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Towns waking up to garbage crisis *Tests, grades or quotas?*

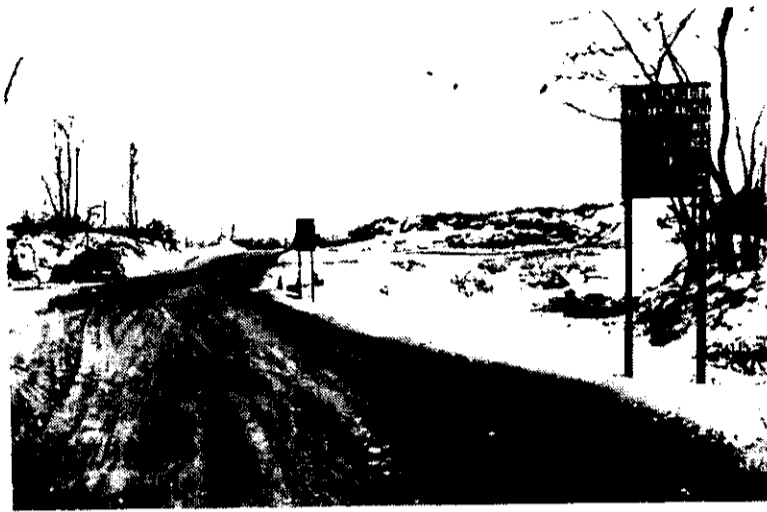
Recycling may be best option

By Bill Cote and Tom McPheeters

Nearly three years ago, Bethlehem tore down its recycling center because it was no longer "cost-effective." At the same time, the town began closing its landfill because it no longer met state environmental standards.

Now the town, in company with 13 other area municipalities including New Scotland, is faced with a solid waste crisis, primarily because the Albany landfill is the only place left to put local garbage. Recycling suddenly looks much more attractive.

The Bethlehem Town Board Wednesday adopted Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick's recommendation to establish a task force that will



Bethlehem's landfill on Rupert Rd. in the southern part of town is used only as a "hardfill" site. Residents can bring their garbage to the transfer station at the landfill. *Spotlight*

explore solid waste disposal options for the town. In New Scotland, new Supervisor Herbert Reilly says he wants to establish a

town conservation committee as early as next month in order to explore his town's options.

The issue has a real urgency

now that Albany's landfill is reaching capacity and Bethlehem and New Scotland face termination in August of 1991 of a 1983 agreement with the city for solid waste disposal.

Unless the state Department of Environmental Conservation approves Albany's application for an expansion permit, the Rapp Road landfill site will run out of space in about a year. According to Hendrick, Bethlehem could face dumping restrictions this year no matter what happens to the expansion permit.

The Bethlehem task force will be chaired by Councilman Dennis Corrigan, an environmental engineer, and is soliciting resident volunteers who may have expertise in this field or who simply have an interest in the subject.

"This is going to be a very busy committee," Hendrick said follow-

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Planning lull over

By Tom McPheeters

After a period of relative calm, Bethlehem's planning battles are expected to heat up again starting next month.

The calm was caused by the town's discovery last fall that full environmental impact statements would be required under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for several major projects, notably Delmar Village and Brookhill Village. The statements are time-consuming and costly to prepare, and the town had in the past taken the position they were not necessary for residential developments. New state guidelines have lowered the cut off point, town officials said.

Another major issue to be resolved is whether the controversial extension of the Delmar Bypass should be covered under the SEQRA rules, requiring an impact statement even though the extensions are planned as individual segments through developments.

The first project to come back into the planning pipeline will be Delmar Village, the residential development off Delaware Ave. and Orchard St. that has been the focus of much of the citizen opposition to the town's planning procedures. Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick said Delmar Village will be on the Bethlehem Town Board's agenda next Wednesday, Jan 27, at which time the board will be asked to make a "positive declaration" — meaning an impact statement will be required — in accordance with the new state regulations. There will then

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Judy Mijares, second from left, of the Albany Therapeutic Riding Center Inc. accepts a donation of \$500 dollars in memory of Cathleen Quinn last Wednesday from Beth Whitaker, president of the

Bethlehem Central High School chapter of Students Against Driving Drunk. SADD officers Maureen Ahern, left, Becky Colman, third from right, Jacqui Steadman and Barb McCuen look on.

A memorial to Cathleen Quinn

By Sal Prividera

The Bethlehem Central High School chapter of Student's Against Driving Drunk (SADD) presented a special gift to the Albany Therapeutic Riding Center Inc. last Wednesday in memory of BC student Cathleen Quinn on what would have been her 16th birthday.

Quinn was killed in an automobile crash Aug. 6 on Rt. 85 when car driven by an allegedly drunken driver crossed over the line into the path of the car driven by her mother.

SADD presented a \$500 dollar check to the riding center, which provides horseback riding to mentally and physically disabled persons. The idea of the center, located on Martin Rd. in New Scotland, is "to teach horseback riding to help people with disabilities feel they have an activity they can enjoy," said Judy Mijares, a

volunteer board member of the riding center.

The idea to make the donation in Quinn's memory came from the students, said Beth Whitaker, president of SADD. "Everybody was asking what we could do," she said. Quinn's parents, who survived the crash, suggested the riding center to the student group since their daughter was a horseback rider and members of the stable where she rode had made donations in her name to the riding center.

Most of the money, \$400, was raised by selling flowers and bumper stickers, Whitaker said. The final \$100 came from the SADD treasury, she said.

Whitaker also noted that membership in the group, which advocates driving sober, tripled after Quinn's death.

By Patricia Mitchell

Local high school principals say they see less of a problem with sex discrimination in Regents Scholarship awards than in other parts of the state. But they are concerned about the current state law intended to correct the situation, and leery about an as-yet-to-be introduced bill that would split scholarships equally between high school boys and girls.

Assemblyman John Faso, whose legislative district includes the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district and part of Bethlehem Central, said he intends to introduce a bill that would allocate half the Regents and Empire State scholarships to boys and half to girls.

Faso's bill is intended to repeal a 1987 law that was adopted in response to concerns that more boys received scholarships even though more girls take the test. The supporters of the law concluded that the Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SATs), used to award the scholarships, were biased against girls, and so mandated that the state use high school academic records as well as SAT scores in awarding the scholarships.

