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A workman is silhouetted against the sky as he puts siding on the bell tower of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. The church, which has been undergoing renovation, will host the annual "hanging of the greens" Saturday, Dec. 12. Lyn Stapf

Republicans say it's over

Burns the winner after gaining 5-vote lead

By Tom McPheeters

'Now the hard part begins," said Bob Burns.

Burns is Bethlehem's first elected Democratic town office holder. On Thursday a state Supreme Court judge opened eight more ballots and increased Burns' lead over Republican Thomas Scherer from three to five votes. That evening, Scherer phoned Burns to congratulate him and concede, thus announcing that the Republicans would not take the issue to a higher court.

job," said Scherer Monday.

A month after the Nov. 3 election, Burns was the winner. 'I can actually say that," he marveled. Burns said that in the last several weeks he has talked with Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick, Councilman Fred Webster and other Republican office holders. 'All have been extremely cordial,' he said.

Burns will take office Jan. 1 as the lone Democratic member of the five-member Bethlehem Town

"I think he'll do an excellent Board, and there is little doubt that his presence will affect the way the board does business. However, the all-Republican board has in the past decade gradually transformed itself from a body that took directions in virtually all matters from the supervisor to one that requires a fair amount of independent work by the councilmen and no longer penalizes public disagreements.

> Burns campaigned with the promise that he would be an

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Coyne gets major pay raise

By Patricia Dumas

The Albany County Legislature Monday night approved a revised version of the county budget giving County Executive James J. Coyne a salary raise which he says he needs in order to bring his pay into line with that of other county executives.

Voting 27-10 with one Republican crossing party lines and two members absent, the Democratcontrolled Legislature authorized the new salary of \$72,992, representing a 25 percent increase for the top official. Coyne was to have receive \$58,394 under the original \$220 million county budget which he presented to the legislature in October.

Republican protests. The minority members criticized Coyne for seeking the raise only after his reelection last month. They also were annoyed because they were not given time to examine the revised budget. (The budget copies were made available to the legislators Friday, and some legislators did not receive their copies until Monday night's session. Copies were not available to all members of the press until Monday night.)

Republican Minority Leader W. Gordon Morris of Delmar proposed an amendment which would have restored the originally budgeted

The budget approval vote came four percent salary increase for after more than an hour of Coyne. He said it was "the salary proposed in the budget on which he ran, and which the people and county legislators had every right to assume would be the salary he would receive for the year.

> Majority Leader Harold Joyce answered the Republican attacks by saying that Coyne had recommended in his budget message that salaries should be studied and measured against those in other counties. He claimed that the minority party had been told that the salaries were being studied with a view to raising them.

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Another bridge faces closing; funds scarce

By Patricia Mitchell

New Scotland will try to keep the Wolf Hill Rd. bridge opened New Scotland even though the state has posted it for closing.

the bridge is closed it will be the third closed bridge in New Scotland, joining bridges on Cass Hill and Plank roads. Albany County is responsible for bridges in the town, while the town is responsible for the decks.

Highway Superintendent Peter Van Zetten asked the town board last week for permission to consult with an engineer on repairing the bridge, but the board tabled the motion because Supervisor Stephen Wallace said the town could be setting a precedent if it repairs the bridge.

keep the bridge open for convenience because sometimes the Letter "S" is blocked off and motorists are detoured along Wolf Hill Rd. Town board members agreed.

The board was informed at its

Wolf Hill Rd. runs off Rt. 85 meeting Wednesday that the state west into the Town of Berne. If Department of Transportation Department of Transportation has posted the Wolf Hill Rd. bridge for two tons, and Van Zetten said under state and federal regulations any bridges posted for two tons should be closed.

The southern abutement on the bridge has been undercut by the stream flow, said Robert Cook, planning board consultant and water resources commission chairman. He and Van Zetten have inspected the bridge and decided it could be gunnited or have cement sprayed on, Cook said, but an estimate has placed . Van Zetten said he would like to the work at \$3,750 and the town would have to do the preparation

> The town's budget for bridge repair is \$3,000.

Athlete never sees obstacles

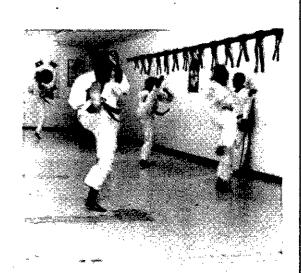
By Dan Button

Peter Crowley, a 30-year-old Delmar resident, is working toward a black belt in Korean martial arts. He competes in track and field events, in weight-lifting, in wrestling - and in chess. And he is know for his close relationship with Deena, an attractive female. Deena, in fact, is a 3 1/2year-old shepherd, for her companion has vision that is approximately one one-hundredth of the average person's

Crowley recently completed two years as deputy director of the Albany County affirmative action staff. On Oct. 29 he became the new affirmative action coordinator for the Facilities Development Corporation, a "public benefit corporation" of the state. FDC designs and constructs or renovates buildings for other State agencies, principally OMH and OMRDD, with their numerous hospitals, psychiatric centers and community residences.

He holds a cum laude degree from the College of St. Rose, where he is now working toward a mater's degree in special education. Before joining the Albany County staff in 1985, he held a constituent liaison position on the staff of Assemblyman Richard J. Conners.

He works with the help of not only Braille, a Braille writer, and a cassette recorder, but also an electronic visual aid. Involving the use of a high-powered camera and a 19-inch closedcircuit TV monitor, the device projects images as much as 40 to 60 times their original (Turn to Page 7)





Peter Crowley practices Tae Kwon Do as his seeing eye dog, Deena, takes a `Tom Knight

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BC residents have their say

School facilities, space discussed

building and facilites recommend- of the law. ations for the Bethlehem Central school district.

input to the task forces studying enrollment and facilities in the district. The task forces are scheduled to complete their work in January for the facilities and enrollment committee that will in turn make recommendations to the school board next spring.

"We're here to listen to you," said Superintendent Dr. Leslie Loomis. A second public meeting by the task forces will be announced for next month.

The facilities and enrollment issue is the major goal for the school year, and Loomis said the school board will make a decision on the issue by the end of June. The process of studying the issue has a built in factor of allowing public input, and he said the district wants to make sure the public is able to offer suggestions throughout the study.

A major effort to study building needs and population is needed in BC, said Richard Kagan of Delmar, a psychologist. He said young children need the security and safety of their own school, but he thinks some in BC don't have it. The character of each of BC's five elementary schools are distinctively different, and he said some people chose their homes because of an elementary school. The committee has to be careful with parent's choices, he

Kagan also said if the committee recommends additions to schools, he hopes it can be done economically and he thinks the relocatables at the Glenmont School have had a pretty good response so far.

The task forces should look into the needs of the visible and the non-visible, said Marion Martin of the Delmar Progress Club and there are certain minimum standards for the education of

Concerns ranging from turning handicapped students. While the all classroom lights on to a district has lived to the letter of priority list for using space in the the law regarding the handicapped, schools could be included in she said it hasn't lived to the spirit

Loomis said a member of the Bethlehem Support Group for About seven residents turned Parents of Handicapped Students out Thursday night to give their is on one of the task forces and the district is working for handicapped

> Bethlehem is growing much more slowly than other communities and housing starts are below expectations. Martin said some young families can't afford to live in the town and there is a growing elderly population.

> One parent asked how long the district will continue to transfer kindergartens and if a limit could be placed on transferring. She said a room at the Hamagrael School was used for kindergarten but is now being used for art and Challenge classes, and a priority list of space use could be drawn

Also at the public forum of the facilities and enrollment task

- · After a visit by the facilities task force, the middle school is in good overall shape. Principal Fred Burdick told the task force that some flat roofs need better overall insulation and children entering and leaving the cafeteria can be heard by classes upstairs. However, Loomis said the Regents Action Plan will impact mostly at the middle school, including increasing space for home and technology
- Jim McGlynn, chairman of the enrollment task force, said it is working with the town in getting comprehensive information on building. He said that several things have happened recently, including next year's income tax changes, that could impact on real estate and devlopment.
- Studies will take into account the possibility of the St. Thomas School closing in the next several

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The Friendship Singers entertain visitors to Main Square during last Sunday's lighting of

the tree festivities.

Tom Knight

AIDS panel to add experts

By Patricia Mitchell

Two more members may be appointed to Bethlehem Central's AIDS advisory committee on recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Leslie Loomis.

The new members will be district residents who are experts on AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). Parents, teachers and administrators now sit on the committee.

When the BC school board appointed the advisory committee on Nov. 22, J. Alan Davitt, a Delmar resident and executive director of the state Catholic Conference, said that it acted illegally because the committee did not include a clergy representative. Board members are concerned that a state requirement that a member of the clergy sit on the committee may violate the Constitutional doctrine of separation of church and state.

Loomis said at Wednesday's school board meeting that he hopes the constitutionality question does not overshadow the purpose of the committee. Since coming to BC earlier this year, Loomis said, he has been impressed with cooperation in the district, including with the churchs.

Board Presdient Robert Ruslander said that the constitutionality question is the only problem so far that has surfaced with the advisory committee. The committee was formed because of the "commonality of interest" in the problem, and Ruslander added that the district wants to come up with an informative and compassionate curriculum that is in the best interest of the students.

The advisory committee is about ready to begin its work, Loomis said. It will recommend teaching on the new state curriculum on AIDS, and is required by the new curriculum. The committee would study the state curriculum and advise district personnel on identifying when and how to instruct students on AIDS according to community values.

Deer rams car

A deer ran into the passenger side of a Feura Bush Rd., Delmar. man's car as he was driving on Elm Ave. at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Bethlehem police said.



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Housing priorities

Homeless.

The stark word has added new and chilling meaning to America's concept of denial and suffering. The

Editorial

vision, in word and picture, of lost people, even families, trudging unwanted from one cold refuge to the next, is regarded likewise as a damned spot on the country's honor and a dreadful puzzle with no ready solution.

America's homeless have become in these past very few years an identifiable underclass, compounded of a variety of hopeless — as well as homeless — individuals. The enormousness confounds our normal efforts to remedy, to hasten real assistance.

The homeless customarily are considered a problem of urban society, and understandably so. Yet this is not universally true. And there is one form of homelessness that not only can apply to a suburban community or more rural area, but probably is more likely to be acutely felt there.

With very little stretch of the imagination, the plight of many of our fellow-citizens can be recognized as a form of homelessness.

Living conditions of the elderly among us are a special problem and should be of special concern. We can be grateful to the Senior Housing Committee of the Town of Bethlehem for its efforts to come to grips effectively with that problem. Some of the particulars are described in the Point of View article on the page opposite.

Failure of any community to analyze the essence of the issue would be shortsighted, to say the least, and failure to take necessary steps to see that reasonably adequate provision is made, would be inexcusable. (And violating one of the Commandments.)

Projecting the obligation over a period of time that may necessarily be as long as a half-century will require planning in two parallel directions. The first is to provide the services and establish the conditions that will encourage the elderly to remain in their own dwellings even despite certain disabilities. The second, of course, is to facilitate the construction or rehabilitation of affordable, barrier-free apartments (or other housing) in ample quantity and in accessible locations.

The alternative is to project a class of citizens who would be (as some are even today) homeless — without a tenable choice of where to live. With children? In-laws? Other relatives? Nursing home (though reasonably healthy)? An institution? A hovel? The street?

This constitutes the challenge being brought to Bethlehem residents now through the decisions to be rendered by the Town Board. The Dec. 16 meeting is open to the public, and this is desirable in that more of us can acquaint ourselves with the need as it is described by the Senior Housing Committee, and with the town's official response.

Clearly, there's an urgency in further planning, decisionmaking, and advisable actions. It is incumbent on the Town Board and the Planning Board to move these proposals along quickly now. Time lost through postponements will be at the further expense of those who need the facilities or services that are lacking. And if some portions of the recommendations could be accomplished more expeditiously than an entire program, then why not detach them and gef

Though these comments are timely in Bethlehem, the fundamental situation is no less true, and potentially as pressing, in any other community — New Scotland and elsewhere. The recommendations in Bethlehem are applicable in spirit and most substance to the Town of New Scotland, and deserve similar consideration and action there.

In grade school, we early learned of the essentials of living: food, clothing, and shelter. Suitable shelter for those vulnerable persons-requiring a helping hand is a matter for the conscientious attention of all of us.

Winners

Belated congratulations are in order to Bob Burns for his victory in the Bethlehem town board contest - the first Democrat ever elected in the town. And congratulations to both sides for the way they have handled themselves after the Nov. 3 election left Burns and Republican Tom Scherer one vote apart.

Prolonged litigation would have served no one's interest, so the decision by Scherer and the Republicans to concede after Burns' lead lengthened to five votes last week is welcome. Now that Bethlehem finally has an opposition it is up to both parties to work out a positive, productive relationship.

Helping young people 'celebrate life'

Editor, The Spotlight:

It is with great interest that I have been following some of the letters that have raised the issues of drug use in the area, especially among our teens and sub-teens. It is very necessary for us to recognize that there is an obvious problem in our communities and we have to take any and all steps possible to combat the chemical dependencies and chemical abuses that are developing.

In relation to our children, let me share a challenge. First of all, we need to help our children learn to celebrate life, to celebrate the joys and accomplishments of life. They need to share in the

Vox Pop

celebrations of the family and the celebrations of community. These are steps that can improve selfimage and the sense of self-worth.

Secondly, as adults we need to demonstrate that it is possible to celebrate the great events of life without the use of drugs, including alcohol. Our teens need to see that it is possible to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, promotions, graduations, victories, weddings, vacations, and such events as Christmas, New Years,

Thanksgiving, and other gatherings without the use of drugs. We at least need to show them that it is possible. It is pathetic to think that some of our children grow up and never have a chance to see adults celebrate the good things in life without the use of drugs such as alcohol.

to be able to make choices, and this places the challenge before us to let them see that such celebrations of life are possible.

Our children deserve the right

Arthur F. Hagy, Jr., Pastor First United Methodist Church

Delmar

More on Burns and the election

Editor, The Spotlight:

Since "accuracy" seems to be The Spotlight's current buzzword, I think it necessary to attempt to correct some comments in Tom McPheeters' recent editorial page column (Nov. 25).

First, Dave Sawyer ran for the County Legislature in 1983, not in 1985 as you stated. In 1985, he did in fact run for the Town Board. He and Rich White were defeated by John Guertze and Sue Ann Ritchko. How soon they forget!

Second, if people in Bethlehem were satisfied with the openness of town government, they would not have voted for Bob Burns. How you can say people are satisfied with their government when they have just elected the first Democrat ever to the Town Board is beyond me. The actual message at the polls was that residents feel that our government is good, but that it could be better. If voters really thought government was open and responsive they wouldn't have voted for Bob Burns at all.

Third, and most important, to me, is the remark made about the intelligence of Bob Burns. The Spotlight's responsibility certainly does not include the right to pass judgment on the intelligence (or lack thereof) of political candidates and other public figures. I have never seen any comments regarding the intelligence of Messrs. Hendrick, Webster, or Corrigan. I have also yet to see anything about the intelligence of Mrs. Bickel or Mrs. Ritchko. Let's not be guilty of a double standard regarding comments made about our public officials. A writer's opinions on these matters should remain his or hers alone, and should not be aired publicly. Such matters have no place in the

reporting of news or the commenting on it.

Lastly, and further in the interests of "accuracy" The Spotlight said the Republican Party was founded in 1856. Actually, it was founded on March 20, 1854. This founding followed meetings on Feb. 28 and March 1, at which the founders established their first platform and campaign plan. This meeting of March 20 was followed by an organizational convention on July 6, 1854. As Mr. Stengel would say, you could look it up.

Since the first Democratic convention was held in 1828, it has always been a mystery to me why the Republicans are called the Grand Old Party. The Democrats are in fact a much older organization.

William R. McKern, Secretary, Bethlehem Democratic Committee

Tom McPheeters replies: Correct on point one. The legislature race was in 1983. The point being made

Glenmont

was that Sawyer came close one time. In 1985, neither he nor White did very well in the town board elections, where the burden of running town-wide against the Republican organization was especially formidable.

The column was not passing judgment on whether the voters were satisfied with the openness of town government, but simply reporting on the comments of Republican office holders, and those remarks were attributed to

The same holds true of Mr. McKern's third point statement that Burns "seems reasonably intelligent" was my attempt to summarize comments made to me by Republican office holders, and was intended. I thought, to convey a positive attitude on their part. I regret if it was taken otherwise. (I also wrote that Burns is polite, speaks calmly and isn't tied to the Albany 'machine.'')

As for the last point, my

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UNCLE DUDLEY

Wisdom as you find it

Maybe you noticed, as I did, a quote on this page a couple of weeks ago that was attributed to the late Charles Dillon (Casey) Stengel.

It said that he "once warned about making predictions, especially when they apply to the future."

That's not a bad line at all, and I wish that I might have thought of it myself.

So the idea wasn't too far from my mind just the other day when I was leafing through the new political autobiography by Morris Udall, the distinguished Congressman from Arizona and one time aspirant for the Democratic presidential nomination. (The book, incidentally, is titled *Too Funny to Be President*, and sells for \$16.95.)

And there, in the middle of one of his anecdotes, is precisely the same quote. But this time it's attributed to baseball's other certified sage, Lawrence (Yogi) Berra.

