

# THE SPOTLIGHT

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## Candidates square off for BC election

By Patricia Mitchell

Sparking some lively debate, six Bethlehem Central school board candidates finally got the chance to discuss topics in a campaign that has so far been without a major issue.

About 50 people turned out for a candidates' forum Monday night sponsored by the League of Women Voters for three BC board seats that will be voted on in next Wednesday's election. While three candidates did clash somewhat, no issues are coming to the forefront that will decide the vote.

Even Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT), a citizen watchdog group

that ran energetic campaigns in the last two years, has taken a decidedly quieter role this year.

The three candidates vying for Velma Cousins's seat debated

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whether changes in the school board that the challengers propose are needed or whether the board is

addressing those changes, as Cousins said.

Greg Maher of Delmar and Nathaniel Boynton of New Scotland proposed getting more involvement by residents to tell of problems or study weakness in the school system, while Cousins pointed to actions taken during her three years on the board. She said there will always be problems, but the board is doing a good job now.

Other BC school board candidates refrained from debating, as board member Sheila Fuller runs unopposed, and incumbent Barbara Coon is opposed by Pamela Williams of Delmar. Coon and

Williams agreed with each other several times, except over more participation in the district by the community.

Since she has been on the board, Cousins said, there has been input by administrators and presentations made by teachers and departments. The administration and the board also gets together to set goals that the whole district is now working on. In the proposed budget, an elementary counselor is included to help take care of problems so students can be more receptive for learning. The school board also gets student input, she said, because they attend the board meetings and

can participate. Recent meetings at the high school also discussed parking problems there.

But Maher said he was concerned that residents, students and staff are not coming to meetings. He said he would like to have them come and participate more, perhaps by setting aside a night for each school. Instead, problems are now brought to the attention of the board behind the scenes. When Cousins asked him to be specific, Maher said parents are concerned about overcrowding at the Hamagrael

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Getting ready to go "Steamboatin'," from left, Nicholas Sattinger, Ryan Lillis and Renee Ciotti get some last minute tips from their Slingerlands School teacher Virginia Spelich. On the cover: Ciotti and Spelich get ready for the play. Patricia Mitchell photos

## Slingerlands' impresario 'I don't believe in doing things halfway'

By Ann Treadway

When the curtain goes up on "Steamboatin'" at the Slingerlands School tomorrow night, it will be because Bethlehem music teacher Virginia Spelich believes that "children need this kind of experience."

And because she has been willing, year after year, to spend hours of her own time, before school, after school, and on Saturdays, rehearsing with Slingerlands fifth-graders for spring musicals. "The results are always exciting," she said one day last week, "and I don't believe in doing things halfway."

She's impressed, too, with the growing number of parents who have become involved in the productions.

This year, with a choir that includes 53 children, there are about 100 parents working on the set and scenery, props, costumes, sound effects, programs and publicity. "I think that's quite extraordinary," Spelich said.

All of the costumes have been designed and made by hand, she said, and the men building the set — including a 32-foot steamboat with a moving

paddle wheel — have been working on it into the wee hours of some recent nights.

Spelich credits Slingerlands Principal Dave Murphy with being responsible for such enthusiastic parental support, but she is the one who started it all, back in the mid-70's.

"The time scheduled for choir got moved from during the school day to lunchtime," Spelich recalled, "and I had to do something to get the kids to come to me instead of the playground." What she did was promise them "something intriguing" — the chance to perform in a musical show.

Ever since, she's had no trouble getting more than 90 percent of the fifth grade class to sing instead of swing, at least for one day a week.

Teaching musical skills to young children gives Spelich a lot of satisfaction, but she didn't set out to be a teacher. She majored in piano, organ and voice performance at Concordia College in Minnesota, and then studied at the Julliard School in New York City.

"One day I was practicing, and I just realized that it was too personally oriented," she said, "so I

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## 439 exchange gets long distance choice

New York Telephone will begin mailing ballots for selection of a primary long-distance carrier to its customers in the Delmar exchanges next month.

Equal access, which automatically routes customers' calls through the customer's selected long-distance carrier, will begin on Aug. 22. Customers will have an opportunity to choose from seven companies offering long-distance service: RCI Corp. U.S. Sprint, MCI, Taconic Long Distance, AT&T, ITT and Western Union Long Distance.

More than 8,500 customers served by the Delmar 439- and 475-exchanges will be affected.

Customers who do not make a

selection by Oct. 21 will be randomly assigned to a long-distance carrier. The balloting and assignment process are part of New York Telephone's implementation of equal access, which is a requirement of the court order that broke up the Bell System.

Equal access allows customers to make long-distance calls with the company of their choice by dialing 1 plus the area code and number. New York Telephone will continue to handle calls with the 518 area code.

Customers who fail to respond to the initial ballot will receive a second ballot about 45 days after

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## Feura Bush gets library

The Feura Bush library will be setting up its stacks at a former one-room schoolhouse behind the Jerusalem Reformed Church on Rt. 32.

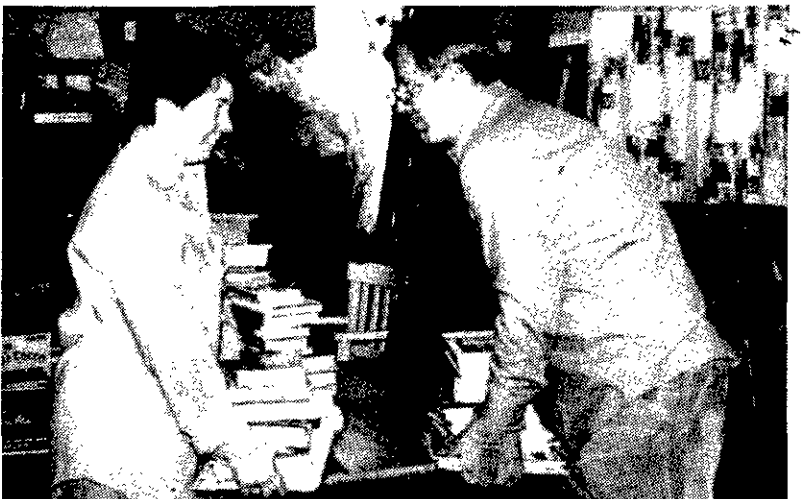
A date for opening the library has not been set, but supplies were moved out of the Onesquethaw Fire House Saturday to the new quarters, said Judith Wing, president of the Feura Bush Neighborhood Association. She said she hopes

that the library will be open for use in the summer.

"That's when the kids really use it," she said.

The library was allowed to move into the space by the church's consistory after Voorheesville developer Peter Baltis offered to pay for its expenses, such as heat and lighting, in the next few years.

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Judith and Tod Wing of Feura Bush help move the neighborhood association-sponsored library into a one-room schoolhouse in back of the Jerusalem Reformed Church. The new library could be opened by the summer. Patricia Mitchell



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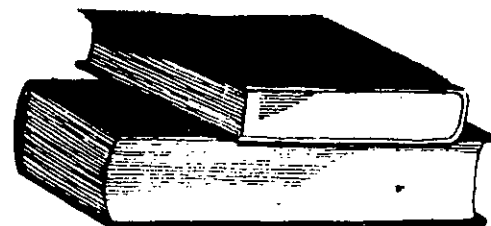
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# BC elections: 2 incumbents are challenged

By Patricia Mitchell

Three school board seats will be filled in Wednesday's Bethlehem Central elections, and two of those seats have challengers.

Running unchallenged for the school board is Sheila Fuller, a former board president. Board member Velma Cousins is being challenged by Nathaniel A. Boynton of New Scotland and Greg Maher of Delmar. And board member Barbara Coon is being challenged by Pamela Williams of Delmar.

The terms on the seven-member school board are for three years.

Cousins will be seeking her second term on the school board, and the contest for her seat has drawn the most attention so far.

A resident of Glenmont for eight years, Cousins has been a teacher for 18 years, currently teaching child development and parenting at Albany High School. She also was a head start teacher, a college lecturer and coordinator of the school and community service and career apprentice program.

She is also a member of the Williams College Parents Council, an evaluator for the Middle States Association, a participant in the state Education Department-sponsored teleconference "Teaching as a Profession," a member of the NYSSBA, and does workshop presentations for girls' clubs and teen programs. She has served as a literacy volunteer, and a volunteer for the Cerebral Palsy Center and teen programs.

Cousins has two children who have graduated from BC schools, and a third who is a ninth grader at BC.

Boynton, retired editor and former publisher-owner of *The Spotlight*, is a member of the board of directors of Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT) and ran unsuccessfully for the school board in 1986. In that election, BUT ran a highly visible and controversial campaign, opposing the school budget and raising questions about the quality of the school system; this year the organization has not been active.

Boynton is a former chairman of

the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee, an adjunct of the BC school board until it was disbanded in 1966. He also served as chairman of its curriculum subcommittee. He has attended school board meetings periodically for the past 12 years, including reporting on the board when he was editor of *The Spotlight*. He has been active in youth baseball and softball leagues in the Tri-Village area.

He is a graduate of Princeton University and served four years in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Boynton and his wife, Barbara, have lived in the BC school district for 28 years, 20 of them in Slingerlands before moving to Clipp Rd., New Scotland, in 1978. Their three children attended BC schools between 1959 and 1975.

Maher is making his first race for the school board. He is a member of the Hamagrael Home-School Association, and is a member of the committee for the school board, having attended school board meetings for the past year and a half.

Maher has been employed at home raising his family for the past eight years. Prior to that, he worked in advertising, film making, retail photography sales, has managed a store, sold real estate and was a real estate manager. He is a native of Buffalo, and received his bachelor's in liberal arts from the State University at Oswego.

He has been a resident of Delmar on and off since 1969, most recently moving to Albin Rd., Delmar, in 1981. He also is active with the Bethlehem Soccer League, the Tri-Village Little League and the Indian Guides. He and his wife, Mary, have three children, including a second grader and kindergartener at Hamagrael School.

Coon will be seeking her second term on the board. She is a former president of the Glenmont School PTA and was program chair for the school's PTA. During that time, an after-school program was started at the school, and monthly education

programs for parents were started. She served on the district's ad hoc committee for investment policy after the Lions Investment Corp. went bankrupt, and is a representative for the board and BCUEA Process Committee. She has also served on the Capital District PTA for six years, serving as an associate and assistant director. Coon is also a member of the Bethlehem Music Association and the Bethlehem Tomboys girls' softball league.

Coon is a part-time nurse at Albany Medical Center Hospital. She has also taught nursing at the State University of New York at Buffalo and Alfred University, and has worked as a consultant to the state Health Department. She received her bachelor's in nursing from Russell Sage College and her master's in nursing education from Syracuse University.

A resident of Glenmont since 1968, Coon and her husband, Jim, have one daughter who is in eighth grade, and they live on Coventry Ct.

Williams, of Feura Bush Rd., Delmar, is a former school board member in another district — serving on the Greenville School Board for six years, two of those as president — and a former teacher. She taught for 13 years in several states, first teaching high school history and then working with handicapped children. She is a graduate of Albany Law School and now works on disciplinary arbitrations in the legal office at the State University of New York.

A native of Rensselaerville and a resident of Delmar for four years, Williams and her husband, Hal, have four children, three of whom are now in BC schools.

President of the school board for

three years, Fuller is the part-time director of Bethlehem's Youth Employment Service. Fuller is a native of Albany, and graduated from the Vincentian Institute and St. Peter's Hospital School of Nursing.

Fuller will be seeking her fourth term on the school board. She has been involved with district schools and education committees, and has just been nominated to a state School Boards Association committee to select outstanding elementary schools in the state. She has been a classroom volunteer at the Hama-

grael School since 1971, is a member of the school board and BCTA and BCUEA process committees. She was president of the Hamagrael Home-School Association for five years, a member of the Challenge Committee, has served on NYSSBA workshops for negotiations and new board members, and chaired a National School Board Association's workshop on equal access.

Fuller and her husband, James, have five children, two of whom graduated from BC schools, one a junior at the high school, an eighth grader and a second grader.

## 2 injured on Orchard St.

Two Delmar youths were seriously injured and a Voorheesville man charged with driving while intoxicated after he lost control of his car early Thursday morning and rolled it over, Bethlehem Police said.

The four-wheel drive vehicle driven by Dean Trotta, Cass Hill Rd., Voorheesville, was going northeast along Orchard St. at about 1:40 a.m. at a high rate of speed when Trotta lost control, police said. The car struck several trees, rolled over and stopped, police said.

Some of the seven passengers

were ejected, and two were admitted to Albany Medical Center Hospital. Discharged Sunday was Angela Crisafulli, 17, of Murray Ave., Delmar, who was treated for shoulder and arm injuries, and discharged Monday was David Van Amerogan, 18, of Borthwick Ave., Delmar, who was treated for multiple injuries, said a hospital spokesman.

Trotta is charged with two counts of second degree vehicular assault, driving while intoxicated and unlawful possession of marijuana, police said.

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# BC's new budget procedure gets applause

By Patricia Mitchell

The \$20.3 million Bethlehem Central budget that will go to the voters next Wednesday is the product of a major change in the school board's budget process. And while the people who put the budget together agree that the process has some major advantages, most say that further improvements are desirable.

Tax rates in the proposed budget are projected at \$181 per \$1,000 of assessed value for the Town of Bethlehem, an increase of about \$8 or 4.5 percent, and at \$276 per \$1,000 for the Town of New Scotland, a decrease of about \$11 or 3.7 percent.

Voting will take place May 6 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the middle school on Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

The budget, an increase of seven percent over this year's, is an unusual one because it was typified by the school board as a "positive" budget, starting with a base of expenditures to carry over this year's costs, and adding new staff and programs on to that base.

Under the new process, the school board attempted to streamline and simplify the budget while it was also looking for a new superintendent. At an October, 1986, workshop on the process, school board members decided to start with a fundamental operating budget and then add programs and staff changes. In part, the board was hoping to cut down on its time spent on budget workshops. In previous years, the BC school board met an average of 12 times to work on the budget.

After receiving the basic budget, or fundamental operating budget, in January, the board met six times

before adopting a budget earlier this month. Many of those workshops were held after regular board meetings.

The basic budget includes items that are considered necessary to continue the present level of quality to next year. They include pupil expenditures, negotiated Board of Cooperative Educational Service fees and operations and maintenance. All were adjusted for inflation.

The school board then received proposals for new staffing, new and additional equipment, new programs, facilities and inservice projects, and changes in textbook and pupil allocations.

The board also set out to increase involvement by district residents this year. Various groups in the community were invited to attend the scheduled workshops, and were given the chance to speak after administrators presented parts of the budget and before the board members had their say. Residents were also allowed to speak on budget parts before they were adopted into the budget. Several residents were on hand at every budget session, with the most interest generated by staffing and new program sessions.

At the start of the budget process, board members welcomed their new role of building a budget instead of starting with a large budget figure and tearing away what was deemed unnecessary and too expensive. Now at the end, some members feel they have come a long way.

Board President Bernard Harvith said that while he is satisfied with the budget package that will be put before the voters, he would like to

talk more about the process before next year's budget. Harvith said he is not convinced that the budget would not have come out differently if the old process had been used, and for himself he would have liked the whole budget package at once and then explanations by the staff.

With the new process, Harvith said, it took a little extra effort by the school board members to figure out which line new proposals were for. Despite those difficulties, he said, he agrees it is important to have a lot of information and options on proposals and to encourage ideas.

Board member Charles Reeves, who suggested that the board find an alternative budget process last fall, said starting with a basic budget is smart and the process is "a big step forward." However, Reeves abstained when the board adopted the budget because he didn't agree with the staff additions and wanted in-service projects added.

Nevertheless, Reeves said he thinks the board has learned a lot, and that board members know that anything now in the budget is required, except staff additions. Next year, he said, the board should start out with parameters of percentage increases in the tax rate and work from there. There should also be more input earlier on programs so the board isn't discussing large parts of the budget all in one night, he said.

The amount of information given to the board needs to be streamlined, said Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews. The new process, though with some kinks, reached some of the goals set by the school board by being more

efficient, allowed the board to look at a range of new proposals, and built a budget instead of paring one.

Putting the budget together was also easier for the administration, McAndrews said, and allowed the staff to make decisions in the basic

budget without trying to "guess-timate." He said he doesn't know if the process was easier for the board because they did have problems relating new projects to old ones. To help improve, he said, more information could be added into the basic budget.

## McAndrews halts campaign help

Bethlehem Central parent and faculty organizations or building administrators will not be able to take a stand on the proposed budget or any school board candidate using district resources.

In an April 9 memo to candidates, principals and parent and faculty organizations, made available to *The Spotlight*, Acting Superintendent Dr. Briggs McAndrews said organizations cannot take a stand on the issues if they use school facilities to distribute their message. This includes mailings, copying and phone-a-thons.

However, the policy does allow organizations and the schools to use information from an unbiased fact sheet on the budget provided by the administration. And parent organizations can take a stand on the proposed budget or school board candidates as long as they don't use district resources to get their message across, the memo noted.

The new policy is in line with a February, 1986, state Court of Appeals ruling that school districts may not use public funds to promote their budget or bond issue proposals. The policy came about after some concern was raised during last year's election on what *Bethlehem Central Highlights* could say about the budget and over the use of telephones to remind residents to vote, McAndrews said. Rather than

getting into that debate again, he said, candidates, the various groups and parent and faculty organizations will have to use their own resources, he said.

Last year a phone-a-thon on district property by volunteers to remind parents of the upcoming budget vote was called off after a protest from Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT), which fielded two unsuccessful candidates. However, McAndrews said, both the school district attorney and state Education Department officials have said such phone-a-thons are permissible.

The policy also makes it more comfortable for district employees to refuse a request to use resources, McAndrews said.

"It was a guideline for everybody," McAndrews said. He added that the new policy is working well. "I would imagine it wouldn't cause any difficulty."