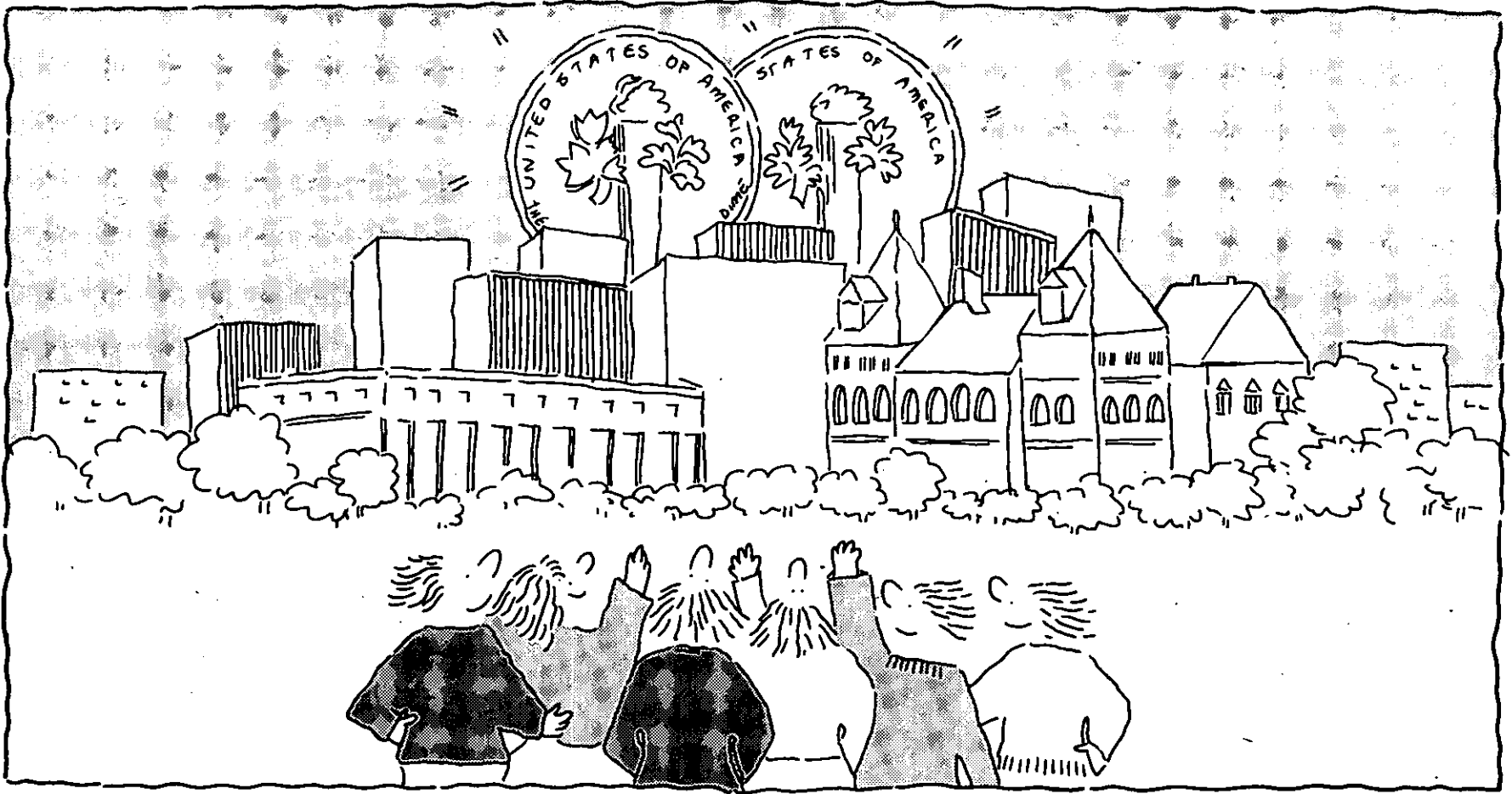
However, Faso questioned whether the current law, which he said he opposed when it was introduced, is workable. He said grades from district to district don't mean the same, and the compilation of data will waste time and money at the local and state level.

The 1987 bill will go into effect for this year's awards and will only be in effect for a year. While the SAT may not be discriminatory, Faso said, the results are. According to 1986 results, out of about 25,000 Regents scholarships, 57 percent went to boys and 43 percent to girls. And out of about 1,000 Empire State scholarships, 70 percent went to boys and 30 percent to girls. Faso did not have statistics for 1987 awards.

However three local high school principals were split in their opinion of Faso's proposal, although they said they found no disparity in scholarship awards to local high school students.

Bethlehem Central's Charles Gunner said he has no problem with sex equity in awarding the scholarships, but he believes the awards

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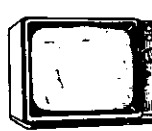

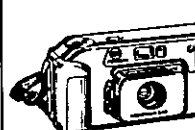
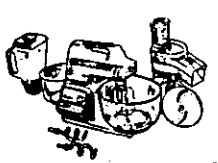


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Population stable, space tight, say BC task forces

By Patricia Mitchell

The facilities and enrollment task forces met the public for the last time this week as they prepare to make their reports to the Bethlehem Central school board. There appear to be few surprises in store.

The task forces gave a preliminary report on their work to date, and the chairmen said population has dropped off slightly in the district while space is tight at the elementary schools.

The committees' work is expected to be completed this month and Superintendent Leslie Loomis said a report will be made to the school board soon after.

The task forces, part of the facilities and enrollment committee, are studying enrollment trends and space needs in the district. After their work is done, the committee will look at future district needs based on enrollment, current space and future programs and develop options on the issue for the school board. The school board has said it expects to make a decision by the end of June.

Population in the district has dropped slightly, said Jim McGlynn, chairman of the enrollment task force, and all factors point to modest growth. The task force is trying to figure out where growth will occur and how modest it will be.

New housing starts in the district are regular during each decade, with activity up in the middle of the decade and down at the beginning and the end, McGlynn said. However, he said, housing starts may not be proportionate to enrollment, and there is also not an exact relationship between Bethlehem and population trends in the rest of the country. He said some developments in the town have

sat for years after approval without any activity.

The task force is also looking at how a large senior citizen population in the Elsmere School area will affect enrollment in that school, McGlynn said.

The school district is a draw for new families moving in, and new houses are purchased primarily by families with preschool or younger children, he said.

To pinpoint areas of growth the task force is looking at building lots approved and new developments, Loomis said. More land is

available in the Slingerlands and Glenmont areas, and land is also available in Clarksville, but not much development is expected there because of the area's rocky land.

Turning to the facilities task force, William Shustowski, chairman, said space is tight at all elementary schools, and space is limited at the middle school and the high schools. There are a few elementary schools that can be added on to, but he said there is little space available at the Elsmere School.