Who did say it? Anybody's guess. Maybe they both said it. Maybe Yogi started some conversation something like this: "As a philosopher once told us..."

In any case, I reminded myself to be grateful that the national sport has given us such a pair of unselfconscious, "unpretentious wits. Their various classics



leaven many a situation that the rest of us have made somber or unduly significant.

I'm particularly appreciative of Casey. I first caught up with him when he was managing the Toledo Mudhens exactly sixty years ago. (He managed them to the American Association pennant and the championship of the "Little World Series.") Hanging in an honored place above this old Oliver typewriter is a photo of Casey at the age of 80. Guess what he's doing: He's running, in full uniform, his face set in determination, out of the Yankees' dugout on an Old Timers' Day game.

Casey was in retirement by then, of course, tending to his

bank and other affairs back in California. Those days provided the occasion for another immortal Stengel line — his wife's. What she (presumably) said was, "I married him for better or worse, but not for lunch."

For all of us somewhere in retirement, 'there's a bit of wisdom there.

Back to Mo Udall for a moment. In his book, he recalls his brief career as a newspaperman — at a very early age. He was writing for the Apache County Independent News, or some such paper, and the publisher allowed him to contribute a column of opinion.

As Mo tells it, he was an ardent isolationist in those days (before World War II). One of his columns on the international scene concluded with a declaration that went like this: "So I can say without fear of contradiction that there will be no war in Europe for at least ten years."

The paper was published in the last week of August 1939. Two days later Hitler invaded Poland.

And another budding columnist's career was blighted.

Mo, part of whose attraction always is in his ability to refrain from taking himself too seriously, gave all of us columnists a little hint in that anecdote. If we're wise enough to take it.

CONSTANT READER

Banks, money, parents

A provocative article, "Are Bigger Banks Bad for Small Business?" is to be found in the December issue of *Inc.*, a monthly that selfs for \$3 (with subscriptions at \$24).

The article features the banking/business picture in Syracuse, and focuses in part on the role that Norstar and Key Corp. play in the ability of small businesses in that area to obtain financing. "The common fear is that big banks and small business just don't mix very well. One reason small companies do so well in the United States is that we have thousands of small banks for them to work with. And if those small banks disappear and you have to go into Bank of America, say, to find your loan, you are hurting."

In Syracuse, "the big-bank sweep is now virtually complete... Within a 50-mile radius of the city, only two small banks and a few savings institutions remain independent."

The article pays particular note to Norstar's recent acquisition of the Syracuse Savings Bank, "the oldest and most venerable financial institution" in the city, "since 1849. . . a pillar of the Syracuse business establishment." In this respect, Norstar is referred to as "The Beast of the East" and as an \$11 billion regional powerhouse based in Albany" that will soon 'lose its independence when it joins forces with Providencebased Fleet Financial Group to form a superregional bank with \$25 billion in assets.

Elsewhere in the issue, an article "Laughing All the Way from the Bank" looks at accounts of businesses which had "narrow

escapes from cold-footed bankers loans abruptly canceled for no logical reason; banks getting merged into indifference; sympathetic lending officers disappearing just when they are needed most.' Noting a response by those businesses "very much akin to panic," the various solutions are reported to include finding another bank, looking for capital from another funding source, or taking "an altogether different route, developing strategies that minimize such problems by leaving bankers and other investors on the sidelines." The point of the article: "A few clever companies finance their growth without relying on those undependable lenders.'

The December issue is *Inc.'s* annual survey of America's 500 fastest-growing private companies.

In its December issue, *Money* magazine (\$2.95, or \$31.95 for 13 issues) features 10 articles on "The safest places to put your money now," with specials that offer "your 10 best investments for 1988," and claim to provide "answers to all your questions."

But you may find equal value in one or more of *Money's* several features, such as "How \$65,000 a year just trickles away" (a case history) and one that gives guidance "on the purchase of stereo TV's, cameras, VCRs, and other things that go beep in the night."

In the health area, there's an informative piece on "Finding Day Care for Your Aging Parent," that even some aging parents may find informative and useful. The key question in choosing an adult day care center: "Does the center conform to state regulations? Are the medical staff and services sufficient for your parents? Are the emergency procedures adequate? Are the meals balanced, and can the center accommodate special dietary regimens? Is your parent eligible for financial aid?"

Money is another good buy.

TV Guide for the week of Dec. 5-11 has a special report on whether the networks should be expected to correct mistakes made in news programs.

"If print is about accountability, then perhaps TV is about image. To the degree that TV lacks regular, self-contained correction mechanisms in network news programs, the medium is open to accusations of wanting the appearance of credibility, rather than credibility itself."

The issue is noteworthy, too, for a one-page appreciation of ABC's "The Slap Maxwell Story," a new half-hour this season (Wednesdays at 9:30). Especially following the equally good "Hooperman" at 9 o'clock, it's one of the treats that TV offers just now.

Word for the week

Enormousness: This implies a large size, immensity. But a word that is employed incorrectly is enormity. That word should not be used except to convey grave offense against order, right, or decency. It is properly used only to denote wickedness, outrage or crime.

Senior housing needs acute

Marion Martin, who contributes this weeks's Point of View article, is a member of the Town of Bethlehem's Senior Housing Committee. She is retired from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation of the State Education Department. Her numerous activities in the concerns of senior citizens include previous membership on the Board of Directors of the Senior Service Centers of Albany and the presidency of the Retired Public Employees Association.

By Marion Martin

What does the Town of Bethlehem need to do in order to fulfill the requirements and expectations of the people who

Point of View

are or will become its elderly today, tomorrow, and in the more distant future?

A first step probably is about to be taken toward making that determination. A week from now (Dec. 16), the Town Board and Planning Board will meet with the Senior Housing Committee. They will discuss with us a request for a modest allocation of funds that would make possible a "needs assessment," and the discussion will take up other parts of a report submitted previously.

We can learn only from our elderly themselves how they perceive their desirable housing in the future; their perception and foresight will be the critical factor in making that housing an actuality.

So activity is in the air. The outlook is beginning to seem reasonably promising. The activity can turn out to be productive. Certain indications, such as the quite close relationship between our committee and the Town Board, add credibility to the hope that we really are on the way. Our committee is just ending its second year, and I believe that the work we have accomplished so far, the directions in which we have pointed the way, speak well of its functioning and its prospects for further action and implementation.

The town currently is offering a wide variety of services such as transportation, outreach, health, assistance in applying for various types of aidthrough the Senior Citizen Program, and tax exemption for home owners with limited income.

But, as is probably quite evident, Bethlehem still lags in the provision of adequate and appropriate housing for the elderly (also the disabled). Housing keyed to their particular needs not only doesn't exist here, but to date there's been little evidence of real comprehension of the dimensions of the town's special obligation to this group of citizens.

Furthermore, everything that we can hope will be done in the near future, as an outgrowth of the recommendation by the committee, will require quite some time before we actually see any senior housing in the town.

That is why, as of the end of October, a statement on new housing units referred to the importance of the town's responding before the end of the year, specifically to undertaking the needs assessment by then.

The forthcoming meeting may well provide the necessary spark to make that come true.

As we look ahead, it is also important to recognize that a fundamental principle of the Committee's projection is *independent living*. In many instances, that means making it possible for elderly citizens to retain their existing residence.

On the other hand, that solution is by no means always possible. We need to encourage developers, identify funding sources that can bring the reality closer, and explore the various forms of planned dwellings (including the so-called geriatric campus, which would have three types of housing from independent units upward to supportive maintenance and health services). We hope that development would also provide flexible apartments with facilities useful to the elderly but also acceptable to a 30-year-old occupant.

One thing is certain, among the countless variables: Affordable housing for senior citizens will be a continuing market, with no diminution visible for at least another half-century. Meanwhile, those persons who are not yet elderly or even middle-aged will be investing in their own futures when, in Bethlehem or elsewhere, suitable shelter is planned and built according to need.

But before all this can happen here, we must know many more facts than we now possess.

To reiterate, that will be the purpose of the projected needs assessment. While participation would be voluntary, its goal would be to gain essential input from all of the town's older citizens. (All information provided will be confidential and unidentifiable as to source.)

And it is to begin to gather this data that is the purpose of the funding proposal that the Senior Housing Committee will discuss with the Town Board next week.

The hour for action has struck. .

Vox Pop

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dictionary (Random House unabridged) says the Republican Party was formed in 1854-1856. Further enlightenment (perhaps by a member of the GOP) would be appreciated.

Thanks to police, emergency personnel

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Nov. 10, our family had an emergency. A phone call was placed to the Bethlehem Police. Department requesting an ambulance. Within minutes, Officer Marvin Koonz was at our home; moments following, the Delmar Rescue Squad was also there. My husband had suffered a massive heart attack that took his life. However, the immediate service received from the emergency personnel and police department certainly reinforced my confidence in human compassion as did the sincere sympathy that was immediately extended both to myself and my children who were also at my home. I would like to thank Officer Koonz for his caring

and professional manner exhibited to us during this time of crisis.

I would also like to sincerely thank the entire Delmar Rescue Squad for their dedication to community service, and to other persons who arrived to assist us in any way possible. During the duration of my husband's illness, we needed to call on the Rescue Squad before, and each time we were treated with the excellence of the qualified personnel who so willingly serve our community. Once again, my family wishes to thank all those concerned.

the Family of Leonard Tompkins, Jr. Delmar

Correction

Bethlehem Police Officer Robert Samsel did not tie for third place on a recent civil service examination to fill a sergeant's position in the department, and was not considered to be promoted to the position as was stated in the Nov. 25 Spotlight.

Hanukkah party

The Chabad Center of Delmar will hold a Hanukkah party on Monday, Dec. 21, at 5 p.m. A traditional Hanukkah dinner will be served including Latkes and a special program will be held for children.

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Coyne gets raise

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Morris countered that the explanation was not given at Finance Committee meetings. "The new salary might be in line with other county executives, but they are actually running county business — not a stable of race horses," Morris said.

The legislature approved an amendment offered by Joyce freezing Coyne's salary and that of Comptroller Edward Stack, who also got a 25 percent pay hike, at their 1988 levels for the next four years.

Bethlehem Republicans James C. Ross and Robert W. Hoffmeister urged their colleagues to vote against the raise. Ross declared, "this grab for money by the county executive shows his arrogance and greed, and how this body can support it is beyond my comprehension.

Hoffmeister said the legislators should have been given the right to look at the proposal and at comparative statistics. He warned that the salary increase might backfire on the Democrats by making the job more attractive. "This could be the start of an

'ABC' time," he said. He defined 'ABC' as "anybody but Coyne."

Paul Scaringe, R-Colonie, a member of the legislature's finance committee, charged that 'the taxpayers are being raped. I am totally shocked," he declared, that things like this are happening in Albany County.

Morris suggested that the new salary be budgeted as a contingency item instead of a line item so it could be voted on later, after the legislators had time to consider it. 'It is improper," he said, "for us" to vote until we have the opportunity to talk to our constituents."

Veteran Republican legislator Michael Ricci of Voorheesville, conceding that "you don't have to be an Einstein in this body to know who has the votes, nonetheless joined the barrage of Republican protest by saying, 'we had a hearing on one budget and now we're voting on another. I wonder if this is legal." The hearing was held Nov. 25, the day before Thanksgiving, and was very brief.

County Attorney William Conboy assured the legislators that the changes were legal.

Jay Sherman of Colonie, the only Republican to vote for the budget, earlier had offered an amendment that would have given Coyne a flat salary and further installment payments as a bonus based on performance. His amendment was ruled out of

The absentee legislators were Edward Buhrmaster, Latham Republican, and Anthony Diacetis, Democrat from Coeymans.

The revised budget also provides 25 percent increases in salaries

for Assistant County Executive Thomas Clingan, and for Conboy and Stack. Clingan's salary will be \$47,563, Conboy's \$62,625, and Stack, \$58,246.

Voting on other agenda items, the legislature agreed to have the county reimburse Spectacor Management \$11,285.83 for its expenses in making a promotional film on the county civic center. It also authorized the county attorney to contract with Spectacor to retain a general manager to handle promotional advertising and related "support services" for the center, at a monthly fee not to exceed \$13,000.

Four other items involving the civic center were approved. They allow Crozier Associates to be reimbursed up to \$5,000 for consultant services provided for retail space design, authorize the state office of General Services to supply cooling water needs of the center, and permit the county to contract with the New Hampshire Insurance Company to provide Owners' and Contractors' protective liability insurance. The final Civic Center agenda item authorized work change orders revising structural details.

Grandmothers meet

The Capital District Grandmother's Club, Chapter 865, will hold a Christmas Party on Thursday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m. in The Elks Club on South Allen St. in Albany. New members and guests are encouraged to attend. Bring a \$3 grab bag present. For information call 489-1501.

Pool to be dedicated

A ribbon cutting ceremony to open the new Bethlehem Central High School swimming pool will be held Monday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. The pool will also be dedicated at this time. Refreshments will be served following the dedication.

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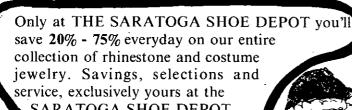
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A congenital optical loss, as a result of a premature birth, cost Crowley his ability to see other than light and shadow. His determination against such odds has gained him his education, his career, and his balance, as well as his strenuous avocational activities.

He and his wife, Diane, both natives of Long Island, met while they were camp counselors, and married three years ago. They are expecting their first child at the end of December. Diane, assistant director of a day care center, plans to become a full-time mother after that. The Crowleys make their home on Forest Road in Delmar.

"I try to stay out of trouble in my spare time," is Crowley's smiling explanation for his athletic activity. In June, at the national championships of the U.S. Association of Blind Athletes, held in Albuquerque, he won five silver and bronze medals in weigh-lifting, wrestling and track and field events.

Since becoming active in the martial arts a year ago, he has earned a green belt and has participated in four tournaments in Upstate New York and New Jersey. He placed in each, with medals and trophies to show for his successes in breaking oneinch pine boards and performing the 20-movement series of "forms" blocks, kicks and punches. He practices daily, and works out three times weekly at the Hudson Valley Tac Kwon Do fitness center at Delaware Plaza.

Crowley does his stint with weights five or six days a week. On the seventh, using a Braille set, he plays a pretty good game of

Support offered to children of divorce

With more than 50 percent of all American children spending some time this year in a singleparent home, the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Junior High School has formed three groups to provide support to children of divorce.

The students will view film strips and videos, read articles,



Tae Kwon Do director Mike Friello discusses a movewith Peter Crowley at a recent training session.

Tom Knight

complete arts and crafts activities, and discuss issues and feelings related to their parents' divorce. The groups meet once every week during the lunch period. New members are welcome. Attendance is voluntary.

Parents who would like to obtain information or have their child join the group may call Judith Bartosik or Ms. Santos at 756-2155, ext. 173.



□ Burns the winner

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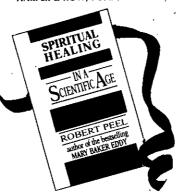
advocate for citizens concerned with both specific zoning issues and with the overall issue of planning. He and Republican Dennis Corrigan were endorsed just prior to the election by the the party is a central question, he Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning, the first time in memory a citizens group had made political endorsements in Bethlehem. Whether that endorsement will affect the way that group is treated by town officials is not known.

In addition, Burns' performance and his relationship with the Republican majority will have major implications on future town elections.

"We now have the opportunity we have been asking for lo, these many years," said William Burkhard, chairman of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee. "It's up to us to provide the kind of constructive and positive leadership that it is the responsibility of the opposition party to provide.

Burkhard said his party has "some reorganization and filling of the ranks to do," but he said he expects to find that job a good deal

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easier than in the past. Burns, he said, got help from a number of people who had not been previously active in partisan politics, and who have their own very specific agenda. Whether those people will remain active in said.

"The real key to me is the next election," Burkhard said. The town board seats of Sue Ann Ritchko and Corrigan will be up in 1989, as will Hendrick's supervisor

Republican Chairman Bernard Kaplowitz said Monday that his committee will be meeting sometime in January to discuss 'where we go and what we do from here. The committee suffered two major losses this year, first in the September primary in which Kenneth Hahn beat a party-backed candidate to

retain his receiver of taxes job and then in the general election.

On election night, Burns was ahead of Scherer by seven votes, 4,881-4,874, with Fred Webster comfortably ahead for the other at-large council seat. A canvas of polling places and paper ballots left the two candidates dead even, but the Albany County Board of Elections opened more paper ballots and on Nov. 9 declared Burns the winner by one vote. Two days later his lead was increased to three as as voting machine error was found.

However, 12 paper ballots remained uncounted, and the Republicans took the issue to court. Both sides petitioned to have ballots opened, and last Thursday State Supreme Court Judge Joseph P. Tarraca opened eight of the ballots. Five went to Burns and three to Scherer. Lawyers for both sides agreed that the other four ballots were not valid. The contest was over.