There was not a great deal of use of school copiers, mailings or telephones before the new policy, McAndrews said, but more of a savings of a candidate's or organizations resources for their campaign messages. And that saving of resources could give some candidate or issue an edge over an opposing view, he said.

Patricia Mitchell

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**Bethlehem School Board**

# □ Candidates square off

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School and one class that is scheduled to move to the Elsmere School next year.

The school board has been working on the issue of overcrowding and will address it, Cousins said, but schools have had to deal with overcrowding. She said she thinks the district shouldn't be divided up into little groups because BC is one district.

Boynton said the prime thrust of BUT is to identify and act on weakness at BC. Parents know the problems that exist, and if they join together and study the district there would be no need for BUT, he said. Boynton said test scores compared to other districts give an indication of the problems, and the school board should make an effort to look at them. Boynton put in an unsuccessful bid for the school board last year, and is being supported again by BUT.

Another debate was sparked when the three candidates were asked if they thought there are problems with funding for education and how they would address it. Boynton said the district needs to determine the most effective use of funds that are available, and that he thinks it can use its funds more effectively.

Maier asked Boynton for BUT's stand on the budget. Even though BUT opposed the budget last year, Boynton said, the group has taken no stand on the budget this year because it is not an issue. This year's budget is a big improvement, he said, and should not be defeated.

In turn, Boynton later asked Maier if he can give a strong voice in leading the school board to challenge the Regents Action Plan. Maier said he does not have a problem with the plan, but suggested using a waiver system as districts in western New York have done for some requirements. BC can deal with its financing more effectively and needs to get more aggressive, he said.

BC is a wealthy district, Cousins said, and because it is, the district

## Candidates night

"Meet the Candidates Night," sponsored by the Glenmont Parent Teacher Association, will be held at Glenmont Elementary School on Monday, May 4, at 8:30 p.m. Residents of the Bethlehem Central School District are invited to learn about the candidates' views.

does not receive a lot of state aid. BC has to go along with the state programs, but also needs to lobby and look at some of the various funding available to see how to use it.

Later in the forum, Cousins said to Maier that she "has a problem talking with you because I don't know where you are coming from." She said there was something about him that the community does not know.

A father of three children whose wife is employed outside the home, Maier said he has been committed to raising his family for eight years and he has a one-income family.

The only disagreement between Coon and Williams came in a discussion on participation in the district by the community. Coon said she has tried to be open in her first term to teachers and parents. She pointed to the new budget process, and noted that the board has formed several advisory committees in the past few years.

However, the superintendent search that the school board is involved with could have been more open, Williams said, because it will be the most critical decision that will be made all year. Even the choosing of the consultant to the search or the pre-screening of the candidates could have included the community.

Several candidates are meeting now with community groups, Coon said, and a community audit based on groups and individuals was performed last fall to help the school board in its search.

The school board has encouraged participation in decision making by students, parents and staff, said Fuller, adding that she feels she has been available for everybody. Participation is needed because it is important to have a system that works for all.

When asked how BC can help support and reward its teachers, Williams said it could help write grants for special programs. She said this would help expand their knowledge and to help retention of teachers, even though that is not a problem at BC. She also said she hopes a report by two teachers at a recent board meeting on the Excellence in Education seminar doesn't "sit on the back burner."

Agreeing with the idea of writing grants, Coon said school districts have to provide for more growth through staff development programs.

Because many are structured programs that doesn't meet the needs of all teachers, she said an alternative may be to let them pick from a number of programs. BC has a mentor teacher and intern teacher program in place now, and a master teaching program, like that researched in the Excellence in Education seminar, is "exciting," she said.

Another area BC could look into is merit pay awards for excellence, said Fuller, but it would be difficult to distinguish teachers because they are all excellent. BC also now provides staff inservice programs that are a great benefit, makes times available for exchange programs, has flexible scheduling to avoid teacher burnout and brings in speakers.

Staff development also benefits students in the classroom, Coon said when asked how education can become more effective. There have been a lot of innovations nationwide in the last 10 years, she said, and education has become more participatory for students.

Agreeing with Coon, Williams said BC could also try to get some funds to try special things like master teaching. New student courses can also help make education more effective, such as a Japanese course now taught at the South Colonie Schools because administrators there saw there would be more interaction between with the two countries, she said.

Effective education should meet the needs of every child in every classroom, Fuller said. Some programs BC use include the Challenge program that has gone through some rough times but is now being revised and is on the upswing, and various handicapped programs that Fuller said she supports.

The forum will be broadcast over the Bethlehem Channel 7 at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday (today), and 8:30 p.m., Monday, May 4.

## For small businesses

A small business start-up and survival workshop, sponsored by the state Commerce Department, will be held on Thursday, April 30, at the Albany Ramada Inn, 1228 Western Ave. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The \$15 fee includes lunch and publications. For information call Carlotta Jack at 447-4196.



At Saturday's 10th anniversary celebration for the Glenmont Corps Center, Aladin S. Rodrigues, left, center director, is congratulated on the anniversary by Ken Ringler, president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. Tom Knight

## Modern dance explained

Susan Bauer of the eba Center for Dance and Movement in Albany will speak about "Taking the Mystery Out of Modern Dance" on Thursday, May 7, at the Bethlehem

Public Library. The free program will begin at 1 p.m.

Bauer, a graduate of the State University College at Brockport, is a former member of the Long Island Touring Company.

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# Board of Appeals to expand

By Kevin Mullen

The membership of the Bethlehem Board of Appeals has been increased from five to seven members. The town board approved a resolution at last week's meeting that takes "effect immediately on the appointment of two new members."

Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick, who will make the appointments subject to town board approval, said after the meeting he has "a couple of thoughts" on new board members, but has discussed the job with no one. He said he would like one member of the board to be a woman.

The action by the board followed a letter from board of appeals Chairman Charles B. Fritts to Hendrick recommending the change. Fritts, who attended the meeting, said that "all but one member" approved the expansion of the board. Fritts referred to board member Gary Swan, who said at a recent board of appeals meeting that increasing the board's member-

## Bethlehem

ship "would make meetings longer, add to cost, minutes and transcription."

Town board member Ruth Bickel said that having seven members would be "beneficial for additional citizen input" and Sue Ann Ritchko said that the increase gives "more people the opportunity to serve." Ritchko said she wants to see a woman on the board.

Fritts' letter said he believes that the addition of two new members would expand the board's knowledge base and give the board "wider input." He cited the backgrounds of the current board members. Fritts has worked in insurance; Thomas W. Scherer is a food broker; Robert W. Wiggand works in building construction, mainly residential; Gary Swan works in state government and Orrin J. Barr is retired from the telephone company.

Fritts cited Barr's knowledge of rights-of-way as beneficial to the board.

### New stop signs

The town board also held a public hearing for an amendment to the traffic ordinance to add two stop signs in Chadwick Square, one at the corner of Commonwealth Dr. and York Rd. and one at the corner of Brightonwood Rd. and Commonwealth Dr. No one spoke for or against the the new signs. The Chadwick Square Park Association had requested seven signs but only two were recommended by the traffic unit of the police department.

Marie Capone, a frequent observer of town board meetings, said she wondered if the town was going to put "stop signs at every corner." In recent months, public hearings have been held for the addition of numerous traffic signs. Hendrick said that the town "must address the concerns of the citizens."

In other business, the town board:

- Acknowledged receipt of a preliminary plat for the proposed Greenwood subdivision from the planning board. Greenwood is located in Slingerlands between Orchard St. and Greenwood Lane. Sixteen single family homes are planned.
- Acknowledged receipt of a preliminary plat for a proposed subdivision for John J. and Patricia G. Healy (McCormack Rd.) from the planning board.
- Acknowledged receipt of notice from the state Department of Transportation that it is establishing a no parking zone on the north side of Delaware Ave., from south side of Gochee's Garage driveway to the south side of The Delmar Lunch's driveway.
- Approved a request from Edward R. Feinberg for permission to start clearing and site work for Juniper Fields, a major apartment and single-family home development off Elm Ave. opposite the Delmar Bypass.
- Approved a request from Martin J. Cross, Town Superintendent of Highways, to purchase a 1987 light duty 4-cylinder truck. Cost of the vehicle is about \$6,000.



Greg Brockley, left, of Brockley's Tavern in Delmar, is congratulated by Mrs. Edward McCaffrey, center, and Margaret Brown of the Bethlehem Tree Planting Committee for planting trees at his restaurant.  
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### Delmar orchestra plans season's final concerts

The Delmar Community Orchestra, under the direction of Robert McGowan, will present the final concerts of the season on May 2 and 9.

On Saturday, May 2, the orchestra will join the choruses of the German American Club of Albany in concert at 8 p.m.

On Monday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. the orchestra will entertain the residents of the Good Samaritan Home in Delmar.

Any individual or group interested in donating a piano to the orchestra may call 439-4628 or 439-8585.

### Bicycles, go cart taken

Bethlehem Police reported two bicycles and a go cart were stolen this week.

A 12-speed bicycle, valued at \$275, was taken from a Union Ave., Delmar, driveway between Wednesday and Friday, police said.

On Friday, an Elsmere boy left his bicycle unlocked for a short time at the Delaware Plaza and it was stolen, police said. The bicycle is valued at \$50.

The go cart was taken from a Gardner Terrace front lawn between Saturday and Sunday, police said. It is valued at \$150.

### Project Hope forms parents group

A parent support group meeting will be conducted by Robert Ferry and James Gaudette, both representatives of the Bethlehem/Coeymans Unit of Project Hope, beginning at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, at Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School, Church St., Coeymans. The meetings will continue every Wednesday through June 24.

For information call Project Hope at 767-2445 or Rose Nunziato at 756-2155.

### Penny social

A penny social, and card and game party sponsored by unit 4 of the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Company, will be held at the firehouse off Rt. 443 in Clarksville on Saturday, May 2, beginning at 7 p.m.

The penny social is an auction event. Admission is \$1. For information call 767-2797 or 768-2426.

### Tool box stolen

A tool box was taken from a Maher Rd., Slingerlands, garage Friday, Bethlehem Police said, but its value is unknown. Nothing else appears to be missing from the garage, police said.

# □ Mrs. Spelich

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decided I had to do something different."

She returned to Minnesota to take a teaching job, spent two years at another teaching position in North Dakota, went to the University of Southern California to get a master's degree in choral music, and then joined the faculty at the State University at Buffalo. There, she met her husband, Lou, who retired last year as a Bethlehem School District art teacher.

After their marriage, and short times spent living in Virginia and Michigan, the Speliches moved to Drury Lane in Elsmere, where they still live. And Virginia Spelich, like most women of her generation, stayed home to raise their three children.

Christine, the oldest, is now living in Minneapolis and switching careers from social work to legal assistantship; Carole is an artist living in New York City (she's also master mechanic at a bike shop); and Mark is a mechanical engineer working for a company in Rochester.

Their mom didn't give up music entirely while in the midst of diapers and dishes; during this period, she served as organist and choir director at several area churches. Then in 1970, she was asked to fill in for a Bethlehem music teacher who was ill, and soon after that teacher returned, another spot opened up and was offered to Spelich, who happily accepted.

Although she said she tries to teach children to sing, and to sing properly, Spelich maintains that music is "much more than just singing." By incorporating movement and rhythm and a storyline into her teaching, as with the spring musicals, she tries to make children "come alive."

When she succeeds in doing that, she said, she knows she's doing something important. "If a child gains self-confidence and feels good about himself or herself," she said, "that's really terrific."

As production director, Spelich said, she "gives permission" to each child to act out a part. She makes suggestions, she said, but tries not to impose too much.

Looking back on other years and other fifth grade productions at Slingerlands, Spelich said she remembers some children who were very talented, but mostly she

## Faso on assembly's high school panel

State Assemblyman John J. Faso has been appointed as the Republican member of the State Assembly subcommittee on high schools.

"High school is such a vital time in the career development of our students and I feel this subcommittee might address such pressing issues as the dropout rate, pre-college training, vocational training and technical capabilities which need improvement in our high schools," said Faso.

## Bethlehem Community sets Christian workshop

The Bethlehem Community Church will conduct a Christian workshop from July 13 through 17 for area residents from age 5 through adult.

The program will include inter-denominational Bible study, outdoor sports and crafts. Night courses for teens and adults will deal with topics ranging from photography and tennis to drug abuse and suicide prevention. Displays and demonstrations will be presented on Friday, July 17.

To register call 439-3135.



Virginia Spelich

remembers those who "come alive."

She also has a realistic attitude toward the annual musicals. "Of course, I want very high quality," she said, "but I also know that these are young children."

She spends six weeks in rehearsals, with just four that include the entire group, and finds this schedule "just about right" for retaining "some spontaneity."

"Steamboat" will be presented tomorrow and Friday nights, beginning at 7:30 p.m., in the Slingerlands School auditorium. Ticket donations are \$1.50 to help defray costs, and may be purchased at the door.

## □ Access

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# Lauralana Heights approved

By Kevin Mullen

Conditional final approval has been granted by the Bethlehem Planning Board to section three of Lauralana Heights, the last section of the 24-lot subdivision located on Salem Dr. in Feura Bush.

Because of the placement of a conduit for a 48-inch water main, surveyor Paul Hite said, the builder will have less area than anticipated for two of the lots. Hite said the builder will probably construct a different type of house on lots 14 and 16. In a double A zone, there is a 50-foot rear yard setback from the right-of-way and a 35-foot front yard setback from the right-of-way. Hite said the builder will construct from the existing conduit.

An amendment to the Main Square shopping center site plan was approved by the board. When demolition of the area was under way recently, deficiencies were found in the foundation and footing

of the old buildings. New blocks will be used instead of old blocks. Dennis Corrigan, a member of the planning board, is a co-owner of the development.

In other business, the planning board:

- Held a public hearing for Fiore Crisafulli of 2 Laurel Dr. in Loudonville for a 2-lot subdivision on Hoyt Ave. near the intersection of Center Lane in Elsmere. William Schraa, representing Edward W. Boutelle and Sons, land surveyors, said the lot has a minimum frontage of 100 feet and depth of 171 feet and contains 17,127 square feet. He described the land as level, but it slopes from the center down in all directions. Schraa said he didn't know what kind of building is planned for the lot. Edward Kleinke, town consultant, said that one lot could accommodate a three-family dwelling and the other can accommodate a four-family dwelling.

• Held another public hearing for Juris and Noreen Vancans for a one-lot subdivision on Elm Ave. near the intersection of Jericho Rd. Schraa said the land has a frontage of 166 feet and contained 37,900 square feet. Final conditional approval must be granted by the Albany County Planning Board. Two neighbors expressed concerns about the drainage from the land.

• Scheduled a public hearing for May 5 for a one-lot subdivision for lands of Hochkamp, located on Quarry (South) Rd. in Feura Bush. The owner wants to install a modular home on 8-acres of land.

• Approved a pre-preliminary application for a one-lot subdivision on Cottage Lane in Selkirk for Charles and Ellen Miller. The lot contains 35,359 square feet.

The next regular planning board meeting is scheduled for May 5 at 7:30 p.m.

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**Albany man faces  
DWI, other charges**

Bethlehem Police said they have charged an Albany man with aggravated operation of an unlicensed vehicle.

Charged is Arnold Lee Scarborough

of Albany with the felony unlicensed charge and driving while intoxicated, a misdemeanor, police said. They arrested him at about 2:10 a.m. Sunday, after they spotted his car weaving and crossing the center line as he was driving north on Rt. 144 near Retreat House Rd.

# Blue Circle offers RCS board evacuation plan for schools

By Patricia Mitchell

Blue Circle Atlantic Cement Co. officials will consider setting up an evacuation plan for the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Junior-Senior High School in case of an accident if the company is allowed to burn waste solvents at its Rt. 9W plant.

While the company is "under the impression" from the state Department of Environmental Conservation that an evacuation plan will be necessary only for employees, William Ronan of Blue Circle said that requirement may change somewhere down the road. And if DEC does not require the school evacuation plan, the company may consider adding a plan on its own, Ronan told the RCS Board of Education last week.

Even though Blue Circle intends to follow through with seeking approval to burn waste solvents, Ronan said if there was enough public sentiment against the plan, it would be dropped.

"If there was a public mandate, I would probably say we wouldn't do it," Ronan said.

Blue Circle plans to file preliminary applications with DEC within the next two weeks for permission to burn waste solvents from to generate energy to replace about 35 percent of the coal used for making cement. Company officials said they are interested in burning waste solvents as an alternative energy source to reduce costs because the cement industry is extremely competitive.

Blue Circle officials met with the RCS school board last Monday to discuss their burning plan. Concerned with the proposal, especially with the plant's proximity to the junior and senior high schools, the school board asked to be kept up-to-date on the applications and DEC review. Despite the Blue Circle offer on the evacuation plan for students some of the 30 audience members weren't appeased.

Stating she was "very worried" about the situation, Linda Marshall of Ravena said she questions what will happen to school district revenues if the project goes through. Any parent considering

moving into the district can find out about toxic waste solvents burning across Rt. 9W from the junior and senior high schools and could choose not to send their children to the district.

"I would not move to this community," Marshall said.

RCS and Blue Circle should find some way to deal with an emergency situation at the schools, said Susan Gottesman of Coeymans, a former school board member. About two and a half years ago, she said, she helped locate on a map where children in the RCS district live. About 73 percent of RCS students live within two miles of either side of Rt. 9W, she said, and if the schools needed to be evacuated, the plan would take contaminated students on contaminated buses to contaminated homes.

Blue Circle will be burning cancer-producing chemicals and while workers at the plant will be screened periodically, RCS children won't be screened and a whole generation will be at risk, said Dr. Marvin Marshall of Ravena.

"The decision you're going to have to make is the future of our children and the future of our school district," Dr. Marshall said.