Assemblyman John Faso, right, recently proposed an even split of Regents scholarships between men and women, while Bethlehem Central Schools Superintendent Dr. Leslie Loomis, left, and Catskill Central Schools Superintendent Dr. John Shine look on.

□ Scholarship quotas

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are split "reasonably even" between BC seniors.

"I think (the plan) has merit if that is what the society wants," he said.

If the society is looking for its best, Gunner asked, does it look for the sex of its members or its best qualified people.

Gunner agreed with Faso that the 1987 bill will cause mass confusion because school districts do not grade the same and some could manipulate their results. It also makes an extra chore for schools to fill out data for the state.

The present system is not equitable and a new approach in awarding scholarships is needed, said RCS Senior High School Principal Victor Carrk, but he is not sure what it would be. Faso's proposal to split the awards between boys and girls looks like a solution but it could cause more problems, too, he said.

At RCS, Carrk said, a greater number of boys receive scholarships but that doesn't mean the ability isn't there. He said he was pleased someone was looking at the system for the awards.

Awards to Voorheesville Central seniors are split rather evenly between boys and girls, but Principal O. Peter Griffin said he is not in favor of legislating a 50-50 split in scholarships. He asked what would happen if there were more boys in a rural and urban districts, also demand an even split in scholarships.

Griffin said he does not believe that the SATs are biased against girls, and said that to force the results is the wrong way.

There are other ways to award scholarships, Griffin said, but he is also against the plan to use class averages because there is no way to compare them from district to district. Griffin suggested making a test for scholarship awards or using the American College Test (ACT) because over half of Voorheesville seniors take it and many colleges prefer it. It is geared closer to the curriculum that is offered and therefore results are closer to class ranking than the SAT. There has also been no bias found in the test, he said.

Up until 1977, Faso said, the state used the Regents Scholarship Test to award scholarships. He said he would prefer to use it again and that stipulation may be included in his bill. He said many superintendents and Regents were in favor of using the test also.

According to reports on Gov. Mario Cuomo's budget proposal for the fiscal year, Faso said, he has requested money for the Department of Education to develop a new test for Regents scholarship, and Faso said he would most likely support this measure after reviewing it.

little things do a big job!

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Correction

A caption in the Dec. 30 *Spotlight* of a picture of the fifth and sixth grade classes at the old Elsmere School, taken in 1928, incorrectly listed W. Gordon Morris, a member of the Albany County Legislature, as a member of the group. In fact, the person pictured eighth from the left in the top row is Gordon Morse.

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January thaw

St. Agnes' Eve — "Ah, bitter chill it was!" — is upon us, which means that only 60 more days and nights must pass before spring officially arrives.

EDITORIAL

Something there is about mid-January which serves to mingle two conflicting emotions; despair that the weather ever can improve, and dogged trust that the worst must be past.

Touching off this seemingly forlorn hope is the legend of the January Thaw. Elusive as Indian Summer is in its time, the Thaw — if and when it comes — gives heartwarming evidence of the soundness of our trust. Even for a day or two, or a few, the January Thaw does its full bit to see us through the weeks ahead. The optimism is roundly bolstered by the sudden realization that the days are indeed longer now — one of the truest harbingers that, in fact, spring cannot be far behind. (First thing you know, we'll have those televised reports of Punxsutawney Phil and his quixotic shadow.)

For now, our best contribution to the season's good tidings is the note, elsewhere on this page, from down the corridors of time by Mr. John Burroughs. If it doesn't adequately warm you spirit, try it in the fireplace!

A year from now...

Exactly a year from today (Jan. 20), we will have a new President of the United States.

It's as certain as death and you-know-what. All that separates us from that date are several months of campaigning. With that in mind, *The Spotlight* asked a not-inconsiderable number of people for their thoughts to describe the qualities they would hope to find in the man (or woman) who will face the Chief Justice on the Capitol steps in January 1989.

We thought that you'd be interested in the variety of responses. Trustworthiness was most frequently mentioned, along with sincerity and believability. Truthfulness seems to suggest the same kind of quality. Others: vigor, imaginativeness, openness, forcefulness. Experience in international affairs, experience with Congress. Strength. Courage. Fairness.

And then some more unexpected thoughts: Exciting or interesting ("I want to care!"). Good verbal abilities. And, said one interviewee, *sprezzatura*.

No one mentioned a photogenic grin.

Dusting cobwebs

With high coincidence, amid the puzzlement, consternation, and frustration created by the County Executive's offhand suggestion that the county airport be disposed of, comes a very provocative article in *Capital Region* magazine.

Titled "Gung Ho," it concerns the enthusiasm of the airport's director of development — hired last year by the County Executive — to "get airport redevelopment off the ground."

You'll read about the Albany County Master Plan, "devised in 1975 for use in guiding airport operations until 1995."

"Until the spirit moved Jim Coyne (last year; he took office just about when the plan was adopted) the airport had largely been left to turn gray and gather cobwebs."

The article's focus is on the advanced thinking of the director of airport development, whose name is Howard Goldstock. He seems to see it in terms of comparability to Hartford's Bradley Field. (You'll learn, in passing, that the airport handles less than a third of the flights it was designed to handle — because "it is used as a slower-paced training round for air-traffic controllers.")

Mr. Goldstock wants additional flights, along with more parking (a state-of-the-art garage), another fixed-base operator, restaurants.

These are represented as ideas, if not plans, by the man brought in last year by the county to lead us toward "development" of the airport it wants to get rid of this year.

The people who become excited about "openness in government" ought to latch onto this kind of nonsense.

Word for the week

Panache (pah-nosh, accenting second syllable): Dash, swagger, verve — deriving from the first meaning — a bunch of feathers of a plume, especially on a helmet.

Some of us prefer ARC's project

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a resident of Krumkill Road area for 17 years I'm touched by the concern of our newer residents who reject ACR (Association for Retarded Children) for "looks" sake.

There is a new home near the proposed ARC site that has two lights on either side of a driveway that look like a cart coming at one on the same side of the road. Until you get used to it, it was quite a surprise.

The traffic is already triple from a few years ago with cars coming and going to their new homes and these taking short cuts to the main roads.

If the ARC project is defeated it

Vox Pop

will mean more homes with two or more cars per family, thereby increasing traffic flow day and night.

At least with ARC, we know we won't have increased traffic at night.

We are a volunteer fire protected district.

The distinction of living in the Krumkill Road area apparently does not include the distinction of volunteering to aid a neighbor in the middle of the night.