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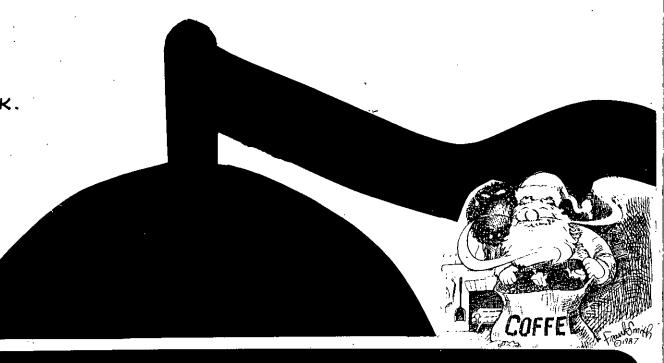
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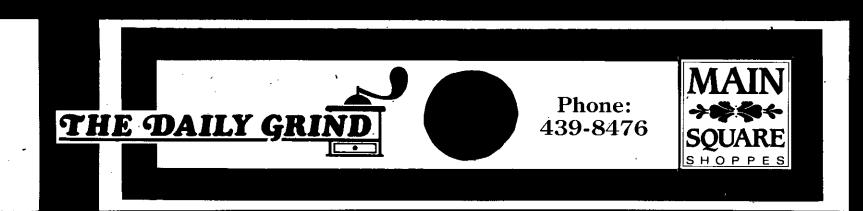
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Aesthetics, traffic focus of ARC 'school' hearing

By Bill Cote

Aesthetics and the impact of traffic generated by the day treatment complex and sheltered workshop proposed in North Bethlehem were the focus of the second hearing before the Bethlehem Board of Appeals last week.

The Albany County Chapter of the Association for Retarded Children came before the board Wednesday evening to continue a Nov. 4 hearing. The association has proposed to construct a 72,400 square foot complex on a 20-acre site on the southeast corner of Blessing and Krumkill roads.

Attention was directed to landscaping and traffic patterns although the board has still not decided whether the proposed facility is a business or a school. The ARC contends it is a school, while a neighbor contends it is not, and thus should not be permitted under the area's residential zoning. However, the neighbor did not present further evidence regarding the school - question at last week's hearing.

Robert Hatch, an architect with the firm of Crandall Associates, presented the aesthetics. Although berms were discussed as a way to shield view of the complex from the road and neighbors, Hatch contended that the building would not be unsightly. His proposal included deciduous and evergreen trees to break up the contours of the structure.

According to Hatch, the structure will be set back 150 feet from the northern border of Krumkill Rd. and approximately 200 feet from Blessing Rd. The proposed facility would be open from 8:30 or 9 a.m. until 3:30 or 4 p.m. and thus would not create more congestion at the intersection during peak hours, Hatch said.

The land in question is currently zoned Residential-A, which permits single family homes and schools. The ARC intends to operate a workshop so clients can assemble bookbinders and hospital kits on the premises. If the facility is construed a light manufacturing concern, ARC must receive a zoning variance from the board before building can begin.

In the approvals are granted, ARC plans to begin construction by April 1. The facility will be operational by next year at this time.

John Googas, a neighbor, was the lone community opposition. Googas stressed that the parcel is zoned residential and that a 72,400 square foot complex would not be a pleasant sight from his picture window. He said that if approval is granted, he would like the board to require berms topped with trees in front of the installation. At last month's hearing, Googas said that he had been told by a state official that the facility is not a school, but he presented no evidence on that position last week.

The hearing was closed pending submission of a 300-page document of intent by ARC. A decision is likely by next month.

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Orchard St. plan opposed

By Bill Cote

Orchard Street residents told the Bethlehem Board of Appeals last week they oppose a request for a variance to build a new house on a substandard lot near Cherry Ave.

4M Construction Company has requested a triple variance to build a single-family, owneroccupied dwelling on a lot both too narrow and too small under current zoning law. In addition, the proposed house exceeds the maximum lot coverage by 22 square feet.

According to Building Inspector John Flanigan, the lot had originally been planned as an access road for the Woodgate subdivision, which was approved in the early 1970s and developed as condominiums, but was never cleared. He reported that due to

the proximity of the property, the town would probably require a drainage easement through from Orchard Street to connect with a pipe intersection that lies at the rear of the lot. The parcel was sold at an Albany County tax sale last

Several residents voiced their opinions against the lot's suitability for a home. One expressed a concern that this lot is only 50 feet wide while the others on the street are in the 70 to 75 foot range. Another said that the plot is swampy every time there is a storm and should be declined on those grounds.

The board will decide the issue within the month. In other business, the board:

FOR FABULOUS FOOD

 Approved the request of Carol and Douglas Roberts of 155 Winne Road, Delmar, to construct a screened porch at their home.

 Gave Finke and Sons, Inc. of Selkirk preliminary approval for an extension of a variance that was granted in May of this year for construction of additions to its equipment business on Rt. 9W near the Coeymans town line.

 Gave permission to Charles B. Buchanan of Van Wies Point Rd. build a driveway common with a neighbor. The board noted that approval for construction of this nature is atypical, said the circumstances were unique.

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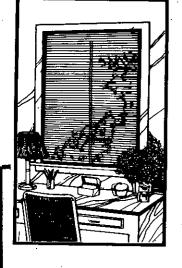
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Dowerskill residents want more homes, not apartments

By Bill Cote

Dowerskill Village residents were out in force for Tuesday evening's public hearing before the Bethlehem Planning Board on the proposal for a 123-unit apartment project adjacent to their neighborhood.

The proposed project is located on the northerly side of Hague Blvd. and to the rear of the current Dowerskill single-family and townhome community. The 55-acre parcel would have 61 single family units, 14 four-unit apartments and one six-unit apartment building.

Nearly a hundred Dowerskill homeowners were present, rallying behind the theme "Dowerskill, a house divided" to accent both the character of apartments and the tensions that might occur as neighboring apartment dwellers are tempted to use facilities owned and maintained by the phase one homeowner's association.

Tom Fiesinger, president of the Dowerskill Homeowners Association, said that the association met with Kent Jenkins of Jenkins Management Co. before Thanksgiving. "I would characterize the relationship as cooperative," said Phessinger. But, he said, no accord was reached.

"We don't think it (the plan) goes far enough to prevent the detrimental effects to our neighborhood, Fiesinger said. He expressed a desire to arrive at a mutually beneficial plan.

than apartments and strongly endorsed a homeowner's association that would merge with the one in force.

Paul Hite, land surveyor for the project, said the size of each proposed structure will be comparable to a large single family home and provide residents with 900 to 1,000 square feet of living area per apartment. Some buildings would have a brick facade and others would be faced with aluminum siding. According to Hite, the only recreational facility planned is a tennis court.

Hite commented that the proposed plan reflects a significant drop from the 416 units proposed when the original phase two plans were reviewed by the board some 12 years ago. Since that time, the first developer went bankrupt and Jenkins has attempted to salvage the operation. Phase two of Dowerskill was revived nine to ten months ago.

Co-chair of the association's pool committee, Karen Pass, stated that facility maintenance paid for with monthly homeowner dues. She said residents would not want to exclude prospective neighbors, but could not include them unless they were part of the association and shared the commitment. The association currently boasts 100 percect participation from the some 120 Dowerskill Village

Resident Dave Brown said The association presented an those who bought \$80,000 to alternate plan for the development \$100,000 homes in section one the incident.

that included townhomes rather expected not to have apartments next door. Several residents raised issue with the increase in traffic flow from the prospective buildings down Hague Blvd. to Rte. 9W.

Michael Mine of the homeowner's association suggested further that the board require an environmental impact study before approval is given.

The home owners asked that the planning board not grant approval to the proposed plan because it would split the two neighboring communities and cause animosity between the two.

Truck stuck, Tollgate overpass damaged

No one was injured Thursday when a truck failed to clear the railroad overpass on New Scotland Rd. near the Tollgate intersection and became stuck, Bethlehem police said.

The driver, a Nashua, N.H., man, was ticketed for exceeding bridge clearance, police said.

The driver told police that as he approached the overpass at about 5:15 p.m., a van driving in front of him obstructed his view. Police said by the time the van cleared the overpass and the Nashua man noticed the sign it was too late and the truck struck the top of the

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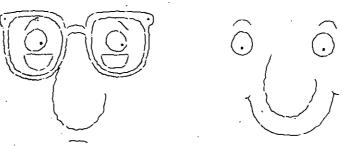
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Christmas preparations begin

With Christmas right around the corner area churches are preparing for the holiday. Members of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will hang holiday greens on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 3 p.m. A pot luck supper will begin at 5 p.m. The dinner will be followed by a short service and caroling in the church. Individuals and families are welcome.

On the morning of Dec. 13 the children of the First United Methodist Church will hold their birthday party for Jesus. Gifts will be brought for distribution to inner city children.

Decorating begins, carols sung

Students in grades 1 through 4 at St. Matthew's Church will

participate in the children's Christmas program on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 10 a.m.

After decorating the tree with ornaments made in religion class. the young people will sing carols to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. All are welcome.

Christmas trees on sale

Members of St. Matthew's Youth group with the help of the Key Club will sell fresh Christmas trees in the church parking lot after Masses on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 12 and 13. All are welcome.

Girl Scouts enjoy season

The Voorheesville Neighborhood Girl Scouts are enjoying the spirit of the season by planning two holiday events.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, the scouts



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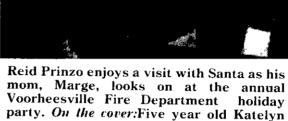
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in his arms. The girls will be collecting used adult and children's clothing in

will host a holiday party for the New Scotland Senior Citizens from 1 until 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. Following the theme of "Sharing and Caring," the party will feature entertainment by scouts of all ages, including skits, songs and poems. The brownies will serve punch and cookies, and the older scouts will prepare gifts for the seniors.

The Girl Scouts are also sponsoring clothing and toy collection on behalf of LaBoure House in Albany. Sponsored by St. Catherine's and the Albany County Department of Social Services, LaBoure provides temporary shelter for homeless

good condition, as well as new and used toys. Anyone who would like to support their efforts may call Sue Menia at 439-6468 or Pat Maloney at 765-4364.

Boy Scouts collect food

Voorheesville Boy Scouts Troop 73 will collect food this week for donation to the food pantries sponsored by St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. Donations may be deposited in boxes at the Voorheesville Stewart's and the Stonewell Market.

Cub Scouts spread holiday cheer

The Cub Scouts of Voorheesville Pack 73 will also get into the act of giving on Saturday, Dec. 12, by caroling for area shut-ins.

The boys have also been busy making presents for area residents during their recent den meetings. The gifts will be distributed by the New Scotland Elks Lodge

Berger enjoys a visit with Santa and Santa

cradles two month old Christopher Thomas

Students present concert

Area students will keep the sounds of the season in the air by presenting their winter concert at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Dec. 9) at the high school and on Thursday, Dec. 10. at Voorheesville Elementary School. All are welcome to attend the free concerts.

Students sing holiday joy

Members of the sixth grade chorus will spread their vocal joy by presenting a holiday concert at the Wellspring Adult Residence, Washington Ave. Ext., on Tuesday, Dec. 17. The students will be chaperoned by their director Cynthia McDermott and her husband Frank, who teaches instrumental music at the high

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Library schedules holiday events

The Voorheesville Public Library has also scheduled holiday events. According to librarian Nancy Hutchinson, the Hanukkah story will be told on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 14 and 15, at 10:30 a.m. and on Friday, Dec. 18, at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. All are invited.

On Monday, Dec. 21, at 10:30 a.m. and on Tuesday, Dec. 22, beginning at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., the Christmas story will be told.

A special Christmas craft and film program will also be held on Monday, Dec. 21, at 4 p.m.

District board holds meeting

The monthly meeting of the Voorheesville Central Board of Education will be held in the district offices at the high school on Monday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

New Scotland Dems to hold dinner dance

The New Scotland Democratic Social Club will hold its Christmas Dinner Dance Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Clarksville Fire House at 7 p.m. The cost of the roast beef dinner will be \$13.50 and those who attend should bring a grab bag gift worth \$3. Music will be provide by Country Casuals. For information call 768-2101.



Dentist opens practice in downtown Voorheesville

Voorheesville is in store for a whole rash of bright shiny new smiles with the opening of a new office by area dentist Dr. Michael Jarus.

A Voorheesville resident, Jarus opened his practice this past Monday at the corner of Main and Center Streets in the building formerly housing the Voorheesville Carpet Center.

Jarus has been looking for a place to set up a practice and was surprised to find the best location down the block from where he lives with his wife Gail. Researching the building, he found that the corner storefront has been the site of thriving local businesses for over 100 years.

A practicing dentist for the past 13 years, Jarus was formerly an associate of Dr. Andrew Wood, who lives in New Scotland but has a practice in Guilderland.

Pinnacle banquet

Camp Pinnacle in Voorheesville will hold its annual Christmas Candlelight Banquet on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 6:30 p.m. The cost of the turkey dinner is \$8. The missionary film "The Second Step" will be shown. For reservations call 872-1053.

Catering to children as well as adults, Jarus does some limited orthodontic work but says that when he feels his patient would best be served by seeing a specialist that's the route he takes

Jarus recently returned from an international conference in Buenos Aires, where a world-wide meeting of dental experts was held. Attending such meetings, Jarus says, keeps one up with changes in the field, which many times enter the U.S. years after being widely used in other countries.

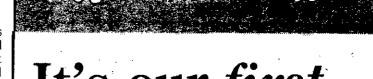
Assisting in the office will be Sally Bauder, a Voorheesville native now living in Westerlo, and Barbara Fredette of Voorheesville. The office will be open on weekdays with evening hours on Mondays and Thursdays. Those wishing to contact the office may call 765-4188.

Quilters meet Friday

Quilters United in Learning Together (QUILT) will hold a Christmas meeting on Friday, Dec. 11, at the United Methodist Church in Delmar from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The program will include ideas and demonstrations for making Christmas ornaments.







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Town denies funds, center still planned

By Patricia Mitchell

Plans for Feura Bush's senior citizen center are continuing even though the town has denied its request for funding.

The Town of New Scotland denied the request from the Feura Bush Area Senior Services Group for \$1,800 that would go for transportation and meal subsidies and salary for a part-time advocate.

The denial does not change plans for the center, said Pastor Dave Mulholland of the Jerusalem Reformed Church. The group will be looking at other sources for funding, and has applications with other charitable groups, he said. The town's share of the total budget would have been minimal. he said, with contributions from the Senior Services Center of the Albany Area and fees from

Feura Bush

members making up the bulk of its budget.

"We are continuing. It doesn't change a bit," said Mulholland.

The Feura Bush center was proposed because the center in New Salem is too far away, Mulholland said. To get there senior citizens have to drive over narrow, winding state roads that are unlighted. The Feura Bush center is also open to all senior citizens in the town and out of town with ties to the area, and some people at a recent town board meeting expressed concern over town funds being used by non-residents of the town.

A needs study by the Eddy

Foundation in Troy found more than 400 senior citizens in New Scotland and at least 50 in the Feura Bush area who could be served by some kind of program.

"There are hundreds of senior citizens in the Town of New Scotland and as long as there are some that need help in our area we are going to continue to reach out to seniors in our area," Mulholland said.

The Feura Bush and New Salem senior citizens and the town board met at the old schoolhouse in New Salem Tuesday to discuss the proposal. While Mulholland said the Feura Bush group was not a reflection on the other group, members of the New Salem Senior Citizens were concerned about competition.

However, Mulholland said lines of communication were opened

among the two groups, and there were offers from the New Salem group and some individuals to help with needs in Feura Bush.

The Feura Bush Area Senior Services Group goes to dinner on the first Wednesday at the Senior Services Center of the Albany Area's Second Ave. center. Mulholland said Alvina Houghtaling of the group was crowned Mrs. Santa Claus at a party Wednesday and members will receive a monthly newsletter' from the Albany center.

Monique Fritts wins post at Hartwick

Monique K. Fritts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Fritts of Delmar, is a 1987 Dana Associate at Hartwick College in Oneonta.

Fritts, a senior English major, is conducting research in Future Opportunities for English Majors in conjunction with the Hartwick English Department.

Dana Associates are appointed each term at Hartwick as part of a program funded through the Charles A. Dana Foundation and they participate in a project focusing on global issues with local implications.

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Cox, Sullivan

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Cox was formerly with Deutsch Bank Capital Corp. in New York. She was previously employed by the Discount Brokerage Corporation of America (the former name of Norstar Brokerage Corporation) as a broker. Cox earned an associate's degree from Nassau Community College.

Richard P. Sullivan was formerly an assistant manager of the Roy Matthews Appliance Center in Albany. He resides with his wife Mary Jane.

Blanchard auxiliary holds Christmas party

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Auxiliary will holds its annual Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the post at 6

There will be a cocktail hour followed by a roast beef dinner. Those who attend are requested to bring a \$3 grab bag gift and an unwrapped toy for a child.

The cost of the dinner is \$7.50 and reservations close Dec. 11.

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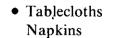
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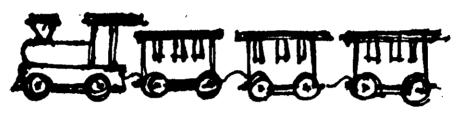
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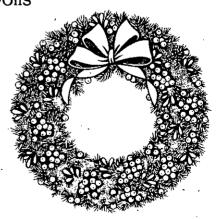
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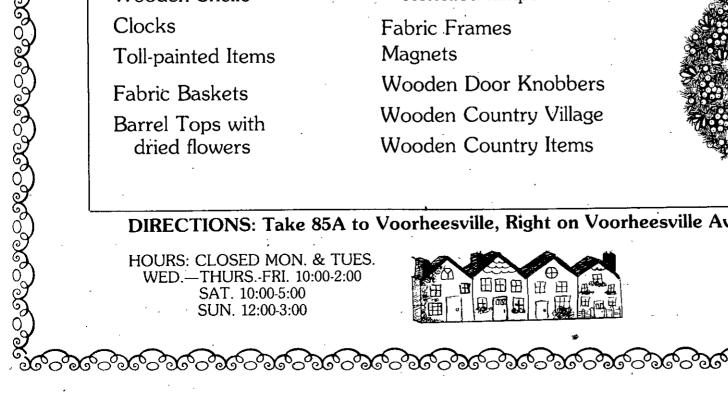
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Town of New Scotland, Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m., Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30, p.m., Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m. Town Hall, Rt. 85.