The waste solvents Blue Circle will be dealing with won't be extremely toxic or radioactive wastes, said Greg Higgins of Systech, an Ohio-based waste management company that would be contracted to handle the wastes. With some mishaps, such as a truck fire or a truck rolling over, there wouldn't be a need to evacuate a large area, he said. The solvents would burn, the immediate area may need to be evacuated, and some toxic fumes and particles may be released, but the fumes would mix with the air and disperse, Higgins said.

Higgins said that because the solvents will be completely burned in the system, only carbon dioxide and steam will be emitted during normal operations. Some metals will end up in the clinker or be trapped in a dust collection device, he said.

The Blue Circle plant has in place in its smokestack monitors for carbon monoxide, oxygen, nitrous oxide and sulfur dioxide to measure particulate emissions. Higgins said the system is similar to solvent burning systems in use in Europe, and will continuously monitor emissions with a shutdown key if they exceed the level that will be set by DEC.

One of the two kilns at Blue Circle will be modified to burn waste solvents during the clinker process — the heating to fusion of slurried limestone that is used to make cement. A pipe would be attached to two storage tanks, and would run underneath the coal

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burner pipe. As the clinker progresses down the kiln, it gets hotter as it gets closer to the coal and the solvents. The solvents would be burned by the coal and would in turn help to heat the slurry.

Ronan reported that a stream flowing in back of the Blue Circle property is contaminated, but that the company has a remediation permit from DEC. About 25 years ago, he said, the company started disposing of dust that was high in calcium chloride, and some of the chemical leached into the stream and the stream bed, he said. Remediation plans will move the stream 150 feet to the east, and Ronan said the materials in the stream bed will also be treated.

The meeting with the RCS school board was the first information session Blue Circle and Systech officials have had with local governments and agencies as part of its permit procedure. After the meeting, Higgins said no others are scheduled.

Blue Circle will need to obtain a hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal permit, and a modification to its air emittance permit from DEC. The review process for the waste solvent burning plan could take up to two years.

Systech manages waste solvent burning for other cement plants in Ohio, California, Kansas, Michigan and Alabama, and will be starting up a new operation soon in Indiana. Higgins said the company has only had one incident since 1979, when an employee had to take time off when she lifted a heavy object and strained her back.

### Fashion show

A luncheon and fashion show will be held at the Community United Methodist Church of Slingerlands, 1499 New Scotland Rd., on Saturday, May 2, at noon.

Featured will be a silent auction and door prizes. For \$7 reservations call 439-1766, mornings, or 439-2209.

# District could lose funds, Faso warns

By Patricia Mitchell

The question of whether the City of Albany will continue to make payments on its water district property declared tax exempt will come to a head next year, and Assemblyman John Faso said he is aware that the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district could be hurt in the deal.

Talking with the RCS school board last Monday, Faso said the problems could happen next year because the city is not required to pay taxes on the water properties after next year, although city officials have said they are willing to negotiate payments in lieu of taxes.

In bills passed with little warning last summer by the state Legislature, a city water board was created that in turn created an Albany Municipal Water Finance Authority, and all city water properties in Bethlehem, Coeymans, Colonie and Greenville were made tax exempt. That means local municipalities and school districts could be losing out on a major source of revenues, and RCS would be hardest hit, with \$370,000 in tax payments at risk.

In a "fiscal impact statement" circulated before passage of the bills, sponsors said there would be no local impact. City officials have since said they intend to negotiate with school districts and local governments for payments in lieu of taxes, and when Gov. Mario Cuomo signed the bill, he said the intent of the bill was that there would be no undue loss in tax revenues. However, the legislation said only that Albany "may" negotiate payments to municipalities and school districts in lieu of taxes.

The city's negotiating position is strong, Faso said, because it is under no legal obligation to pay.

Even though a lot of major decisions in the legislature are made at the last minute, Faso said,

most people didn't know about this legislation and that it could have an impact until it was waiting to be signed by the governor. The bill was handled in a secretive manner that was the intent of the sponsors, Faso said.

"It is this school district that is preeminently effected," Faso said. "The bill was clearly not in interest of this town."

### Excellence in Teaching funds

Speaking on other education-related issues, Faso said while more funds will be coming from the Capitol for the Excellence in Teaching program, school districts shouldn't expect have employee benefits included in the package next year.

In the state budget passed April 9 by the Legislature, RCS is scheduled to receive \$127,763 in EIT funds, an increase of about 30 percent over this year's \$94,714. However, benefits such as Social Security have to be paid by the district. And if the funds are used to upgrade salaries instead of a bonus, districts will be responsible for keeping up that salary level even if the state funds stop coming.

While some were not pleased with how EIT worked this year, Faso said, the governor was not going to allow the program to be challenged.

Under the legislation, school boards have to decide whether to accept the funds and then apply for them. Faso said about 98 percent of the districts in the state have accepted their EIT funds this year. But the Public Employees Relations Board has ruled that school districts have to accept the funds after a teachers' union in a district near Elmira challenged the district for refusing the EIT funds.

There will have to be a way that school boards can reject the EIT funds in order to get back to the

basis of the program as it was intended, said board President Anthony Williams.

### Board rejects wedding

In other RCS school board action, the board decided not to allow a building use request that would have allowed two RCS graduates to be married at in the high school. Superintendent William Schwartz said he usually approves building use requests but this one was so unusual he wanted it to go to the board. The request was defeated in a 4-4 roll call vote.

A contract for reroofing the bus garage and part of the high school was awarded to Moisture Barriers Inc. of Altamont for \$194,150. The reroofing is part of a bond issue approved by district voters last year, and a proposal will be on the May 13 ballot to reroof the rest of the high school.

The school board also agreed to have the personnel committee make a recommendation for new smoking guidelines for employees to coincide with state regulations that were due to take effect on May 7. The board has already adopted a no smoking policy for students that will take effect in September, but new guidelines for teachers and staff will be needed if the state policy eventually takes effect. The

regulations by the state Health Council were struck down Friday by a state Supreme Court judge, but the council has said it will appeal.

The board hopes to have the recommendation back for action at its next meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 4.

### PWP discusses dating

Kyle Restina of the American Red Cross will speak to members of Parents Without Partners, Albany chapter, on Tuesday, May 5, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany. The 8:15 p.m. lecture will be preceded by a 7:15 p.m. meeting. Admission is \$1 per family. Parents and children 14 and older are invited to view a film about the dating scene. For information call 372-3900.

### Spring supper served

A spring supper will be served at the Trinity United Methodist Church, Rt. 143, Coeymans Hollow, on Saturday, May 2, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Admission is \$5.50 for adults and \$2.75 for children 12 and younger. All are welcome.

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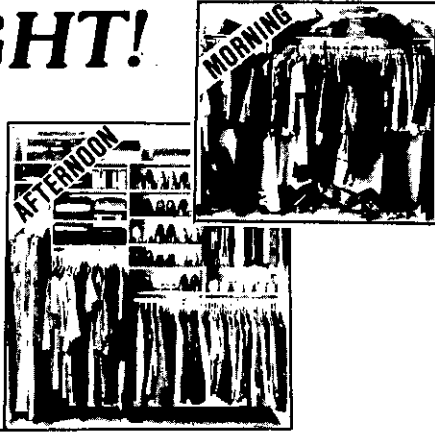
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## NEWS FROM SELKIRK AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM

Barbara Pickup



### Keenan in movies

Area residents may feel they know her well, but after the complete transformation in her appearance — hair style, makeup and clothing — Kathy Keenan of South Bethlehem believes even her closest friends and family might have difficulty recognizing her. The alterations were all required to change the modern-day wife and mother into a woman of the thirties for the filming of scenes in *Ironweed* which is currently being shot on location in the Albany area.

As an extra in the Kennedy movie, Keenan received a call several weeks ago to begin shooting. The date was postponed. At the end of the period of time required to prepare for the actual filming, conditions were no longer right — the rain had stopped; the streets were dry. On Monday, April 13, conditions were again favorable, and a 14-hour filming session, which will appear on screen for approximately two minutes, began. If it doesn't end up on the cutting room floor, Keenan expects to appear in the film four different times, in the first third of the movie.

When asked what she was required to do she said "just walk up and down the street...back and forth, get in and out of a car, over and over." Although another extra, an eleven year old girl, proclaimed the day to be long and boring, Kathy said she loved every minute. Keenan had an opportunity to meet the producer, Tom Waits, who plays Rudy, and to meet and shake hands with Jack Nicholson.

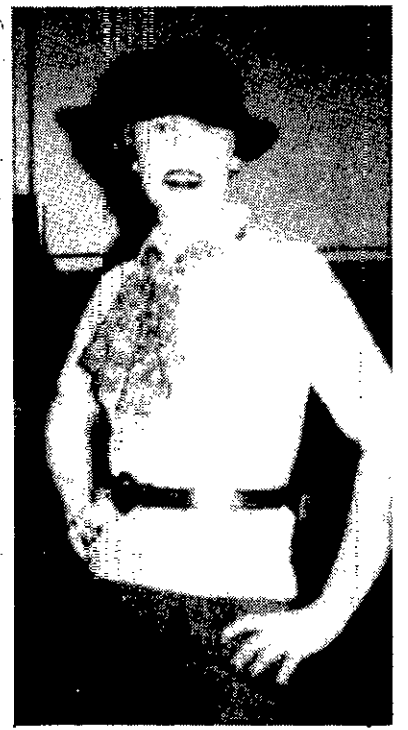
### Family festival

On Sunday, May 3, the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, will hold their Christian Family Festival Celebration, beginning at 5 p.m. Moms, dads, sisters and brothers are invited. The festivities will begin with a covered dish supper. High school students from the Scotia Reformed Church will entertain at 6 p.m. with bells, puppets, clowns and songs.

### Students honored

Kelly Williams and Paul Curley have been named Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School students of the month for March 1987.

Williams, a sophomore, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony



Kathy Keenan

Williams of Ravena. She has participated in the girls soccer, volleyball, basketball and track teams. She was vice president of her freshman class and was recently inducted into the National Honor Society. Williams plans to travel to Panama this summer to do missionary work under the direction of the Ravena Bible Training Center. She works independently with Mrs. Prozik, her spanish teacher, to learn the language so that she will be more helpful while in Panama.

Paul Curley, a senior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Curley of Selkirk. Paul is the valedictorian of the Class of 1987, a member of the National Honor Society, captain of the cross-country team, and a member of the varsity track team and the yearbook staff. He is a Regents Scholarship winner and a semi-finalist in the National Merit contest. Curley also received the Empire State Scholarship of Excellence Award.

### CROP walk

On Sunday, May 3, the RCS Association of Churches and the Venture Churches are sponsoring a CROP Walk. The 10-kilometer walk will begin 2 p.m. at the Grace United Methodist Church, Hillcrest Drive, Ravena. Registration will be held from 1:30 to 2 p.m.

The walk is a community effort to ease world hunger through education and self development and fund raising for the Church World Services. Funds are used to fight hunger in more than 70 countries. One-fourth of the money raised is used within our community. Everyone can help — either by being a walker or a sponsor. For information call any of the participating churches in the RCS-Glenmont area.

### Grange serves dinner

The Bethlehem Grange will sponsor another of their popular home-style dinners on Saturday, May 2, at 4 p.m. with continuous servings until 7 p.m. The roast beef dinner will be served at the grange hall, Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, Selkirk. All are welcome.

### Bethlehem GOP sets fundraiser

Campaign '87, a fund raiser for the Bethlehem Men's Republican Club, will begin with a cocktail party on Monday, May 11, at the Fiesta Restaurant, 55 Delaware Ave., Elmsere, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. For reservations call Ed Deminelli at 439-3276 or Robert Oliver at 439-1815.

### Top photographers

Winners of the Delmar Camera Club's April photography contest were Abbott Little, Sheila Schlavin, Sally Whitcomb, Al Guard, Irwin Sander, Florence Becker and Gerald Miller.

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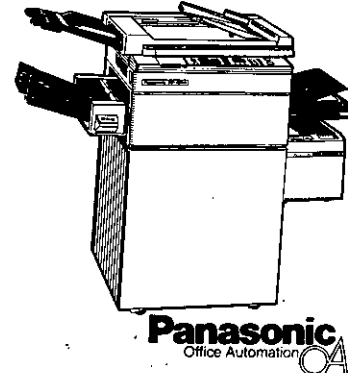


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**Town of New Scotland**, Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m., Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m. Town Hall, Rt. 85.

**Village of Voorheesville**, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board, second and fourth Tuesdays 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.

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

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

# 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.

**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.

**Welcome Wagon**, newcomers and mothers of infants, call 765-9640 for a Welcome Wagon visit. Monday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 29  
APRIL

**Meeting**, Albany Area Retired Teachers' group, Bethlehem Public Library, 12:30 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., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

THURSDAY 30  
APRIL

**Musical Play**, "Steamboat," Slingerlands Fifth Grade Choir, Slingerlands School Auditorium, \$1.50, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4154.

**Pen Pal Club**, for those eight and older who have or wish to have pen pals, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m. Register, 439-9314.

**General Membership Luncheon**, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, with guest speaker Assemblyman John Faso, \$8, noon. Reservations, 439-0512.

**Meeting**, Bethlehem unit of Albany County League of Women Voters, discussion of planning for development of Rt. 9W, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY 1  
MAY

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

**Elmwood Park Fire District**, first Fridays, North Bethlehem firehouse, 307 Schoolhouse Rd., 8 p.m.

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

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

**Musical Play**, "Steamboat," Slingerlands Fifth Grade Choir, Slingerlands School Auditorium, \$1.50, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4154.

**Religious Program**, Nora Lam Ministries presents, "Celebration of Faith," Howard Johnsons, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, \$10, 7 p.m. Reservations, 447-5890.

**Festival of Art**, featuring works of Bethlehem Central students in grades K-12, Bethlehem Town Hall, 6-9 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

**"The Boy Friend"**, musical comedy performed by Bethlehem Central Students, Bethlehem Middle School Auditorium, \$5, 8 p.m.

**Tentative Assessment Roll for 1987**, may be seen and examined, Office of Assessor, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 2  
MAY

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

**Luncheon and Fashion Show**, home made deserts and silent auction, Community United Methodist Church of Slingerlands, 1499 New Scotland Ave., Slingerlands, \$7, noon. Information, 439-1766 or 439-2209.

**Festival of Art**, featuring works of Bethlehem Central students in grades K-12, Bethlehem Town Hall, 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

**Fund Raising Drive**, for Bethlehem Babe Ruth Baseball. Information, 439-6948.

**Car Wash**, benefit for Interfaith Shelter for Homeless, Delmar Presbyterian Church, \$2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 439-7759.

**Flower Walk**, study of New York State's common wildflowers, their history and associated folklore, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**Prayer Vigil for Peace**, 20 minutes of silent prayer, St. Thomas Church parking lot, noon.

**Project WILD**, workshop open to teachers and youth leaders, emphasizing Wildlife In Learning Design, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30-6 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**Craft Show and Flea Market**, over 24 booths, both indoors and outdoors, New Salem Firehouse, Rt. 85, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

SUNDAY 3  
MAY

**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.

**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.

**Onesethaw Church**, Worship, 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., Sunday School.

**Festival of Art**, featuring works of Bethlehem Central students in grades K-12, Bethlehem Town Hall, noon-6 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

**Imagination Celebration**, featuring all 19 classes at Glenmont School, Glenmont School, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-1154.

## 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

"Brighton Beach Memoirs," Neil Simon comedy, Capital Rep, Albany, April 18-May 24, Tuesday-Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 4:30 and 9 p.m.; Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Tickets, 462-4534. "Godspell," James L. Meader Little Theatre, Russell Sage, Troy, April 23-25 and April 30-May 2, \$6, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2246 or 270-2344.

"The Foreigner," Albany Civic Theatre, Albany, May 6-17, Wednesday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Information, 462-1297.

"Isn't It Romantic," comedy, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, May 1-2, 8 p.m.; May 3, 2 p.m. Information, 270-2246 or 270-2344.

"Fiddler on the Roof," Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, April 30-May 2, 8 p.m.; May 3, 2 p.m. Information, 457-6255.

### MUSIC

Free Organ Concert, St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge streets, Albany, every Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Spring Concert performed by Russell Sage College Women's Chorus and Community Chorus, Bush Memorial Center, Russell Sage, Troy, May 3, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

Celilat Luis Legula of Boston Symphony Orchestra, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 88 Fourth St., Troy, May 3, 3 p.m. Information, 273-0038.

Bobby Short, sophisticated troubadour of Manhattan's cafe society, Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, May 3, 2 p.m. Information, 443-5222.

David Naylor, trumpeter, and Fred D. Brumbaugh, organist, First United Methodist Church, 603 State St., Schenectady, May 3, 7:30 p.m. Information, 374-4403.

Jeannine Laverty, Adirondack storyteller with stories of Upper New York State Region, Cafe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, May 1, 8:30 p.m. Information, 583-0022.

Peppino D'Agostino, Cafe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, May 2, 8:30 p.m. Information, 583-0022.

Spring Choral Concert, Performing Arts Center, State University of New York at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, May 2, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

### ART

Exhibit of Soviet Union, Main Gallery, Rensselaer County Junior Museum, 282 Fifth Ave., Troy, through July. Information and hours, 235-2120.

"A Portrait of Livingston Manor: 1686-1850," tercentary celebration, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through May 3, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m., Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

"The Drawings of John Butler Yeats," 38 watercolors and drawings, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, April 11-May 31. Information, 463-4478.

Monolith Project, Albany Academy for Boys, Academy Rd., Albany, through May 15, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., weekdays. Information, 465-1461.

Rochester Printmakers, Albany Institute of History and Art, 135 Washington Ave., Albany, through May 22, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m. By appointment, 463-4478.

"The Photography of Dora Kallmus: Vienna and Paris, 1907-1957," Vasser College Art Gallery, Poughkeepsie, through June 7. Information, 914-452-7000.

"Ruskiniana: John Ruskin and the Moral Purpose of Art," exhibition and symposium, Vasser College Art Gallery, Poughkeepsie, through May 17, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information, 914-452-7000.