Our membership has not increased with the building of

new homes, nor will it. It takes a special kind of person to be a volunteer. Perhaps those who haven't realize it.

The ARC project appears much more desirable.

Carolyn Decerce

North Bethlehem

The writer is a member of the North Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary. The Albany County Chapter of the Association for Retarded Children is proposing to build a 72,400 square foot school and workshop on land at the intersection of Blessing and Krumkill roads. The application is being considered by the Bethlehem Board of Appeals.

Make Bethlehem safer

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited has sent a letter to all area retailers of alcohol thanking them for their concern for the youth of our community by not allowing them illegal access to alcohol.

Parents, teachers, community members, police and school representatives, and young people as well, have become increasingly

aware of and concerned about "house parties" where alcohol is served. Serving alcohol to minors is illegal and the liability of a homeowner, or a retailer, is extensive.

Let us join together to make Bethlehem a safer place for our young people and for all of us throughout the New Year.

Holly Billings

Delmar

Festival of Trees memorable experience

Editor, The Spotlight:

Your participation in the Festival of Trees contributed to this year's beautiful success and certainly to the joy of the increasing thousands delighting in the exhibit.

We deeply appreciate your generous support for this annual

project of the Women's Council of the Albany Institute of History and Art. You helped provide those of all ages — from far and near — a warm and memorable experience.

Betty B. Crumney

Albany

St. Gregory's drive surpasses food goal

Editor, The Spotlight:

The eighth grade class of Saint

Gregory's would like to thank you for your help in publicizing the 1987 Thanksgiving Food Drive at the school

We not only reached our goal of 4,000 pounds of food, but surpassed it by 1,300 pounds. Included in the 5,300 pounds were the 59 turkeys we collected.

Thanks to your help, it has been a record breaking year. We are most grateful for your support.

Mark Dallas

Loudonville

BOU gets donation from Lions Club

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited received a generous donation of \$100 from the Bethlehem Lions Club in support of the goals of BOU.

Holly Billings

Delmar

Meditations on winter

The country is more of a wilderness, more of a wild solitude, in the winter than in the summer. The wild comes out. The urban, the cultivated, is hidden or negated.

Man lets go his hold upon the earth; little deeds are deep buried beneath the snow; the best-kept grounds relapse to a state of nature.

Under the pressure of the cold, all the wild creatures become outlaws, and roam abroad beyond their usual haunts. The partridge comes to the orchard for buds, the rabbit comes to the garden and lawn, the crows and jays come to the ash-heap and corncrib, the snow buntings to the stack and to the barnyard. The sparrows pilfer from the domestic fowls, the pine grosbeak comes down from the north and shears your maples of their buds. . . The red squirrels find your grain in the barn or steal the butternuts from your attic.

In fact, winter like some great calamity, changes the status of most creatures and sets them adrift. Winter, like poverty, makes us acquainted with strange bedfellows.

John Burroughs

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I think that most everyone reading this can identify with those unseen sounds. Here in Our Town, there seem to be no end of tracks snaking their way along, generally quite close to clumps of dwellings. As you come across them while driving during daylight hours, it's quite possible to get the impression that these are abandoned tracks, relics of another time. And perhaps some may be, but the fact is that some or most of these lines really are in use. Those whistles are blasting out of genuine trains, not ghosts. (Aren't they?)

In Bethlehem and New Scotland, there's no such thing as "living on the wrong side of the tracks," because you can find those railroads all over the place. So, as I was saying, you probably hear the whistles just as we do at our house — echoing through the dark.

The night appears to be the enchanted hours on these lines, for that's when I, at least, can hear the trains. This ghostly music is appropriate to the time



and situation, conveying as it does the assurance that some things really don't change completely. How much better to hear a train in the near distance than a truck's rumble or the whine of heavy traffic or a jet's roar. And if you happen to be close enough, listen, too, to the satisfying click-click of the wheels as they cross a joint while the train is gathering momentum.

I suppose that the reason for the night sounds and the night travel is that these are freight trains. No more travel by rail for passengers out here, as there was in lost years. What a great thing that was and — fancifully — might be once again. Just think of Dad (boater firmly on, collar neatly buttoned in place, cuffs safely above shoe tops) dropping off the steps of the coach after a day at business. Think of taking the oldest daughter shopping in the city or the convenience of a quick ride through the countryside. And how about a family picnic out toward the Helderbergs, with no

cares except a reminder to catch the last local back!

The possibilities (or at least the dreams) are endless. We might be able to recapture some of the lovely old depots from their afterlife as boutiques on the one hand or as storage sheds on the other. True, there's a problem about the station at the far end, unless Norstar would be willing to let us take back part of Union Station. Perhaps Governor Lundine will cooperate in finding a suitable location or two. . .

One of the great romances this country has ever known is the romance of rail travel. For those short day trips, bouncing on the green plush seats; wiping an occasional cinder away; refreshing with odd-tasting water in folding paper cups; Overnight trips cosily embedded while folks outside at stations or crossings watched with envy the majesty of this assured giant carrying her passengers off to places unknown. Even business-like day trips down the Hudson Valley — the view of Storm King alone is worth the day.

Has there ever been a friendlier assortment of men in all of time than the engineers, the firemen, the brakemen who waved so genially from their lordly posts. They could go, we were earthbound, wonderstruck. (And speaking of wonders, what mysteries the caboose held on the freights!) And for those almost-once-in-a-lifetime crosscountry journeys:

"Dinner in the diner —
"Nothing could be finer. . ."

CONSTANT READER

'Kittens in the oven'

Reviewing weekly magazines can be very tricky for Constant Reader because they appear and become outdated so quickly in relation to our own deadlines. But the Jan. 18 issue of *Time* can't be passed up.

"The American Scene" section features, "A Town and Its Paper," the town being Ellsworth, Maine, and the paper being the *American*, edited by James Russell Wiggins, now 84 years old.

Ellsworth, about two-thirds of the way up the Maine coast, is filled with friendly folks, says *Time*'s writer Ted Gup, a member

of the Washington staff who was a poet when last seen by Constant Reader. Friendly? "They can't help themselves. But Down Easters draw a line between outsiders — people from away — and locals. You can be born in Hancock County (Ellsworth is county seat) and still not be judged a local if your parents were 'from away.' They say, 'A cat can have her kittens in the oven and call them biscuits. Doesn't make it so.'

"Ellsworth has reason to be wary of outsiders, who come here seeking tranquility and disturb what tranquility there is. They clog streets, drive up land prices, and bring with them some anxieties they hoped to escape. And they talk funny. . . These days lawyers and real estate agents seem to outnumber clergymen and clam diggers. Even the lilting Down East accent, once spoken as if it were passing over a dip on a backwoods road, is losing its curls.