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

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

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

Voorheesville Board of Education meets second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the district offices in the high school, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

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

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

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.

AARP, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter, are offering free tax counseling for seniors, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, Wednesdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursdays 1-4 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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

Bethlehem Archaeological Group, provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience all day on Monday and Wednesday and on Saturday Mornings. Information, 439-4258.

Town of Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, hours for youths interested in part-time work, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information, 439-2238. **Project Equinox,** Delmar Satellite office, professional counseling for substance abuse problems, all contact confidential. By appointment, call 434-6135.

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

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

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER

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

Parent Support Group, sponsored by Project Hope and Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, meets Wednesdays, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 767-2445.

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

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

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

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

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

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Slide Presentation, "Japan - Ambivalent Country," by Sheilah Schlawin, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Fiction Lecture, on "Sons and Lovers," by D. H. Lawrence, led by Helen Adler, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Testimony Meeting, First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

Midweek Advent Series, discussing the personalities of the Christmas story, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Dełmar, 7:30 p.m., also Dec. 16.

Chinese Auction, sponsored by the St. Thomas Altar Rosary Society and Home School Association, school auditorium, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-1449.

Winter Concert, Senior High Concert Band, Stage Band, and Choruses, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, monthly meeting, Room 106, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 4 p.m. Information, 439-6885.

In Elsmere The Spotlight is sold at CVS, Johnson's, Brook's Drugs, Paper Mill, Grand Union, and Tri-Village Fruit.

THURSDAY 10

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

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

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

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Thursdays, Bible study, 10 a.m., creator's crusaders, 6:30 p.m., senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

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

Bethlehem Memorial V.F.W. Post 3185, holiday celebration dinner, post rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 6 p.m. Reservations, 439-9836.

Elsmere Fire Company Auxiliary, meets second Thursday of each month at firehouse, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

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

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

Bowling, sponsored by Bethlehem Support Group for Parents of Handicapped Students, Del Lanes, Elsmere, 4-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-7880.

Friends of the Bethlehem Public Library, annual meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314

Progress Club, meeting to decorate Bethlehem Public Library, 9:30 a.m. Volunteers, 439-2812.

Twilight Walk, to see nighttime beauty of Five Rivers, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 6:30 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Winter Concert, Band and Chorus, Voorheesville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Audobon Society, "Family Film Night" and monthly meeting, with nature films, door prizes, refreshments, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 453-1805.

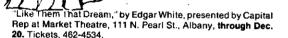
Support Group for Parents of Handicapped Students, monthly meeting with Bethlehem Central Superintendent Dr. Leslie Loomis and Director of Professional Services Dr. Clarence Spain, Room 106, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 7 • p.m. Information, 439-9083.

FRIDAY DECEMBER

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

area arts

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



"Amahl and the Night Visitors," Schenectady Light Opera Company, 826 State St., Schenectady, Dec. 11 and 12,8 p.m.; Dec. 13, 2 p.m. Tickets, 346-2932.

"A Christmas Carol," The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Dec. 9 through 14. Tickets, 443-5279.

"Back Through the Distance," work in progress, Foy Theatre, Siema College, Loudonville, Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.

"A Child's Christmas," eba Theater, Lark St., Albany, **Dec. 11 through 13,** Dec. 11, 7 p.m., Dec. 12, 2 and 7 p.m., Dec. 13, 2 p.m. Tickets, 465-9916.

"Nunsense," Cohoes Music Hall, through January 3, Tickets,

"The Maids," by Jean Genet, staged by University of Albany Department of Theater, Arena Theater, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, Dec. 9-12, 8 p.m. Tickets, 442-3997.

"The Christmas Show," featuring music by Allen Mills and dancing of Off-Broadway Babies, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, **Dec. 12 and 13.** Tickets, 382-1083.

MUSIC

Christmas Music Through the Ages," Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, **Dec. 12**, 8 p.m.; Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, **Dec. 13**, 3 p.m. Information, 442-4167.

"Messiah," Handel's masterpiece presented at St. Peter's Church, 107°State St., Albany, **Dec. 13**, 3 p.m. Information, 434-3502.

"Messiah," presented by Capitol Hill Choral Society, Philip Schuyler Concert Hall, Albany, Dec. 12, 8 p.m.

Mendelssohn Club presents songs of holidays, Chancellor's Hall, State Education Building, Albany, **Dec. 11**, 8 p.m. Tickets, 482-2141.

Christmas concert, presented by masterworks chorale, chamber singers and campaniles of College of St. Rose, Cathedral of Immaculate Conception, Madison Ave. and Eagle St., Albany, **Dec. 13**, 8 p.m. Information, 454-5178.

Neil B. Rolnick and Jerry Hunt, "New Music for Digital Keyboards," Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Chapel and Cultural Center, 2125 Burdett Ave., Troy, Dec. 9, 8 p.m. Information, 276-6097.

""Twas the Brass Before Christmas," Catskill Brass Quintet, First United Methodist Church, 603 State St., Schenectady, Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m.

FOLK

Don Haynie and Sheryl Samuel folk duo, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga, **Dec. 11**, 8:30 p.m. Reservations, 583-0022.

Sparky Rucker, folk-blues artist, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga, **Dec. 12,** 8:30 p.m. Reservations, 583-0022.

MacArthur Family, traditional folk songs, Under the Bell Tower, Cambridge, N.Y., Dec. 11, 8 p.m. Information, 677-2495.

Kids' Fare, featuring Sparky Rucker, blues singer and bottleneck guitar player, Albany Hilton, **Dec. 13**, 2 p.m. Tickets, 482-2826.

Kathy Winter, Eighth Step, 14 Willet St., Albany, Dec. 12, 8 p.m.

ART .

"Dinosaurs Alive," features seven near life-size prehistoric creatures, State Museum, Albany, through Dec. 28, daily, 10 a.m.-5 p.m Information, 474-5877 or 474-5842.

"Portraiture in Dance: Photographs by Ken Duncan," National Museum of Dance, Saratoga, **through Dec. 20,** \$2, Thursday through Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 584-2225.

"Blacks in America: A Photographic Record," images of Black Americans from 1850-1983, State Museum, Albany, through

Oil paintings of David Coughtry, Pósters Plus Galleries, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, **through December**, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m. Information, 482-1984.

"Broadsides," early advertising art, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through July, 1988.

"Artists Toys," The Rice Gallery, 135 Washington Ave., Albany, through Dec. 19, Tuesday-Saturday, noon-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

Works of Raymond A. Decker, watercolor and oil paintings, Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, **through December**. Information, 439-3491.

"Departing This Day: Steamboating on the Hudson River and Lake George," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through April 2, 1988.

Student Art Show, Dietel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, through Dec. 16, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Exhibit of the works of Victoria Palermo, Lori Smith and Neva

Hansen, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, through Dec. 18, Tuesday-Sunday, 1-5 p.m.
"Art Wear," Harmanus Bleecker Center, Albany, through Dec.

12, Tuesday-Thursday, and Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Exhibit of the art faculty of the College of St. Rose, Picotte Hall, 324 State St., Albany, through Dec. 13, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Works of William Ramage, The Albany Center Galleries, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Jan. 1, 1988, Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m.

Holiday Exhibition of Dolls and Toys by the Shaker Doll Club and Friends of Pruyn House, 207 Old Niskayuna Road, Newtonville, through Dec. 31, Monday- Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 783-1435.

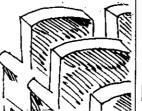
"Curious Arts: 19th Century English Ornamentation," Museum of the Historical Society of the Early American Decoration, 19 Dove St., Albany, through October 1988. Information, 462-1676.

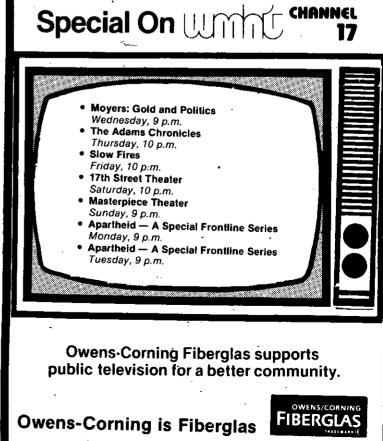




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SUNDAY

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Information, 765-4410.

Delmar Presbyterian Church, Worship,

church school, nursery, 10:30 a.m.;

family worship and communion first

Sunday of the month; coffee hour,

11:30 a.m. Information on adult

education and youth fellowships,

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.

Chabad Center, services and discussion followed by kiddush. Fridays at sunset. 109 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, Information, 439-8280.

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

QUILT, Christmas meeting, ideas on ornaments, United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9:30 p.m.

Christmas Dance, for senior high school students. First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar,

Santa Claus Visits, and Christmas carolers from Bethlehem Central High School's Sound Systems, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, Santa Claus 2-6 p.m., carols 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

SATURDAY **DECEMBER**

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Chabad Center, services followed by kiddush, 109 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 9:30 a.m. Information, 439-8280

Christmas Tree Sale, to benefit Bethlehem Central Football Boosters, Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Christmas Concert, "Holy Day and Holiday," with carol sing, and benefit for WGY Christmas Wish, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328

Tawasentha Chapter NSDAR, honor high school students selected as good citizens and meeting, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 1 p.m. Information,

Camp Pinnacle, annual Christmas Candlelight Banquet, Camp Pinnacle, Voorheesville, \$8, 6:30 p.m. Reservations,

Santa Claus Visits. Delaware Plaza. Elsmere, Santa Claus, noon-4 p.m.



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, worship and nursery care for pre-school children, 9:30 a.m.; kids Christian Fellowship, 9:45 a.m.; church school and adult education, 11 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, morning worship service, 10:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9 a.m., baby care provided, evening fellowship, 6:30 p.m. Informa-

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

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Bible study and Sunday school classes, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., babysitting available. Information, 439-4328.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, worship service and Sunday school, 11 a.m., child care provided, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-2512.

Glenmont Reformed Church, worship, 11 a.m. nursery care provided. Information, 436-7710.

Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church, worship service, church school and youth forum, 10 a.m., coffee hour and Cherub and Junior Choir rehearsals, 11 a.m., 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. Information, 439-1766

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Eucharist, 8 a.m., breakfast and family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar, Information, 429-3265.

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Berean Baptist Church, Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 9:45 a.m., 6 p.m., pre-teens and youth 4:15 p.m. Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4184.

Teen Suicide, media production and panel discussion, Solid Rock Church, Kenwood Ave. and Rt. 32, 7:?30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

In Voorheesville The Spotlight is sold at Stewarts and Voorheesville Drugs

Organ Concert, of Christmas and Advent Music by Ken Loiacano, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 3 p.m. Free.

MONDAY **DECEMBER**

Delmar Kiwanis, meet Mondays at Starlite Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont,

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

Delmar Community Orchestra, renearsal Mondays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

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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.

Alateen Meeting, Mondays, support group for young people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581

Mothers' Time Out, meets Mondays, Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, child care provided, Delmar Reformed Church, 10-11:30 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

Meeting, Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning, Room 106, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m. Information, Films, "Mary Cassatt" and "Alice Neel," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Meeting, "Meet the Planner," with Bethlehem's new planner, Jeffrey Lipnicki, Room 106, Town Hall, 8 p.m. Information, 439-0517.

BCHS Pool Dedication, and ribbon cutting, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m

TUESDAY DECEMBER

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

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

AARP, annual Christmas Cookie Project, pack and distribute cookies. First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m. .

Blood Pressure Clinic, free testing, third Tuesdays through April, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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

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

Legion Auxiliary Christmas Part, with cocktail hour and dinner, bring a grab bag gift and unwrapped toy, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, \$7.50, 6 p.m.

Grant Steering Committee, discuss a community wide program to combat substance abuse and learn how to volunteer for committee, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3650.

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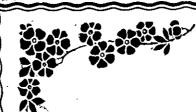
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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

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

THURSDAY SHOPPING - Residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethle Glenmont 9:00 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9 — Bethlehem Senior Citizens Christmas Party at Normanside Country Club.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 - NO MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 - Shopping Center Trip to Delaware Plaza. Pick up your last minute Holiday gifts.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 - Blook Pressure Clinic. Auditorium 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and from 7 p.m.-8 p.m.



Support Group, for Multiple Sclerosis, 3ethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 2 o.m. Information, 452-1631

Jnited Methodist Church, Christmas evening for United Methodist Women, oring cookies, home of Rowena lewitt, 1592 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, 7:30 p.m.

The Giving Treats, preschoolers bring cookies to share and the Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Children's Room, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. Registration, 439-9314

Book Discussion Group, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

· WEDNESDAY 🛋 **DECEMBER**

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

Parent Support Group, sponsored by Project Hope and Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, meets Wednesdays, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 767-2445.

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

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

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

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

Testimony Meeting, First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

Midweek Advent Services, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-1757.

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

> Mom's Morning Out, Christmas meeting, Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, 9:30 a.m. Information, 439-7266.

Christmas Carolers, from Albany Pro Musica, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, 7-9

THURSDAY **DECEMBER**

New Scotland Kiwanis Club, Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85,17 p.m.

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

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

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

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Chabad Center, services and discussion followed by kiddush, Fridays at sunset, 109 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, Information,

Duplicate Bridge, all levels welcome, St. Stephen's Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5772.

Santa, Claus Visits, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, Santa Claus 2-6 p.m.

SATURDAY **DECEMBER**

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

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Chabad Center, services followed by kiddush, 109 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 9:30 a.m. Information, 439-8280.

New Scotland Democratic Social Club, Christmas Dinner Dance, music by the Country Casuals, bring grab bag gift, Clarksville Fire House, \$13.50, 7 p.m. Reservations, 768-2101.

Religious Film, "Jesus," Glenmont Reformed Church, Weiser St., Glenmont, 7 p.m. Information, 436-7710.

Celebrating Winter, program by Slingerlands Elementary School Choral Group under direction of Virginia Spelich, Main Square Shopping Center, 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1 p.m. Information, 439-6437.

Santa Claus Visits, and Christmas carolers from Bethlehem Central High School's Sound Systems, Delaware Plaza, Elsmere, Santa Claus noon-4 p.m., carols 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Delmar Presbyterian Church, Worship, church school, nursery, 10:30 a.m.; family worship and communion first Sunday of the month; coffee hour, 11:30 a.m. Information on adult education and youth fellowships, 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.

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

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Songs for the Winter Holidays, a program by Hamagrael Elementary Choral Group under the direction of Virginia Spelich, Main Square, 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1 p.m. Information, 439-6437.

> MONDAY DECEMBER

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Chanukah Party, with traditional Chanukah dinner, and special program for children, Chabad Center of Delmar, 109 Elsmere Ave., 5 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

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AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS **Events in Nearby Areas**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER

Veteran's Health Care Conference. "Bridging Veteran's Administration/New York State Health Care Services to Veterans," Ramada Renaissance, Saratoga Springs.

College Program, "Your College Application: Writing Essays and Being Interviewed," for high school juniors and seniors and their parents, Albany Public Library, 517 Delaware Ave., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 449-

PMS Support Group Meeting, Bellwood Room, Women's HealthCare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

Public Lecture, "Global Marketing Strategies for Growth," by Francis L. McKone, Rensselear Polytechnic Institute, Troy, 4:30 p.m. Information,

Auction, of Office of General Services surplus equipment, Governor W. Averell Harriman, State Office, Building Campus, Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 457-6335.

THURSDAY DECEMBER

Grandmother's Club, Christmas party, Elks Club, South Allen St., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 439-4239.

Singles Night, with mingling games, food, dancing, and prizes, Price Chopper Super Center, Rts. 5 and 155, Colonie, 7-10 p.m.

AIDS Conference, "Managing the AIDS Crisis: A Multi-Disciplinary Approach," Albany Hilton, State St., Albany. Information, 270-2446.

Business Seminar, "The Role of the Architect in Your Expanding Business," sponsored by the Rensselear County. Regional Chamber of Commerce, Holiday Inn, Troy, 8 a.m. Information, 274-7020.

Albany Civic Theater, meeting with entertainment, 235 Second Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

Children's Program, "Winter and Holiday Songs," Delaware Branch, Albany Public Library, 517 Delaware Ave., Albany, 3:30 p.m.

"Ten Percent Review," created by entertainer and gay activist Tom Wilson Weinberg, Albany City Arts Center, 54 Orange St., Albany, 8:15

p.m. Amnesty International, meeting, St. Joseph's Auditorium, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 436-0491.

Noontime Lecture, "Doll Houses in America, 1820-1940," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

DECEMBER

FRIDAY

Christmas Tree Lighting, with craft fair, Washington Park Lake House, Albany, 5-9 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

Holiday Celebration, Pratt Museum, Rt. 23, Prattsville. Information, 299-3395

SATURDAY DECEMBER

Holiday Celebration, Pratt Museum, Rte. 23, Prattsville. Information, 299-3395.

