, will help recreate the era of Jeanette McDonald and Nelson Eddy.

Muriel Nevens, who is in the midst of her 15th year as a music instructor of the Bethlehem schools, will star in the role of Mary Potts in the lively musical. Nevens has studied at Hart College and the Saratoga Potsdam Choral Institute. She is currently studying at the studio of Karen Renung.

Her performances include the Village Stage presentation of "Ballroom," Gilbert and Sullivan operas, John Duke concerts and many light operas. Neven developed "If the Show Fits..." an operetta that was recently presented by the students of Glenmont Elementary School in cooperation with the Lake George Opera Company.

Marjorie Nevens, who is cast in the role of Nancy Twinkle, majored in dance and theatre at the State University College at Brockport. She spent one summer with the Concert Dance Company of Boston, served an internship at the Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, danced with eba in Albany, and studied with Jose Limon and Paul Sanasardo.

Bearing a striking resemblance to her mother, Marjorie often



Muriel and Marjorie Nevins will be appearing in *Little Mary Sunshine*.

talks about her mother's influence in developing her love for music. Marjorie began studying piano when she was in third grade. She also plays the flute.

In addition to their affinity for music, Muriel and Marjorie Nevens enjoy a warm mother-daughter relationship, as well as skiing and visiting museums.

"Little Mary Sunshine" may possibly be presented at the Bethlehem Middle School because the Bethlehem Central High School auditorium is closed. Performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. on Feb. 27 and 29. Tickets are on sale at Lincoln Hill Books, Records 'n Such, Tri-Village Drugs and Windflower Florist, Glenmont.

Composer to speak

Leroy Jenkins, a violinist and composer, will speak about his "Concerto for Improvised Violin and Chamber Orchestra" at the Bethlehem Public Library on Friday, Feb. 27, at 1 p.m.

Jenkins will be the soloist when his concerto is performed with the Albany Symphony Orchestra. Jenkins composed the concerto in 1983 with the intention of introducing improvisation into classical music.

The compositions of Jenkins have been performed at Carnegie Hall. In addition to his recording career, Jenkins has led workshops at colleges and universities.

All are welcome to attend the free discussion.

Information Session, learn about programs and degrees offered at Empire State College, Fitzgibbon Hall, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, 5:30 p.m. Information, 587-2100.

Volunteer Training, for adults 20 and older who wish to be volunteers, The Samaritans, 200 Central Ave., Albany. Interview and information, 463-2323.

Meeting, Capital District Older Women's League, Colonie Community Center, 1653 Central Ave., Colonie, 7-9 p.m.

Informational Program, "Child Sexual Abuse: What Is It and What Can Be Done About It?" Dominican Retreat House, 1945 Union St., Schenectady, \$5, 6:30 p.m. Reservations, 393-4169.

Capital District Atari Computer Enthusiasts, monthly meeting, Northway Inn, Colonie, 7 p.m. Information, 439-6465.

Technologies Fair, guest speakers, theme, "Technology Today and Tomorrow: Master the Possibilities," Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 459-5400.

HEAR Meeting, Hearing Endeavor Albany Region, self-help group for hearing impaired, Albany Medical Center Hearing Rehabilitation Center, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 445-4535.

Winter Seminar on Island Ecology, Dr. Conly Rieder of state Health Laboratory and State University of New York at Albany on, "Experimental Studies on Primary Cilia," Room 104, Social Sciences, Union College, Schenectady, 4:15 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Minerva Hour, featuring Stephen J. Gould, professor of geology at Harvard University, author of books and magazine articles, Union College, Schenectady, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6101.

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.

Piano recital

Janet Wallenkampf will present a recital of piano music by Gluck, Beethoven, Schumann and Chopin on Sunday, March 1, at the Bethlehem Public Library. The free program will begin at 2 p.m.

A graduate of Pacific Union College, Angwin, Calif., Wallenkampf is currently studying with Stanley Hummel. She previously served as a piano instructor at Walla Walla College in Washington State.

Wallenkampf teaches in her Ballston Lake home.

Kids' Fare fun

An afternoon of circus and vaudevillian fun with Magician Jim Snack, Cranberry the Clown and puppets from Woodstock's Ivy Vine Players will be presented by Kids' Fare on Sunday, Feb. 22, at the Albany Hilton. The program will begin at 2 p.m. For information call 482-2826.

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Rosa Lee Parks for Civil Rights

Rosa Lee Parks was a Black woman of the 1950's and a seamstress who lived in Montgomery, Alabama. She refused to sit in the back of the bus and give her seat up to a white person. The reason why she was important to the Black society was because she helped start the civil rights movement. Her contribution was a great success and a new future to the Blacks of America.

During the times of the 1950's, the Blacks were discriminated for almos: everything they did. Rosa Lee Parks was tired and refused to give her seat up to a white person, but then that was against the law. She was arrested for this and put in jail. As a result of this, there was a new beginning for the Blacks.

When she was put in jail, the Black community was very disrupted. They agreed to a one-

day boycott against the Montgomery bus company. Since the Blacks took up 70 percent of the passengers a day on the bus, there was a great deal of money lost that day. On the day of her trial, December 5, 1955, they did the same. This was no benefit to her because she was convicted. When the Blacks of Alabama heard this, they boycotted against the bus company until December 21, 1956, the day following the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that segregation on buses was unconstitutional. This was the beginning of the modern civil rights movement. The civil rights movement grew as Dr. King took over for the Blacks. I feel that if Rosa Lee Parks hadn't been so brave as to stand up for her rights, there might not have been a Dr. King.

All of this took place when Rosa Lee Parks was 42 years of age. She helped the Blacks of the past and of today to a new and better life. The reason why she stood up to her rights and to the Jim Crow laws is because she didn't want Blacks of the future to have to go through the same suffering she did.

I picked Rosa Lee Parks because she was brave enough to stand up for her rights as a human being and because she started a new future for many other people.

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Hank Aaron was born in Mobile, Alabama on February 5, 1934. His mother lived in Mobile because Mr. Aaron had a job there as a boilermaker's assistant. Mr. Aaron was luckier than many other Black men in Mobile as jobs were hard to find. But Mr. Aaron had seven children to support and he worked very hard to make money. Young Hank Aaron stayed alone at home because he didn't like to play with a lot of boys. He had just one or two friends, in his neighborhood, and often spent most of his time alone. The older boys pushed him out of the way. He never got a chance to show how well he could hit and field. He cried when he got home at night.

For two years Hank was a super player for the Bears. Then in the summer of 1950 the Bears scheduled a game with the Indianapolis Clowns, one of the most famous teams in the Negro leagues. Hank had a great day. He slammed two singles and a double that day. A man named Bunny, who managed the Clowns,

approached young Hank Aaron. "Would you like to play baseball for the Clowns?" Hank thought it over and decided why not. In 1954 he made the big leagues and joined the Milwaukee Braves.

Hank Aaron hit 755 regular season home runs, more than any other baseball player in the major league history. Hank beat Babe Ruth's record of home runs on April 8, 1974. Hank Aaron played for the Braves in the National League from 1954 through 1974. He was traded to the Milwaukee Brewers of the American League following the 1974 season and retired as a player after the 1976 season. Hank Aaron played right field during most of his career, but he also played left field, center field and first base.

I chose Hank Aaron because he went through with his dream. He was an excellent baseball player.

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After 1950 her drug addiction affected her health and career. She said, "All dope can do is kill you... the long slow way." In 1959 Miss Holiday entered the hospital. Her skin was ulcerated from drug injections and her heart and respiratory system was ready to collapse. She was arrested for drug possession on her death bed.

Billie Holiday's life was extremely interesting because she suffered so much and was still able to obtain a career that she will be remembered for. She also helped to show that Blacks were just as good as anyone else and that their music is a wonderful addition to American culture.

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Nikki Giovanni

Nikki Giovanni is an American Black poet. She writes violent, Black revolution and passionate love poems. She is one of the great poets and is a major contributor in the Black oral poetry movement.

The most significant reason why Nikki Giovanni is important is that she helped Black people be writers and speakers today. By writing poems and giving lectures at college campuses, and by recording her poems and stories on records, she has helped some Black people. Just knowing someone is out there giving life a chance and rooting for you makes a person want to do something important. She demonstrated respect for herself and Black people everywhere. She wrote great stories and poems. She had enough courage to go out into the world and be what she wanted to be for herself, her family, and her people. Nikki Giovanni has been praised by many people for her courage and her poems.