"A Breath of Light: Platinum Photography," Vasser College Art Gallery, Poughkeepsie, through May 17, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information, 914-452-7000.

Push Pin Posters, Rathbone Gallery, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, through May 13, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

"Art and Life in Harmony," exhibit of Japanese chests and decorative arts, The Oriental Line, 295 Hamilton St., Albany, through May 15. Information, 462-3463.

Student art contest winners exhibition, students in grades five through 12, Albany Institute of History and Art, 135 Washington Ave., Albany, through May 22, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

50 black and white and color photographs by Saratoga photographer Jack Nolan, Soave Gallery, 449-451 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, through June, Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 587-8448.

Student Exhibition, Harmanus Bleecker Center, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, May 1-30, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 2-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

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**MONDAY 4**  
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**Delmar Kiwanis**, meet Mondays at Starlite Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

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

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

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**"Arthritis: The Facts,"** program for Bethlehem Cable subscribers, 8 p.m. Information, 459-5082.

**"Let the Wild Rumpus Begin,"** program to teach parents how to plan their child's next birthday with authors of "So You Want to Plan a Birthday Party," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**"Meet The Candidates Night,"** ask questions and talk with members running for Bethlehem Central School Board, Glenmont School, 8:30 p.m. Information, 439-7242.

**TUESDAY 5**  
MAY

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

**Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club**, first Tuesdays, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 7:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

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

**Medicare Form Aid**, sponsored by AARP, first and third Tuesdays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments required, 439-2180.

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

**Acid Rain Workshop**, open to school teachers and youth leaders, discusses acid rain, its causes and effects and how to test for it, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**Coping With A Stroke**, in observance of National Speech and Hearing Month, discussion of effects of strokes and description of rehabilitation process for victims and families, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**WEDNESDAY 6**  
MAY

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

**Meeting**, Albany County League of Women Voters, discussion of planning for development of Route 9W, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4348.

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

**Lecture**, "Perennials: Their Design and Use," with Master Gardener Cheri Hill, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3510.

**Bethlehem Business Women's Club**, monthly dinner meeting; annual scholarship/award winners and installation of new members, Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:30 p.m.

**Public Hearing**, on application of Sanjay and Mangala Sugandhi for permission to construct addition to premises, 13 Hancock Drive, Glenmont, 8 p.m.; application of Clara Tucker, 535 Wayne Place, Delmar, to construct addition to premises, 8:15 p.m.; application of Big Apple Truck Stops Ltd., Rts. 9W and 32, Glenmont, to renovate existing site of Big M Truck Stop, Rts. 9W and 32, Glenmont, Bethlehem Zoning Board of Appeals, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8:30 p.m.

**Garden Program**, discussion of perennial gardening, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

**THURSDAY 7**  
MAY

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

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

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

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**Softball Games**, sponsored by the Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-4986.

**Lecture**, "Taking the Mystery out of Modern Dance," with Susan Bauer of EBA Center for Dance and Movement, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**Bird Watch**, search for illusive American woodcock, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**FRIDAY 8**  
MAY

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

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

**Musical Talk**, George Calusdian will discuss his upcoming performance of Tankas, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**Seminar**, discussion of marriage healing, conducted by Dick and Judy French, Emmanuel Retreat Center, Retreat House Rd., Glenmont, \$30 per couple, \$20 singles. Information, 463-1296.

**"Arthritis: The Facts,"** program for Bethlehem Cable subscribers, 8 p.m. Information, 459-5082.

**QUILT Meeting**, Quilters United in Learning Together, featured guest will discuss multi-layer applique technique, United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, \$2, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 477-9705.

**SATURDAY 9**  
MAY

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**SUNDAY 10**  
MAY

**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.



The Village Volunteers Fife and Drum Corps will perform at Schuyler Mansion's Springfest "Farm Day in the City." The event, held on the grounds of the mansion at 32 Catherine St., Albany, will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

**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.

**"Arthritis: The Facts,"** program for Bethlehem Cable subscribers, 8 p.m. Information, 459-5082.

**TUESDAY 12**  
MAY

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

**Chef-of-the-Month**, Marcia Tolive of El Loco Mexican Cafe will discuss Mexican cooking, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

**MONDAY 11**  
MAY

**Campaign '87**, fund raiser for Bethlehem Men's Republican Club; Fiesta Restaurant, 55 Delaware Ave., Delmar, \$15, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3276 or 439-1815.



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**SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR**

**GROCERY SHOPPING DAY**

**Monday** — Residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands and North Bethlehem to Delaware Plaza 8:30-11:30 a.m.

**Thursdays** — Residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem to Glenmont Plaza 9:00-11:30 a.m.

**Legal Clinic** — Room 116 at Bethlehem Town Hall from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 439-4955, ext. 77 for appointment. Clinic is held the first Friday of the month.

**Thursday, April 30** — Bowling party at Del Lanes. Lunch begins at 1:00. Tickets available at Bethlehem Town Hall 439-4955, ext. 77. Bus runs on regular schedule, call bus garage for scheduling.

**Wednesday, May 6** — Cheese distribution day at Bethlehem Town Hall in Room 106 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Thursday, May 7** — Albany County Merchant C.D.T.A. passes for people 65 or older. Call 439-4955, ext. 77 for picture pass registration.

During the month of May, which is National Hearing Month, Earchecks and Hearing Screening will be conducted for Seniors in the Town of Bethlehem. More information at a later date.



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WEDNESDAY 29  
APRIL

**Seminar**, on chronic lung disease, "Understanding and Caring for the Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Patient," American Lung Association, 8 Mountain View Ave., Colonie, 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Information, 459-4197.

**"Views of the North Country,"** Bill Smith, songs and stories about Adirondack Mountains, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, 7:30 p.m. Information, 584-2000.

**New York State Police**, Troop G will hand out applications and answer questions for anybody interested in careers with State Police, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 783-3284.

**Luncheon**, honoring volunteers for Northeastern Association of the Blind, Albany Ramada Inn, Western Ave., 2 p.m. Information, 463-1211.

THURSDAY 30  
APRIL

**Lecture**, "Men and Women Growing through Transitions," Mercy High School Auditorium, 310 South Manning Blvd., Albany, \$5, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

**Workshop**, for prospective small business owners, "Small Business Start-Up and Survival," Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, \$15, 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Information, 447-4196.

**Business and Management Lecture**, "New Approaches to Providing Health Care Insurance, Union College, Schenectady, 3:45 p.m. Information, 370-6237.

**Poetry Forum**, workshops discussing history of rock and roll, Maureen Stapleton Theatre, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, 11 a.m., 1 and 7 p.m. Information, 270-7330.

FRIDAY 1  
MAY

**Ground Breaking Ceremony**, for addition to St. Margaret's House and Hospital for Babies, 27 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 767-2782.

**"Salute to the Hilltowns,"** crafts and informational display booths and Community Talent Show, Berne-Knox-Westerlo High School, Rt. 443, Berne, \$2, 6-7:30 p.m. Information, 872-0681.

# AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

## Events in Nearby Areas

**Conference**, for Zone B, hosted by Albany Chapter of Parents Without Partners, activities of interest for both children and parents. Information and reservations, 482-7932.

**National Law Day**, members of Albany County Bar Association will be on hand to give "free 20 minute consultations on legal problems, Albany Savings Banks, Colonie Center and Crossgates Mall; Northeast Savings Bank, Latham Circle Mall; Union National Bank, 80 State St., Albany, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 445-7691.

**Albany Amateur Radio Association**, dinner and raffle, with guest speaker Rip Rowan, Crossgates Restaurant, Washington Ave. Extension, \$14, 6:30 p.m. Information, 658-3613.

**Spring Supper and Symphony**, benefit dinner and concert featuring Delmar Community Orchestra, Ichabod Crane High School, \$7.25, 6 p.m. Information, 758-6385.

**Tours**, Olana State Historical Site, Hudson. Reservations, 828-0135.

**Lecture**, nation's top economic forecasting specialists will discuss economic future, State University of New York at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, \$25, 9 a.m. Information, 442-3005.

**A/C Sparkplugs**, plus level modern western square dance, Pine Grove Methodist Church, Central Ave., Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 765-4122 or 895-2073.

**Workshop**, on century-old practice of "Healing with Crystals and Gems," Tom Sawyer Motor Inn 1444 Western Ave., Albany, \$4, 7:30 p.m. Reservations by April 29, 235-6253 or 382-7583.

SATURDAY 2  
MAY

**"Wilder Image II,"** one-day symposium on art and nature with speakers and workshops, Columbia Green Community College, \$20, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 372-3376 or 943-3600.

**Rummage and Bake Sale**, South Westerlo Congregational Christian Church, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 996-5314.

**Child Conference**, Marge Wood will address self-esteem with early childhood professions followed by workshops, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, 8 a.m.-noon. Information, 270-7227.

**Conference**, "Head Injuries in New York State: Issues and Answers," featuring national experts in fields of head injury, Albany Marriot, Wolf Rd., Albany. Information, 434-3037.

**Management and Supervision Course**, focus on elements of management found in America's best run companies, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. Registration, 270-7338.

**Master's Championship**, Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, 10 kilometer run for men over 40 and women over 35, Guilderland High School, Rt. 146, Guilderland, \$4, 10 a.m. Information, 456-4299.

**Spaghetti Dinner**, sponsored by Outreach Center of Our Lady of Angels/Saint Patrick's, Saint Patrick's Parish Center, 283 Central Ave., Albany, \$3.75, 1-7 p.m.

**Workshop**, "Resource Planning and Development for Historical Records Programs," Schenectady County Historical Society, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 273-3400.

**Spring Supper**, Trinity United Methodist Church, Rt. 143, Coeymans Hollow, \$5.50, 4:30-7 p.m. Information, 756-2255.

**Art Show**, benefit The Montessori School of Albany, Posters Plus Galleries, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 482-1628.

**Educational Meeting**, Capital District Chapter of the National Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, Cusack Auditorium, St. Peter's Hospital, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information, 458-4517.

**Delmar Community Orchestra**, concert with Men's and Women's Chorus of German American Club, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

**Celebration**, 25th Anniversary Gala and Auction for Saint Gregory's School, College of Saint Rose, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-6621.

**Medical Testing**, free screening for skin cancer, Albany Medical Center Outpatient Clinics, Albany, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 445-3421.

SUNDAY 3  
MAY

**"Farm Day in the City,"** theme of Schuylerville Mansion's sixth annual Springfest, sights and sounds barnyards, Schuylerville Mansion, 32 Catherine St., Albany, 1-5 p.m. Information, 434-0834.

**Language Arts Competition**, Albany City Area Reading Council's Language Arts Fair, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 1-5 p.m. Information, 674-3221.

**Coin and Stamp Show**, 70 dealers with coins, baseball cards, political buttons and hobbies, sponsored by Capital District Coin Dealers Association, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 346-2584.

**Blood Mobile**, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

MONDAY 4  
MAY

**Seminar**, "How to Work with a Contractor," for individuals hiring professionals for their home improvements, Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 765-3550.

**Non-credit Course**, for those interested in learning more about their ancestors, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. Registration, 270-7338.

**Information Session**, for anyone interested in participating in "Adirondack Twenty Lake Tour" Bicycle Trek, American Lung Association, 8 Mountain View Ave., Colonie, 7 p.m. Information, 459-4197.

TUESDAY 5  
MAY

**Lecture**, for anybody with questions about perennial gardening, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, noon. Information, 765-3501.

**Meeting**, Albany County Parents Without Partners, discussion of sex, drugs and AIDS, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, \$1, 8:15 p.m. Information, 372-3900.

**Auditions**, Guilderland Jazz Company of The Guilderland Youth Commission Classical Ballet Program, for dancers between 12 and 17, Guilderland Elementary School, 2211 Western Ave., Guilderland, \$5, 6-7:30 p.m. Information, 456-1155.

**Free Film**, "The Court Jester," featuring Danny Kaye, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

WEDNESDAY 6  
MAY

**Media Seminar**, American Women in Radio and Television, "Media Sales: Selling and Being Sold To," Albany Marriot, \$35, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 459-5371.

**Non-Credit Course**, "Starting a Mail Order Business," with your own or others' products, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. Register, 270-7338.

**Toughlove**, support group helping parents whose children are in trouble at school, with substance abuse, with family or law, Bishop Gibbons High School, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 393-4253.

**"Views of the North Country,"** Rockwell Kent, North Country Artist, slide/lecture, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, 7:30 p.m. Information, 584-2000.

**Minerva Hour**, with Floyd Weintraub, president and publisher of three political magazines, Union College, Schenectady, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6101.

**Father-Son Dinner**, for students in grades four through eight, their fathers, grandfathers, older brothers and uncles, St. Gregory's School, Old Niskayuna Rd., Loudonville, 6 p.m. Information, 785-6621.

### Acid rain workshop

School teachers and youth leaders will have an opportunity to learn about the causes and effects of acid rain on Tuesday, May 5, at 7 p.m. The free program will be presented at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar.

For information call 453-1806.

### St. Gregory's gala

The 25th anniversary of Saint Gregory's School in Loudonville will be celebrated with a gala and auction at the College of Saint Rose on Saturday, May 2.

The evening will begin with a silent auction and cocktail party. The 7:30 p.m. dinner will be followed by an auction and dancing.

For information call 785-6621.

### 2 take trauma course

Larry Powers and Starlene Raby, emergency medical technicians for the Onesquethaw Rescue Squad, recently completed a critical care trauma course, sponsored by the Regional Emergency Medical Organization. The course was offered at General Electric in Selkirk.

### WILD workshop set

A Project WILD (Wildlife In Learning Design) workshop for teachers and youth leaders will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Tuesday, May 12, from 3:30 to 6 p.m.

To register for the free program call 453-1806.

### Business women install

The Bethlehem Business Women's Club will install new officers at the monthly dinner meeting at the Albany Motor Inn on Wednesday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m.

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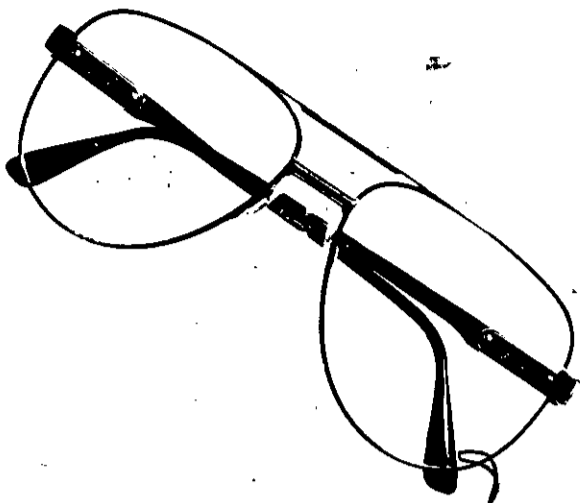
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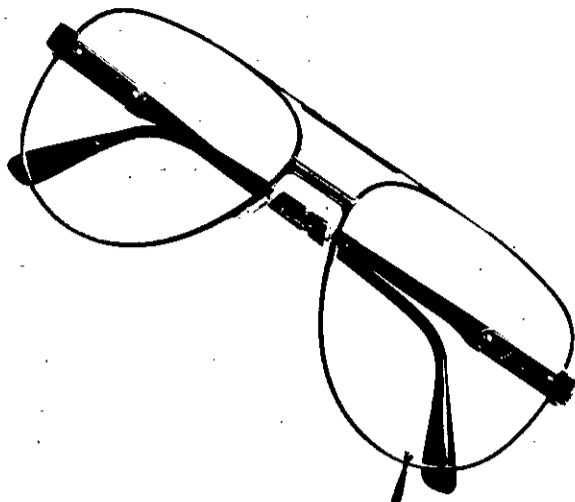
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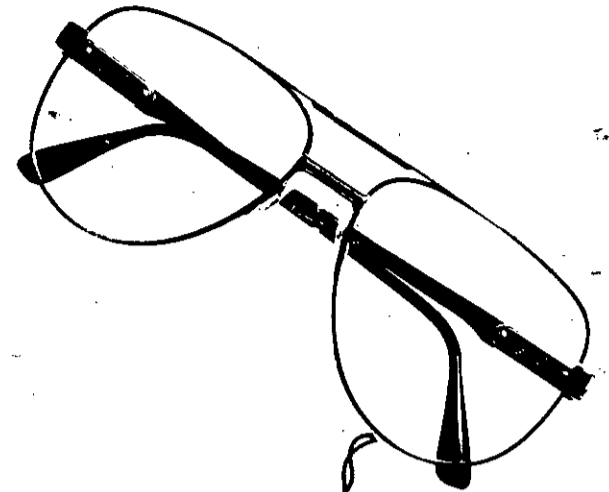
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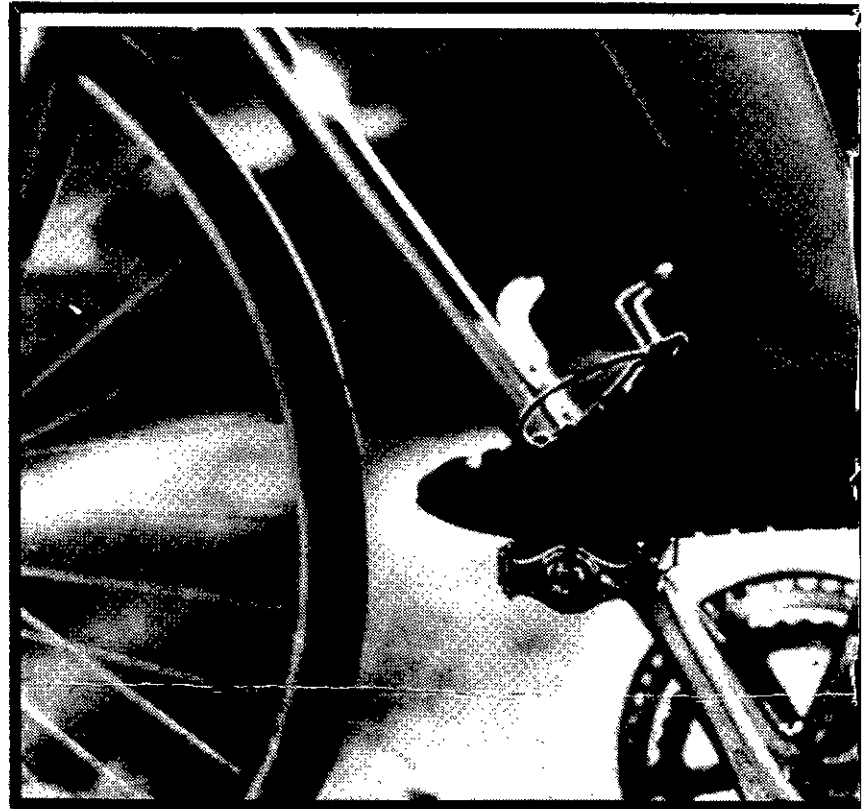
# THE SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

April 1987

Bethlehem Central School District



April Silk, BCHS-12, Teacher: Marc Goldfarb



Miriam Weiss, BCHS-12

## Make The Right Choice

Make a good choice.  
Make a bad choice.