Craft Fair, to benefit track fund, Berne Knox Westerlo High School, Route 443, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sibling Class, for youngsters expecting new brothers or sisters, Samaritan Hospital, Troy, 10-11 a.m. Information,

Defensive Driving Program, for licensed drivers, E & E Enterprises, University at Albany, 8:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Information, 465-0055

Christmas Show, with carol sing, dancing and Santa Claus, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, 2 and 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083

Voice Clinic, with throat and speech exam, sponsored by College of Saint Rose, Albany Medical Center, 9-11:30 a.m. Appointments, 454-5256

Christmas Program, with decorations, Olana State Historical Site, Rt. 9G, Hudson, 9:30-11 a.m. Information, 828-0135.

Winter Concert, The Capital Community Voices, Genet School, Rt. 4, East Greenbush, 8 p.m. Information, 449-7536

Dino Fun Film, "Godzilla vs, the Smog Monster," State Museum, Albany, 1:30 p.m. Information, 474-1201.

SUNDAY **DECEMBER**

Christmas Show, with carol sing, dancing and Santa Claus, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, 3 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

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Christmas Stenciling for Children, Museum of the Society of the Early American Decoration, Inc., 19 Dove St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Registration, 462-1676.

Holiday House Tour, self-guided, sponsored by the Historic Albany Foundation, 1-5 p.m. Information, 463-0622. Hayes House, Christmas Open House,

sponsored by the Altamont Fair, Fairview Ave., Altamont, 1-4 p.m. Information, 961-6671.

Toy Train Show, Albany Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Schuyler Mansion, Christmas Open House, Clinton and Catherine St., Albany, 1-5 p.m. Information, 434-0834.

MONDAY DECEMBER

Holiday Music Program, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Band, Empire State Plaza, Albany, noon-1 p.m.

Computer Course, required to use Albany Public Library's Computers, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

Community Holiday Fair, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 474-5986.

Auditions, for the Capital Hill Choral Society, Philip Schuyler Elementary School, North Lake Ave., Albany, 4-9:30 p.m. Appointments, 465-3328.

TUESDAY **DECEMBER**

Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents whose children have died, monthly meeting, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-7316.

WEDNESDAY . **DECEMBER**

Commencement, Albany Business College, Albany, 7 p.m.

AIDS Lecture, "The Changing Legal and Political Views about AIDS," by Bethlehem Central school board member and Albany Law School professor Bernard Harvith, Science Hall, College of Saint Rose, 432 Western Ave., Albany, 2:45 Information, 454-5102.

Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, 5 and 15 kilometer races, SUNYA Physical Education Building, 11 a.m. Information, 456-5942.

Empire State College, information session, Saratoga Public Library, Broadway, Saratoga, 7 p.m. Information,



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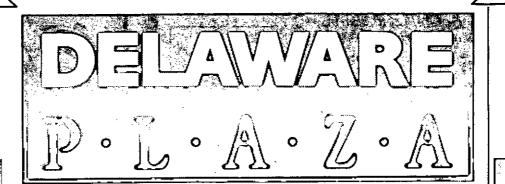
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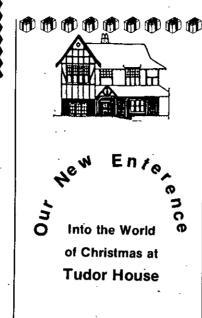
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Decorative gardening enjoys a 2000-year history, having reached its apex in the palatial gardens of French and English royalty. The artistic person will appreciate the grace of a hand-sculpted animal topiary. Forms abound: a leaning duck, or perhaps an elephant?

Speaking of animals. Pets also are given thoughtful attention. One catalog displays kitty snacks in the shape of canapes. And a cat bed that resembles a lambs wool astrakhan.

Is there a hard-to-please gift recipient? Relax. A sonic cleaner now is available to degrease diamonds or dentures.

Kidding aside, what item could hold more appeal than a magnetic wooden slug. Or a talking refrigerator for the strictly practical person. There's even advice to detect phone taps for the uneasy souls among us.

No need to belabor the possibilities. It's time to run off to the Plaza to check out the sweatsuits and wool scarves.

No injuries in 9W accident

State police reported no injuries in a one-car accident Friday on Rt. 9W in Selkirk.

A 54-year-old Athens man was driving north on Rt. 9W when he lost control of his vehicle, which

lett the right side of the road and then overturned. State police said no tickets were issued.

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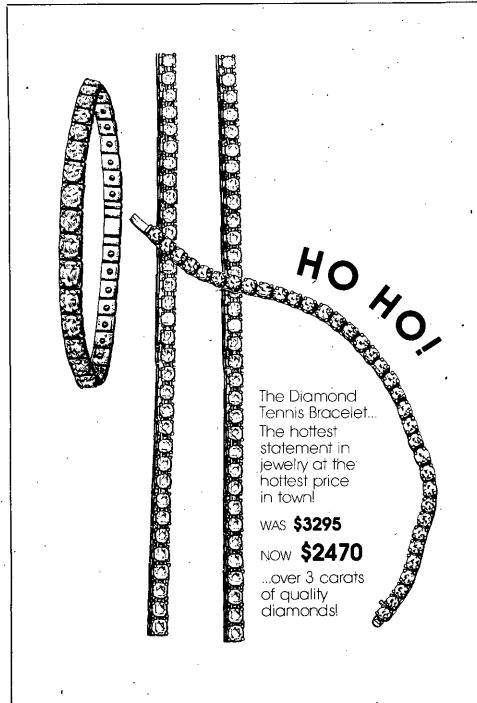
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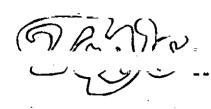
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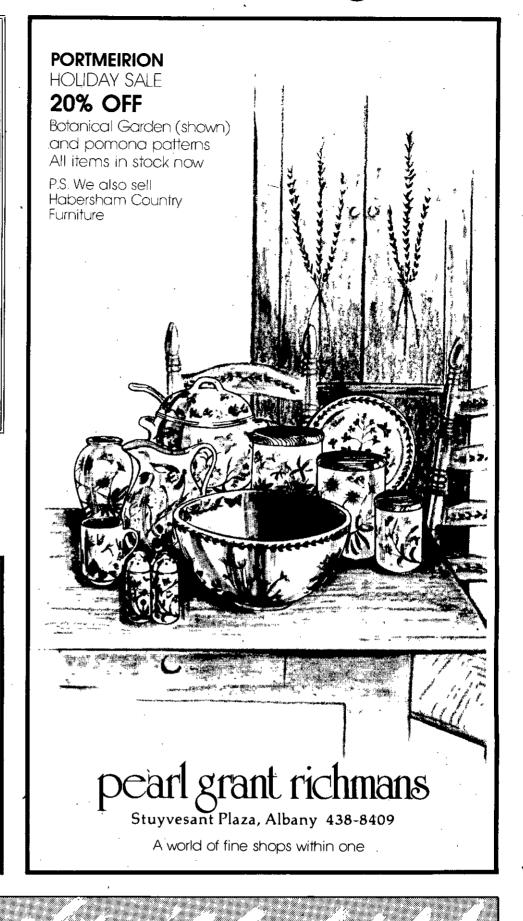
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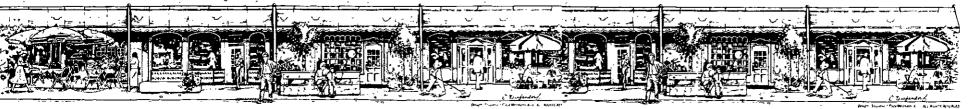
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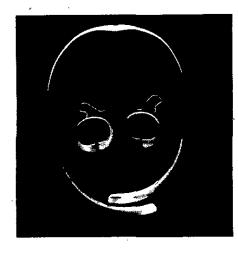
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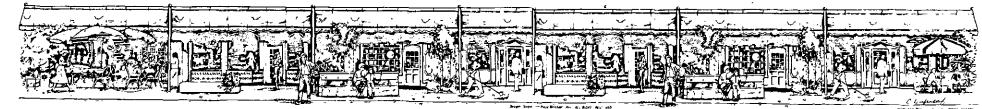


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News from Selkirk AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM

Cheryl Clary

767-2373

Holiday concert tonight

The students of Ravena- scholarship/leadership awards Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High competition. School will present a holiday concert tonight (Dec. 9) at 7 p.m.

Featured will be a musical Christmas portrait by the senior band and chorus, including "It's Beginning To Look a Lot Like Christmas," "The Christmas

All are welcome.

Keenan front runner

South Bethlehem resident Dale Keenan was tied for best overall honors at the end of the Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club's season. Awards were presented during the club's recent banquet.

Keenan excelled in longer distances and was a winner in the same category in 1986. This year he finished first in the HMRRC winter and fall marathons and finished third in the Price Chopper Half Marathon.

Church to show film

·What may soon be the feature film translated into the most languages in film making history, lesus, will be presented at the Glenmont Reformed Church on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m.

A reported 250 million people have viewed the film.

For information call the Rev. Robert Entin at 436-0655 or 436-7710.

Elks offer scholarships

The Bethlehem Elk's lodge No.

2233 has announced the 1988-89

New York State high school seniors may apply for 78 scholarships being offered by the Elks National Foundation. The awards range from \$900 to \$20,000.

The New York State Elks Song" and "We Need A Little Christmas." The jazz ensemble and harmonics will also perform.

The New York State Elks Association is offering 43 scholar-ships of \$750 each. The state scholar-ship competition is open to ships of \$750 each. The state scholarship competition is open to high school seniors and college freshmen, sophomores and juniors whose father is, or was at the time of his death, a member of the Order of Elks.

> Applications are available at schools and at the lodge. For information call Frank Ornoski, scholarship chairman, at 767-2886.

Grange plans holiday party

The Bethlehem Grange will hold their Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 12. A family pot luck dinner will be held at 6 p.m. Each person wishing to share a gift should bring a \$2 or \$3 gift marked for a girl, woman, boy or man. Santa will be present to distribute the presents.

DAR honors two area students

The Hannacroix chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will present this year's citizenship awards to H. Bray Engel of Selkirk and Julie P. Maney of

Maney, a senior at Albany High School, is editor of the senior section of her school yearbook. During the holiday season, She assists in the YWCA figure Christmas trees at Colonie Center

skating program and enjoys swimming. In addition to serving as a volunteer at the VA Hospital in Albany, she sings in the choir at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

Bray, a senior at RCS High School, is president of the student council and is involved in the school band and athletics. He is listed in Who's Who of High School Students. He participates in activities at St. Patrick's Church in Ravena.

Bray and Maney were awarded \$50 savings bonds.

Holiday fun at firehouse

'Tis the season for Christmas parties, and the Selkirk Fire Company No. 3 in South Bethlehem is planning a super time for the kids.

Professional magician Chad Currin and clowns Sugar and Spice will entertain the area children 11 years and younger. Each child will receive a gift from Santa. Anyone who would like to contribute cookies for the party may call Cliff Apple at 767-9513 or Butch Apple at 767-9114.

Sunshine holiday gala soon

The Sunshine Senior Citizens of the Selkirk and Glenmont area will hold their Christmas party on Monday, Dec. 14, at 1 p.m. at the Bethlehem Grange. The grange members will prepare the meal. Harpist Martha Gallagher will provide the entertainment, and carols will be sung.

Scouts help fill tree

Girl Scout Troop 384 recently contributed several dozen handmade Christmas ornaments to the Regional Food Bank's Holiday Hunger Appeal, which is conducted in cooperation with Channel 10.

During the holiday season,

and Pyramid Mall are being GE Plastics donates decorated with an ornament each to Hillside House time a donation is made to the

Frank Stolz, president of the board of directors of Hillside

House of Coeymans Inc., accepts a \$2,500 check from Jim

Conheady, left, manager of employee relations at the GE

Plastics Selkirk operation. Dr. Frank Filippone, executive

food bank. Troop 384 is one of six The General Electric Plastics Girl Scout troops participating. manufacturing facility in Selkirk has made a donation to Hillside The troop, which is sponsored by the Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush and the

other community service by assisting at the Feura Bush In addition to these activities, the girls have also made cider. gone on a hayride, enjoyed a Halloween party, held a rededication ceremony, and had a Wildlife Ecology class at the Five Rivers Environmental Center this Fall.

Becker School PTA, has performed

director of Hillside House, looks on.

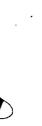
Troop members are Nicole Bailey, Crystal Bernard, Amanda Boomhower, Krystal Burns, Leanna Curley, Steffiney Figel, Andrea Kent, Erika Lennon, Heather McMullen, Kelly Seaburg and Amy Sorel. John and Fran Curley are Troop Leaders.

House in Coeymans to assist in its service to the disabled. The GE plant contributed \$2,500 to the private, not-forprofit organization which operates three community residences and three apartments serving over 40

developmentally disabled adults. Hillside House provides professional support staff, room and board, transportation, recreation and self-care skills training for the developmentally disabled.

Tool box stolen

A tool box was taken from an unlocked car that was parked in front of the A. Phillips Hardware store on Delaware Ave., Elsmere, between 5 and 5:45 p.m. Saturday, Bethlehem police said.



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Paper Mill sold: no major changes

By Sal Prividera

The Paper Mill, a gift and card shop in Delaware Plaza, has been sold to Gary and Pat Weinert of Glenmont by Dick Matarrese and Colleen O'Connor.

The Weinerts, who also own and operate Lauren's in Albany's Empire State Plaza, are not planning any sweeping changes at the store. All of the Paper Mill's employees are being kept on.

However, Gary Weinert said that he plans to upgrade and modernize the Hallmark-affiliated card shop. "I'm a longtime, 20year-plus resident of Delmar," he said. "I've had my eye on the shopping center for 25 years.

My neighbors shop here and I want to be proud of what I have,' Weinert said. He plans to add new collectibles and gift lines to the

Weinert, a pharmacist, has been affiliated with Hallmark for 15 years and said he wants to make the Paper Mill a "Top 50" rated Hallmark store. Lauren's shop has received that recognition.

The store was co-owned by

Business

Dick Matarrese and Luke Mullen since it opened in 1975, with O'Connor taking over Mullen's interest 1986.

Matarrese, who also owns Pizza Express at the plaza, said that "business was fine" at the card shop and cited a desire to devote more time to his card shops in Latham and Schenectady as his reason for selling the business. He said that the sale was a "good arrangement for both parties.

Neither Weinert or Matarrese would disclose the terms of the

The Paper Mill is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donald Zeh completes propane training

Donald Zeh of Voorheesville has recently completed an intensive five-day hands-on course in Basic LP-Gas at Suburban Propane's Hammonton, NJ., training center.

Zeh was among 10 employees selected to attend from over 400 Suburban Propane sales and service centers as part of its ongoing certification program, consisting of 25 week-long instruction sessions a year in advanced propane gas service-related subjects.

Only hand-crafted items on sale here

By Katie Biggerstaff

Penny Grimes calls her newly opened store at 414 Kenwood Ave. 'The Country Collector.' A space "For the traditional look of yesterday and the heirlooms of tomorrow", the store is unique locally in that it sells only hand crafted items, 98 percent of which are made in the United States. The' store, whose owner is committed to carrying "only the highest quality goods" has items which vary in price from less than \$5 for hand-woven place mats or hand-painted wooden pins upward to \$1,400 for a custom-made authentic country style swing gate leg table.

The furniture in The Country Collector is in an 18th century style; reproductions are custom made by a cabinetmaker. The store is the exclusive upstate dealer for the Seraph, a company which makes upholstered furniture with a country look.

The store's inventory includes folk art. A beautiful Amish quilt hangs on one wall. Tin ware hand painted in Massachusetts is displayed on the mantelpiece. A pie-safe design wall cabinet brought in from Maine is on the store's front wall. The store wooden decoys hand

painted by New York Stat craftsmen. A rope bed for a do which sits in one corner would make a special Christmas preser for some little girl.

The inventory at The Country Collector comes as a result Penny Grimes's lifelong fascination with country things. Even as child, she says she would spen hours poking around in gift shop a hobby rarely shared by other her age. She lives now with he husband in a 175-year-old hous in Rensselaerville where th renovations they are continue her childhood hobb Penny has been poring ov country living magazines all he life. Her husband calls Penny store her "fantasy come true" fantasy Penny brought to reali when she hit "an auspiciou birthday which needed an au picious celebration.'

Having devoted herself nursing for 20 years, Penny say she had begun to feel "it was to sad. I wanted to do somethin happy. I realized nobody in th area was selling custom-mad furniture. I just thought the was a place for this here as hoped it would work. I started look for things which we unusual, of good quality, ar



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Penny Grimes, shopkeeper, in her store, The Country Collector, on Kenwood Ave.

were made in America."

Penny began to attend craft shows all over the northeast, and from these travels and the her years of interest in the field she brought together the collection of country items now available on Kenwood Ave. The store is open from 10 to 5 on Tuesday through Saturday and on Thursday evenings.

Severinghaus named

William Severinghaus, a 1939 graduate of the New York State College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University in Ithaca, was presented with a distinguished alumni award during a recent banquet.

Severinghaus resides in Voorheesville.