"Many fear the region is losing its identity. It is the *American* that is helping to preserve that identity, holding itself up as a mirror of community interests, passions, and humor in uncertain times."

As for the editor: "He belts out incendiary editorials, writes a sometimes syrupy nature poem, and, until recently, had a paper route. . . He grabs onto every

subject like a pit bull. He enjoys citing the saying that a newspaper should 'comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.' As a former executive editor of the *Washington Post* and one time U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, he "retired" to the *American* several years ago. 'Happiness,' he says, 'is an old age shared with Ben Franklin's three faithful friends: an old wife, ' an old dog, and ready money.' " (Humph! Ed.)

In the *American*, "nothing is read more closely than the court page, a list of everyone caught speeding or driving tipsy or lobstering without a license."

Elsewhere in *Time* you would find a quite fascinating profile on Alexander Haig (last in a series on the candidates), which gives his version of that famous incident in 1981 following President Reagan's shooting, "I am in control here." In TV and radio ads now being shown in New Hampshire, "Haig calmly recalls how, in a 'dangerous atmosphere,' when the Pentagon was on nuclear alert and Moscow was confused, he had come forward and 'said what had to be said.' He leans into the camera and confides, 'I'd do it again.'"

The writer, Alessandra Stanley, notes: "If nothing else, the 1988 campaign gives Haig a chance to vindicate himself; he is not crazy,

Success on Gay Street

Sue Hanson, coordinator of Adult Residential Services for the Capital District Chapter of the New York State Association for the Learning Disabled, supervises the chapter's residence in Delmar. She holds the degree of Master of Social Work, and has been in her present position for the past two years, after three years as a residence counselor and social worker for Wildwood.

By Sue Hanson

I'd like to offer a timely report card on 10 relatively new Bethlehem residents, exactly a year and a half after they arrived here.

POINT OF VIEW

The 10 — six men and four women — live on Gay Street in Delmar, a few hundred yards south of Bethlehem Central High School.

They are learning-disabled and neurologically impaired young people (between the ages of 20 and 33) who have complex handicaps.

When the Gay Street residence was being planned in 1985-86 by Wildwood Programs (as the Capital District Chapter of the New York State Association for the Learning Disabled is known), some apprehension existed among neighbors in the area. For what is by far the most part, that apprehension has been dissipated, and we are gratefully finding that, with a single exception, neighbors are very supportive of the residence, its occupants, and their special needs. The residents are increasingly accepted in our evolving integration in the immediate neighborhood. Now we hope to be able to reach out successfully farther into the area so that any remaining questions can be answered.

Our good relations with neighbors take many forms. Staff and residents alike will join, for instance, in pushing a neighbor's car that's stuck. On the other hand, neighbors came to the house and pumped the basement out when the power failed in October. By invitation and on the basis of easy familiarity, our neighbors and their children feel free to use our pool during the summer. Many were guests at our anniversary barbecue picnic in July.

We've had the benefit of having three young women from Delmar serving as counselors. I regard them as symbolic of the cordial relationship with the town, which began during the planning stages, when we were necessarily in frequent contact with Bethlehem officials, who were most helpful.

Our residents, who come to us from throughout the Capital District — from Valatie to Ballston Lake — are keen to take part in local activities. These range from shopping, church attendance, and swimming at the town park, to regular visits to the Bethlehem Public Library, and enthusiastic spectator roles at BCHS football and basketball games.

The complex medical needs of some residents and equally complex social/behavioral problems of others, require in some cases one-to-one staffing. The staff includes, under my direction, a residence manager (Trudy Foncree, recently promoted from an assistant's position), two assistant managers, residence counselors, and a social worker. In addition, specialists come to Gay Street for psychological counseling and nursing.

Our 10 residents, all of whom have been with us since the residence opened in July 1986, will remain so long as they need the level of service which we provide there. The nature of their handicaps will not go away; they will require the kind of residential service that we offer there, or assistance similar to it elsewhere. It is foreseeable that perhaps two of the residents may progress to other, less restrictive, places.

We do feel that the residents exhibit encouraging signs of growth. One young man, who refused to go to work or leave his mother, now is very involved in the residence and is working effectively full-time in a workshop type of employment.

Now he regards Gay Street as "home." So does a young woman, still in her 20s, who has progressed from feeling like a "bag lady" to a happy, cooperative resident in what is her first real home.

he is in control, and he feels he was right in his losing battle against his small-minded colleagues in the Reagan White House.

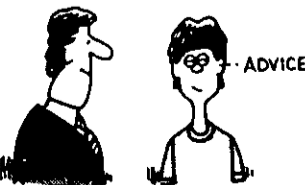
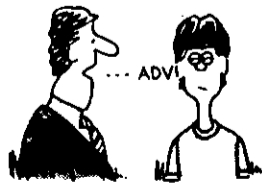
"On the campaign trail, only Jesse Jackson has as much panache. Genial one moment, Haig can then lower his voice, narrow his eyes in what an aide once described as a 'laser blue death ray' and deliver a bitter, blistering attack on George Bush.

His contempt for Bush is genuine."

See another article reporting how the Vice President "Aggressively dodges Iran's cam," with a sidelong on Bob Dole's "not-quite-disarming smile."

The cover story in *Time*, by the way, is on Andrew Lloyd Webber, genius of *Phantom of the Opera* now on Broadway, and a long string of earlier hits.

Berry's World



Jim Berry

Police, canine unit collar taxi robber

A pair of Albany youths have been charged with robbery and kidnapping after they allegedly seized a taxi early Sunday morning, Bethlehem police said.

Charged with first degree robbery and second degree kidnapping, both felonies, are Ralph "Paco" Villanueva, 16, and Raoul "Peurto Rocco" Briones, 17, police said. They are also expected to be charged with illegal possession of a weapon, said Bethlehem Police Detective John Cox.

A taxi driver from OK Cab Co. in Albany picked up two fares at the Price Chopper Supermarket on Delaware Ave. in Albany at about 12:15 a.m. Sunday, to drive them to Second Ave. in Albany, Cox said. On Second Ave., the two passengers told the driver that he had passed the bar they wanted to go to, and the driver turned the car around and stopped in front of the bar.

One of the passengers then allegedly took out a handgun, put it to the driver's head and demanded his money, Cox said. After seeing several other taxis in the area, the pair apparently became nervous, Cox said, and ordered the man to drive. After being searched twice by the passengers, the driver was robbed of about \$250, police said.