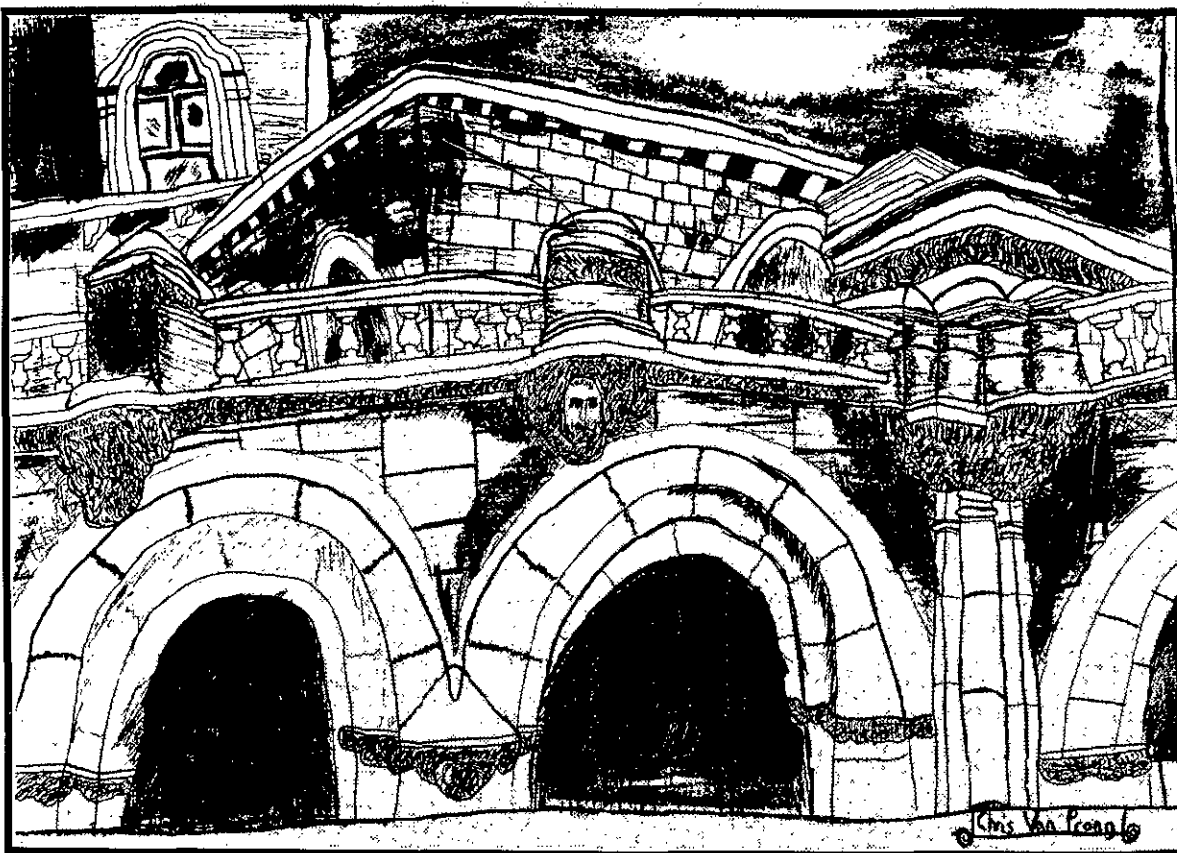
Nikki Giovanni helped Blacks respect themselves. Her first record was "Truth Is On Its Way." On the record, she read some of her poetry accompanied by some gospel music. While Nikki Giovanni wrote poetry dealing with Black revolution, she also wrote poems about other themes, too. "Encore" magazine said, "She writes about the central themes of our times, in which thirty million Blacks search for self-identification and self-love."

Nikki was born on June 7, 1943 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Her real name is Yolande Giovanni, Jr. Her nickname, Nikki, was given by her older sister, Gary, whom she adored. Her parents were Jones and Yolande Giovanni.

When she was still a baby, her family moved from Knoxville to Cincinnati and settled in a middle class neighborhood in Lincoln Heights. Her mother was a social worker and her father was a probation officer. Although she and other members of her family were Baptists, she attended St. Simon's parochial school from third to eighth grade. She then went to Austin High School.

After graduating from Fisk University, she wrote a number of poems and an autobiography. Nikki Giovanni has set an example for many people everywhere. She set an almost impossible goal for herself and achieved it. She is one of the few nationally recognized Black female writers. Nikki Giovanni is an extraordinary woman.

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Mike Tyson, Meet the Champ

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When Mike was eleven he went to a reform school named Tyson. He was there till he was thirteen. At this time he met Bobby Stewart, a former light heavyweight boxer from Tribes Hill (near Amsterdam), who brought Mike to Cus D'Amato in Catskill. Cus D'Amato was 71 years old. When Bobby Stewart brought Mike to Cus it was one of the most important things in Mike's life. Cus saw Mike fight once and said, "You can be the next heavyweight champion of the world."

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On November 4, 1985, when Mike was 19, Cus died of pneumonia at the age of 77. Cus was the biggest influence on Mike's life because Cus taught him more than boxing. Cus taught Mike how to live a good life.

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Eagle swimmers make it 17 straight

By Kevin Mullen

Bethlehem Central, in winning its 17th straight Section II Class A swimming title last Saturday at the State University at Albany, had six swimmers qualify for the Intersectional meet on March 13 and 14.

Bethlehem won handily, amassing 78 points against rival Troy's 59. Albany High took third with 46. Rounding out the Class A finals were Burnt Hills, 42; Shenendehowa, 21; Amsterdam, 21; Shaker, 12; Guilderville, 8; and Niskayuna, 2.

The key to Bethlehem's continued domination in this winter sport was the placing of at least one swimmer in every event, according to head Coach Ken Neff.

"We were the only team to put someone in every event," Neff said. "Troy, Burnt Hills and Albany High had three events where they had no swimmers."

Chris Drew qualified for three events. He took first place in the 50 freestyle (21:91) and first in the 100 freestyle (48:59). He also qualified in the 400 free style relay, along with Justin Baird, John

McCarthy and Joe Kowalski. The foursome took first place (3:21.31), edging Albany High.

Baird also will qualify in the 200 freestyle (1:47.49) and the 500 freestyle (4:55.97). Baird took second in both events to Albany High's Kevin Paulsen, who set a Class A record in the 200 freestyle and a Class A championship meet record in the 500 freestyle.

Pete Greenwald qualified in the 100 breaststroke by placing third. Amsterdam's Vicinanzo won the event and set a Class A championship meet record.

Also qualifying for the trip was Alex Hall in diving, taking second with a score of 329.56. But Neff said that Hall probably won't be going because "he can't practice." Hall hasn't worked out in over a month because the diving boards at the middle school were removed for safety reasons. Neff said that the decision on whether to go is entirely up to Hall.

"The nicest thing about the meet was that everyone had a nice swim," Neff said. "They swam well under pressure."

For those that didn't get to

move on to the finals on Saturday, Neff said that he was proud of his medley relay team because they dropped three seconds off their time. Neff said that Cameron O'Connor "had an outstanding meet," taking third in the 100 backstroke and sixth in the 200 IM. George Tanner took fourth in the 50 freestyle. He said that Graham Satinger "had a good swim" in the 100 fly and that Anthony Ferro reduced his time in the 100 freestyle from 1:09 to 1:05.

Neff credited the success at the meet to "the quality of swimmers we have. Hard working, good guys. They worked hard all season under adverse conditions." Though Neff said that it was an inconvenience to travel to the middle school to practice, he acknowledged the reality that some high schools didn't even have pools. And having the facilities is one of the reasons why Bethlehem has dominated in swimming over the years, Neff said. He also mentioned the Delmar Dolphins program, a "feeder program" that has been a consistent supplier of swimming talent for the varsity.

There are presently about 20 kids in the program, Neff said, down from recent years. Neff is mildly concerned because he said that the varsity will lose seven

seniors and the Dolphins may place only one or two swimmers this season.

Neff also praises the town competitive "Learn to Swim" program. One must be at least six years old to take part.

The Intersectionals will take place at the Nassau Community College in Long Island on March 13 and 14. Neff said that he will work his team on "refining little things like starts and turns." He also will try to get the team "mentally prepared."

St. Thomas 2nd

St. Thomas CYO Junior Girls completed their season with a 21-12 victory over St. Teresa's.

Kassie Jeram was high scorer with 11, Kerry Fitzpatrick had 8 and Chrissy Battle had 2 points.

St. Thomas finished in second place in the Albany CYO Diocesan League with eight wins and two losses.

St. Thomas and Holy Names, the first place team, will represent the league in the Tri-County Diocesan tournament starting March 15 at Bishop Maginn High School. Tournament paring and game times will be announced later this week.

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Tyrrell qualifies

By Matt Bates

The majority of the Guilderville Swim Team's season ended last weekend at the sectionals at Albany St. The only member of the team whose season has not yet ended is Kevin Tyrrell, who qualified for the Intersectionals in both the 50 and 100 free.

The squad scored only eight points last Saturday, all of them by Tyrrell. The only other Guilderville entry in the finals was their 200 Medley Relay team, consisting of Tyrrell, Gary Washburn, Barry Tunek and Mark Wight. The group was seeded sixth going into the race, and that was where they finished.

Tyrrell was seeded third in the 50 free, and after all was said and done, that was where he finished. Against his toughest competition all season, Tyrrell got off to a sluggish start and didn't seem to hit his stride early enough, but finished very strong. His time of 22.66 allows him to travel to the states.

Tyrrell was again seeded third in the 100 free, but he this time finished second. He again finished strong but Bethlehem Central's Chris Drew was too strong for him. Tyrrell's excellent time, though, will make him a two-event competitor in the upcoming Intersectionals.