Bookstore to open

Friar Tuck Bookshops, a division of Golub Corporation, will open a new store in Delmar on Dec. 14. The Delaware Plaza site will feature an expanded product line and contemporary store design, according to a

Clough, Bardin named PR Institute speakers

Elizabeth A. Clough of Slingerlands and Robert B. Bardin Jr. of Selkirk were named student speakers for graduation ceremonies of the Public Relations-Communications Institute, a division of Albany Business College. The ceremonies will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Eaton elected to committee

Bryan Eaton of Delmar has been elected to the State University of New York Computing Officers Association committee. He will serve a two year term and represent all New York State Community Colleges.

"My major goals will be increased participation by the Community Colleges in COA activities," said Eaton, "and awareness within SUNY of the computing needs of Community Colleges.

Eaton is director of computer services at Hudson Valley Community College.

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Later, after a sickening decline, investors are reminded that it was foolish to expect stock prices to increase indefinitely. Of course the "smart money" know this and sold out in time. . . to the unfortunate investor who believed what everyone was saying. This is the so-called "greater fool" the one who bought at the top.

As the slide continues, pessimism gradually takes hold, feeding on itself as optimism previously did. We hear more and more about

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runaway inflation, permanent excess productive capacity...and depression. What intelligent investor would hold on to depressed stocks in a situation like this? So the selling-off process accelerates. The last desperate grabbing for cash at any price comes as the 'experts" are discussing whether the economy will ever fully recover.

Guess who's the last to sell. The "greater fool", of course. So what did he do? He bought at the high and sold at the low. And he'll do it again, because of course the market will rise again.

Enter the "contrarian" investor. He bought his stock the last time the market plummeted. Now he's watching prices rise and optimism with it. Knowing that prices peak when optimism peaks, he waits, cool as a cucumber, till the consensus has it that all impediments to a long-term rise have been removed. That's when he sells.

And he sits on his cash as the market slides all the way down. His buying signal? "We're heading into a depression; there's no market bottom in sight." He snaps up bargain after bargain from desperate sellers, and waits while the market turns and climbs and peaks. What has he done? Bought low, sold high, and bought low again.

Sounds great in theory, but it takes a strong stomach to sell when all the talk is up, up, and away, and to buy when there's so much talk of disaster. Remember the Wall Street adage, "If you can keep your head while everyone

else is losing theirs, they may know something you don't.

Consider the current situation. The stock market has suffered a precipitous fall and everyone is asking me the same question: What next? Well, there are only three possibilities: It will go back up, it will continue to fall, or it will continue at about its current level. I am prepared to assert that it will do all three.

I'm not being flip. That's what the stock market does — it goes up, it goes down, and it hovers around levels for a while - and I see no evidence that that process has come to an end. If we couple this observation with the one that no one knows for sure what the market will do next, we are left with a third observation which is hard to dispute: Stocks are selling at much lower prices now than they were before the crash.

If we are going to buy at lower prices than we sell, then this is a buying opportunity. It's also, for many investors, a scary time to invest. So here we have a real life example of the classic dilemma: When push comes to shove — as it recently has in a big way - who has the stomach to buy when everyone else is selling?

In my view, though, the current market situation isn't really so scary. I can't deny that a worldwide financial collapse is possible, but what I think much more likely is a continuation of the business cycle: expansions followed by contractions followed by expansions.

But what if the market goes

lower? you ask. Then I get to buy more at even better prices. Of course if I knew exactly when the market would bottom out I would wait and do all my buying then; but I don't, so I'll start buying

Unless I'm terribly wrong I will buy at prices that, on average, will be lower than the prices I expect in a few years - as we come out of the next recession. And when prices have skyrocketed again I'll start selling. . . to the investors who think I'm crazy for getting out when the bull market has no end in sight.

(In my next column, we'll take another, more dramatic, look at this topic.)

David Vigoda, CFP, CFA, a Delmar resident, is an independent financial consultant.

Drew attends medical seminar

Dr. Philip T. Drew of Delmar attended the recent Scientific Assembly of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) in San Francisco, Calif.

Drew, a member of the academy, had an opportunity to attend clinical seminars on 30 different topics and visit more than 70 scientific and technical exhibits.

DeMaria named vice president

Louis I. DeMaria was appointed vice president of the information systems division at Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Louis J. Demaria joined the company in 1958 as a data processing machine operator. He was named assistant manager of data processing in 1966, director of information systems in 1972 and assistant vice president of information systems in 1975.

Louis Demaria and his wife Barbara have three children and reside in Delmar.



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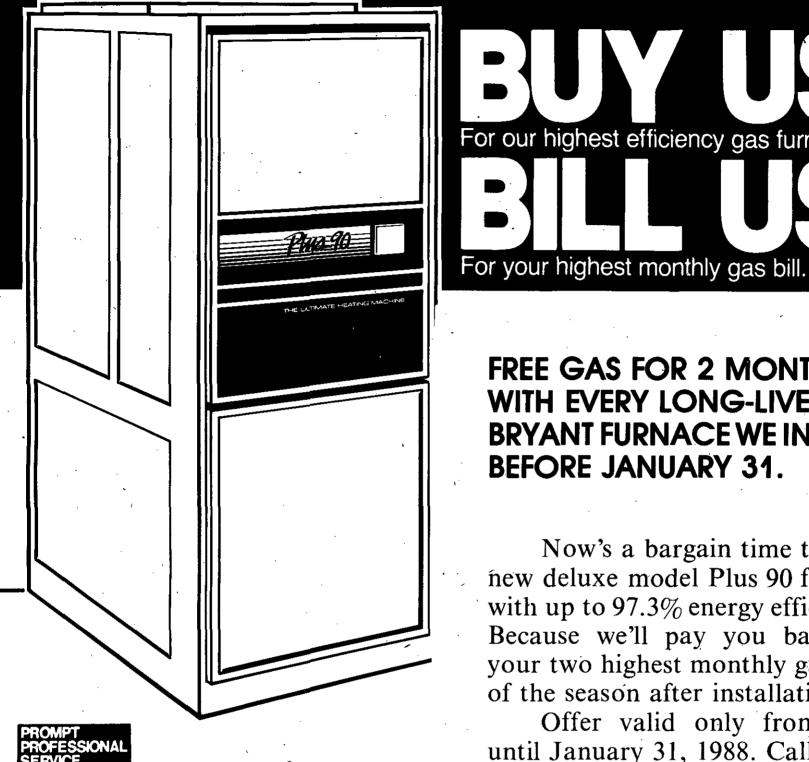
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Army training 'down under'

Boomers, bully beef and billabongs may sound a bit odd to the average North American ear. But to Army First Lt. Stephen T. Houston, it's an understandable lilting lingo meaning male kangaroos, corned beef and a stagnant pool of water, all of which he experienced recently during a combined American-Australian Army Military exercise held here.

Houston, 25, son of retired Army Lt. Col. Darrell G. and Patricia T. Houston, Delmar, and some 800 fellow soldiers of the 25th Infantry Division (light) from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, beat the bush with their . Australian army "mates" during the "Diamond Dollar" exercise in October.

The maneuvers, aimed at testing American and Australian 'interoperability," or the ability to meld tactics, equipment and communications of two or more nations into a cohesive fighting force, offered the GIs a chance to fight along side their "Aussie" counterparts against a guerilla force in the primitive setting of northern Queensland.

"I conduct multi-helicopter air assaults and air mobiles for our troops during the Diamond Dollar exercise," said Houston, flight platoon leader with the 17th Assault Helicopter Company. 'We've lifted both American and

hawk helicopters.

Queensland is a place of extremes, a mixed blessing for the soldiers training in this area, where they may eat dust and dodge wild boars in one place, and swelter in humid tropical heat while watching out for crocodiles in another area. But it's the variety of the land, flora and fauna that makes this a ideal training site for both armies.

"This exercise provides an excellent opportunity for us to test how well our forces can tralia's Great Barrier Reef. operate together," said Houston, who in 1985 earned a bachelor's degree in engineering from the United States Military Academy at West Point. "We're learning a lot from each other. Also, the training environment is one of the best we will see. It's a large area which allows us to use our Blackhawks to their fullest. The only "minus" to this exercise is the Australian military rations. They're quite different from

Along with experiencing a new country, one that has had long cultural and historical links with America, the soldiers of the 25th Infantry Division were able to experience people as unique as a wombat or koala bear is to this continent, the Australians.

The Australian armed forces work with," said Houston. "And

Queensland using UH-60A Black the Australian people are very outgoing and friendly. In many ways, their lifestyle and their attitudes are similar to Amer-

> While most soldiers say meeting and making friends with Australia's slouch-hatted soldiers during a three-week stint in the bush is a great experience, many look forward more to their fiveday "R and R" - military talk for rest and recreation - in Townsville, one of Queensland's coastal resort cities facing Aus-

'Australia is exciting," Houston said. "There are so many things to do and unfortunately, I don't have enough time to do all of them. I'll do some snorkeling and white-water rafting and I'll definitely get out at night! Socializing will always be my number one objective on R and R because the Aussies are so receptive.

Hometown News Service

Teen suicide panel to be held Sunday

A panel discussion on the subject of teen suicide will be held Sunday, Dec. 13, from 7:30 to 9_o p.m. at the Solid Rock Church in Delmar.

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Another bridge may close

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Moreover, if the town does the work, Cook said it does not guarantee the bridge will be

The county engineer has told him he is too busy to look at the bridge and wants the town to hire another engineer for the project, Van Zetten said. Even though the county is responsible for the bridge, Van Zetten said it is also short of bridge funds.

In other business at Wednesday's meeting, the town board accepted the resignations of Building Inspector Walt Miller and Wallace's secretary, Frances Vunck, both effective on Dec. 31.

Wallace also said it was his last meeting because he will be retiring as supervisor at the end of the year, and Councilman Herbert Reilly, supervisor-elect,

read a state Assembly bill that congratulated Wallace on his service in town government.

The New Scotland Town Board

- Accepted the water line on Mason La. that will be turned over to the town and become part of the Heldervale district. The line was put in several years ago but never turned over to the town.
- Agreed to the town's employees request for relief of part of the increase in premiums of their health insurance coverage under the Empire Plan. Wallace said the employees' shares have doubled and the relief for the employees will cost about \$7,578 in addition to the town's rate increase of about \$29,000. Costs were at about \$56,000 while employees were paying about 50 percent of the cost, but they will now pay about 25 percent.
- Agreed to apply for 1988 state aid for the Summer Swim Program at Voorheesville Central for \$2,820, and to apply for \$2,528in state aid for Project Hope.
- Scheduled the annual organizational meeting for 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 1.

The town board will met again on Monday, Dec. 21, at 9:30 a.m. to pay year end bills and finalize the budget.

Charged with DWI

A 26-year-old Delmar Pl. Delmar, woman has been charged with driving while intoxicated after Bethlehem Police said they stopped her for failing to keep right as she was driving on Kenwood Ave. near Elsmere Ave. at 2:25 a.m. Monday.

Prizes announced in decorating contest

The first prize in the 1987 Holiday Decorating Contest cosponsored by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and the Bethlehem Garden Club is a line drawing of the winning residence by local artist, Virginia Remington

First prize in the commercial category is a wall plaque presented by the chamber.

Judges for the contest will be: Shirley Bowdish and Evelyn Sturdivant of the garden club, and Town Councilman Sue Ann Ritchko, Doug Brownell, Tammy Lee and Mary Ahlstrom representing the chamber.



Trussell of the Delmar United Methodist Church serves tea to Billie Dye of St. Stephen's Church during an interfaith tea at the methodist church on Thursday. Patricia Mitchell

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Disaster aid approved

Federal and state aid for New Scotland and Voorheesville to over some of the costs of cleaning up and repairing damage caused by the Oct. 4 snowstorm has been

The Town of New Scotland will eceive \$15,363 in aid and the Village of Voorheesville will receive \$25,255, it was announced this week by the Federal Emergency Management Agency FEMA) and the state Emergency Management Office (SEMO).

Total costs of cleaning up and repairing damage will be paid 75 percent by federal funds, 12 and a half percent by state funds and 12 and a half percent will be assumed by the municipalities.

The federal aid was made available when President Ronald Reagan, responding to a request from Gov. Mario Cuomo, declared seven state counties a disaster area after the freak October

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Residents on Van Dyke Rd. and Brockley, Longmeadow and Evelyn drives near the school have complained of high school students parking in the road because there are not enough parking spaces at the school.

The Bethlehem Traffic Safety Committee, some town board members and some school board members met recently to discuss the problem.

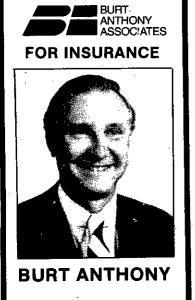
High School Principal Charles Guinner has suggested that another parking lot be built at the school.

The board also designated three additional snow days for the year. Four snow days were budgeted, but due to the Oct. 4 snowstorm three days have already been used, and only one is left. If it is needed, March 25, a superintendent's conference day, will become a regular day of instruction. The next day taken if needed will be April 21 and then April 22, both part of the spring vacation.

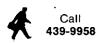
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Patricia Mitchell

Crash in New Scotland kills Delmar woman

Albany County sheriffs deputies said they are investigating a twocar collision Friday morning in New Scotland that killed a Delmar woman.

Abbey Collins, 27, of Kenwood Ave., Delmar, was killed when the car she was driving slid into the path of an on-coming vehicle driven by 24-year-old Michael Sand of Altamont on Rt. 85A near the Colonie Country Club, deputies said.

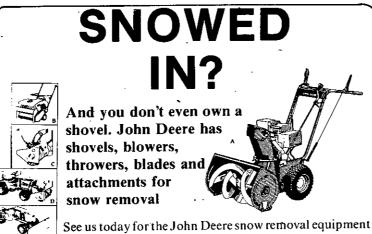
Sand was not injured and no charges were filed, deputies said.

Snowy road conditions were determined to be the cause of the collision, but sheriffs said they will continue the investigation.

Rider promoted at Albany Med

Dr. Jeffrey Rider of Slingerlands has been promoted from clinical assistant professor to clinical associate professor of pediatrics at Albany Medical College.





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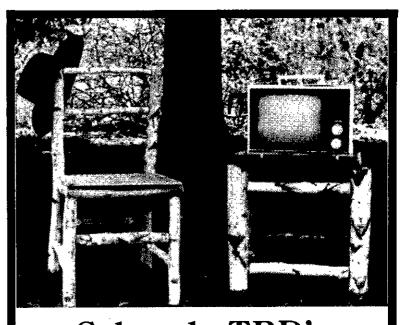
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Eagle matmen off on the right foot

By John Bellizzi III

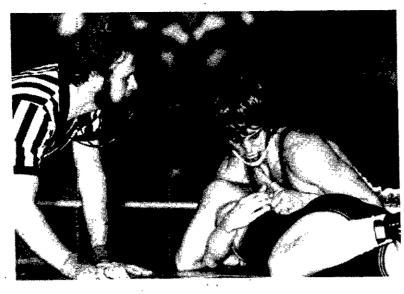
If Friday night was an indicator of how the 1987-88 wrestling season will go, it appears that Bethlehem Central will be one of the true fighting forces in Section II. The Eagles destroyed Suburban Council rival Mohonasen, 54-14, in their first dual meet of the season last week.

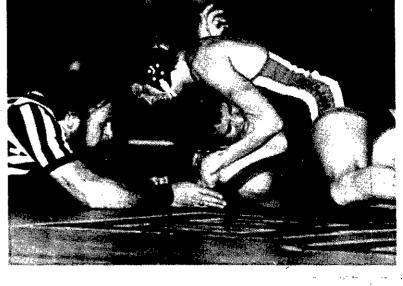
* Having combined with Draper, Mohonasen was billed as a formidable opponent in '87, but they didn't quite live up to their expectations. "I thought they would be tougher," reflected Cóach Rick Poplaski. However excited he is about this success, Poplaski is concerned with the tests that lie ahead.

Tonight (Wednesday) BC travels to face a tough Shaker team in varsity and JV dual meets. "As far as I know, they're still at a rebuilding stage," explained Poplaski. "I do know that they have two very good people at heavyweight and superheavyweight, but otherwise I'm really not sure what to expect."

Coming up this weekend is a real challenge for Bethlehem's varsity wrestlers— the Oxford Invitational Tournament in Oxford, N.Y. The Eagles placed fourth at Oxford last year. Pat Leamy, Jim Dayter and Mike Mosley were champions in their weight classes, and 1987 captains Chris Saba and Steve Guynup were runners-up.

"I like to think we have a decent chance of doing very well," Poplaski hinted. "We have three or four people who have a good opportunity to make it to the finals. The real issue will be how many people we can get to finish in the top four. As in the past,







Queensbury (last year's Oxford

champion) will be the real team to

beat. I'm confident that we're

ready to wrestle — our attitude is

great and our preparation is

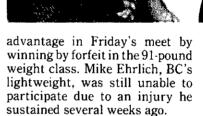
The Eagles' solid preparation

Bob Van Natten easily disposes of his Mohanasen opponent in a 145 lb. match during Friday evening's victory for Bethlehem Central. The turn is in the picture at top left, the pin takes place at top right. Coach Rick Poplaski observes the pin at left and celebrates with Van Natten at right.