Make a choice about life.  
Make a choice about death.

Make a choice about happiness.  
Make a choice about sadness.

Make a choice about fun.  
Make a choice about loneliness.

Make a choice about friends.  
Make a choice about enemies.

Make a choice about alcohol.  
Make a choice about drugs.

Make the right choice.

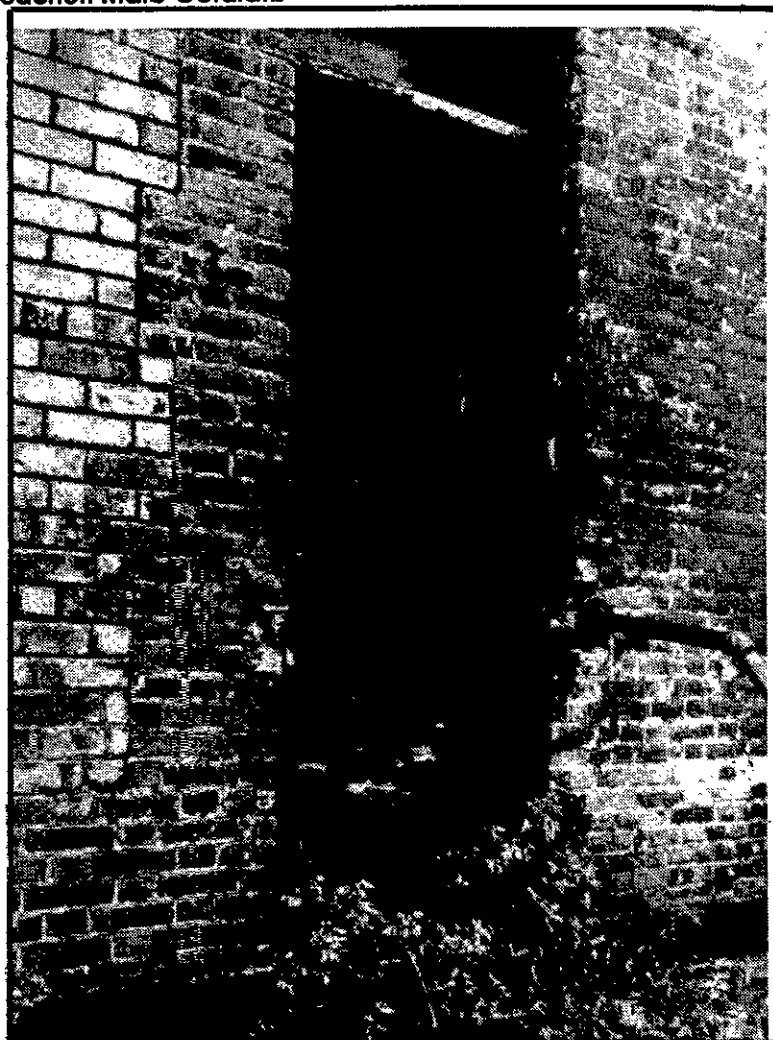
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# Students protest drug, alcohol abuse

Last fall, students at BCMS were presented a two day program on substance abuse awareness with a focus on choosing life.

I feel very strongly about the enforcement of laws about DWI, driving while intoxicated. This is a very serious problem in the world today. DWI kills many, many people. We do have laws about DWI; however, people feel they are not being enforced strongly enough.

In August of 1985 a friend of my family was killed by a drunk driver. It was about 8:30 at night, not very dark yet. Richard was riding his bike home from his friend's house. Suddenly, a truck came behind him, and the mirror on the side of the truck caught his shoulder. He was then thrown over the windshield. The driver swerved and Richard fell off the truck and tumbled down a hill off the side of the road. His neck snapped and he died instantly. Later on, they found many cracked ribs and many cuts and bruises.

Richard's parents definitely

pressed charges, but something went wrong and the driver is now free because of a technicality. If DWI laws are being enforced, as is said by the police, then why are the statistics about drunk driving getting worse every year?

Our family has had to live with the heartache of that death for a little over a year now. It really isn't fair that someone loses a loved one because someone else was stupid enough to drink and then start up his engine.

DWI laws have to get stronger in this world. We should make more laws and maybe more severe punishment because, just think, it could be your son or daughter next.

Student: Kelly Hair  
Teacher: Louise Gilboord  
Grade: 8  
BCMS



Jon Beck, BCMS-10, Teacher: Marc Goldfarb

## The Drug Abuse Drone

What they tell you  
year after year,  
Might be a bore  
to hear.  
Sitting,  
Listening,  
Waiting for them to stop.  
That's all part of this boring glop.  
But when you're approached,  
And you need to say NO,

That's when these lessons become  
your glow.  
So remember this once,  
And remember it twice,  
Drugs mean death,  
And that's NOT NICE!

Student: Maile Ray  
Teacher: Linda Hughs  
Grade: 6  
BCMS

## A Life To Live Or Not?

A young adult lies lifeless in a chair,  
A person with dirty, tangled hair.  
A look of sadness goes over his face,  
Leaving from his life his previous grace,  
And in his hand are five little white pills  
And his mind is obviously over the hills.

To him there is no light in a day.  
Just some small white pills, a bottle of gin.  
Everyone has said that this was "in"  
That's all of his life now, drugs, drugs and drugs.  
Hovering over him like a cloud of bugs.

His brain of so little that he feels no pain,  
Except when he thinks of his future gains.  
Guess what? He has no future goals,  
Drugs have just thrown him into a hole.  
He is gone forever, never to come back,  
Because of those drugs over there on that rack.

Student: Bethany Slingerland  
Teacher: Linda Hughs  
Grade: 6  
BCMS

He looks out the window through pale troubled eyes,  
And sees a group outside, ignoring his cries.  
A group of four people just having a ball,  
And then his slowly gradually fall.  
How did this happen? Why is he here?  
Slowly, down his cheek trickles a tear.

His life is all gone, thrown away you could say,

## Why?

Why did you do it?  
How could you?

There's too much to lose,  
A better way to solve your sorrow!

Why?

Why?

You lost your friends,  
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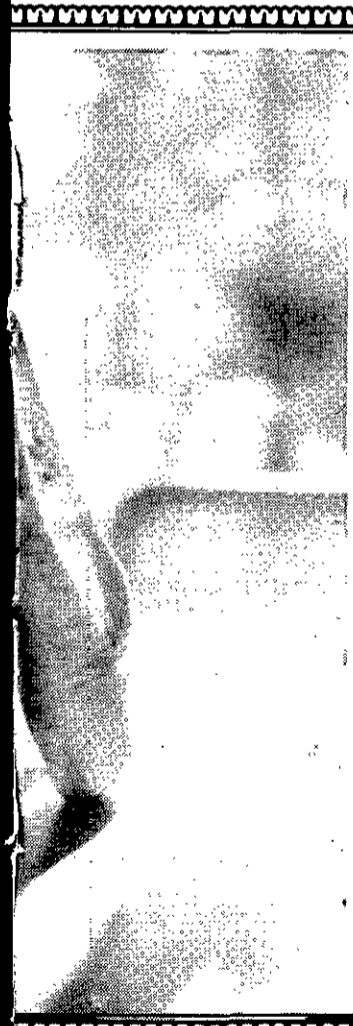
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# Onesquethaw bridge to be replaced

The new bridge spanning the Onesquethaw Creek will be designed to fit into the area's historic district, the engineer working on the project said last week.

The Onesquethaw Creek Rd. bridge will be a one-lane wooden bridge, and Ronald LaBerge Sr. of LaBerge Engineering said it will be designed so users will feel it has always been there. He said Town

Supervisor Stephen Wallace and County Executive James Coyne, who have been working jointly on the project, wanted to maintain the historic character of the area.

The new bridge is expected to be completed in 1988.

The area, southwest of Feura Bush, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and the stone house directly to the south of



Crews from the Town of New Scotland repair the wooden deck of the Onesquethaw Creek Rd. bridge for normal wear and tear. The bridge is scheduled to be replaced by 1988.

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the bridge was built around 1750. The stone abutments from the original bridge built at the end of the 1800's will be kept for the new bridge, LaBerge said. The original bridge lasted such a long time because it could have been built

with more care, time and individualism than projects today, he said.

The original bridge caved in about eight years ago after a truck damaged it. LaBerge said the temporary wooden bridge over the creek now is on loan, furnished

through Albany County and the state Department of Transportation.

Crews were working last week to repair the deck of the temporary bridge. Every few years, the deck has to be fixed because of normal wear and tear, water and salt.

Even though the new bridge will also be wooden, LaBerge said it won't rot because treated timber will be used and it will be designed to current standards. The slope between the road and the bridge will be modified to be gentler, he said, adding that the new slope will make the bridge generally safer.

The Albany County Legislature approved a resolution at its April 13 meeting to build the bridge while the town foots the bill for the abutments, approaches and the engineering fees, Wallace said. A signed agreement between the town and the county will now be needed before work can begin.

The arrangement was worked out between Wallace and Coyne because the county owns all the bridges in the town, but after the bridge is completed, it will be turned over to the town, Wallace said.

Preliminary costs when the project first began in 1984 placed construction of the bridge at between \$150,000 to \$200,000, LaBerge said.

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**Stroke discussion**

Christie Britton-Hare, an affiliate of the Capital Area Speech and Hearing Association, will speak about "Coping with Stroke" at the Bethlehem Public Library on Tuesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend the National Speech and Hearing Month program.

For information about the free program call 439-9314.

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# Candidates night Tuesday

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, with the help of the Voorheesville PTSA, will sponsor a Meet the Candidates Night on Tuesday, May 5, beginning at 7 p.m. at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School.

The event will give residents of the Voorheesville Central School District an opportunity to evaluate the four candidates for the school board seat being vacated by Peter Ten Eyck and the two candidates vying for the library board seat left by Mary Jane Ewart.

According to Bruce Martelle, coordinator, each candidate will present his philosophy. A question and answer session will follow. All are welcome.

## Music of spring

Music will be in the air next week as the students at Voorheesville Elementary School present their spring concert at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6 at the grade school.

Performing for the first time will be the fifth grade band, under the direction of Lydia Tobler. Selections will include "Guardians of the Galaxy" and the "Manitoba March."

The sixth grade band, also directed by Tobler, will perform "Cha Cha Cantabile," "Baroque Reflections" and the premier performance of "The Maple Avenue March," written by area musician Thomas Kraemer.

Kraemer, a software manager for

## Voorheesville News Notes

Lyn Stapf 765-2451



Norstar Bancorp, has a longstanding interest in songwriting and electronic music. He plays the organ at St. Matthew's Church.

Kraemer's daughter, Jill, is a member of the band.

The fifth grade chorus will sing "One By One," narrated by Christina Von Dell, and "Watch Come a Me Eye," a Jamaican folk song featuring Laura Genovesi on bongos, Mara Steinkamp on claves, Randi Dell'Aqua on maracas and Doug Wuttke on guiro.

The sixth grade chorus will sing the "Greatest Love of All" and "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy." Hannah Spence will introduce an innovative piece called "The Computer Song."

The finale will feature the combined choruses, directed by Cynthia McDermott, performing "Songfoolery," a medley of songs from the 50's and 60's. Soloists will be Matthew Reh, Brad Rockmore, Meg O'Connor, Jonathan Gainer, Jill Kraemer, Jim Schryver, Darren Ascone and Amy Strohmer. They will be accompanied by high school students Sean Wilbur on drums and Brad Goldstein on electric bass.

## Kiwanis bike rally

Spring is here and more cyclists

are taking to the road. The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland and the Voorheesville PTSA have organized a bike rally for Saturday, May 2, to insure that their rides are as safe as possible. The event will be held from 9 a.m. until noon at the Voorheesville Elementary School parking lot.

Cyclists of all ages are invited to bring their bikes for inspection and enjoy a-supervised trip on the bike path. Participants will be given a chance to show their knowledge of the signs and rules of the road.

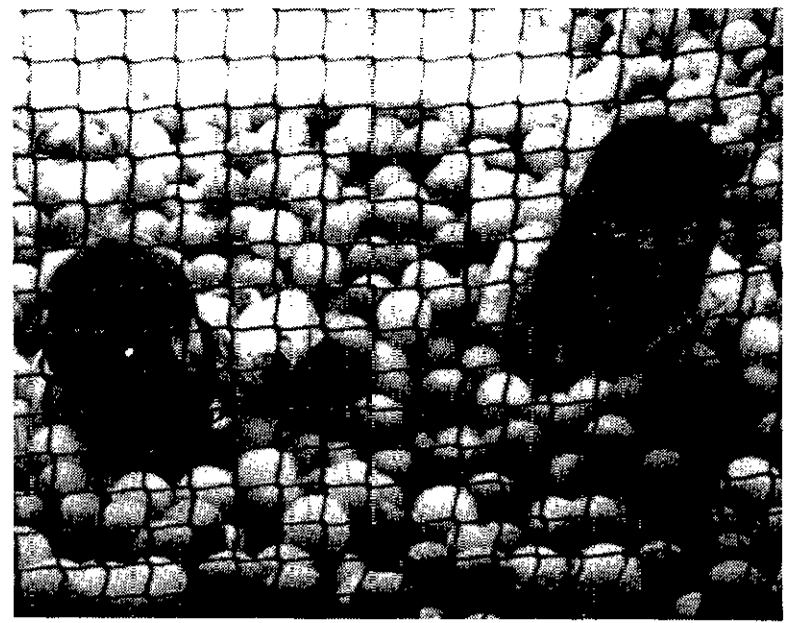
A bake sale will be held during the morning. Anyone interest in assisting with any portion of the rally may call Mike Malark at 765-4392.

## Keenholtz speaks to Historical group

The New Scotland Historical Association will hold its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, at the Old New Salem Schoolhouse Museum. Roger Keenholtz will be present to speak about New York Federal Furniture. All are welcome.

## Mock visits St. Matthew's

St. Matthew's Catholic Church on Mountain Rd. invites everyone to "An Evening of Songs of Hope and Celebration" on Tuesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. Performing that evening will be Roger Mock, liturgist and director of music at St. Vincent De Paul Church in Albany. Mock, a guitarist, has written and recorded an album of Christian music.



Brianne and Janelle Murrey enjoy a swim in the sea of balls at Saturday's Junior Carnival at the Voorheesville Elementary School. Lyn Stapf

## Flea market and crafts

The Ladies Auxiliary of the New Salem Fire Department will hold a flea market and craft fair on Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., at the firehouse on Route 85A in New Salem.

Table space may be reserved for \$12 by calling Robin Shufelt at 765-4771, Judy Schearer at 765-4334 or Audrey Meineker at 439-0406.

## Babysitters workshop

The Voorheesville Library will offer a free three-week course for babysitters in May. "Sitting Safely" will be held at 3:30 p.m. on three Mondays at the library.

Russell Carson, juvenile officer of the Guilderland Police Department, will teach the course for people 12 and older.

The classes will cover safety rules for sitters, fire prevention tips and first aid techniques.

To register call the library at 765-2791.

The board of directors of the the Voorheesville Public Library will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 4, in the lower level of the library. All are welcome.

## Spring fundraisers

Next Saturday will bring a flurry of activity to the Grand Union parking lot as two local organizations hold their yearly fundraisers.

The Heiderview Garden Club will hold a plant sale in front of the Voorheesville Pharmacy from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and at Stewart's from 9 p.m. until noon.

The Voorheesville Neighborhood Girl Scouts have planned a bake sale and car wash the same day from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

All are welcome.

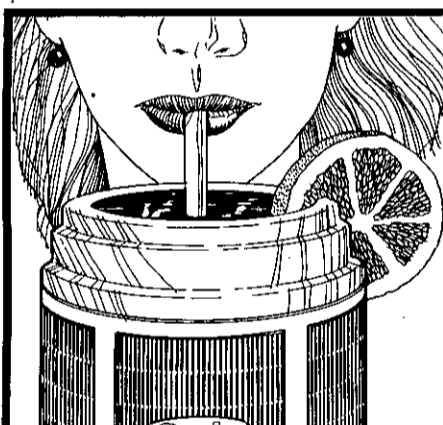
## Scout leaders meet

Leaders in the Voorheesville Neighborhood Girl Scout Group will be holding their monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 4, at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

## New Salem show


A craft show and flea market will be held at the New Salem Firehouse, Rt. 84A, Voorheesville, on Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

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# New Salem hearing set

The deadline for the New Scotland Town Board to respond to plans to establish a home for seven retarded adults on East Rd. in New Salem has been extended to May 31.

The deadline to respond to the plans by the Albany County Chapter of the State Association of Retarded Children was extended because the town did not receive the required information on community support services when it was first notified in March.

Under state Mental Hygiene Law, the town has 40 days to respond to the group home proposal by either agreeing, not responding, offering another location or objecting on the basis of oversaturation of homes in the neighborhood. This will be the first home for retarded people in the town.