Gas pump hit

No gas was spilled after a gas pump at the Hess station on Rts. 9W and 396 was hit by a Ravena man's car slipping on ice Monday, state police said.

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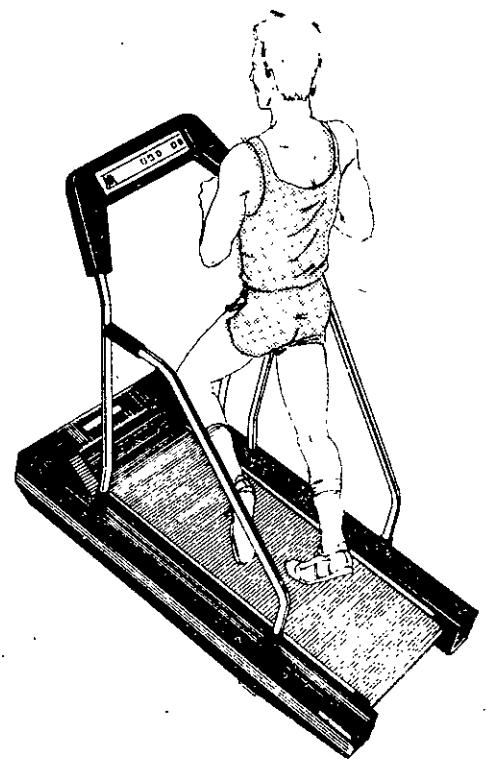


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BC girls win council crown

Last Saturday at RPI, the Bethlehem girls Indoor Track team, led by senior Anne Carey, captured the Suburban Council crown, out pointing runner-up Colonie, 76-67. The boy's team placed sixth with 24 points.

Carey started off her day by winning the 50-meter hurdles, and was backed up with fourth and sixth place points from Diane Berelli and Jen Engstrom. She then anchored the 3,200-meter relay of Julie Hammer, Heather Wolfe and Kim Cornaire to an easy first place finish in 9:58.3. In her specialty, the 600, Carey blew away the rest of the pack early and ran alone to win in 1:37.6, her best this year.

Junior Kelly Ross also had a big day for the Eagles. She and Cornaire went 1-4 in the high jump, with respective leaps of five-foot-four and four-foot-ten, and Ross also helped the 800-meter relay team with Tricia Bishop, Meg Connolly and Melissa

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Cocozza finish fourth. Finally, she tried her hand in the triple jump, in which she donated some 4th place points with her 32 foot, seven and a half inch jump. Also, in the shot put, sophomore Judy Stasack hauled off a throw of 26 feet 11 inches for a personal record and fifth place overall.

Bethlehem also racked up some points in the distance events, where they have been strong for years. Hammer ran a 5:22.6 for a fourth in the 1500, and Cornaire ran a 3:11.3 in the 1000, also for fourth place. Kathy Saba placed fifth in the 3000 in 11:37.5.

For the boys, the meet was highlighted by Steve Connolly's triple jump win and a new school record in the 3200-meter relay. Connolly popped a 41-foot-five-

inch jump for the victory, and this establishes him as the man to beat in that event.

Shot putter Russ Ruckterstuhl also tried out the triple jump and was measured at 36 feet five inches. More at home in the shot put, he finished seventh with a throw of 39 feet six inches.

Meanwhile, Brendan Mitchell, Dave DeCecco, Pete Winkler and Brendan Kearshe shattered the old school record of 8:44:2 in the 3200 meter relay (which they set the previous week) to place third in 8:33:3. Kearshe cranked out the fastest split of 2:04:9 to help the cause. That same team also ran the mile relay and placed sixth in 3:52.5.

In the 3200, Winkler finished third in 10:21.1, while Mitchell placed sixth in the 1600 with a PR of 4:56.9. Fast-improving Mike Kimeberg finished second in the freshman edition of that race in 5:08.2, also a PR. In the 1000, Kearshe ran into bad luck, along with another runner's foot on the second turn of the first lap. Both runners went down and could not make up the lost distance, so Kearshe did not place. If he had not fallen, he would have been right in the thick of things, and could have finished just behind area standouts Todd Orvis of Colonie and Zac Shea of Columbia.

Last week also marked the end of the dual meet season for BC. For the girls, the season went out on a low note as they lost to Colonie, marking the only blemish on their 26-1 season. The boys finished with a respectable 20-8 mark. Coming up Saturday is the Section II championship meet, which coach Ron Cameron believes the girls can win if they perform as they did in the Suburbans. State qualifiers take place the following Friday night.



BC's Tony Evangelista, no. 36, watches a Guilderland spike go wide.
Tom Knight

Baranska just misses

By Josh Curley

Ravena's wrestling pride, Jerry Baranska had his outstanding season come down to a frustrating loss in the finals of the state wrestling qualifiers Saturday.

Baranska took second place after losing to 177 lb. Section Two champ Mark Carey, for the third time this season, 3-1. Coach John Vishneowski said the loss "is disappointing to me and to Jerry... it's tough to take." Baranska won't advance any further for placing second. However, second place ties for the highest any RCS wrestler's talent has ever taken him in the Section.

Baranska also broke the school's career wins record by earning his 99th. Vishneowski thinks Carey's strength could result in a very good showing at the New York State Championship in Syracuse.

Other Indians who wrestled well at the State Qualifiers were Tim Baranska, who was fourth at

167 pounds, and Mark VanHoesen, who was fourth at 250. Luther Legg didn't advance very far due to wrestling some tough competition early on. Bill Stanton, Geoff Demis and Bob Jordan all were eliminated early because they faced some high-quality wrestlers in their first matches.

Earlier last week, the JV squad had a successful outing at the Colonial Council Tournament that produced five champs. Freshmen Bob Pellitier, Henry Mormile and Joe Dillberg produced wins at 91, 119 and 145 pounds respectively. Sophomore Jeff Friday earned the victory at 155 and heavyweight Steve Swanson won the 215 weight division. Dan Egan placed second at 177 and 132 pounder Bill Craft and Chuck Swaider at 126 lbs. both got third place in their divisions.

Spikers stay hot

By Charles Henrikson

In another week of solid competition, the Bethlehem Central High School volleyball team triumphed over all opponents.

Last Tuesday BC played host to Scotia, whom they beat easily in two games. It was a rather uneventful match, with the team playing well as a whole but no single individual standing out.

Wednesday's visit by Columbia was another match in the same vein, with BC again winning in two fairly easy games. Once again, the entire team played well. Ken Malsan, one of the stronger bench players, got into the match and played extremely well.

The challenge for the week came last Friday, when BC traveled to Guilderland. This match BC did win in two games, but they were extremely close, with the final score of 15-13, 15-13. In this the whole team had to play well to win, being led by

captains Doug Pratt and Pete Russo. Mark Richter maintained the excellent hitting form he had all week, and Bill Liddle did quite well in the final game to give BC the extra bit of momentum it needed.

The team now has only one loss, and is tied for first place. The second half of the season is underway; that is, BC is playing each team for the second and final time this year.

The mid-season break is underway this week, because of winter recess. Games resume next Tuesday, with BC hosting Mohanasen. This should be an easy warmup compared to Wednesday's match, against Shenendehowa, which has only one loss, suffered at the hands of BC. The week finishes with a match against Colonie.

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Blackbirds finish strong

By Dave Larabee

Strong regular season finishes are sometimes the difference between success and failure in post-season play. If this proves to be true, Voorheesville's basketball team could enjoy some sectional glory.

To open the week last Tuesday, the Blackbirds hosted league rival Albany Academy in their final home game. The fact that the Birds dominated nearly every facet of this contest was evident in the halftime score of 22-12. However, the Cadets managed to cut the lead to six early in the third quarter (24-18); but after a Voorheesville time out, the hosts blew the game open behind a 10-2 run. Heading into the fourth quarter, Voorheesville led by 15 (34-19), and then the squad used some outstanding foul shooting to ice the game. For the night, the hosts were 20-for-24 from the charity stripe (16-for-19 in the fourth quarter) and 17-for-52 from the field. Senior Kyle Larabee and Junior Ed Sapienza led the Blackbirds individually with eight points apiece, as a strong team effort led to the Voorheesville victory by the score of 54-37.

The following night, the Blackbirds traveled to Mechanicville for a make-up game. In



Scott Biernacki, RCS' no. 42, tries for two points against Voorheesville's Dean Decker, 32, and Marty Gordinier, 42, as Indian Adam Wheeler, 44, looks on. On the cover: Marty Gordinier, Voorheesville's 42, and Adam Wheeler, RCS' 44, fight for control of the ball as Indian Tony Williams, 10, waits. photo Tom Knight

contrast to their previous triumph, this second victory in as many

nights was much more difficult. The host Red Raiders played much better than their 2-11 league mark, as they battled from an eight-point halftime deficit to lead

by four after three periods of play. But in the final quarter, Larabee led a Voorheesville surge with 8 points including a pair of free throws in the final minute. In the end, Larabee was perfect from the floor (7-for-7) with a season high 16 points while Marty Gordinier added 10. Again, clutch foul shooting in the fourth quarter carried the Blackbirds to victory.