The cab headed south out of the city on Rt. 144, and Cox said the driver begged the passengers to be let go, saying they could take the car. The passengers eventually decided to let him go, and they took off with the cab while the driver went to the Samaritan Shelter on Rt. 144 and called police.

Cox said the suspects allegedly drove up Wemple Rd. off Rt. 144 and somehow ended up off the road. They walked along Wemple Rd., crossed some railroad tracks

and eventually ended back on Rt. 144.

After the driver called police, Bethlehem police began searching the area and a canine unit from the Albany Police Department was called in. After meeting the Albany police unit on Rt. 9W at Corning Hill Rd., Bethlehem Officer Wayne LaChappelle said, they drove down to Rt. 144 and spotted a youth fitting one of the suspect's description running across the road at Sears Oil Co. LaChappelle and the canine unit drove onto the property and saw a suspect run through the woods and crouch down. According to police reports, one suspect was eventually arrested with the help of Albany's dog.

The second suspect also ran through Sears Oil Co. land to the Hudson River, and two jackets were found in the area. Cox said the area was thoroughly searched because police were afraid that the suspect may have fallen into the river. Cox said police searched the area for the second suspect until about 7 a.m. He was picked up by police at his Albany home later that morning.

The .38 caliber gun allegedly used by the suspects was reported to be stolen from a car parked by the Washington Ave. Armory in Albany earlier Saturday night along with a cellular telephone. Cox said the second suspect told police he last had possession of the gun and dropped it into a small stream in the area. Police pumped out the stream and searched the area but did not find the gun, Cox said, but it was found in another location later.

The cab driver was not hurt in

the incident, but Cox said he was very scared.

The two suspects were arraigned in front of a Bethlehem Town judge and sent to the Albany County Jail without bail. They were due to be back in town court Tuesday (yesterday).

Project Wild workshop

A Project Wild workshop will be held on Saturday, Jan. 30, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Five Rivers, Game Farm Rd., Delmar. The workshop, open to teachers and youth leaders will introduce environmental education activities emphasizing Wildlife in Learning Design.

Participants attending this training will be given a Project Wild activity book and other teaching materials. This winter session will also include a snowshoeing activity. To register or to obtain more information, call 453-1806.

Pancake breakfast

The Elsmere Fire Co. will hold their annual pancake breakfast on January 24, 8 a.m. to noon at the fire house on Poplar Dr. The all-you-can-eat breakfast includes pancakes, french toast, sausage, orange juice, coffee and milk. There is a \$3 donation for adults, \$2 for children and preschoolers may eat for free.

Wallet taken at school

Bethlehem police said a wallet belonging to a worker at the Bethlehem Central Middle School was taken between 3:30 and 6 p.m. Jan. 8 from a closet in the faculty room. In the report to police on Wednesday, police said the wallet contained \$80, checks, credit cards and identification.

Union, town near pact

After more than a year without a contract, the Bethlehem Police Officers Union and the town may be signing an agreement within a short time.

Bethlehem Police Officer Marvin Koonz said last week the two sides have reached a tentative agreement, with a few areas still to be resolved. He declined to list the areas still being negotiated. The police officers have been without a contract since Jan. 1, 1987.

Supervisor Robert Hendrick said Friday there have been three sessions with a mediator from the Public Employees Relations Board after an impasse was declared in the talks in November. He said he is "optimistic" about a settlement.

The impasse was declared by the town after a year of negotiations. The town said it requested a mediator because of the slow pace of negotiations and because the union had introduced new issues at the last negotiating session.

The main areas of dispute in the contract talks have been salary, a 20-year retirement plan and sick leave.

The union is being represented by Council 82, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and the town is using Delmar attorney Melvin Osterman.

In a related matter, Koonz said he has been reelected president of the local for the third straight year. Other union officials named were Stephen Demarest, vice president; Joseph Mosca, treasurer; Michael McMillen, secretary; and Vincent Rinaldi, sergeant-at-arms. All are police officers.

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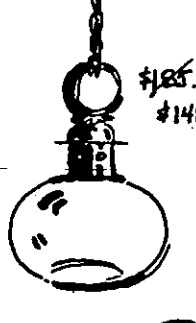
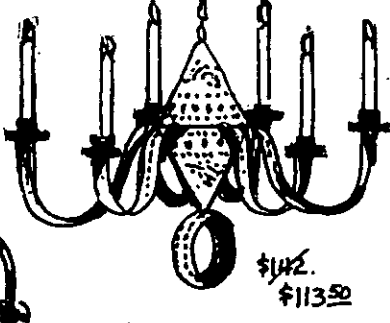
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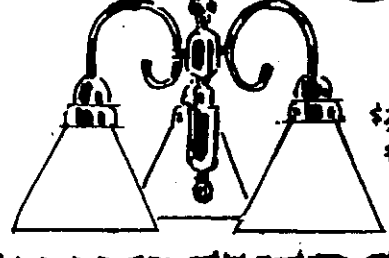
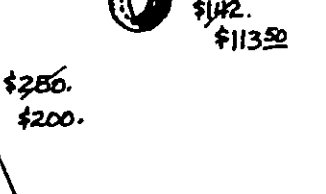
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□ The garbage crisis

(From Page 1)

ing the meeting. In addition to monitoring the city's efforts to extend the landfill and looking into short-term solutions if that fails, Hendrick said he wants the task force to:

- Monitor the progress of a current tri-county study being conducted by the state Environmental Facilities Corporation on the feasibility of a privately developed and operated "resource recovery facility." That study is expected to take six to eight months, "and the implementation of any of its recommendations (is) even further into the future," Hendrick told the town board. If the corporation recommends a burn plant, serious siting problems could develop, as they have elsewhere in the Capital District. The task force would provide the town's input into the study.

- Propose amendments to local laws and procurement specifications to encourage purchasing of recycled materials

- Investigate the feasibility of establishing a town recycling

Burns resigns his party post

Newly elected Bethlehem Councilman Bob Burns has resigned as vice chairman of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee, fulfilling a campaign promise.

Burns is the first elected Democratic town office holder in Bethlehem. In his letter to party Chairman William Burkhard said he expects to remain as a committeeman in the 25th District.

"In order to assure the residents of the town of Bethlehem that my greatest priority would involve public policy rather than politics, I thought it best to remove myself from any key role on the committee," Burns wrote.

Burkhard said the committee would meet later this month to select a successor.

project and develop guidelines for its operation. Albany is already planning to establish a pilot recycling project as a way to reduce refuse going to the landfill, and correspondence from the state indicates that Bethlehem and other towns will be forced to make an effort in that direction also. The question is how extensive that effort will be.