Tom Knight

was evident in their victory Friday. "We looked good and did what we were supposed to," Poplaski commented. "Everybody did a very fine job. Overall, it was a nice start."

Mohonasen gained an early



Schoonover delivered an outstanding performance in his first varsity match, although it didn't end in his favor. Schoonover lost the advantage in the final seconds of the match and his opponent emerged victorious by a 13-12

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Pat Leamy, an eleventh grader, opened his third varsity season with a win, defeating his opponent by technical fall 15-0 and putting BC on the team scoreboard.

After Leamy's match, which narrowed Mohonasen's lead to 9-6 in team points, junior Eric Brown, wrestling his second varsity year, tied Mohonasen's Miek Benaquista, who placed second in Section II last year, 6-6. "I was very pleased with everyone's performance, especially Eric's," remarked Poplaski. Mike Leamy continued the Eagles' success by decisioning his match 7-1 at 119 pounds, tying the team score 11-11.

Senior Tom Nyilis lost a close match 6-5 in the 126-pound class, allowing Mohonasen to regain a temporary advantage, but BC swept the rest of the meet. John Galogly, Tom Morrison, Mike Mosley, Steve Guynup and Jim Hoffman scored pins, Chris Saba won by a technical fall, and Absar Hussein took a decision. John Reagan accepted a forfeit in the sueprheavyweight class.

Bethlehem's JV wrestling team was also victorious over Mohonasen in Friday's dual meet.

Bells, carols, egg nog at Good Samaritan home

The Good Samaritan Home in Delmar will hold a variety of holiday entertainment events for its residents and the public during the holiday season.

The Senior Bell Ringers will play at the home on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 10 a.m. On Thursday, Dec. 17, there will be a Christmas Concert with the Trent Family at

The Holiday Egg Nog party with harpist Martha Gallagher will be held Wednesday, Dec. 23, from 3 to 4 p.m. An open house for the staff's children will be held on Thursday, Dec. 24, and on New Years eve there will be a party for residents from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

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Ken Loiacano will present a concert of Christmas and Advent music for organ Sunday, Dec. 13, at 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

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Young Birds pass first test

By Matt Bates

Voorheesville's varsity wrestling team opened its season last Thursday on a winning note with a 52-6 thrashing of Cohoes. Coach Dick Leach wasn't getting over-confident, though. "We'll face a lot tougher competition," he

Leach went on to name Ravena and Schalmont as the two toughest teams in the league. There are many young wrestlers on this year's team who need more experience. The current squad is led by senior co-captains Matt Cillis and John Traudt.

the freshman's first year on with a pin in 2:52.

Wrestling

varsity after a promising JV season last year. The squad doesn't have a 98 pounder. Pat Magram will wrestle at 105. He also won by forfeit. Tim Reeth, a freshman, has received a medical okay to wrestle and will fill the 112-pound slot.

Bob Blanchard pinned his first opponent of the season in just 1:59. This is his first year at the varsity level. At 126, Chris Dell'Acqua won an easy match, At 91 pounds, Josh Vink opened getting a pin in 3:52. Tom Favida, up with a forfeit victory. This is wrestling at 132 pounds, opened

Cillis is filling the 138-pound weight class. This is his fifth year on the varsity level. Cillis easily decisioned his opponent, 7-0. Rich Leach won a 10-0 decision last Thursday at 145, Leach made a big jump in weight, up from 119 last season. Freshman James Kane is wrestling at 155. Kane has a lot of wrestling experience, and it showed in his 7-2 win.

Paul Novak at 167 outclassed his first opponent with a technical fall. Wrestling at 177 pounds will be the other captain, John Traudt. He didn't make weight but still won at 215. Christian Rooney will probably wrestle at 215 for the remainder of the year. At 250, Mario Darpino will once again fill the slot. He opened an exhibition pin in 51 seconds.

Although the results were excellent, Leach feels that there is still work to be done. "There are holes to fill," he said. "the younger guys need some more mat time." This week, the team was home yesterday (Tuesday) and on Thursday will travel to Albany Academy for a 4 p.m. meet.

Thomas Christopher wins Union scholarship

Thomas J. Christopher, a senior biology major at Union College, has been named to receive the Harry and Bess

is the son of Elaine Christopher of Coeymans.

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Voorheesville girls have 2-0 start

Basketball

By Matt Hladun

Voorheesville's girls basketball team chalked up two victories last week to jump out to a 2-0 start. The week started with an emotional victory over Ravena, the first in Voorheesville's history. They finished the week by winning big against Cohoes.

Against Ravena, with one second remaining, Tricia Carmody rebounded a missed shot and meshed it for the victory. The final was 48-47. Carmody finished with 17 points, 10 in the fourth quarter. Jen Elliott had 12.

Coach Frank Carrk felt the defensive effort was outstanding, which compensated for the slow offensive start. The girls took a 7-2 lead in the first quarter, but beyond that, the game was close, with neither team leading by more than four. Voorheesville had turned in an unbelievable ten

a one point halftime lead.

In the home opener Friday, it was another slow start. The first team struggled and was trailing at the half, 23-21.

The second half was a different story. The second team played well. They played great defense and held Cohoes to 10 second half points. The final score was 50-33. Tally Bausback had 10 points to lead the team, but every girl got to play and everyone scored. Tricia Carmody added seven points and

blocked shots.

This week the girls travel to Albany High in a non-league match. They play Lansingburgh today (Wednesday) and Mechanicville on Friday, both at home. Those two games are important because both teams are undefeated.

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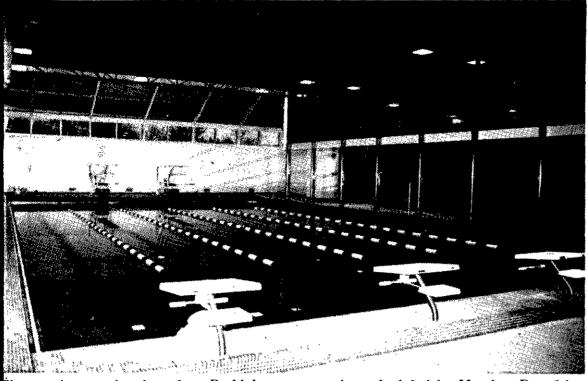
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The newly completed pool at Bethlehem Central High School awaits its grand

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Pool a question as season starts

By Sarah Scott

The BC boys varsity swim eam is looking ahead to a strong eason. Eleven swimmers have eturned, and six new swimmers ave joined the team. Despite the act that seven swimmers gradated last year, Coach Ken Neff eels that the team is strong, and vill work well together.

Neff says that part of coaching high school team is that wimmers keep coming and going, and the team constantly hanges and must continually ouild. This season's captains are Graham Sattinger and Geoff Frank, "Graham and Geoff are ble to communicate with me and ead well through example. They will do a good job." Neff declared.

The team's first meet was on Tuesday at Queensbury. Since it was the first meet of the season,

Maurer to be honored or Lake Placid treck

William Maurer, a Delmar esident, will be honored on Dec. 1 by the American Lung Association of New York State at reunion for participants in September's Adirondack-Lake Placid Run Bike Trek.

Maurer was among the top six undraisers for the event that lrew 49 bikers and raised nearly \$25,000 for the association.

Water tank painted

The water tank near the Elm Ave. Town Park was found spray painted on Friday, Bethlehem there was no way to rate the quality of the opposition. The only comparison comes from last year's Queensbury team, which was relatively strong but not outstanding. Since the pool is six lanes, Neff will enter swimmers in various events to discover who can swim these events in future

The team is still swimming at the Middle School. Neff thinks that it is hard for the team not having a pool of its own. The "grand opening" of the renovated scheduled for Dec. 14, but Neff is challenging and rewarding season.

still skeptical. "The opening is not a guarantee of our swimming there. There are still little problems that need to be resolved.

It is frustrating for Neff to be unable to train the divers. If the divers cannot train within three weeks, they may be unable to contribute because the season will be half over. The two divers, sophomore Andrew Sattinger and junior Bill McCarthy, are anxious to begin workouts off the boards instead of swimming lane events. pool at the high school is It should turn out to be a



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BC puts 3 runners on council team

By Bill Dixon

Three members of the Bethlehem Central cross country team were named to the Suburban Council all-star team, a traditional honor awarded to the 15 most accomplished runners from Council

For senior Tom Nyilis it was the third time he had been selected for the honor, while it was the first time for team captain Craig Isenberg and freshman standout Becky Arenson. In Nyilis's case, it was also the first time in the history of Bethlehem cross country that any runner had been given the nomination three times in a row. Other runners from the team had just missed qualifying.

"Brendan Mitchell and Brendan Kearse would have made it if there were more spots open; they came very close," said Coach John Nyilis, himself a leading Council force in his own right.

Individuals are named to the team by cross country coaches from each school in the Council. Factors considered important in

the nominations process include performances in the team dual meets within the Council, and the running of the Suburban Council championships. Also, regarded as important is the candidate's performance at the Sectional championships.

Bethlehem's Cross country season ended just over a month ago, with the team winning the Suburban Council dual meet championship.

Altamont museum holds open house

The Altamont Fair will present its public Christmas card, "An Old Fashioned Christmas," at the Hayes House Victorian Museum in Altamont, Sunday, Dec. 13, from 1 to 4 p.m.

The museum will be decorated with antique ornaments and Christmas decorations. Santa Claus will be there to talk with children and pass out candy. Refreshments will be served and the Suburban Sounds will provide entertainment.





Eagles show potential at Colonie

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

After a sluggish start last Tuesday, the Bethlehem boys basketball team started to fulfill their potential.

Bethlehem opened its season at Gloversville in a non-league game. The performance was sub-par, possibly because of the long bus ride, or because Gloversville completed 31 of 45 foul shots, which did nothing for Bethlehem's confidence. Despite the loss, Bethlehem's 6.8 center, Todd Wright, came up with a team-high of 31 points, 17 rebounds, and seven blocked shots. Bethlehem's point guard, John Peyrebrune, tallied 20 points. The final score was 89-75, Gloversville.

On Friday, in a four-team tournament dedicating Colonie's new gym, Bethlehem lost a heartbreaker to Shaker, 71-70, also a non-league game. According to Coach Jack Moser, the Eagles played "an excellent game" against a team that is rated as one of the top three teams in the Blue Division. Bethlehem used a lot of fast breaking in this game. Due to the team's height, they rebounded and were able to go over their opposition down the court. Bethlehem also used a combination of a zone defense up front and deployed the guards in man-to-man.

Bethlehem had the lead most of the game against Shaker, and was up by 12 points early in the second quarter. "Experience wore us down," commented Moser. The Eagles lost in the final three minutes of the game. With 32 seconds left, Bethlehem was down four points at 71-67 when Peyrebrune hit a three-point shot.

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"This game proved that we can play with the best," said Moser. Wright scored 28 points, and had 17 rebounds. Peyrebrune scored 13. Forward Jeff Hawley also played an outstanding game.

In Saturday's tourney consolation game Bethlehem topped Hudson, 77-60, for their first win of the season. Moser said the Eagles gave a "full team effort." Everyone contributed, and everyone played hard. Peyrebrune scored 10 points, Hawley had 12 points and 11 rebounds, and Blendell scored 19. Wright scored 27 points and had 13 rebounds. Neil Breslin came off the bench to score seven straight free throws.

Coach Moser's primary goal is to win the Gold Division, which would add a third division championship to BC's 1987 accomplishments in baseball and football.

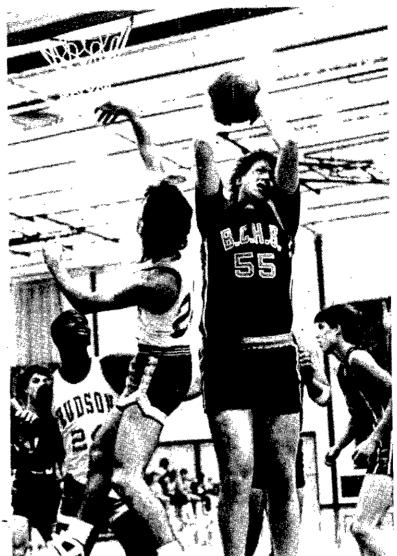
This week Bethlehem plays Scotia at home Tuesday and Niskayuna on Friday.

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Todd Wright of Bethlehem, #55, collects a Hudson rebound during Saturday night's win over Hudson in the consolation game of the tournament dedicating Colonie's new gym.

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MS group meets

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group of Albany-Rensselaer Counties will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library.

RCS spikers are $2-\overline{1}$

By Kim VanDerzee

After a week off, the RCS volleyball team got back into action last week with two wins to improve their record to 2-1.

The first match saw the lady Indians win easily over Waterford in two games, 15-7 and 15-6. Chris Gerg had nine spikes while Terri Gardner came up with six.

In the second match the Indians won over Emma Willard in two straight games, although they had to come back from deep deficits in both games. In the opener RCS rallied from a 12-4 deficit with Tammy Samsel serving up the last eight points. In the second game RCS came back from a 9-1 deficit behind the strong serving of Gerg, who served for nine points.

This week the Indians had a game Monday against Schalmont, and are in action today (Wednesday) against Tamarac. On Friday they face Albany Academy for Girls. Next week the Indians have games Monday, Wednesday and Thursday against Voorheesville, Watervliet, and a rematch with the Girls Academy...

Car burglarized

A radar detector and a checkbook were taken from a car parked in a Huntersfield Rd., Delmar, driveway between 4 and 6 p.m. Nov. 25, Bethlehem police said. The incident was reported to police on Monday, Nov. 30.

Radar detector taken

A radar detector, valued at \$325, was taken from an unlocked car while it was parked on Hannay La. between 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30, Bethlehem police said.

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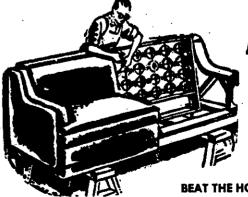
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Blackbirds outscore Indians

By Rick Leach

It was a .500 week for the Voorheesville boys basketball team as they opened with a 63-56 win over Ravena on Tuesday and ended with a 51-50 heartbreaker at Cohoes on Friday. This was the first week of league play for the Blackbirds and it evened their overall record at 2-2.

The first game of the week at home was one controlled by the Birds. John Lawrence and Marty Gordinier had 25 and 20 points, respectively, including a combined 17 in the fourth quarter. "We came out pretty tough," Coach Bob Crandall said. His team struck for a 19-15 first quarter lead and a 35-29 edge at halftime. However, Voorheesville suffered their now typical third quarter letdown and let the lead slip away, making the score 46-46 heading into the final eight minutes.

That was when Gordinier and Lawrence took over. Lawrence nailed two of his team record six three-pointers, while Gordinier provided the strong inside play. The game was still close until the final three minutes, when the hosts started to pull away, and went on to win.

Gordinier played what Crandall seemed to go right for the called "errorless basketball" as Blackbirds, as they turned the

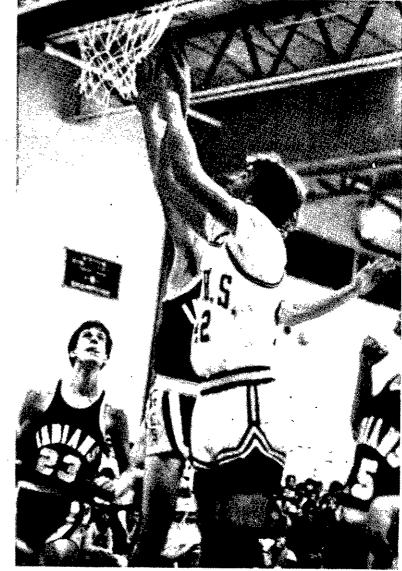
he added eight rebounds and three steals. Also playing well for Voorheesville was point guard Ed Sapienza, who had seven assists and a key three-pointer. Junior Dave Larabee added four assists and four rebounds to go along with a three-pointer of his own. Overall, the Birds shot a solid 46 percent from the field and cut their turnovers to a season-low 15. However, the Birds were outrebounded and continued their horrendous foul shooting, hitting just 4 of 11 from the charity strip.

There have been many times in the past few years when a Voorheesville basketball team has goné to Cohoes, outplayed the Tigers, and come out on the short end. Last Friday was one of those times. Despite outrebounding their hosts by 52-31, the Birds couldn't pull out the win. The Birds jumped out to an early lead, and led by balanced scoring, went up by six at intermission. The Purple-and Gold knew they had to prevent their usual third quarter lapse, and they did play the Tigers evenly to take their six-point lead into the final quarter.

With 5:15 to go the visitors clung to a 50-44 lead. That is when Cohoes put a ferocious press on, and Voorheesville seemed to lose its poise. Nothing seemed to go right for the Blackbirds as they turned the

weren't helped by the officiating. Many times in the last period a Voorheesville player drove to the hoop and appeared to get hammered but nothing was called. The last six fouls of the ball game were all called against the visitors. One of these calls was extremely crucial: late in the game Gardner Foster went up for a shot, and appeared to get fouled. As Foster went to the line waiting to take his free throws, the official said the foul was offensive, shocking everyone in the gym, including Lawrence, who protested and was assessed a technical foul. This gave Cohoes four foul shots and the ball, and they converted that into four points, tying the game at 50. Voorheesville couldn't score on their trip down the court, and Cohoes had the ball with about 1:00 remaining. They held the ball until there was one tick remaining when a Tiger drove to the basket and was fouled. After missing the first shot, he calmly nailed the next one, and Sapienza's desperation try was not to be.