Friday, the squad travelled to Ravena to close out their final week of regular season play with one of their most exciting victories of the season. The nearly equal play exhibited in the first half continued throughout the entire contest as Ravena led by three at the end of the half and by the same at the close of the third period. However, it was all Voorheesville in the closing minutes. Point guard Dean Decker took over with key passing and clutch shooting, including two foul shots with two seconds remaining to put Voorheesville ahead by one. A desperation shot by Ravena center Adam Wheeler sailed off the mark as time ran out with the Blackbirds ahead 59-58. Decker finished with a season high 19 points while juniors Gordinier and John Meacham added 15 and 14 respectively.

With these three victories, the Blackbirds seem to be reaching top form while approaching sectional play. Voorheesville (8-8 in the league, 9-11 overall) face Granville in the opening round of Class C play at Glen Falls High School on Saturday, with the winner facing Bishop Scully on the following Tuesday.

RCS settles for a split

By Bart Gottesman

Although the Ravena varsity basketball team split the two games they played last week, Coach Jim Gorham feels that his team is playing well on both ends of the court and seems optimistic heading into the final week of the season.

Led by senior center Adam Wheeler's 71 points in games last week, the Indians revenge an earlier loss to Cohoes, 62-54, but came up short in the final seconds against rival Voorheesville, 59-58.

Wheeler netted 41 of Ravena's 62 points in the Cohoes victory, but Gorham didn't feel that the win was a one-man show. "Adam had the points, but it wasn't just one man," said the coach. Gorham labeled the game a "three-man show." The three who Gorham felt rose to the occasion were Wheeler, Scott Biernacki, who penetrated the Cohoes zone defense and fed Wheeler with many passes which led to easy shots, and Lance Tucker, who did an excellent job covering Cohoes' top offensive threat. "It was our best defensive game of the year," Gorham said. Biernacki added nine points while Tony Williams chipped in with six.


In the first meeting with Voorheesville, it went down to the wire with the Blackbirds securing the victory with four seconds left on the clock. This time, Voorheesville waited a little longer and took the lead for good with two seconds left.

Before all of the excitement, the game had been an evenly fought dual throughout. Going into halftime, three points separated the two teams with Ravena up, 25-22. The third quarter was played evenly as both teams scored 15 points.

Excitement built to its high point with 13 seconds left in the fourth quarter when Wheeler hit a shot off an offensive rebound to put RCS up by one point. Voorheesville then brought the ball down court and held the ball for the final shot. The Blackbird shot was no good but a scramble

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for the rebound ended with Voorheesville's Dean Decker on the foul line with two seconds left. Ravena's screaming fans had no effect on Decker as he sank the shots, hitting only net on both.

Any chance for a Ravena victory would have to come via a mighty long shot. RCS inbounded the ball at its end of the court and it ended up in Wheeler's hands. From half court, Wheeler let the ball go. Wheeler may have scored 30 points, but he's only mortal; the shot bounced off the rim and Ravena lost. Biernacki finished with 10 points to close out Ravena's top scorers.

With a 6-9 record in the Council and 9-10 record overall, Ravena has opted to head into the Sectionals after not going last season.

This week Ravena travels to Watervliet (Tuesday), to face this year's Colonial Council Champions. Gorham feels his team will have to be at its best and cannot afford to foul. Saturday, the Green and Gold face Ichabod Crane in the Sectionals. Ravena lost to Ichabod earlier in the season but Gorham is optimistic because of the improvement in the play of Williams and Biernacki since the first meeting.

Tomboys registration

Girls who will be nine by Dec. 1, 1987 may register for the Bethlehem Tomboys on Thursday, Feb. 26, from 7 to 9 p.m., or on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 10 a.m. until noon, at the Bethlehem Public Library.

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Saratoga, Huerter double team Eagles

By Dave DeCecco

After losses to a pair of tough Suburban Council teams last week, the Bethlehem boy's basketball team hopes to go to the Sectionals with "a breath of fresh air," says coach Jack Moser. Tuesday, the Eagles fell to Saratoga, 72-49, and succumbed to visiting Burnt Hills on Friday, 72-52.

Plagued by an up-and-down season, BC was on one of their "down" notes at Saratoga. Moser says that his team did not play well offensively, and this led to turnovers which the Streaks turned into easy buckets. The Eagles were fairly close at the half, but lost contact in the third period. Leading Bethlehem were Todd Wright and Brian Battle, with 17 and 9 points. Moser noted that Paul Taffe and Jeff Schaeffer played well off the bench, and this is a good sign for next year.

Burnt Hills came to town Friday, and unfortunately for Bethlehem, they remembered to bring Siena-bound Tom Huerter along. There was just no stopping Huerter as he piled up 27 points on the night, 23 of those in the first half. BC tried numerous defenses to try to shut him down, but nothing was very effective. As it turned out, Huerter dug his own hole, getting into foul trouble early, and was forced to ride the pines while his teammates duked it out.

Says Moser: "He's a super basketball player. The teams were pretty evenly matched when he

wasn't playing, but with him in there they were tough." In the last home game of his career, senior co-captain Brian Battle netted 15 points, and John Peyrebrune had 9. Wright, battling influenza, had 8 points. Again, Moser noted that Taffe and Schaeffer played well off the bench.

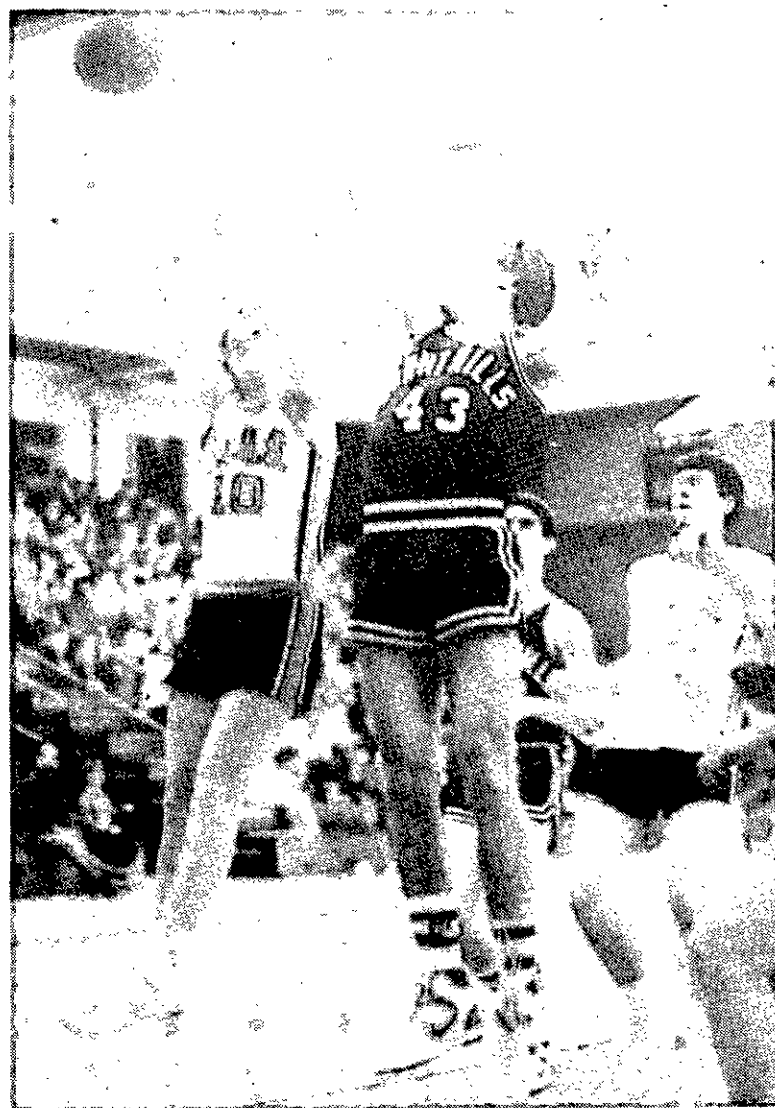
The sectionals start Friday night, and Bethlehem will open at CBA. Though CBA has a much better record than BC's 5-15, Moser expects a tight game. Wright and Taffe played there last year, and the rivalry could make things interesting. However the Eagles will have to stop Syracuse-bound Toby Given if they wish to advance in the tournament.

Dispatchers training

Two Bethlehem Police dispatchers have taken a refresher course in computers that was hosted by the police department.

Mark Becker and Kathy Cooke took the three-day refresher course that was offered by the state police Intelligence Network. Dispatchers from the Watervliet Arsenal, Watervliet, Scotia, and Schenectady also took part in the course.

The course gave practical hands-on training on computers used for dispatching, giving an update of new capabilities of the system and new hardware and software. The computerized dispatch equipment gives access to area police agencies, and those throughout the country and the world using Interpol.



Mike Hodge, BC's no. 10, makes two points on a fast break against Burnt Hills as BC's Brian Battle looks on.