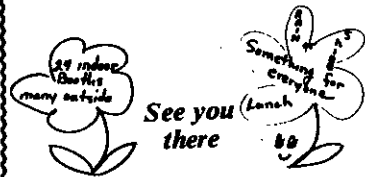
The town board will hold a public hearing Wednesday, May 13, at 7 p.m. on the proposal.

The public hearing was decided on at an informational meeting Wednesday between residents of East Rd. and representatives of the ARC and other people working with mentally retarded children and adults. Residents of East Rd. have objected to the group home plans, and have hired Albany Attorney Scott Davidoff to represent them.

## Craft Show Flea Market

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9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

New Salem Firehouse  
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# □ New library

(From Page 1)

While the library has incurred no expenses yet and therefore has needed no funding, Wing said the move was approved by the church board on the strength of Baltis' offer.

"We're grateful for it," Wing said.

The neighborhood association is feeling its way step by step with the new library, Wing said, but would like to broaden its base of support. The associations doesn't want to rely on one person to open, run or fund the library, she said, and is looking at its options.

Plans for the library will be decided by a board of volunteers and a soon-to-be-formed board of trustees.

Work on the building and arranging the library now needs to be done, but Wing said the consistory will have to be consulted before any renovations take place. The library has shelves, stacks and books from its old quarters at the fire house, and the church will be supplying some tables and church pews. She said tables may be arranged in the middle of the room, the church pews placed around

them, and the book shelves placed between the large windows.

The library has a two-year lease on the schoolhouse at \$1 a year rent.

A room at the Onesquethaw Fire House was the first home of the library when it opened in 1985. After a year, the department needed the space and the library couldn't open.

Patricia Mitchell

## Arboretum programs

An expanded program of special events has been scheduled at the Landis Arboretum, starting in May. On Sunday May 3, at 2 p.m., Anita Sanchez, a naturalist from the Five Rivers Center, will conduct a leisurely walk through the fields and the woods of the arboretum, pointing out the different flora, and explaining their history and legends. Upcoming programs include star gazing, flower arranging, beekeeping and birdwatching.

The arboretum contains 100 acres and is located in Esperance, off Rt. 20. For more information, write to the George Landis Arboretum, Esperance, N.Y. 12066.



Kay Youmans, right, New Scotland Citizen of the Year, pauses before Friday's dinner to honor her with her husband, Sam, and Corinne Weeks of the New Scotland Presbyterian Church.

Lyn Staff

## 'Toughlove' meetings

Toughlove, a support group for parents with sons or daughters in trouble with substance abuse, family, school officials or the law, holds meetings every Wednesday at Bishop Gibbons, beginning at 7:30 p.m. All parents are welcome. For information call Claire Racicot at 393-4253.

## Power tools stolen

An Albany construction firm reported four power tools were missing from a Marlboro Rd., Delmar, garage where the firm is working, Bethlehem Police said.

Missing are two saws, a screw gun and a router, valued at \$830, police said. They were taken between Wednesday, April 15, and Monday, police said.

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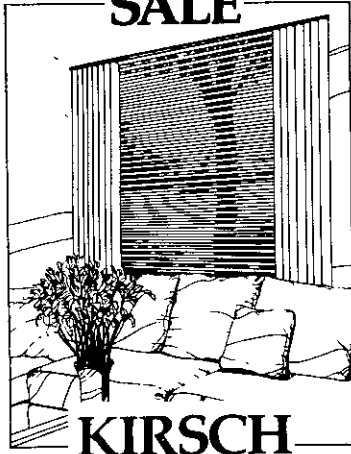


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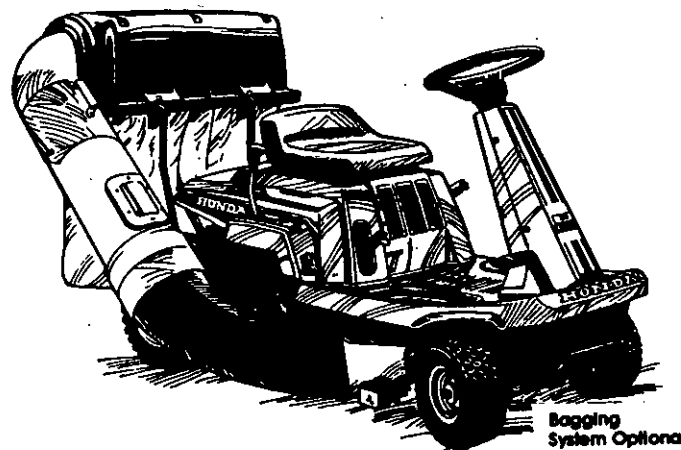
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# BC wins 2 more, Inconsistent Ravena drops 2 has 6-1 record

By John Bellizzi III

Spring break was kind to the Bethlehem Central baseball varsity. They picked up two more victories to improve their record to 6-1 (3-1 league).

The Eagles' first game last week was at Johnstown, a lopsided non-league contest that BC won, 16-6. Jon Skilbeck started on the mound for Bethlehem and was relieved after one-third of an inning. Paul Evangelista finished the game, giving up only four hits and one run. Evangelista went 3-for-5 at the plate, and Jeff Boyd was 3-for-6. Josh Weinstein, Mike Hodge and Doug Pratt had doubles for BC.

Wednesday the Eagles upset tough Suburban Council rival Mohonasen, 2-1. "It was an outstanding game," commented Eagles coach Ken Hodge. "It was won by really excellent pitching and good defense."

Mike Hodge pitched the entire game for Bethlehem, giving up five hits and striking out six batters.

Pratt had two of BC's four hits. The winning run scored in the fourth when Pete Russo was delivered by Bob Jakhra's single. The Eagles ended the game when Mohonasen's best batter hit into a well-executed double play with the tying run on base.

The Eagles have a tough week ahead. They were scheduled to face Saratoga on Monday and Bishop Gibbons on Tuesday, under the lights in Central Park. Today (Wednesday) BC meets strong competition in Burnt Hills. Tomorrow, the Guilderland game that was rained out last Friday will be played, and on Friday Bethlehem faces Colonie.

## Car tapes taken

Cassette tapes, valued at \$40, were taken from a Chrisken Dr. woman's car while it was parked in her driveway Sunday, April 19, Bethlehem Police said. The tapes were reported missing to police on Tuesday.

By Bart Gottesman

This spring has not started as RCS baseball coach Gary VanDerzee had hoped. With a majority of players being experienced seniors, the team has played inconsistently both offensively and defensively.

Errors and lack of hitting played a major role in Ravena's four games last week. They lost to Colonial Council foe Mechanicville and non-league Ichabod Crane. The two losses, combined with a win over Albany Academy and a tie with Ichabod Crane left the Indians with a 2-2 Colonial Council mark and an overall 3-4-1 standing.

Monday Ravena played the Cadets of Albany Academy and won easily, 7-1. Ace pitcher Larry Rivers allowed four hits and notched 11 strikeouts. Leading Ravena at the plate was Andy Casale.

Ichabod Crane, one of the top teams in Class B, came to Ravena on Tuesday for a doubleheader. Rich Losee pitched a good game according to VanDerzee, but was hampered by errors and six walks in the 10-6 setback. In the second game the two teams were deadlocked at six when umpires called the

## Baseball

game because of darkness. Leading 6-4 with two outs in the final inning, Mike Gallagher walked the batter and was greeted by the next batter with a game tying home run. "Mike (Gallagher) played a good game," said VanDerzee.

VanDerzee's feelings about Wednesday's loss to Mechanicville paint a clear picture. "It was a

disaster." The Indians collected eight hits in the contest while RCS pitcher Russ McBride allowed only three. However, Ravena was outscored, 8-0. Mechanicville needed no more than three hits as Ravena's defense helped make scoring easy for the Red Raiders with seven errors. Offensively, Ravena was led by Scott Biernacki and Ken Losee, 2-for-3 and 2-for-4 respectively.

This week Ravena plays four games, including one with last year's Colonial Council champs, Watervliet.

## Birds still need a win

By Matt Bates

With losses to Schalmont, Albany Academy, Lansingburgh and Ichabod Crane, the Voorheesville baseball team was still looking for its first win of the season.

Last Monday the Blackbirds lost a close decision to Schalmont, 6-3. Voorheesville was tied going into the bottom of the sixth when Schalmont exploded for five runs on three different pitchers. John Traudt responded with a two-run homer in the seventh inning, but it wasn't enough.

The next day the Birds were leading Albany Academy, 5-4, but the Cadets rocked Voorheesville for eight runs with help from five errors to pull out the game 12-5.

Wednesday's game at Lansingburgh was disastrous. The Birds

were shelled, 19-3, allowing 18 hits in the process. The Knights hammered four pitchers for 11 runs in the fifth inning.

Friday, Voorheesville scored 10 runs, but Ichabod Crane scored 20, including 15 in the first three innings. Jamie Christensen had a home run for Voorheesville.

This week the Birds have games with Waterford, Johnstown, Mechanicville (today) and Albany Academy (Friday).

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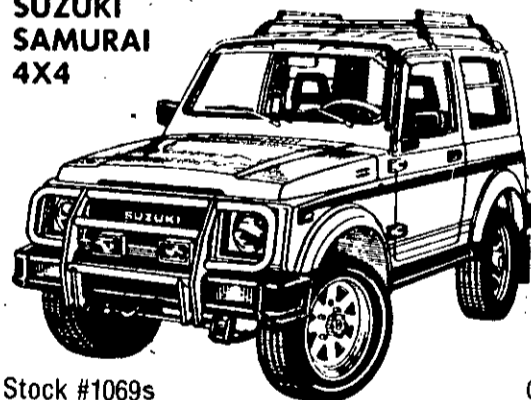
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# RCS girls crush BC

By Paul Curley

A week filled with error-plagued games and one memorable comeback brought the Ravena softball team's record to 6-4, (4-2 in the Colonial Council).

Last Tuesday the Indians defeated Bethlehem, 8-2. Pitcher Terri Baker had a great game, recording 12 strikeouts, while Jackie Mulligan hit a double and drove in two runs.

The following day's game against Watervliet yielded worse results. "We were horrendous," said Coach Bruce Stott of Ravena's 8-6 loss. Costly errors in the fifth and seventh innings were responsible for the downfall. Baker was the only bright spot, hitting three singles.

On Thursday, Ravena's hitting was almost non-existent as they lost to Mechanicville, 5-3. Stott excused the absence of hitting because of strong winds, but was disappointed that two unearned runs in the seventh inning caused the loss.

Friday's 13-8 victory over Schalmont was an important one. Last year, when Ravena finished with a 20-4 record, three of those losses were administered by Schalmont, who were Colonial Council champions. Amy Kane and Marie Setford each had two doubles and a single to upset Schalmont.

On Saturday the Indians went to Berne-Knox to play in their tournament. In the first game Ravena faced Class C Sectional champs Greenwich and came away with an eleventh-inning 8-7 comeback victory.

"One of the best comebacks I've ever seen," said Stott. Greenwich's fast pitching, "wall to wall heat" in Stott's words, caused Ravena trouble as they fell behind 7-1 after two innings. They began to scramble back, however, adding one run in the third and three in the fourth. Then Lisa Holsapple came through with a clutch two-out single in the seventh that drove in Setford and Tracey Tucker to tie the game.

In the second game of the tournament Ravena lost to host Berne-Knox, 6-5. The Indians were ahead by 5-4 until the fifth, when Baker walked two batters with two out. A passed ball advanced the runners, and both scored when the next hit took a bad bounce past second-baseman Dawn DiNardi. Setford was named Best Defensive Player of the tournament.

On Monday Ravena played Holy Names and plays Mechanicville in an away game today (Wednesday).

## Church Softball Results April 23, 1987

The Cooper-Varney Church Softball League opened its 17th season with 8 games.

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## Big splash

All 19 classes at Glenmont Elementary School will participate in a "Mini Imagination Celebration" on Sunday, May 3, from 2 until 5 p.m., at Glenmont Elementary School.

The school has selected water as the theme of the program. Featured will be performances, poetry readings, dances, displays and songs. All are welcome.

# Little league looks at new field, facilities

By John Bellizzi III

Under the blazing sun at Magee Park, the 34th season of the Tri-Village Little League officially opened on Sunday. This year the league has 33 teams at four different levels of competition, six in the Major League, eight in the Intermediate League, two divisions, nine teams in the Junior League, and 10 in the Tee-ball level. The first games of the season will be played on Friday.

The first ball of the 1987 season was thrown out by Ken Ringler of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, of which Tri-Village Little League recently became a member. Ringler was presented an official Tri-Village Little League shirt by 1987 president Rich VanWormer. In turn, Ringler bestowed upon the league a Certificate of Appreciation for "many fine years of effort and many more to come."

Dan Formica, owner of McDonald's of Delmar and Ravena who has sponsored a team for many years, announced a special contribution to the league — coupons redeemable for free drinks to Little Leaguers who wear their uniforms into his restaurants. In addition, Hoogy's Village Corner of Slingerlands, a name which has also been featured prominently on team uniforms, is donating a free pizza to each player who hits a home run out of the park.

In his Opening Day address, VanWormer said the league is crucial to the success of our local Little League program. The non-profit organization is the only local sports organization to own and maintain its own facilities. Repair and maintenance of the fields, he said, utilize large portions of the league's budget.

However, factors are becoming evident that may require at least

one more field to be added. In addition, VanWormer said the facilities presently at Magee, including the bleachers and the single building which serves as concession stand, office, restrooms and storage are in need of extensive renovation or replacement.

VanWormer pointed to several ways that the league is attempting to raise funds for refurbishing Magee Park before next year, among which was the formation of an improvements committee whose goal will be to conduct fund-raising activities and to contact corporations and individuals wishing to make tax-deductible donations to the league. The bulk of Tri-Village Little League's income stems from the annual Star Treasure drive in which eager young salespeople sell a variety of products for the benefit of the league.

Parents who would like to assist are asked to contact VanWormer at 439-4676 or Carmen Mannella at 439-1098.

This year's officers are VanWormer, president; Gerry Thorpe, vice-president; John Black, secretary; Jan Skilbeck, treasurer, and Mannella, player activities director. Other board members are Al Bartoletti, John Bellizzi, Mort Borzykowski, Bill Closson, Don Comtois, Ron D'Ambrosi, Jerry Dievendorf, Dick Everleth, Keith Getz, Tom Kinney, Igor Koroluk, Ed Kuta, Dave Laiosa, Jim Leonardo, Jim McQuide, Marie Miles, Larry Miller, Gerry Morgan, Jeff Pesnel, Narendra Roper, and Mary Snyder, who is in charge of the concession stand.

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At opening day ceremonies, Tri-Village Little League President Rich Van Wormer receives an award from Ken Ringler of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce as Dan Formica of McDonald's of Delmar looks on. *John Bellizzi III*

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# Blackbirds netmen win first 4

By Rick Leach

At the beginning of the season Coach Tom Kurkjian expected his team would be good enough to have a respectable finish in the Colonial Council and a record above .500. But he never expected the Blackbirds to play the kind of tennis they are now—four wins in four matches.

After opening the season with a 6-1 triumph over Watervliet, Voorheesville netmen brought home another 6-1 victory at Ravena. The day started ominously as Chris Stevens lost, 6-1, 6-0, to Ravena star Jim Ritter, and Tom Kurkjian dropped the first set at No. 2 singles. But from there on out it was all Purple and Gold.

Kurkjian rallied to win by 2-6, 6-4, 6-3, and the Birds did not lose another set. Dave Mistretta, Ken Andriano and Steve Smith swept their singles matches. Voorheesville also swept the doubles with Stevens-Mistretta and Larabee-McKenna.

The third match was against a tough Schalmont team that finished

second in the league a year ago. This time it was a different story. Stevens opened with a tough three-set win, but after Kurkjian dropped a match that evened the score, everyone else went on to another 6-1 victory.

The toughest match of the week was against an excellent Cohoes team. Stevens played his second three-hour match of the week, dropping a tense 2-6, 7-5, 7-5 thriller to the Tigers' Bill LeBeau. Kurkjian fell by 6-1, 6-4, but again the Birds got good tennis from Mistretta and Andriano, but going into the doubles Voorheesville was trailing by 3-2. Kurkjian and Stevens, facing players who had beaten them

earlier, rallied for a 6-1, 6-4 win, and Mistretta and Andriano crushed the No. 2 Tiger team, 6-1, 6-0, to nail down the 4-3 victory.

This week will be a rugged one for the Blackbirds. They were scheduled to play Middleburgh, a Class C semifinalist last season, in a non-league encounter, and today (Wednesday) they host Albany Academy. The Cadets haven't lost a league match in six years, and have their five top players intact from last year's undefeated champions. On Friday the Birds go to Schalmont, and next Monday host Watervliet.

Last week Dave Larabee bested Smith in a challenge match and will be playing No. 5 singles this week.

## RCS battles illness, rain

By Tim Penk

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk boy's tennis team has a rough couple of weeks battling illness, injuries and rain. The Indians had previously beaten Tamarac and Catskill, but lost to Colonial

Council power Albany Academy to start last week at 2-1. However, Voorheesville caught RCS weakened, and Ichabod Crane outplayed the Indians to drop the record to 2-3.

Ravena opened the week losing to Voorheesville, 6-1. Jim Ritter was the only Indian to win a match by taking his opponent in two sets. Daren Hall and Brian Datri each played two sets but were pulled off the courts by Coach Mike Kerrigan because of illness. The RCVS doubles played erratic tennis. "The teams were pretty evenly matched and we would have made it extremely close if we were up to play," Kerrigan said.

The next loss came from Ichabod Crane by 4-1. The teams played a pro-set the victor being the first player to win 10 games. Ritter again was the only winner, by the perfect score of 10-0. Hall lost by 5-10, Datri by 2-10, Brian Olby by 2-10 and Andy Countaway by 6-10. Ichabod Crane has appeared to be the best team in the Patroon Conference and showed their experience and skill in tennis.