The town's recycling center on Adams St., which closed in April, 1986, was a dropping off point for old newspapers, magazines, cans and bottles. It was closed by the town after the market for newsprint and other materials declined, and town officials said the center had been sparingly used in any event.

Hendrick said the task force should consider the possibility of door-to-door collection of waste that has been separated for recycling. That would involve a good deal of effort by individual residents, and also some system of compartmentalizing the collection, now done primarily by private haulers. The expense would be considerable, Hendrick said.

"I think you'll have to weigh the cost against the reduction in tonnage," he said.

Hendrick said the task force may also look at the possibility of a more centralized transfer station. The town still owns the Adams St. site of the former recycling center and the old Waldenmaier property on Rt. 32, which was to be the site for a larger transfer station. The current transfer station is at the Rupert Rd. landfill.

Albany New York Solid Waste Recovery System, ANSWERS, was to be the energy crisis' solution to the solid waste disposal dilemma. Brought to focus in the late 1970's, the plan boasted tremendous fuel savings. According to a city-published brochure on the facility, the refuse/fuel has half the heating value of coal by weight. The

state's Sheridan Avenue facility uses the process to generate steam for heating and cooling the Capitol building, Alfred E. Smith building and the Empire State Plaza.

Trash brought to the ANSWERS plant on Rapp Rd. is separated and combustibles are shredded. Ferris metals are recycled. Ash from burning is to be recycled depending upon the marketability of salvageable products in it, such as aluminum and glass. The process reduces the volume of solid waste by 80 percent. Landfill capacities were calculated for these conditions. Plans change.

Timothy E. Fiato, a representative for EAC Systems, explained Wednesday what went wrong. He told the town board that the state's steam generation plant was a year behind schedule when the system was put into effect. Albany had already contracted for disposal with 14 communities and had nowhere to burn. The bulky waste was put directly into the landfill site and consequently a 20-year landfill may be exhausted within ten years. Fiato said that limits in the emissions control system of the facility further reduced production capacity. At present rates the current landfill will be full by February 1989. EAC is doing all that it can to responsibly add life to the site, he said.

Fiato spoke very favorably of a recycling effort to reduce the amount of material flowing to the plant. He also focused upon the need to stimulate the demand side of the equation rather than concentrating only on reducing the supply of solid waste to the plant. He said New York State should create markets for recycled goods by mandating a percentage of consumed goods to be recycled. This would make money available to recyclers, he said. But, he continued, "New York State feels that solid waste is a local problem."

Fiato wouldn't make a prediction

regarding which localities would have priority and which would be the first to go as the problem reaches critical levels. Bethlehem is the fifth largest waste producer in ANSWERS, according to his statistics. The town creates 19,772 tons of solid waste annually, compared to New York State at 49,000 tons, Schenectady at 46,710 tons, Albany at 40,466 tons and Guiderland at 29,000 tons.

Both Bethlehem and New Scotland have been forced to stop using their landfills for sanitary waste and are in the process of closing them. Bethlehem operates

a "transfer station" at its Rupert Rd. site, where residents can bring their own refuse for disposal. New Scotland's landfill was recently cited for a number of violations, including evidence of unapproved burning, unlabeled barrels and unrestricted access.

Approval of the request for expansion of Albany's landfill site is the critical factor now. Bethlehem and other municipalities in the system are supporting the city's case with letters and lobbying, but approval is far from certain because of the environmentally sensitive Pine Bush site.

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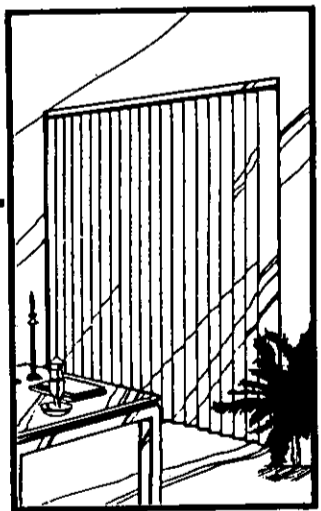
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Victorian ambience for carriage house

By Allison Bennett

When George N. Best built his palatial home and carriage house in the French Second Empire style at Cedar Hill between 1881 and 1885, little did he imagine that the same carriage house would today be converted into a charming home by Vincent and Sheila Giordano.

Best was a self-made man and later became an ice baron. He started work at age 17 on his brother's farm. He and his brother soon entered into partnership in the lumber business. Later George Best worked as a foreman for the English Brothers lumber dealers and was taken into partnership. This firm was also engaged in the ice business. During 1878 Best moved to Castleton, N.Y., and with his partner bought Campbell Island in the Hudson River opposite Cedar Hill. They erected huge ice houses here and shipped the ice via barges to New York City. In 1881 Best bought the property on the west side of the river. His former home still stands on a bluff overlooking the river.

Best and his wife, Ursula, lived

TIMES REMEMBERED

Allison Bennett



there until 1918, when the property was sold to the Fred Schifferdecker family. The ice house burned in 1923 and was never rebuilt because by then the handwriting on the wall showed that the electric refrigerator would be the ice maker of tomorrow.

Howard Vagale of Cedar Hill purchased the property in 1938 and divided the mansion house into four apartments. While the focus of our story is to be the carriage house, visitors will notice the hauteur of the exterior of the former mansion and appreciate the palatial walnut staircase and the original ceiling fixture in the entrance hall, as well as the wrought iron porch light illuminating the front entrance doorway.

Near the main house and surrounded by huge fir trees is the carriage house that served

just that function and was never a "barn" in that sense of the word. This building is built in a companion style to the house, with its sophisticated French mansard roof and cupola. Originally, when the Giordanos purchased the property in 1979, they planned to renovate the house into a one-

family residence, but then they became aware of the possibilities of the large carriage house and decided that they would make that their home. The building was an empty shell, except for the southeast corner, which contained a small apartment. The building's interior was panelled with wooded wainscoting and much of that has been saved and used again. The Giordanos had to begin their project by changing some bearing beams, installing a heating system, new wiring and water piping, adding bathrooms, insulating walls, changing old openings and putting in new ones. What has evolved from this

herculean task, much of which was completed by Vince Giordano himself with credit given to *The Old House Journal*, is a liveable, attractive home with much potential in areas that are not yet completed.