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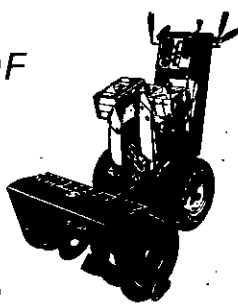
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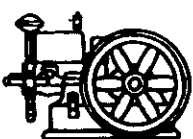
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RCS girls are champions

By Paul Curley

Colonial Council champions. That's what the Ravena Girl's Basketball team became last week or the second time in the last three years. They accomplished his feat by winning all but one league game this season, including two last week against Cohoes and Voorheesville.

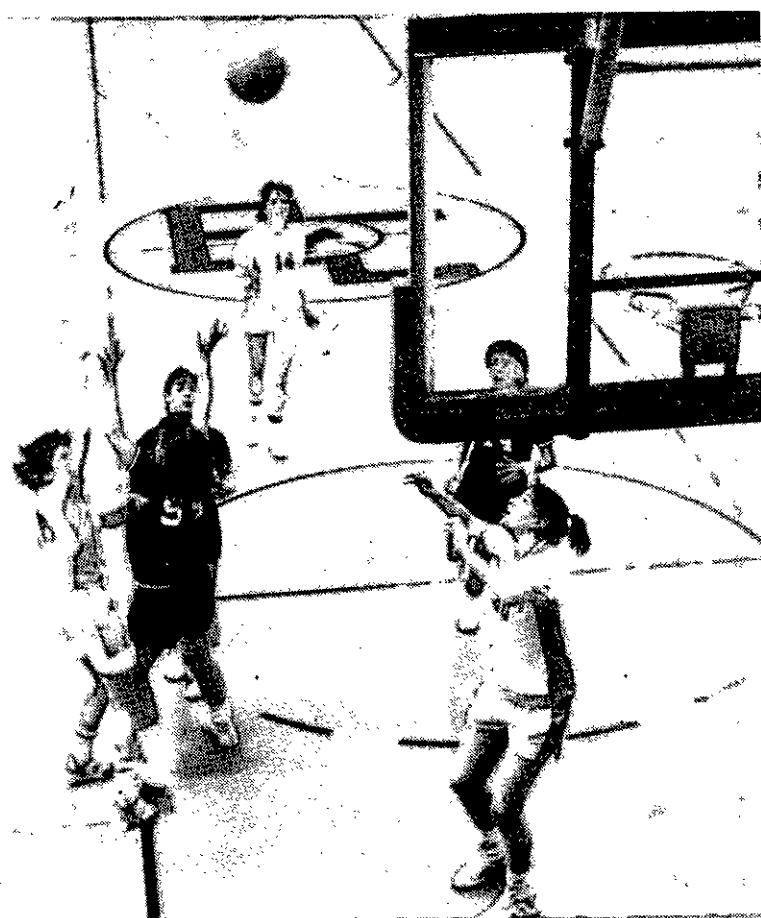
Last Wednesday at Cohoes, Ravena jumped out to a 22-14 first quarter lead and pretty much coasted from there to win, 53-42. Terri Baker, who has been a consistently strong scorer all season, led the team with 16 points, while junior Lisa Holsapple had nine, Jackie Mulligan and Tracey Tucker added eight each, and Fran Losee had six. Losee

was hurt in the fourth quarter of this game with what has been determined to be a "bad bruise." Whether she'll be able to play in the Sectionals is still unknown.

Friday's game at Voorheesville was the last game of the regular season and Ravena needed this one to clinch a tie with Lansingburgh for the lead in the Council. The Indians won 41-29 while Lansingburgh fell to Schalmont by two points, giving Ravena sole possession of first place. Without Losee in this game, Coach Betty Faxon could use very little substitution, leading to an exhausting effort for her five starters. The big problem was trying to stop Voorheesville's Tricia Carmody, who had 15

points in the first half while being double-teamed. Ravena was forced to triple-team her in the second half. Senior co-captains Baker and Mulligan came through again with 15 and 10 points, respectively, to help bring the Indians final record to 13-1.

After a fantastic season, Ravena is being recognized as a Class B basketball power and is seeded second in the upcoming Sectional playoffs. They will begin Sectional play at home next Wednesday facing the winner of an Ichabod Crane-Mohanasen matchup, but the big question remains whether Losee will be back in form to give the Indians the leadership and chemistry she creates with the other two seniors, Baker and Mulligan.



BC's no. 34, Julie Francis tries for two points against Shaker as Anita Caplan, no. 30, waits under the basket. Tom Knight

Martin's loss hurts Blackbirds

By Renee Hunter

When Laura Martin sprained her ankle in practice last week, the rest of Voorheesville's girls basketball team knew they'd have to make some adjustments. Without the scoring power of the senior forward, who was often in double figures, someone would have to throw in some extra points if they wanted to win, or at least lose respectably to Ravena on Friday.

Wednesday, the day before the injury occurred, the Lady Blackbirds team beat the Holy Names Academy. Sophomore Tricia Carmody had 18 points for the

Blackbirds, who led 30-22 after three quarters. Contributing nine points to the 39-36 victory was Martin. Also tossing in points were Tally Bausback, Jennifer Elliot, Donna Bulgaro, Tanya Severino and Angel Smith.

"It was a good win for us," commented Coach Nadine Bassler. "It kept us in third place."

Things weren't looking all that bad for the Birds although they were concerned going into the home battle with Ravena. As Bassler said, the Voorheesville girls played a better game with Martin. Unable to find a way to replace the scoring of Martin, the Blackbirds lost, 41-29.

Only three players were able to throw in points. Carmody gathered 19, while Elliot had six and Melanie Wakely added four.

The victory gave the Ravena

team first place in the Colonial Council. Behind Lansingburgh in second, Voorheesville, finishing with an 8-6 league standing, is in sole possession of third place.

The Blackbirds will be heading into sectional play this week or next. The team has come a long way in the last few years, and with some talented players coming up from the junior varsity squad, things are looking good for next season.

Yoga demonstration

Mary Jo Best will offer a discussion and demonstration of Iyengar yoga on Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Bethlehem Public Library. The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. Best will emphasize correct body alignment, balance, spinal extension and relaxed breathing.

Best has practiced yoga for 11 years and has been an instructor at the Delmar Athletic Club and through the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department.

BC girls win 4

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

The outstanding game against Colonie two weeks ago has sent morale on the Bethlehem Central girls varsity basketball team soaring. The result was a four-game win streak last week that landed the Lady Eagles in the Sectionals.

The Lady Eagles started off the week by winning a non-league game over Watervliet 41-35. According to Coach Gene Lewis the game was "closer than we would have liked it," but it was a great way to start off the week, nevertheless. The girls maintained a 20 point lead for most of the game, and this gave Lewis a chance to try new strategies.

The team then went on to beat

Saratoga by a score of 40-30 on Wednesday.

At Mt. Pleasant, the Eagles notched a 43-34 win in another non-league game.

But Saturday's game against Burnt Hills was the determining factor for the Lady Eagles. If they won this game, it would put them into the playoffs. The girls played extremely well both defensively and offensively tallying a final score of 42-32.

According to Lewis, the game was really won in the fourth quarter due to outstanding foul shooting. Lynnette Stracke, who had "played to her full capacity" throughout the game despite four fouls, helped out by scoring eight points in eight minutes in the

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fourth quarter. She also contributed six for eight from the foul line. Also, Julie Francis scored five points, both Wendy Vogel and Michelle Gibbons scored 50 percent from the foul line, and Anita Caplan was the leading rebounder.

Coach Lewis credits the wins to strong individual efforts by both the starters and the players off the bench. These include Caroline Brooks for her scoring ability and Missy Aloisi for both her scoring ability and rebounding.

The team's council record is 7-8 and the overall record is 9-10. More significantly, their record for the past two weeks was 6-2.

Coach Lewis said that for Sectionals, the Lady Eagles will have to rely on their defensive strength and work to improve their offense.

The key for Sectionals, he said, will be to maintain their mental toughness, keep a positive attitude and concentrate on getting an early lead and making baskets.

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In the 10 and under girls group, Melanie Veazey took a fourth in the "C" category for the 50-yard freestyle, while Hitomi Kubo, in the "B" group, placed third in the 50-yard freestyle, fourth in the 50 yard butterfly and fifth in the 100 yard individual medley. David Seegal in the 10-and-under boy's category in the "B" group placed second in the 50-yard backstroke and sixth in the 50-yard freestyle, took second in the "C" group in the 50-yard butterfly and earned a "B" achiever's rating in the 100-yard individual medley.

Representing the 11-12 year old girls, Emily Church in the "B" group placed first in the 50-yard butterfly, second in the 100-yard individual medley and earned an "A" achiever's rating in the 50-yard backstroke. Anne Byrd took second in the 100-yard individual medley and sixth in the 50-yard freestyle in the "C" group.