RCS boys tennis is improving gradually and they hope to win all of the final Colonial Conference matches (except Albany Academy) to tie for second. The exceptional play of Jim Ritter has left him undefeated and on top of the Colonial Council as the best individual player.

The Indians continue their quest for second place against Watervliet and Schalmont this week. These two matches are both league matches and crucial for the Indians.

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# Academy was worth the wait for RCS

By Josh Curley

After 19 days without a meet the RCS boys' track team came away with a successful week of competition. The team had five consecutive meets postponed before their meet with Albany Academy last week.

Coach Jim Gorham was concerned that team members wouldn't perform to their full potential after almost three weeks of rained-out meets. Instead, the wait produced a strong competitive drive. This was proven with a 100-41 defeat of the respected Academy squad.

Ravena not only swept the top three places, the 400-meter dash, run by Jeff Friday, Matt Tice and Mike Frazetta, but also managed to claim the top four places in the mile. This feat was done by Paul Curley, Lance Tucker, Bill Pettitier and Chris King.

Last Thursday, RCS traveled to Chatham for a scrimmage. Ravena

## Track

won 12 of the 17 events in the 99-42 victory. Team members who won their event included Joe Noeth, 110 hurdles; Tim Baranska, 400 hurdles; Art Burnett, 200; Curley, 800 and 1600; Pettitier, 3200; Harold Folmsbee, shot put; Jerry Baranska, discus; Adam Wheeler, high jump, long jump and triple jump; and Curley, Frazetta, Noeth and Tim Baranska in the 1600 relay.

Gorham was pleasantly surprised with the team's third place out of a field of 13 teams in the Albany Academy Invitational last weekend. Out of the five teams from the Colonial Council, Ravena finished on top. Burnett had a second-place finish in the 200 and fourth place in the 100. Noeth placed second and fourth in the 110 hurdles and 400

hurdles respectively. Jerry Baranska was second in the discus and fifth in the shotput. Tim Baranska was the only winner from RCS accomplishing this in the 400 hurdles. He also finished third in the 110 hurdles.

Ravena was scheduled to meet Voorheesville Tuesday (yesterday).



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April 19	6:42 p.m.	Bethlehem ambulance	Medical emergency
April 19	8:57 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Auto accident
April 19	9:42 p.m.	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical emergency
April 19	9:00 a.m.	N. Bethlehem EMS	Personal injury
April 19	9:14 p.m.	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Unknown illness
April 20	6:23 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Medical emergency
April 20	10:21 a.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Unresponsive patient
April 20	10:30 a.m.	N. Bethlehem EMS	Medical emergency
April 20	7:15 p.m.	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Respiratory distress
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i. By changing the following described property from "A" Residential to Planned Residential District: See Schedule "A" Attached.

ii. By changing the following described property from "A" Residential to Planned Commercial District: See Schedule "B" Attached.

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM CAROLYN M. LYONS TOWN CLERK

Dated: April 8, 1987 (April 29, 1987)

### SCHEDULE "A" DESCRIPTION PARCEL OF LAND TO BE REZONED PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Krumkill Road at its point of intersection with the easterly line of lands conveyed to David, John and Dennis Quadrini by deed dated February 11, 1986 and recorded in the Albany County Clerk's Office in book of deeds 2304, page 607; thence running from said point of beginning easterly along the southerly line of said Krumkill Road (287.30) feet to a point; thence continuing easterly along the southerly line of Krumkill Road with the following interior angles and distances:

176 degrees-45'-10" (100.00) feet to a point;  
174 degrees-45'-00" (75.00) feet to a point;  
170 degrees-59'-00" (72.51) feet to a point;  
175 degrees-15'-18" (52.10) feet to a point;  
178 degrees-57'-45" (56.49) feet to a point;  
183 degrees-02'-20" (52.81) feet to a point and 181 degrees-36'-29" (194.07) feet to a point; thence southerly through said lands conveyed to Quadrini in book of deeds 2304, page 607 with an interior angle of 68 degrees-31'-19" (580.00) feet to a point; thence southerly continuing through said lands with the following interior angles and distances:

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through said lands with the following interior angles and distances:

268 degrees-28'-22" (53.09) feet to a point;  
187 degrees-24'-22" (156.54) feet to a point and 189 degrees-07'-03" (162.52) feet to a point; thence northeasterly continuing through said lands with an interior angle of 126 degrees-05'-28" (580.00) feet to a point in the first mentioned southerly line of Krumkill Road; thence easterly along said southerly line of Krumkill Road with an interior angle of 111 degrees-28'-41" (120.64) feet to an angle point therein; thence continuing easterly along the southerly line of Krumkill Road with an interior angle of 177 degrees-43'-17" (267.62) feet to the point of beginning making an interior angle of 70 degrees-48'-02" with the first mentioned southeasterly line of lands conveyed to Quadrini.

### SCHEDULE "B" DESCRIPTION PARCEL OF LAND TO BE REZONED PLANNED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Krumkill Road at its point of intersection with the westerly line of lands conveyed to David, John and Dennis Quadrini by deed dated February 11, 1986 and recorded in the Albany County Clerk's Office in book of deeds 2304, page 607; thence running from said point of beginning easterly along the southerly line of said Krumkill Road (287.30) feet to a point; thence continuing easterly along the southerly line of Krumkill Road with the following interior angles and distances:

176 degrees-45'-10" (100.00) feet to a point;  
174 degrees-45'-00" (75.00) feet to a point;  
170 degrees-59'-00" (72.51) feet to a point;  
175 degrees-15'-18" (52.10) feet to a point;  
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183 degrees-02'-20" (52.81) feet to a point and 181 degrees-36'-29" (194.07) feet to a point; thence southerly through said lands conveyed to Quadrini in book of deeds 2304, page 607 with an interior angle of 68 degrees-31'-19" (580.00) feet to a point; thence southerly continuing through said lands with the following interior angles and distances:

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interior angle of 101 degrees-57'-10" with the first mentioned southerly line of Krumkill Road.

### LEGAL NOTICE A NEW YORK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the persons herein named have formed a Limited Partnership for the transaction of business in the State of New York and elsewhere and have filed a Certificate of Limited Partnership in the Clerk's Office of the County of Albany, of which the substance is as follows: 1. The name of the partnership is CARLE COURT; 2. The purpose and character of the partnership is to introduce, erect, operate, conduct, manage, maintain and carry on a restaurant business at 800 Douglas Road, Coral Gables, Florida and other locations, and generally to do and perform everything necessary for carrying out the aforesaid purposes; to buy, or otherwise acquire, manufacture, market, prepare for market, sell, deal in, and deal with, import, and export food and food products of every class and description, fresh, canned, preserved, or otherwise; and to prepare and serve all food, beverages, alcoholic or nonalcoholic, and other preparations and refreshments of all kinds; 3. The principal place of business of the Partnership shall be at 799 Central Avenue, Albany, New York 12206; The General Partner may establish such other offices or places of business for the Partnership as she may deem necessary or desirable. 4. The name and place of residence of each General Partner interested in the Partnership is Terez Touhey, 7039 Southwest 53rd Lane, Miami, Florida 33155. The name and place of residence of the original Limited Partner interested in the Partnership is Avion Management Corporation, 799 Central Avenue, Albany, New York 12206. 5. The term for which the Partnership is to exist is from the 1st day of February, 1987, and if not sooner terminated by mutual agreement, shall terminate upon the adjudication of bankruptcy of the General Partner, the filing of a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or Chapter XI petition by the General Partner, the final disposition of all of the Partnership Property, or January 31, 2087. 6. The capital of the Partnership shall be contributed as follows: General Partner...\$500.00 Original Limited Partner may but shall not be obliged to contribute such sums as from time to time are requested by the General Partner, said sums not to exceed, in total, \$100,000.00. 7. No additional contribution is required to be made by the Original Limited Partner. 8. The contribution of the Original Limited Partner is to be returned upon the termination of the Partnership, but the contribution may be returned prior to the termination of the Partnership at the discretion of the General Partner. 9. The General Partner and the Original Limited Partner shall receive an interest in the profits as follows: General Partner...50%. Limited Partner...50%. 10. The General Partner and the Original Limited Partner shall share in the losses of the partnership as follows: General Partner...5%. Limited Partner...95%. 11. Unless otherwise specified at the time of the admission of additional Limited Partners, no Limited Partner shall have the right to substitute any assignee as contributor in his place.

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(April 29, 1987)

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12. Additional Limited Partners may be admitted at the discretion of the General Partner, and it is anticipated that additional Limited Partners (the "Limited Partners") will be admitted by the General Partner. 13. Unless otherwise specified at the time of the admission of the additional Limited Partners, no limited partner shall have any right or priority over any other Limited Partner as to contributions, waiver of contributions, repayment of contributions or as to compensation by way of income. The death, retirement or insanity of the General Partner shall not constitute a dissolution of the Partnership. Upon such happening, Charles L. Touhey shall become the First Successor General Partner, and upon the death, insanity or retirement of the First Successor General Partner, the Limited Partners, by majority vote shall appoint a subsequent successor General Partner who shall be an issue or direct descendant of Carl E. Touhey and such successor General Partner shall continue the Partnership business, pursuant to the terms hereof.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD ALBANY, NEW YORK ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK

INVITE SEALED BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FIRE HOUSE ON RUSSELL ROAD IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, STATE OF NEW YORK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Elmwood Park Fire District located in the Towns of Guilderland, New Scotland and Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, at the North Bethlehem Firehouse, Albany County, New York, until 7:30 p.m. Daylight Savings Time, May 7, 1987 at which time and place the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in relation to the Construction of a new Fire House on Russell Road in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York.

Any proposal received after the time and date above stated will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Each bid must be made upon the prepared bidding sheets, furnished with the Contract Documents and sealed within an opaque envelope.

With his proposal, and attached thereto, each Bidder shall furnish a Bidders Bond of a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of New York, or a certified check payable to the Elmwood Park Fire District in the amount of 5% of the Bid. No bid will be considered which is not accompanied by such bond or certified check.

Specifications and other Contract Documents may be examined and obtained from James D. Smith, Architect, 174 Goode Street, Burnt Hills, New York, 12027, or telephone 399-4174 for appointment to obtain such plans.

Such set shall consist of the Notice to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form and Specifications.

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All bids must comply with the Instructions to Bidders and other Contract Documents.

William E. Cleveland, Secretary  
Elmwood Park Fire District  
Schoolhouse Road  
Albany, New York 12203  
Albany County, New York  
Dated: April 14, 1987  
(April 29, 1987)

### NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL

(Pursuant to sections 506 and 1526 of the Real Property Tax Law)

HEARING OF COMPLAINTS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor of the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany has completed the tentative assessment roll for the current year and that a copy has been left with the Office of Assessor at 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, where it may be seen and examined by any interested person from the first of May until the third Tuesday in May.

The Assessor will be in attendance with the tentative assessment roll on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and the following Saturdays: May 2, 9 and 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Board of Assessment Review will meet on May 19, 1987, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., in said town, to hear and examine all complaints in relation to assessments, on the application of any person believing himself to be aggrieved.

Dated this 29th day of April 1987.  
John F. Thompson  
Assessor  
Town of Bethlehem  
(April 29, 1987)

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual election of the inhabitants of the above named school district will be held in the upper gymnasium of the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, New York on Wednesday, May 6, 1987, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. EDT.

The Board of Education will present for consideration the school district budget for the period July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988. Copies of said budget may be reviewed by any inhabitant of the district during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the annual election, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., EDT at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York and at the offices of the elementary schools, the Middle School, and the High School of the district.

The Trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library will present for consideration the public library budget for the period July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988. Copies of the budget may be obtained at the reference desk of the library.

Petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987 to fill the

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vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Barbara Coon, incumbent; petitions nominating candidates for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987 to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Velma Cousins, incumbent; and petitions nominating candidates for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987 to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Sheila Fuller; and petitions nominating candidates for the office of trustee for the Bethlehem Public Library for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1987, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of William Seymour, must be filed with the Clerk of the School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, not later than 4:30 p.m., EDT, April 6, 1987.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that votes will be taken upon the following:

1. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

2. For the election of three members of the Board of Education of said Bethlehem Central School District, one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Barbara Coon; one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Velma Cousins; and one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1987, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Sheila Fuller;

3. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Public Library and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

4. For the election of one trustee to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a full term of five (5) years, commencing July 1, 1987, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of William Seymour.

Kristi Carr  
District Clerk  
Dated: March 13, 1987  
(April 29, 1987)

NY Lien & Recovery Corp., R.A. Felder Lic Aucltr #793917 will sell to satisfy lien on 4/29/87 at 10 am at BOX 888, Luzerbe Rd., Glens Falls; '76 Ford, F141YEB26028 Re-T. Bumpers, J. Doe, all interested parties mat call 718-767-5999; '85 Ford, 1FTBR10A1FUD 13959 Re-S. Johnson, Ford Motor Credit.  
(April 29, 1987)

NY Lien & Recovery Corp., R.A. Felder Lic Aucltr #793917 will sell to satisfy lien at 10 am: '82 Yamaha 4U8024083 at 271 3rd St., Troy on 5/5/87 Re-J. Hull; '79 Suzuki GS1000109215 at 271 3rd St., Troy on 5/5/87 Re-D. Jesmain & Cohoes Savings Bank; '84 Chevy 2G1AN69H9E91009872 at Box 224 Ontario on 5/5/87 Re-GMAC & D. Brandon; '84 Larson 5354M84A at Rte. 9 North, Silver Bay, NY on 5/4/87 Re-P. Amara & J. Doe, all interested parties may call 718-767-5999  
(April 29, 1987)

# OBITUARIES

## Florence Busch

Florence Bender Busch, 82, a resident of Delmar for many years, died Monday, April 20.

She was born in Albany.

She was a homemaker and the wife of the late Christian Busch.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, Daniel W. Busch of Saratoga Springs, and four grandchildren.

Burial was in St. Matthew's Lutheran Cemetery in Glenmont. Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home of Delmar.

Contributions can be made to the St. Paul's Episcopal Church Memorial Fund, Albany.

## Alice von der Heyde

Alice Carlson von der Heyde, 84, a registered nurse, died Monday, April 20.

She was born in New Jersey.

She graduated from the Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, N.J., where she worked as a registered nurse.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Verona, N.J.

She was the wife of the late George D. von der Heyde.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy Needham of Virginia Beach, Va., and A. Dalmar Quinn of Delmar, 12 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home of Delmar.

## Col. Thomas Tyree

Retired Col. Thomas B. Tyree, 62, of Pawling, a former Glenmont resident, died Wednesday, April 22, in the New Milford Hospital in New Milford, Conn.

Born in Grosse Point, Mich., he was a resident of Glenmont for 15 years before moving to Pawling in 1986.

A graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, he was an officer in the U.S. Army from 1948 to 1971. In 1961, he commanded the U.S. Tank Force

that faced Russian forces in a showdown over the Berlin Wall in Germany during the Berlin Airlift.

From 1967 to 1968 during the Vietnam War, he commanded a unit in the Army's Fourth Cavalry Division.

Decorations for his service include the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

After retiring from the military, he worked as an assistant commissioner of operations for the state Department of Transportation under governors Nelson Rockefeller, Hugh Carey and Mario Cuomo. He retired from the state post in 1986.

Since 1983, he served on the board of trustees at the academy at West Point.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Brophy Tyree; and four sons, Thomas B. Tyree Jr. of New York City, William Tyree of New York City, Cadet John Tyree of West Point and David B. Tyree of Pawling.

Arrangements were by the Horn and Thomes Funeral Home of Pawling.

Contributions may be made to the New Wing of the New Milford Hospital, New Milford, Conn., 06776.

## William J. Sharpe

William J. Sharpe, 76, of 70 Rowland Ave., Delmar, a long-time resident of Delmar, died Monday, April 27, in Worcester, Mass.

He was the purchasing manager for Sterling-Winthrop Drug Company in Rensselaer until he retired at 65.

He was a member of the Purchasing Management Association of Eastern New York and the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Born in Chateaugay, N.Y., he was a resident of Delmar for 37 years. He was the husband of the late Eleanor Lewis Sharpe. He is survived by a son, Stuart L. Sharpe of Worcester, Mass., and by six grandchildren.

Funeral service will be Friday at 10 a.m. at the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar. Relatives and friends may call Thursday at the funeral home from 6 to 9 p.m. Burial will be in Bethlehem Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the building fund of the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

## Craft booths open

Crafts and information display booths at the "Salute to the Hilltowns" on Friday, May 1, from 6

to 7:30 p.m., are still available for rental.

The event will be followed by a community talent show at Berne-Know-Westerlo High School, Rt. 443. Admission is \$2.

For information call 872-0681.

## 2 injured in crash

Two people were taken to St. Peter's Hospital Saturday after a motorcycle crash on Krumkill Rd. in New Scotland, Albany County sheriff's deputies reported.

Treated and released were Christopher Cooper, 23, of Albany, and his passenger, Terri Scally, 23, no address, said a hospital spokesman. Deputies at the Voorheesville substation had no information on their injuries.

At about 4:20 p.m. Saturday, deputies said, Cooper was driving the motorcycle northeast on Krumkill Rd. when it failed to negotiate a curve, went off the road and landed in a ditch.

Sheriffs said no tickets were issued in the crash.

## Fence, lawn damaged

A rail fence and a lawn on Lansing Dr., Delmar, sustained about \$200 in damage between 2:15 and 11 p.m. Saturday after a car was driven across the lawn, Bethlehem Police said.

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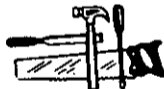
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### Wildflower walk

A spring wildflower walk will be held on Saturday, May 2, at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, beginning at 2 p.m. All are welcome to join the free tour. For information call 453-1806.