This week Voorheesville had a bye on Tuesday and will try to bounce back Friday at Mechanicville, one of the early season favorites to win the league. "We have been working very hard and I think the week off will help us," said Crandall.



Blackbird Marty Gordinier, #42, contributes two points to Voorheesville's victory over Ravena. Indian Phil Nicewonger, #23, is ready for the rebound.

R.H. Davis

Oh, those fourth quarters...

By Josh Curley

The fourth quarter. Say that to Coach Jim Gorham or any member of the RCS boys basketball team and you'll probably see them shudder. Two close Colonial Council games were decided in the fourth quarter in the opposition's favor last week.

Gorham feels the losses to Voorheesville and Mechanicville, which dropped the Indians' record to 1-4, were mainly due to poor free throw shooting and a lack of confidence.

Last Tuesday Ravena went head-to-head against a highly-regarded Voorheesville squad and played "a good game" that went down to the wire. "We missed a couple of shots and Voorheesville got a few free throws," was Gorham's way of describing the final minutes of the game. This finish cost the Indians a possible upset. Though RCS played good defense and pulled down a lot of

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rebounds, the Blackbirds topped Ravena in three-point baskets (8-2) and the Indians displayed very poor foul shooting, going 4-for-15 for the night. The final 63-56 is not a good indication of how close the game was, the score being tied several times in the fourth quarter.

Friday, it again was anybody's game entering the final quarter, Mechanicville holding just a twopoint edge. But a 21-8 run in the fourth quarter gave the Raiders a 59-44 victory. Ravena's inexperience of just one returning starter from last year showed when Mechanicville put the pressure on. The Indians did put up more three-pointers in this game, connecting on seven compared to Mechanicville's two. Guard Tony Johnston scored a team high of 15 points, all five baskets coming from three-point range.

Despite the two losses, Gorham has noted some individual improvements. Center Phil Nicewonger, at 6-6 and weighing just 150, began the season being dominated under the basket by bigger centers. For the past few games, Nicewonger has fought his way inside and has produced more rebounds for the team. Johnston has also shown improvement. Though his aggressive game often gets him into foul trouble. his outside shots have high accuracy and he puts the ball up with confidence, something that the rest of the team needs to concentrate on.

Building team confidence is what Gorham is working on in preparation for the games this week. The Indians played Lansingburgh on Tuesday and will match up against top-rated Watervliet on Friday.

Tawasentha DAR to present awards

The Tawasentha Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will present its good citizen awards Saturday, Dec. 12, at 1 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

The awards are presented to high school seniors.

The meeting will also feature the film, "Endangered Wild Flowers in New York State." For information call 439-1437.

DWI charged after Delaware Ave. accident

Bethlehem police said they charged a 36-year-old Dorchester Ave., Selkirk, man with driving while intoxicated after his car collided with another on Delaware Ave. Tuesday morning.

The man failed to keep right while he was driving west on Delaware Ave. by McDonald's restaurant at 1 a.m., police said. His car collided head-on with a car driven by a Syracuse man, they said.



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Lady Eagles pick up from last year's finish

Usually a winning streak is something that is generally acknowledged to begin early in the season and not continue beyond the last game. But that is one superstition of athletics that the Bethlehem Central girls basketball team has chosen not to accept. Last season, after having suffered through several weeks of disappointing losses, the team came back to punish many of their area rivals soundly enough to earn themselves a place at the Sectional playoffs. This year the team seems to have rekindled last year's spark, which has so far yielded them an impressive preseason tally of three wins and no

The first two games pitted the Eagles against Watervliet. The season opener found everyone from Bethlehem at their best. Julie Francis and Nancy Frattura carried an offensive surge that put the Eagles ahead by 20 points. Excellent defense proved too much for a thoroughly disenchanted Watervliet.

Basketball

The second time BC met Watervliet, the opposition was much better prepared, giving the Eagles a closer match. Their defense had learned some lessons and had reorganized itself to be a more formidable barrier. But it didn't seem to do much good. Michael Gibbons scored with 44 percent of her shots, adding a valuable 14 points. Francis was also able to break through for 16 points. As had happened the week before, an aggressive Eagle offense combined with a strong defense enabled BC to win by a precarious one point, 37-36.

The Linton game saw the return of Anita Kaplan, who had been out with a hand injury. The center forward put in 23 points, Francis adding 13. The final score of 52-30 might have closer if Gibbons and Lynette Stracke hadn't set up a sticky defense.

The team's 3-0 start has given Coach Gene Lewis cause to be optimistic. "We're hoping for big things this year,", he said. "If everyone stays healthy, we ought to do well." Lewis sees this year's main target to be Shenendehowa, although Guilderland and Mohanasen are also expected to offer major challenges.

This Wednesday the team faces their first league game of the season against Linton, whom they've already soiled.

Movie on Jesus at Glenmont Reformed

'Jesus," a motion picture that has been translated into more than 100 languages, will be presented at the Glenmont Reformed Church on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m.

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Substance abuse group seeks input for grant

The Bethlehem Central School District has received a \$65,000 grant to develop a community program to battle youth substance abuse and is seeking volunteers to serve on the project steering committee.

The grant will commence on Jan. 1 and was applied for jointly by the school district, Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, Bethlehem Town Parks and Recreation and the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce.

The project and role of the steering committee will be detailed at a public meeting Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl. in Delmar at 7:30 p.m.

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.The woman first entered Peter Harris at about 4:30 p.m., browsed around and left. Police said she returned at about 5 p.m., when clerks became suspicious as she was wearing a large, long coat and carrying a duffel bag. The woman became nervous when she noticed store clerks were watching her and left the store.

Police said when she left, the automatic sensor was activated, indicating that merchandise was leaving with the magnetic clip still attached and was not paid for. Store clerks ran after her, but she left the area in a car driven by

However, the woman returned to the store about five minutes later, yelling at clerks for chasing after her, police said. When police arrived, she denied any wrongdoing and allowed the car she was riding in to be searched. Police said nothing was found and the man and woman left the area. The clothing was found after a check of the area.

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# **Obituaries**

#### Harold L. Williams

Harold L. Williams, 81, of Selkirk, a founder of Security Supply Corp and a former Bethlehem councilman, died Wednesday, Dec. 2, at St. Peter's Hospital after a long illness.

He was born in Oneonta and moved to Selkirk in 1927.

He was presdent and chief executive officer of Security Supply Corp., of Albany and Selkirk, retiring in 1965. He was a co-founder of the business in Selkirk in 1934.

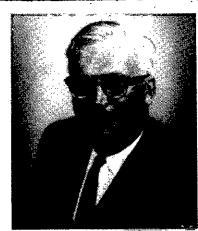
He served on the Bethlehem Town Board for 13 years until 1974. He was a member of the Selkirk Fire Department for 58 years and district chief for 23 years retiring in 1969.

"He was always a strong supporter of the southern part of the town," said Marion Camp, a former town clerk. She said the town board seemed to center around Delmar, but Williams was eager to have the board consider items for the South Bethlehem-Selkirk area.

"Harold represented the area J. Frank Hyde well and knew all the people and. their needs very well," she said.

He was also a member of the Union Free School Board (now part of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District). He was a member of the Bethlehem Grange for 66 years, past director of the Selkirk YMCA, the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service and the Greater Consistorey of the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem

He is survived by his wife,



Harold L. Williams

daughter, Jeanette Mortensen of Selkirk; a son, Harold Williams Jr. of Albany; and five grandchildren.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery, Glenmont. Arrangements were made by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Memorial Fund of the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem.

J. Frank Hyde, 76, of Delmar died Saturday, Dec. 5, in St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after a brief illness.

He was born in Lowell, Mass., and was administration manager for the Railway Express Agency of Albany, retiring in 1975 after 40

He was a member and past president of the United Commercial Travelers, a member and fourthdegree knight of the Knights of Columbus Albany Council 173.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine Grant Williams; a . Virginia White Hyde; a daughter.

Susan Burre of Clifton Park; two sons, John F. Hyde of Clifton Park and James F. Hyde Jr. of Albany; a sister, Marie A. Butler of Newton, Mass.; and nine grandchildren.

Burial will be in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery in Glenmont. Arrangements were made by the Tebbutt Funeral Home,

#### Charles L. Bragg

Charles L. Bragg, former owner Char Mar Ceramics in Slingerlands, died Saturday, Dec. 5, in Cobleskill Community Hospital, Cobleskill, after a brief

He moved to Cobleskill in 1985 after retiring from the ceramic store. He was previously employed by the Town of Bethlehem Highway Department and New York Central Railroad.

He was a member of the Slingerlands Fire Department and the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post.

He was the husband of the late Mary R. Lindsey Bragg.

He is survived by four daughters, Paula Bailey of Schenectady, Yvonne Wood of Slingerlands, Dolores Miller of Warnersville and Isabel Glastetter of Glenmont; a brother, Chester Bragg of Boston, Mass.; two sisters, Gloria LeValle and Marie Similevitch of Boston, Mass; and 20 grandchildren.

Burial will be in the Cobleskill Rural Cemetery.

#### Abbey L. Collins

Abbey L. Collins, 27, of Delmar, an archeologist, died Friday, Dec. 4 in an automobile accident.

She was born in Albany and was a long-time Delmar resident.

She was a self-employed archeologist and for the last six years supervised summer excavations in central Italy. She was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Bowdoine College in Maine. She was a graduate student at Southern Methodist University and a member of the D.E.K.E. fraternity.

She is survived by her father, Edwin L. Collins Jr, and three brothers, Edwin L. Collins III of Schenectady, Christopher H. Collins and Matthew M. Collins of Delmar.

Burial was in Albany Rural Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Tebbutt Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Hudson River Humane Society.

#### Dorothy Tice

Dorothy Croote Tice, 70, of Voorheesville, died Sunday, Dec. 6, at St. Peter's Hospital after a long illness.

for 50 years. She was a homemaker.

She was the wife of the late Kenneth E. Tice, who served as a member of the New Scotland Town Board until, his death earlier this year.

She was a member of the New Scotland Democratic Social Club and the Kiwanis Genetaska. She was a communicant of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

She is survived by a son, Kenneth E. Tice Jr.; two daughters, Janice Winters and Sandra Bleser; seven sisters, Jennie Flansburg, Elsie Montayne, Ida Stafford, Sarah Pollack, Bertha Hoit, Ethel Moltrup and Alice Relyea; three brothers, Harry Croote, John Croote and Robert Croote; and nine grand-



Lynne Carron and Joseph Alway Jr.

## Carron-Alway

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carron of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter. Lynne Michelle, to Joseph Alway Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Alway Sr. of Lake George.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the state University College at Brockport. She is employed by General Accident Insurance Company.

Her fiance is a graduate of Lake George High School and Adirondack Community College. He is employed by Key Bank, NA.

A June 11, 1988, wedding is



Thomas Connolly and Kristy Carron.

# Connolly- Carron

Delmar have announced the Douglas Tucker in East Greenbush She was born in Guilderland engagement of their daughter; Her fiance is a graduate of and was a resident of Voorheesville Kristy Marie, to Thomas Joseph Connolly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Connolly of Albany.

> The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Hudson Valley Community

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carron of College. She is employed by Dr

Bishop Maginn High School and Schenectady Community College He is employed by Michael's in

An Aug. 20, 1988, wedding is planned.

Buriai will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery, Colonie. Arrangements were made by the Reilly and Son Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

#### Winter train show

The first Winter Toy Train Show will be held at the Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension on Sunday, Dec. 13, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.

#### **Academic honors** at St. Gregory's

St. Gregory's School on Ol Niskayuna Rd. in Loudonville ha announced students receiving high honors or honors for the firs quarter of the 1987-88 academi

Local students receiving recog nition are Eric Horowitz of Delmar, grade eight; Pont Lomotan (high honors), grad seven of Delmar; Matthew Maloney, grade seven of Voor heesville; Daniel Chandler, grad five of Delmar; and Richard Popp grade five of Slingerlands.



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#### Boire-VanNatten

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boire of Champlain have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Beth of Watervliet, to John M. VanNatten, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William VanNatten of Selkirk.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the State University of New York College at Morrisville. She is employed with Community Health Plan in Latham.

Her fiance, also a graduate of SUNY Morrisville, is employed with Marine Midland Bank in

A May, 1988, wedding is planned. The couple will reside in the Capital District.

#### Hance-Kaczynski

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hance of Gouverneur have announced the engagement of their daughter, LeAnn, to David Kaczynski, the son of Mr. and Mrs John Kaczynski Jr. of Delmar.

The bride-to-be attends Clarkson College, and will graduate in May.

Her fiance is a graduate of Clarkson University and is employed by Northland Associates of Syracuse.

An October, 1988, wedding is

#### Mobile canteen irive gets boost

The Salvation Army Albany Area services Women's auxiliary has oted to contribute \$16,000 to the alvation Army Albany Area services toward the replacement of heir mobile canteen. The canteen s used to feed homeless in the Albany area and as needed for

The funds were raised at the uxiliary's annual benefit luncheon which honored Mrs. Cornelius anderbuilt Whitney of Saratoga Springs. Contributions came from oth individuals and corporations, vith specific donations made in the nemory of Clifford Allanson of Delmar. Allanson was a long-time upporter of the Salvation Army fforts and directed the senior itizen orchestra, which provided nusic for annual luncheons and ommunity senior citizen events.

A plaque in recognition of his ervice and the gifts to his memory vill be placed in the new mobile

#### AARP sets Tuesday or cookie project

The annual Christmas Cookie Project of the Bethlehem Chapter f the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will take place Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar at 1:30 p.m. Cookies will e packed and distributed to those ho are confined or in need.

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Dr. and Mrs. Mark Welch

# Married in Connecticut

Gail Sarah Sato, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sato of Bristol, Conn., and Dr. Mark Lawrence Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Welch of Slingerlands, were married July 11 in

Catherine Ciechoski was maid of honor, with bridesmaids Alyson Deraleau and Susan Sato of Bristol, sisters of the bride, Kerin Welch of Slingerlands, sister of the bridegroom, Joanne Mulkerne of Providence, R.I., Betsy Ruslander of Delmar, and Stephanie Timpany of Monterrey,

Gregory Manion of Providence

#### **BOU** meeting today

The monthly meeting of Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (BOU), an organization helping to provide alternatives for teenagers, will be held Wednesday (today) in Room 106 at Bethlehem Town Hall at 4 p.m. For information call 439-6885.

#### Kleeberg joins **Cooperative Extension**

Margaret A. Kleeberg has joined the Albany County Cooperative Extension as a cooperative extension agent. She will be responsible for conducting programs in commercial horticulture for nurserymen, greenhouse operators and members of the turf industry.

Agraduate of Cornell University, \_ Kleeberg has worked as an inventory manager and nursery assistant for Sheffield's Seed Company. She has also previously worked for the Cooperative Extension in Boston, Mass., and Tompkins County, N.Y.

served as best man, and ushers were Kirk Sato and Craig Sato of Albany, brothers of the bride; John Welch of Colombia, S.C., brother of the bridegroom; Phillip Father of Alexandria, Va.; David Morrell of Delmar; Raymond Schnoor of Troy; Dr. Evan Zahn of Aurora, Colo.; and William Kelly Jr. of Menands.

The bride is a graduate of Russell Sage College and is a paralegal with a New York City and Union College, Schenectady. law firm. The bridegroom is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and New York Medical College. He is an Army medical officer serving at Fort Hamilton. ...

#### Parents support group to meet with Loomis

The Bethlehem Support Group for Parents of Handicapped Students will meet Thursday, Dec. 10, in room 106 at the Bethlehem Town Hall at 7 p.m.

Dr. Leslie Loomis, superintendent of Bethlehem Central Schools, and Dr. Clarence Spain, district director of professional services, will be special guests at the meeting.

#### Hadassah offering entertainment coupons

The Albany-Bethlehem Chapter of Hadassah is now offering its Entertainment '88 book.

Discounts are available for area restaurants, travel, the arts, sports events and stores, and the coupons are valid until December,

Supplies are limited. To order ne book, call 439-5939.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Howes

# Tom Howes marries

Wendy Ann Maxfield, daughter of Marjorie Maxfield of Warwick, R.I., and Thomas Spore Howes, son of Harold and Alice Howes of Slingerlands, were married Oct. 3 at the Phillips Memorial Baptist Church in Cranston, R.I.

The bride, a graduate of Boston University, is the deputy managing editor of PC Week in Boston.

The bridegroom, formerly a member of the Spotlight staff, is with the production department of the New England Journal of Medicine. He is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School

The couple will reside in Natick, Mass.

#### **Delmar Post Office** continues food drive

The employees of the Delmar Post Office and the Albany County Department of Social Services are sponsoring a holiday food drive. Canned goods and monetary donations will be accepted in the Post Office lobby through Dec. 16. Donations of canned goods will also be accepted by letter carriers at area homes.



#### Santa's writing letters

Santa Claus is writing holiday notes to area children and mailing from his North Pole (New York) home. Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles who would like an area child to receive one of Santa's special letters may drop the name and address of the child in one of the area's Christmas mailboxes by Monday, Dec.

Bethlehem Police Detective Jim Corbett reports the boxes are located at area elementary schools, Bethlehem Public Library. Bethlehem Town Hall, the Paper Mill and McDonald's.





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