In the 13-14 boys' category, Pat Fish, in the "B" group, placed second in the 200-yard individual medley and sixth in the 100-yard

freestyle and in the "C" group placed second in the 100-yard butterfly, third in the 100-yard backstroke and fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke. Craig Mattox took fourth in the 100-yard butterfly and fifth in both the 100-yard freestyle and 100 yard backstroke in the "C" category. The 10 and under girls' relay team composed of Hitomi Kubo, Melanie Veazey, Cailin Brennan and Kimberly Lenhardt placed fifth, while the 10 and under boy's team comprised of Jonathan Church, David Seegal, Billy Leary and Eric Edie took third. Strong performances were also turned in by Brian Lenhardt and Brad Mattox.

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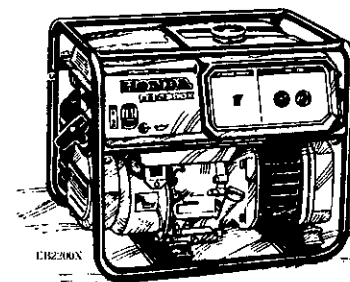
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ALL PROPOSALS must be made upon and in accordance with the form of proposal prepared and obtained from the above named attorneys which form of proposal will contain accompanying instructions to bidders and a copy of the specifications for said work.

Interested bidders may inspect said vehicle during a viewing period the 23rd day of February 1987 between the hours of 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Slingerlands Fire House, 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York.

LEGAL NOTICE

ALL PROPOSALS must be accompanied by a bond with sufficient securities acceptable to the said Board of Commissioners in a penal sum equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount of the proposal, conditioned that if the proposal is accepted, the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work and will execute, within five (5) business days from the date of the acceptance of the proposal, a suitable security bond in the sum of the amount of the contract, conditioned for the faithful, prompt and acceptable performance and completion of the work specified in the contract. All deposits made in accordance herewith, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned or exonerated, PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the Board of Commissioners may, in its sole discretion, waive the requirement of a performance bond in the event it is satisfied as to the ability of the successful bidder to perform. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

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Board of Commissioners
Slingerlands Fire District
New Scotland Avenue
Slingerlands, New York
Dated: February 10, 1987
(February 18, 1987)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 3, 1987, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on the Application of Gerald P. Rickert, 596 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, NY, for approval by said Planning Board of a proposed subdivision to be located on the northwesterly corner of the intersection of Orchard St. and Kenwood Ave., as shown on map entitled "Map of Rickert Subdivision, Property of, GERALD RICKERT, Slingerlands, Town: Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York," dated Sept. 8, 1986, and made by Edward W. Boutelle & Son, Delmar, NY, on file with the Planning Board.

John A. Williamson
Chairman,
Planning Board
(February 18, 1987)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Town Law, Section 29 (10-a) that a copy of the Annual Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 1986 for the Town of Bethlehem, is now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY and is available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours.

Also, as required by General Revenue Sharing Regulations, the survey of Federal General Revenue

LEGAL NOTICE

Sharing Expenditures, Form RS-9F for the fiscal year ending 12/31/86 for the Town of Bethlehem has been filed with the U.S. Bureau of Census. A copy is available for public inspection in the Office of the Comptroller at the Town Hall, Delmar, NY during regular business hours.

Town of Bethlehem
Carolyn M. Lyons
Town Clerk
(Dated: February 11, 1987)
(February 18, 1987)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Police Uniforms for the Town of Bethlehem Police Department.

Bids will be received up to 2:15 p.m. on the 2nd day of March, 1987, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. J. Robert Hendrick, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

LEGAL NOTICE

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Carolyn Lyons
Town Clerk
Dated: February 11, 1987
(February 18, 1987)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites bids for the furnishing of production and printing of the newsletter, Bethlehem Report, three times during the year 1987.

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Carolyn M. Lyons
Town Clerk
Dated: February 11, 1987
(February 18, 1987)

LEGAL NOTICE

At a Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY on the 11th of February, 1987.

PRESENT: Mr. Hendrick, Mr. Geurtze, Mrs. Ritchko.

ABSENT: Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Prothero.

The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York does hereby amend the Traffic Ordinance of the Town of Bethlehem adopted on the 17th day of July, 1968, and last amended on the 12th day of November, 1986 as follows:
1. Amend ARTICLE II, Section 1, Maximum Speed Limits, Paragraph (c) Thirty (30) miles per hour is hereby established as the maximum speed at which vehicles may proceed on or along the following highways in the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York by adding the following new section as follows:

85. Font Grove Road from its intersection with New Scotland to the Town of Bethlehem line.

The foregoing amendment to the Traffic Ordinance was presented for adoption by Mr. Geurtze, was seconded by Mrs. Ritchko and was duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Hendrick, Mr. Geurtze, Mrs. Ritchko.

Noes: None

Absent: Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Prothero.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

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Obituaries

Edwin B. Piper

Former longtime Delmar resident, Edwin B. Piper, 95, of Hamden, Conn., died Wednesday, Feb. 11, after a brief illness.

He moved to Connecticut in August after 58 years as a resident of Adams St. in Delmar. He was born in Malden, Mass., and he grew up in Lynn, Mass.

In an interview by *The Spotlight* in August before he moved, Piper remembered Delmar in the 1920's.

"When I first moved here, it was a rural area, today it is a growing suburb. Everything has changed, I can't think of anything that has remained unchanged," Piper said.

He said he always knew Delmar would grow because there was a "great feeling of enthusiasm for a small rural community. People were encouraging their friends to come to Delmar, the future of the town was prospering."

During his life, Piper was witness to the great events of the century. "During the second World War, many young men in Delmar were drafted. My son was in the army and was in Pearl Harbor, as an anti-aircraft gunner, on the day it was attacked. The Great Depression wasn't severe in Delmar and didn't stop its growth. It didn't really affect us. The big changes in Delmar started after the end of World War II," Piper said in the interview.

A graduate of Classical High School in Lynn, he received a bachelor's degree in education from Albany State Teachers College, and an engineering

degree from Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Ind.

For 44 years, he was with the Albany Schools system, teaching business at Albany High School, and was business education supervisor for 33 of those years, retiring in 1963. He also wrote and edited many business math, bookkeeping and accounting books for Southwestern Publishing Co. in Cincinnati, Ohio, until he was in his early 80's.

Before becoming a teacher, he worked as a division supervisor for the Boston and Maine Railroad.

During World War I, he served as an engineer lieutenant in the First Expeditionary Force in France and Army of Occupation.

He was active in Delmar's District 10 schools, and was president of the board of education when five local school districts combined in 1930 to form a major part of what is today Bethlehem Central School District.

He was a member of the Masons for 74 years and a member of the Nathaniel Blanchard Adams Post 1040 of the American Legion since 1923.

Four years ago, Piper's wife of 62 years, Helen Benzie Piper, died. She was also active in the community, serving as the second president of the American Legion Auxiliary Club, and a chairman of the Progress Club.

His survivors include a daughter, Lois P. Sackrider of Hamden, Conn.; a son, Edwin B. Piper Jr. of Delmar; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Burial will be in Bethlehem

Cemetery in Delmar. Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home of Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Delmar Rescue Squad.

John Caliando

John Francis Caliando, 87, of Ridge Rd., Elsmere, a retired machinist, died Thursday, Feb. 12, after a brief illness.

He was a 17-year resident of Elsmere, and he was a resident of East Hampton, Conn., for 70 years. He was born in New Haven, Conn.

He retired in 1967 as a machinist for the Emhart Corp. in Portland, Conn., after 26 years.

He was a member of the International Association of Mechanics and Aerospace Engineers.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Nacsin Caliando, a daughter, Helene Voisin of Clinton, Conn.; a son, John Caliando Jr. of Elsmere; and two grandchildren.

Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery in East Hampton. Arrangements were by Meyers Funeral Home of Delmar.

Dr. Abraham Rapoport

Dr. Abraham M. Rapoport, 98, of North Greenbush, a former Delmar resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Childs Nursing Home in Albany.

He was a resident of Delmar between 1974 and 1978 on Kenwood Ave. He was a resident for most of his life in Norristown, Pa., and he was born in Odessa, Russia.

He was a physician for 50 years, and he graduated from the Temple University Medical School.

He was a 50-year member of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, the Montgomery Co. (Pa.)

Medical Society, and the American Medical Association.

His survivors include a son, Dr. Arnold S. Rapoport of North Greenbush, and three grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home of Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Childs Hospital Nursing Home.

James Bain

James Bain Jr., 77, of Feura Bush Rd., Delmar, a former railroad worker, died Saturday, Feb. 14, at Albany Medical Center.

He was a longtime resident of Delmar, and he was born in Creekside, Pa.

From 1927 to 1975, he worked for the Penn Central Railroad.

He was a member of the Jerusalem Reformed Church in Feura Bush.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Waldenmaier Bain, two sons, Kenneth Bain of Arizona and Ronald Bain of Delmar; a sister, Viola Van Duren of Feura Bush; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Burial will be in Jerusalem Cemetery. Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home of Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Jerusalem Reformed Church of Feura Bush.

Donald Conway

Donald L. Conway, 63, of Elsmere, a retired railroad electrician, died Monday, Feb. 9, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Albany.

He was a resident of Elsmere for 43 years, and was born in Albany.

For 23 years, he worked as an electrician for the New York

Central Railroad. After retiring, he worked at the former Millbrook Bakery in Colonie as a plant manager in service maintenance.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the Marine Corps in the Pacific Theatre.