### Square dance Saturday

Delmar's Tri-Village Squares Square Dance Club will hold a dance at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, on Saturday, May 2, from 8 to 11 p.m. Bob LaBounty will be the guest caller. For information call 438-1227.

### Car wash Saturday

The middle school youth group of the Delmar Presbyterian Church will hold a car wash in the church parking lot on Saturday, May 2, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Interfaith Shelter for the Homeless. The cost will be \$2 for a car wash and \$1 for vacuuming.

### Skin cancer screening

Free skin cancer screenings, sponsored by the American Academy of Dermatology, will be held at Albany Medical Center on Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### Bethlehem Art winners announced

"Cattails and Corn," by Virginia Remington Rich, was awarded first prize in the Bethlehem Art Association's 20th juried art show.

Second prize was awarded to Barbara Wooster for "Small Town." Third prize went to Lillian Longley for "Vine Over the Door."

Honorable mentions were awarded to Lorraine Schapiro, Virginia Remington Rich, Barbara Mungall, Carmen Holsapple and Joan Krathaus.

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**7 HERBER AVE, ELSMERE** May 2nd, 10-3 pm, variety, electric circle saw, electric drill, 8mm zoom lens camera, no early birds.

**158 HUDSON AVE, DELMAR** Saturday, May 2nd, 10-4 pm (rain date May 3) years of accumulation, some country crafts.

**SELKIRK, ELM AVE 1/4 mile** in from 9W, miscellaneous, household and baby items, 10-4 pm, Saturday.

**DELMAR NEIGHBORHOOD SALE** from 1 to 46 Wellington Road, Saturday, May 2, 9-3 pm, many garages, bargains galore!

**52 DELMAR PLACE** Saturday, May 2, 9-12 pm, furniture, household items, bike.

**50 EUCLID AVE** May 2, 9-2 pm, 3 family, household, something for everyone.

**106 FERNBANK AVE** Saturday May 2, 9-12 pm, household.

**91B MASON ROAD** Saturday, May 2nd, 9:30-4 pm, lamps, toys, household items, and more.

**GLENMONT ANNUAL BLOCK SALE** May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, 9:30-5pm, behind K-Marts.


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# The candidates, and others, take issue

## Cousins: put an end to special interests

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was surprised to find that a paper as reputable as yours had given one of my opponents in the upcoming Bethlehem school board elections a free ad. Please allow me equal space to state why I am seeking re-election.

Three years ago, I pointed out that, as a district, we would grow only if we rid ourselves of special interests and territorialism. If a board member was to be effective, she/he would have to represent all of the children in our district. I feel that I have done this.

I promised a budget that would allow for educational growth without locking retirees out of cherished homes. The last two budgets passed with large margins because they were well planned to meet the needs of everyone. They would not have passed without the support of our retirees and others in the community with limited

incomes who are proud of our schools. Homes in districts where the budgets have failed, year after year, forcing programs to deteriorate, do not sell. Could we possibly elect a candidate who does not understand the importance of budget management?

If we are to continue to be a forerunner of educational change, we will need a dynamic, innovative leader, but we will also need board members who are, and have always been, part of the mainstream.

In the next few months, we will decide on permanent solutions to the problem of overcrowding. While, as it is well known, I am in favor of total redistricting, I will not close my mind to the possibility of adding on to existing buildings, or to the possibility of building in a new location, especially if the town is unable to control commercial growth along Rt. 9W. We might have to redistrict and add on to

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existing buildings. Whatever decision is reached, it will be made only after a thorough study of all options.

Many good things have happened in our district during the past three years. They include improved staff morale, more public input, implementation of new programs, introduction of higher level thinking skills to all students, improved test scores, open communication between staff and administration, seat belts on buses, and restored public faith in the ability of our district to produce an educational program which will prepare our children to take their rightful places as leaders and productive citizens in the twenty-first century.

Velma M. Cousins

Glenmont

## Williams: opportunities

Editor, The Spotlight:

Most of us focus our community concerns on problems. I think it is just as important to focus on opportunities and this is why I am running for the school board of Bethlehem Central Schools.

Assuredly, the district faces many important issues — ranging from geographical boundaries for schools to cost control. But the fact is that solving our problems, while very important, is not enough. A "trouble free" district is not by definition an excellent district.

To be and remain an excellent district we must devote as much energy to our opportunities as to our problems. In this regard we are blessed with a substantial tax base, concerned and motivated parents, diversity of resident viewpoints and impressive public buildings. The need is not to ask more of our environment. The challenge is to make the best use of the resources now in place.

Excellence in education is not an abstraction for me. Excellence as a

performance target is a conviction and a value that all students can and will reach their full potential for learning — not just in the sense of memorizing facts but in developing capabilities of reasoning and informed judgement.

To achieve excellence we must be clear about the factors that create it. I believe they include uncompromising high expectations for what kids can and should learn and an understanding that the most important ingredient is not the budget, the building or the curriculum. It is the individual teacher. I also believe that expectations about behavior in school are just as important as expectations about learning.

A concern that we balance problems with prospects and make full use of our rich resource base to best serve all children has motivated me to seek a spot on our Board of Education.

Pamela Williams

Delmar

## Boynton: Maher misses the point

Editor, The Spotlight:

Ordinarily an undisguised candidate pitch such as Greg Maher's letter in last week's Vox Pop can be quickly dismissed as just another playback of the same familiar clichés we hear in every school election. In this case, however, a gross misstatement of fact makes it necessary to set the record straight.

Mr. Maher asserts that "some of the members of the school board and many of the recent school board candidates" are interested solely in budget management rather than "talk about excellence in education." Candidates supported by BUT (Bethlehem United Taxpayers), of which I am the one and only this year, are accustomed to being misrepresented in this fashion despite a concerted (three-year) effort aimed at restoring BC's classroom leadership. By the same token, if I were a member of the school board I would resent Mr. Maher's allegation, especially if I were Barbara Coon, Velma Cousins or Bud Reeves.

Mr. Reeves is not involved in this election, but Mrs. Coon and Mrs. Cousins have opposition in their

quest for reelection, Mrs. Cousins being opposed on the ballot by both Mr. Maher and myself. In this context it is unfair and misleading for Mr. Maher to put Mrs. Coon and Mrs. Cousins in the same category as a candidate supported by BUT.

More important, Mr. Maher seems to be unaware, or does not want to be aware, that Mrs. Coon and Mrs. Cousins have been more outspoken on the question of program quality than four other board members. I mention this in the interest of fairness and because parents of schoolchildren should not be misled by campaign bubble-blowing.

Apart from this, Mr. Maher has also missed the point of the whole campaign. The budget is NOT an issue this year. Neither BUT nor I have taken a position opposing the budget. The main thrust, as it has been for three elections, is Bethlehem's educational product. Are we, especially parents, getting full value from one of the most expensive school systems in the area? Which board members and which candidates can be counted on to evaluate and identify certain

areas in our curriculum that fall short of the standards we demand? Which board members and which candidates can parents count on to raise the loudest voices to force the administration to take corrective action?

For the two contested seats district voters, especially those parents who know what needs to be done, have a choice of three options. One, they can elect two board members whose integrity, experience and commitment are unquestioned and who are running on their records. Two, voters can elect an outspoken, perhaps feisty candidate with longtime participation in the school process supported by the controversial BUT organization. Or, three, they can elect the self-serving champion of the coffee-and-tea circuit, who can be counted on to protect the school his children attend (Hamagrael) in the growth period ahead when the agony of redistricting becomes emotional. Where do you place your bets?

Nat Boynton

New Scotland

## Our money's worth?

Editor, The Spotlight:

School board candidate Greg Maher accuses past and present candidates as having tunnel vision. His philosophical comments on running a school system and unfair accusations display a lack of sincerity or knowledge.

I ran for the school board last year, attended school board meetings for the last three years and spent some time in researching costs, curriculum and test scores. Let's be honest — we are not getting our money's worth. Compared to most other suburban schools, BC spends a smaller percentage of tax dollars in the classroom. Two years ago, according to parents I talked to, it was not uncommon to have 27 or 30 students in the elementary classroom. One of last year's board candidates pointed this out to the board and the administration included additional elementary teachers in the budget with the justification "elementary classroom size is a little larger than we like." The annual budget increase significantly exceeds the rate of inflation. We provide for the proliferation of a bureaucracy instead of needed classroom support.

Unfortunately the administration and board have failed to provide a meaningful response on such issues as curriculum and a more objective evaluation of academic accomplishments.

A review of the IOWA math test results of the 70's (these students are now in high school) and the Stanford test results of the 80's show an excellent accomplishment by students in the early grades (3-5) but a significant decline in middle school. This is called "regression toward the mean," yet not all schools show such a decline. The Stanford Ability/Achievement math test results for our "average" group (stanines 4, 5 and 6) shows an area of major concern.

More Hamagrael students are selected for the accelerated math program beginning in sixth grade than from other schools. In 1983, about one out of two fifth grade Hamagrael students went into this program whereas only one in four students were picked from all other elementary schools. Why?

The way the administration reported the percent of students scoring 500 or more on SAT tests was both unconventional and

inconsistent with the way the BC reports the data to college administrators. Based on the difference between the two percentage figures, it appears that the district's Comprehensive Assessment Report uses the total student population as a denominator in making the calculation. This has the effect of reducing the yearly fluctuation in test scores.

Also, the reporting of class SAT scores is inconsistent. For example, in 1980, the administration reported a higher math SAT score to colleges than was reported to the district by the testing company. The college report showed 266 students took the test scoring 540, whereas the testing company reported 281 students took the test and scored 525. Similar differences are noted for verbal scores and for other years.

BC's student population represents about 7.5 percent of the total students in the Suburban Council. In 1985 BC students took over 31 percent of the biology achievement tests, 3.2 percent of math Level II and 5.4 percent of the physics tests. On Jan. 8, 1986, the chairman of the science department explained that the reason so many more BC students took the biology test is that it requires lower level thinking skills and little math compared to other science courses. Test data of our students in the early grades would not support this conclusion.

We should dispel the preconceived idea that academic excellence can be equated to money spent.

When was the last time the administration ever reported publicly that certain academic areas are in need of improvement?

Candidates should begin to show greater concern for the academic well being of our school system.

Sherwood Davies

Delmar

## Maher: protect the quality of schools

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am running for the school board because I believe that we stand at the threshold of a new and as yet undefined era in the history of our school system.

And I want to be sure that in the interest of fairness the parents of elementary-aged school children are as well represented on the board as the other groups of people in our town.

But there is another motive for my candidacy too. You see, I also believe that in order to manage the challenges of this new era successfully a certain set of well-defined goals must be pursued. They include:

1. To protect and develop the strength and quality of our educational services despite growing strains on our facilities and resources.

2. To create the best possible atmosphere for educational growth.

3. To manage change successfully

by always trying to anticipate the needs of future students and communicating this to the community effectively.

4. To manage school finances carefully by looking at funding issues, as well as spending issues.

5. To constantly seek to find new ways to maximize the school system's assets and minimize its liabilities.

With these goals in mind, I would like to make a few specific proposals.

First, in the interest of creating the best possible atmosphere in our schools in the shortest possible time, I would like to propose that we set a time limit to one year for creating and implementing a solution to our overcrowding problems at the elementary level. If we can get a permanent addition started within that time I would favor that as a solution. However, if we can't, I would favor redistricting. The key here is timeliness. We need to reestablish order out of the

growing chaos as quickly as possible.

Second, I would like to suggest that the new superintendent on his/her arrival to the district, be given the job of identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the district and formulating a long term plan for addressing them.

Third, I am proposing that the board begin to set aside one night a year on its agenda for the people in the individual schools of the district to come in and talk. I feel this plan could have a very positive effect on the district's morale and the board's duties as budget makers.

Fourth, in the interest of protecting the strength and quality of our educational services I would like to suggest that the board and the teachers' union jointly look into creating an Employee Assistance Program. Its purpose would be to develop counseling services to help teachers solve problems that could affect their work.

Greg Maher

Delmar

of residents of other communities across the nation with the expectation that they are doing the same for our far away descendants.

Public education has never been possible without the involvement and taxes of non-parents, as well as those of us who have retired from active parenting. This compact to meet the many needs of our children dates from colonial days. Can we remain a great nation if education slips from the very top of our priorities?

GUARDS has had no meetings before or since it went public a year ago. Depending entirely on word of mouth, letters to the editor and individual spontaneity, we do not need dues. We urge study of the budget of the school and the library, and hearing the candidates state where they stand. Our goal is to have the issues discussed across every lot line and every super market line.

Personally, I believe our present board is well-balanced in viewpoint, occupation and age. Its experience and continuity will be important in the critical year ahead.

I intend to vote for the school and library budgets and for the reelection to the school board of Barbara Coon, Velma Cousins and Sheila Fuller. Since no one doubts that GUARDSpersons are independent (some say "contrary"), I do not expect quite all to agree with my choices.

Just don't be a closet GUARDSperson. And be sure to vote on Wednesday, May 6.

Dick Mattox

Delmar

### Plan for education

Editor, The Spotlight:

Spare me, I see that we have another school board candidate, Greg Maher, who is on a quest for "excellence in education." Others are subjecting me to the hot pursuit of, "innovative leadership, dynamic programs, parental concerns," and more buzz words akin to educational apple pie and motherhood.

Guys, give me a break, I have heard all this stuff before from various school board candidates in other parts of the United States. The only things that ever really seem to change are: my school taxes increase, education officials do more studies and the quality of public education declines a little more.

Why don't we try something really innovative like sound fiscal management and planning for future growth instead of looking for the Holy Grail of educational buzz words?

R.K. McClusky

Delmar

### Time to vote

Editor, The Spotlight:

It's time to wake up! There's an election coming in *one week!* Who are the candidates? What are the issues? Do you have any idea why our community newspaper has been so quiet? Why weren't there any interviews until this issue — a

mere seven days before a School Board Election?

There's barely a whiff of smoke, let alone last year's fire!

Perhaps there is a candidate who would prefer you to remain uninformed. If no attention is called to this election, no voters will be challenged to think. Indeed, few voters will bother to vote. Last year, with all the publicity, under 7,200 of the approximately 17,000 eligible voters bothered to go to the polls.

Don't be fooled by the lack of fire in this year's election. The issues are still the same. They are merely smoldering — waiting for you all to see through the smokescreen.

Take the time to vote on May 6.

Take the time to know who you are voting for!

Phyllis and Steve Hillinger

Delmar

### Progress on canteen

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Albany Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary, I wish to thank *The Spotlight* for its donated space on March 18 regarding our Fashion Show Luncheon at the Desmond Americana April 11 to raise funds to purchase a new mobile canteen.

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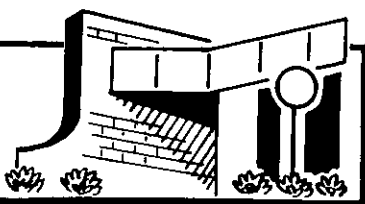
A new mobile canteen is expected to cost at least \$43,000. As we are eager to have a new mobile canteen as soon as possible, to be used for emergencies, as well as feed the homeless in Albany, additional donations will be greatly appreciated and can be sent to Ellen O'Connell, 67 Union Ave., Delmar, 12054.

Anne Catinella

Auxiliary President

## Check It Out

BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY



By Anna Jane Abaray

A recent article in the Albany *Times Union* on library use in the Capital District painted per capita circulation in the area as ranging from "intoxicatingly high in one suburban library to soberingly low in others." Bethlehem Public Library is the intoxicating high with a circulation of over 383,000 during 1986. If you are the typical Bethlehem Public Library user, during the past year you borrowed 15.3 books, almost three times the statewide average of 5.5

Another article published in the fall of 1986 helps put such statistics in perspective. The William K. Sanford Town Library of Colonie, which serves a population three times as large, had a circulation total of 385,000 in 1985. Guiderland Public Library has a service area about equal to Bethlehem's in population, but had less than one third of Bethlehem's circulation.

Libraries prepare several annual reports each year. All of the statistics for Bethlehem Public Library show it to be a heavily used facility for the number of people in the area. The library is open 70 hours a week and studies indicate that an average of 5,400 people visit the building weekly. The library is chartered to serve a population of about 25,000 in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. In 1986 the library issued 3,300 new cards, a 16 percent increase in the total number issued.

During 1986 users borrowed 384,000 items, an increase of 6.3 percent over the previous year. Users also borrowed some 51,000 audio visuals, up 63 percent over 1985. This means every person in the service area could have listened to or watched almost two recordings or tapes.

During the year the typical user asked an average of two reference questions. The reference staff answered 46,600 inquiries last year, up 7 percent over 1985. They also arranged for some 2,100 items to be borrowed from other libraries for Bethlehem users.

The library has 132,000 books and another 49,000 periodicals, records, tapes, films, art prints and other materials in its collection. Suggested basic standards for public libraries recommend a total of three books per capita and one audiovisual item for every 10 people. Bethlehem more than maintains that level with over five books per capita, and an audio visual collection over four times larger than the basic standard suggests.

Almost 100 different community groups held meetings in the library during 1986. There were 559 free programs at the library in 1986, almost two for every day the library was open, and 119 or 20 percent more than were in 1985. The attendance at the library's children's programs alone totaled 12,553, an increase of 23 percent over 1985.

While the library tries to keep statistical information on all of its activities, the figures don't always tell the whole story. People use the photocopier, attend meetings, phone the reference desk, study, look up information or just read the newspaper. Those users do not normally register in the statistics. Based on the most recent output measurements survey it is estimated that 200,000 items were used in the library last year without being checked out. This means the use of library materials is nearly 50% greater than indicated by the circulation.

Bethlehem's stellar statistics are made possible by one factor: the strong support of our community. If the library has been an asset to you and your family and you want it to continue to provide high-quality service, vote for the proposed library budget during the Bethlehem School District elections on May 6.

### McRae-DuMicich

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McRae of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Clarisa, to Kevin DuMicich, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DuMicich of Glenmont.

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