He was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar, and a member of the Bethlehem Memorial Post 3185 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife, R'Alce Morris Conway; two daughters, Leslie Nash of Ballston Lake and Denise Allen of Biddeford, Maine; two sons, Larry Conway of Westerlo and Michael Conway of Pittsburgh, Calif.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont. Arrangements were by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home of Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Elsmere Rescue Squad.

Everett Schultheis

Everett Schultheis, 82, of Hanover Township, N.J., a former Delmar resident, died Friday, Feb. 13, in Morristown Memorial Hospital in Morristown, N.J.

He was a resident of Delmar until eight years ago when he moved to New Jersey. He was born in Flushing.

He graduated from Colgate University in Hamilton in 1926, and from Columbia Law School in 1929.

He retired 12 years ago as an attorney with the Mobil Oil Corp. in Albany after 30 years.

He was a member of the University Glee Club in New York City and the Mendelssohn Glee Club in Albany.

His survivors include a daughter, Heidi Schultheis of Hanover

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Township; a stepdaughter, Nancy Carr of New York City; two stepsons, Gene Gould of Secaucus, N.J., and Peter Gould of Houston; a brother, Roland Schultheis of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and eight step-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Braviak Funeral Home in Whippany, N.J.

Contributions can be made to the Occupational Training Center for the Handicapped, Cedar Knolls, N.J.

Shooting at Meilak's

State Police said they are investigating several possibly related shooting incidents at Meilak's Trailer Park in Selkirk.

On Sunday, Feb. 1, a trailer park resident had a BB gun pellet removed from his right temple at Albany Medical Center Hospital, troopers said. The man said he was walking home through the trailer park when he was struck in the head. Troopers said the BB pellet was apparently fired from an air rifle.

On Monday, Feb. 2, state police said they received several reports of street lights and car windows shot out during the weekend at Meliak's Trailer Park.

On censorship

The Bethlehem unit of the Albany County League of Women Voters will focus on censorship of books in the public schools during the next meeting on Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Bethlehem Public Library. The meeting will begin at 9:15 a.m.

Helga Schroeter and Carolyn Goodman will report on the increase in censorship of books and public school curricula. All are welcome. Child care is available.

Tree scam warning

Bethlehem Police are warning residents of a tree scam operation by two men who have already taken about \$770 from two senior citizens after promising to cut down dead trees.

Bethlehem Police Officer James Corbett urges any resident who is approached by people asking for money in exchange for tree removal services to contact the police department.

The men approached three Delmar senior citizens Tuesday and Wednesday, promising to cut the trees down, but then disappeared after receiving some money and cutting only a few limbs. Corbett said in most cases, all the trees were healthy.

If residents are approached by people promising to do a job quickly and cheaply, including repairing chimneys or sealing driveways, Corbett urges them to not give any money and contact the police immediately. Police will respond and investigate the workers, he said.

Checks stolen

State Police said they have charged a Watervliet man with burglary and forgery after he allegedly stole some checks and cashed several of them.

Gregory Sedefian, 33, of Watervliet, is being held at the Albany County Jail on the charges. Troopers said he was arraigned in Coeymans Town Court on third degree burglary and second degree forgery charges, both class "D" felonies.

Sedefian is charged with breaking into an office at Callanan Industries in South Bethlehem and taking some checks. Troopers said he also allegedly forged and cashed the checks about four times.

Fire victim out of hospital

An elderly Slingerlands man was in fair condition at St. Peter's Hospital Monday and his wife had been released, 11 days after fire ripped through their Meadowland St., Slingerlands, home, a hospital spokesman said.

Solomon Sies, 71, is in fair condition at the hospital, where he was taken for treatment of smoke inhalation after the Thursday, Feb. 5, fire. His wife, Roselin, is staying with friends in Albany following her release from the hospital Friday.

Firefighters from Slingerlands, Delmar and Elsmere responded to the 5:52 a.m. fire that was already burning through the roof when they arrived at 99 Meadowland St. The Sies' were both found outside the home by firefighters, but it took several hours to put out the blaze and clean up, while efforts were hampered by wind and cold conditions.

The Sies' are believed to have lost everything in the house, firefighters said.

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Services office said Jewish Family Services is assisting the Sies' at this point after the fire.

Bethlehem Police believe the fire started in wiring in the northeast corner of the house where plants were kept.

3-car collision

No one was seriously injured Monday after three cars collided at Rt. 32 and Kenwood Ave., state police said.

The three cars were all driving east on Rt. 32 when a car driven by a Delmar woman began to skid on the slippery pavement, and struck the left side of a Delmar man's car.

FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glastetter

Date	Time	Department or Unit	Event or Type Call
Feb. 5	5:52 a.m.	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Feb. 5	5:52 a.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Feb. 5	5:52 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Personal injury
Feb. 5	6:11 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Standby
Feb. 5	6:11 a.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Feb. 5	7:15 a.m.	No. Bethlehem Fire Dept.	Standby
Feb. 5	12:44 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Mental problem
Feb. 5	1:49 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Maternity
Feb. 5	2:44 p.m.	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Return
Feb. 5	4:25 p.m.	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Medical emergency
Feb. 5	5:25 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal injury
Feb. 5	6:05 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Personal injury
Feb. 5	9:28 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical emergency
Feb. 6	7:59 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Auto accident
Feb. 7	9:42 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Medical emergency
Feb. 7	6:06 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical emergency
Feb. 8	1:24 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal injury
Feb. 9	8:04 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Auto accident
Feb. 9	8:32 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Medical emergency
Feb. 9	8:30 a.m.	Onesquethaw Fire Dept.	Chimney fire
Feb. 9	8:30 a.m.	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Standby
Feb. 10	12:44 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Unresponsive patient
Feb. 10	12:54 p.m.	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure fire
Feb. 10	12:54 p.m.	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
Feb. 10	12:54 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
Feb. 10	5:02 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Unresponsive patient
Feb. 11	—	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Personal injury
Feb. 11	5:11 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto accident
Feb. 11	9:11 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sq.	Personal injury

The Town of Bethlehem Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be at the Elsmere Fire Dept on Thursday, Feb. 19th at 7 p.m.

Please try and clean around fire hydrants near your homes.

Youths charged

Three Albany youths have been charged with criminal possession of stolen property after they allegedly shoplifted several items at the Town Squire Shopping Plaza, Bethlehem Police said.

Charged with the misdemeanor are a 15-year-old Albany boy, and two 15-year-old Albany girls. The youths allegedly shoplifted about \$342 in merchandise from the Grand Union supermarket and the K-Mart department store.

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Market not available

Editor, The Spotlight:

The following is in response to the letter from the Spotlight, Feb. 11th issue.

My family and I, as well as your organization and hundreds of other members of our community agree with you: We do need another super market with appropriate parking.

However, let me put this one fact before you. The property formerly occupied by the Weis Albany Public Market is *not* available to another retailing operation that would be in competition with the Grand Union across the street. We have explored this possibility, I assure you.

In concert with the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, and many other interested citizens, we will continue to work on finding

another replacement for the Public Market.

Robert J. Hendrick
Supervisor
Town of Bethlehem

Three cheers

Editor, The Spotlight:

Cheers for Winnie Hase. She said what many customers of the Village Shop feel (Vox Pop, Feb. 11). The two stores make the plaza; without them it would be nothing.

Brad was Mr. Village Shop. His attention and kindness to customers are rarely found anywhere. He knew customers by name and was a joy besides making everyone he waited on feel special.

Keep up the good work regarding another market for our area. No wonder half of the town goes to Stuyvesant Plaza; the shopping centers in our town are pathetic, really sad.

Glenmont Lorraine O'Toole

New at the plaza

The Golden Krust Bakery will again be tempting would-be dieters at the Delaware Plaza with pastry delights. The store, which is owned by Edward Jarosz of Cohoes and had formerly been located in the breezeway next to Lees Chinese Restaurant, opened last Thursday at the former site of Baskin Robbins.

Job Lott, a variety store owned by Robert Capone, is expected to open soon at the former location of Alfred's fabric store. The store will feature quality close-out items at discounted prices.

Playwright at library

Elizabeth Diggs, whose play "Goodby Freddie" was produced by Capital Rep last season, will teach a five-session playwrighting workshop from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays, March 21 through April 25 in the Albany Public Library. Registration is required. Call the library at 440-3380, ext. 200 or 222.

Privler elected

Marie Privler of Delmar was recently elected treasurer of the Lutheran Brotherhood's North-eastern New York Branch 8036.

Handicapped

(From Page 5)

While problems with inappropriate IEPs are not unusual, Wakeman said this particular case is unusual because it takes a lot of courage for parents to challenge. He said the decision is a reaffirmation of the right of each child to receive an appropriate education program.

Past recommendations for the boy by the CSE consisted of resource room help, speech therapy and enrollment in a combination of slower-track and regular courses.

If the boy is to have a chance at functioning as an adult, the commissioner said, he must begin receiving intensive assistance in developing vocational and community living skills.

In the decision, the state education commissioner said that the boy's IEP, based mostly in academics, did not meet his needs in social and vocational skills. Even though the district's obligation is to provide an appropriate education program, the decision said that doesn't mean that an appropriate educational program for a handicapped student must address only academics.

BC had argued that the hearing officer erred in recommending a program in the least restrictive environment, concentrating on living skills. Academic programs and mainstreaming were found to be the best program for the boy, the district said.

The hearing officer appropriately found that the district's IEP for the boy was inadequate, the parents argued. The 1986-87 IEP proposed by the district was based mostly in academic skills, and the parents said it addressed none of his needs in daily living, vocational education or social development.

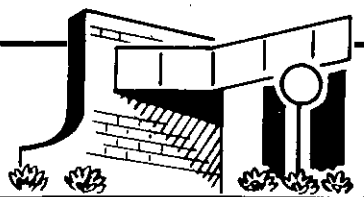
The parents of the boy requested that July's hearing be open. Because of their confidential nature, Committee on Special Education proceedings and recommendations are usually closed to the public.

McDonald's donation

The McDonald's Operators of the Capital District, including McDonald's of Delmar, recently raised \$26,757 for the Ronald McDonald House, which serves as a temporary home for families of seriously ill children who are undergoing treatment at a health facility in the Capital District. The funds were raised through a Beach Pail Happy Meal promotion last summer.

Check It Out

BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY



Marie S. (Babs) Carlson, head of media services at the Library, is an insatiable reader of mystery novels and has devoured hundreds over the years. She is not alone. Last year Bethlehem Public Library circulated over 19,000 mysteries. This accounts for almost one third of the library-owned adult fiction borrowed during 1986. We asked Mrs. Carlson to share with us her passion for this fiction genre.

"I find it difficult to define what I like about a mystery," she mused. "I know what I don't like—I'm not interested in spies; I like a smooth elegant fellow for a detective, not a brute. I don't like the detective to be in jeopardy—he's above all that. A woman who used to work at the Library says she likes books in which they have tea. Many of my favorite mysteries are books in which they have tea, either literally or figuratively."

Mrs. Carlson categorizes mysteries using the questions a journalist asks to make sure he gets all the facts into his story, in this case a crime story: Who, What, When and Where. "Plots are seldom only one of these. A 'who' can easily be a 'when' and so on. I have made arbitrary assignments so that interested readers can choose types they like and to provide a device to help readers remember authors and titles."

"Who" stories, she explains, are ones which feature a person, a famous detective or a whole police force. Sherlock Holmes and Lord Peter Wimsey are two of her favorites. It's almost more fun to read books written about Holmes

by recent authors than to read Conan Doyle's own stories. Holmes continues to have a devoted following which doesn't consider him a fictional character. Two titles she recommends are by Nicholas Meyer, *The West End Horror* and *The Seven Per Cent Solution*.

Her very favorite detective is Peter Wimsey. "He is absolutely perfect and his creator, Dorothy L. Sayers, is a fascinating writer, scholar, and social commentator. *Strong Poison*, *Have His Carcase*, *Gaudy Night* and *Busman's Honeymoon*, the stories about his wooing Harriet Vane, are particularly interesting. They reveal a great deal about their author and give insights into early feminism."

"When" and "Where" mysteries have historical, picturesque, or other interesting settings. Elizabeth Peters writes amusing novels about a Victorian lady archaeologist who solves mysteries while digging among the pyramids. "Her archaeologist husband is beyond description—or perhaps unspeakable," warns Mrs. Carlson, "but she adores him."

"What" mysteries have a special twist, a gimmick to make them interesting. One gimmick is having a fictional story featuring real people. George Baxt's *The Alfred Hitchcock Murder Case* and *The Dorothy Parker Murder Case* are examples.

As in Virginia Rich's *The Cooking School Murders*, what mysteries often have characters who are devotees or practitioners of an unusual hobby or profession as the gimmick. They are often packed with fascinating information. The murder weapon in Susan Dunlap's *The Last Annual Slugfest*, about a fair honoring the lowly slug, is a poisoned slug pizza. In the *Verona Passamezzo* the detectives are members of a quintet which plays pre-classical music and deals in wine. *The Cooking School Murders* are solved by a gourmet chef and the story is garnished with recipes and detailed descriptions of sumptuous meals.

Marie Carlson will tell us more about her favorite mystery writers and titles on the next installment of the Library's Foreword: Book Talks from Bethlehem on the Bethlehem Channel. Check the *Spotlight* Calendar for days and times.

Exercise classes

Registration for a variety of exercise programs conducted by the Town of Bethlehem's Parks and Recreation Department will get underway on Monday, March 2. The programs have titles such as "Body Wise Aerobics," "Aerobics Dance Trim," "Mommy or Daddy and Me," "Come Fly With Me" and "Tiny Tot Swim."

Registration may be made Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by calling Bethlehem's Parks and Recreation Department at 439-4131. Classes will be limited in size.



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Volunteers of the American Association of Retired Persons, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, are offering free tax assistance to senior citizens and shut-ins through April 15 at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Tax assistance is offered on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. All assistance is by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling the Town of Bethlehem's Senior Citizens Services office, 439-4955.

Cerone-Behuniak

Mr. and Mrs. James Cerone of Selkirk have announced the engagement of their daughter, Janice Ann, to Richard Edward Behuniak, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Behuniak of Selkirk.

The bride-to-be, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is currently employed by Home and City Savings Bank. Her fiancé, a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School, is employed by the State Thruway Authority.

A May 2 wedding is planned.

Irvine - Dluzneski

Dr. and Mrs. David J. Irvine of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Allison Faye, to Peter Robert Dluzneski, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dluzneski of North Massapequa, Long Island.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N.C. She is presently employed in Chapel Hill. Her fiancé is a research assistant in chemistry and a doctoral candidate at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

A June 27 wedding is planned.

Married at Siena

Patricia Lynn Guiry, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Champ Guiry of Loudonville, and David O. Chambers III, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David O. Chambers II of Slingerlands, were married Nov. 29 at St. Mary of the Angels, Siena College, Loudonville. Father Gerome and Pastor Winterhoff officiated.

Coleen Guiry was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Cardone, Marybeth Oster, Jo Ann Girvin and Susan Beville. Christy Pitts was flower girl. Daniel Chambers was best man. Douglas Chambers, Scott Guiry, Denis Guiry and James Shaw served as ushers. Bailey Phillips was ring bearer.

The bride, who attended Siena College, is a registered representative for Prudential Financial Services. The bridegroom, a graduate of Utah State University, is a freelance photographer.

After a wedding trip to the Caribbean, the couple established residence in Niskayuna.

Safari to Kenya

Cathy Quackenbush, a local science teacher, will lead a 17-day photographic safari to the major wildlife preserves of Kenya, East Africa, beginning on July 5.

Adventurers 14 and older may call Quackenbush at 456-3194 for details.

Films about seniors

Two films about seniors with active lifestyles, "Lady and the Owl" and "Slab City," will be shown at Bethlehem Public Library on Monday, March 2, at 3 p.m. The program is part of the Monday Movie Break: Remembering Our Roots/Celebrating Our Legacies series.

For information about the free program call 439-9314.

Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, March 4, the Riverview Missionary Baptist Church Choir of Coeymans and their pastor, the Rev. William V. Callahan, will lead a worship service at the Trinity United Methodist Church, Coeymans Hollow. All are welcome to attend the 7:30 p.m. service.

Support for parents

Henry Epstein, a therapist and legal services coordinator for the Capital District Psychiatric Center and a family therapist with the Bethlehem/Coeymans unit of Project Hope, will lead parents in sharing and discussing their roles as parents beginning on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. The parent support group will meet for 10 sessions at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

The group has been developed from a need identified by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and Project Hope. The group is supported by the Bethlehem Central High School Community Organization, the Bethlehem Central Middle School Parent/Faculty Organization, the Clarksville Parent Teacher Organization, the Elsmere Parent Teacher Association, the Glenmont Parent Teacher Association, the Hama-grael Home School Association and the Slingerlands Parent Teacher Association.

For information call 767-2445 or 439-6885.

Pancake breakfast

A pancake breakfast will be served at the Elsmere Firehouse, Poplar Dr., Delmar, on Sunday, March 1.

Koff selected

Alexander W. Koff, a junior at Bethlehem Central High School, attended Convention II, a model Constitutional convention that is sponsored by a group of United States Senators and Representatives, in Washington, D.C., from Feb. 3 through Feb. 7.

Koff, along with 125 other students, attended constitutional seminars and met with Senator Dennis DeConcini, Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd and Congressman John G. Rowland.

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Community Corner

Be neighborly

Typical February weather, with freezing cold and record amounts of snowfall, can be rough on everyone, but especially on senior citizens.

It is important to check on senior citizen neighbors to see if they are alright or in need of anything. Not everyone is fortunate to have families nearby to check.

Call your neighbors once a day and talk for a few minutes, or have a code like a raised window shade in the morning and a closed shade at night that says everthing is fine.

Another neighborly thing to do is to call once a week to see if groceries or prescriptions are needed, or offer a ride to the supermarket and drug store.



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