The former horse stalls, each of which had a small window above, has now become Vince's workroom and part of the two-car garage. The main entrance and stair hall is on the north side where the carriages were stored in former days, and the dining-kitchen area faces the river. The dark wood kitchen cabinets resemble the wainscoting that once covered the

This mansion along the Hudson River at Cedar Hill was built in 1885 by George Best and has been renovated by Vincent and

Sheila Giordano. On The Cover: The weather-vane atop the Giordano's carriage house.

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A view from the river bank of the Giordano carriage house and their property at Cedar Hill.

interior walls of the building. The counter tops are made of white tile. An island counter divides the work space from the eating area. Here the walls have a chair rail, made from old woodwork taken from the adjoining apartment. Above the blue painted railing a flower and trellis wallpaper, along with the blue carpet and Victorian dining furniture and a marble topped server cabinet, adds a cozy touch. A delft and brass chandelier picks up the color scheme. Beyond the dining area a small room houses a washer and dryer and leads into the garage area.

From the entrance door a stairway leads up to the mansard section that makes up the second story of the carriage house. Here the old hay boom has been refinished and left in place, but the opening through which the bales came has now been converted with French doors that lead out to a small balcony. The upstairs living room, space is divided by the stairway and carpeted with a deep green rug. At one side of the stairs a white leather sofa and chair, as well as the rattan and chrome coffee tables, complement the white wicker throne chairs and the off-white painted turn of the century ice box that now serves as a liquor cabinet. A collection of children's chairs hold pots of green plants. Across the stairwell the electric mix of old and new furniture is picked up with a small Victorian

love seat and chairs of the same vintage, as well as a marble topped table that Sheila, an airline stewardess, brought home from Tennessee. A large Victorian mirror hangs above a small table that displays Sheila's collection of crystal decanters.

The living room area has some walls completely panelled in pine, placed on the diagonal, that gives a very interesting effect, similar to the original wainscoting. The window walls are white and the

dormers panelled, which gives them architectural distinction. Here too the white painted walls have been panelled to a chair rail with the diagonally placed pine. At one side of the living area a platform has been built, one step high. Upon the platform is placed an oriental rug and large flat-topped desk in dark wood.

One guest bedroom opens from the living room and is furnished in Victorian style with pretty white lace curtains that match

the bed covering. A large marble top dresser and herb wreaths in the windows give a warm ambiance to the room. There is also another small guest room that is furnished with Vince's childhood maple bed, dresser and his small roll top desk, originally gifts from his grandfather. A modern bath complements these two rooms. Over the garage area is the master bedroom suite. The lavender appointments reflect Sheila's favorite hue. A dark purple carpet covers the floor from wall to wall, and a brass bed carries out the Victorian theme as does a large pier glass mirror that must be used in rooms with twelve foot ceilings.

Above the living room area is the opening that gives a view into the roof cupola and adds light to the living room area. In summer the cupola serves as a thermal chimney. In winter the opening is closed with a piece of double glass that provides insulation.

Outdoors on the river side a large slate patio has been constructed where Sheila says "we live all summer." Atop the cupola there is a brass weather vane shaped as a four-wheeled sulky with driver. This is said to be unusual as most sulkies have two wheels. This type of vane was popular at the time the house was built, but is a curiosity today. Vince Giordano plans to reinstall the wooden railing around the roof, which was removed for installation of a new roof.

The property on Winne Road in

Cedar Hill has certainly been a challenge to the Giordanos, and they still have a long way to go to make it all into the place of their ideal. However, they are energetic, skilled and dedicated to restoring this once glorious property. Their enthusiasm spills over on the visitor. Their appreciation of the better things of our past is very obvious in the comfortable and charming carriage house restoration that has resulted in a charming home.

Cherry Hill seeks volunteer guides

Historic Cherry Hill in Albany, a house museum, is seeking volunteer tour guides to begin training in the spring. Guides would conduct tours for adult and family groups on weekends.

Interested individuals should have an interest in local history and a desire to serve in a professionalized volunteer capacity.

Training will begin Saturday, March 12, at 9 a.m. and will include lectures, slide presentations and workshops. To volunteer call 434-4791 by Feb. 20.

Feura Bush seniors to hear about wills

The Feura Bush Senior Citizens will have a luncheon at 1 p.m. on Jan. 20 at the Jerusalem Reformed Church in Feura Bush. Rev. Norman Tellier will talk on estate planning and wills. All senior citizens in the area are welcome. Call 439-0584 for information.

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THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

Town of Bethlehem, Town Board second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Board of Appeals, first and third Wednesdays at 8 p.m. Planning Board, first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Town offices are open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

Village of Voorheesville, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board, first Wednesday at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants, conservation's advisory council, as required, 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 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 district offices in 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.

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 Welcome Wagon visit. Monday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

LaLeche League of Delmar, meets one Thursday each month to share breastfeeding 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, helps for youths interested in part-time work, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information, 439-2238.

WEDNESDAY 20
JANUARY

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 Wednesdays at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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Defensive Driving Course, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-5 p.m., continues on Jan. 21. Information, 439-3913.

Photo Program, with pictorial historian Morris Gerber, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Registration, for Emergency Medical Technician training, Glenmont Job Corps, Rt. 144, 7-9 p.m. Information, 767-9371.

Delmar Progress Club, Antique Study Group program, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m.

AIDS Seminar, "Aids in the Community and in the Schools," Delmar Reformed Church, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9929.

Embroiderer's Guild of America, monthly meeting, Delmar United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Information, 477-4511.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Albert and Roxanne Lawrence, 16 Fernbank Ave., for variance under Article XIII, Delmar, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

Feura Bush Senior Citizens, fellowship and lunch with guest speaker, Rev. Norman Teller on estate planning, Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, noon.

League of Women Voters, meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 9:30 a.m. Information, 439-7063.

THURSDAY 21
JANUARY

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.

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.

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.

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

Silver Bullets Square Dance Club, mainstreet 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.

area arts

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

THEATRE

"Mrs. California," Capital Rep, through Feb. 7, Tuesday-Friday, 8 p.m., Saturday, 4:30 and 9 p.m., and Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Tickets, 462-4531.

"Hizzoner," Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts, The Egg, Albany, through Jan. 23. Tickets, 443-5111.

"Nunsense," Cohoes Music Hall, through Feb. 2, Tickets, 235-7969.

"The Blaspheming Moon," Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga, Jan. 20, 8 p.m. Tickets, 583-0022.

"Fifth of July," Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., through Jan. 31, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m., Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Tickets, 462-1297.

"The King and I," Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Jan. 27 and 28, Jan. 27, 8 p.m., Jan. 28, 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets, 382-3884.

MUSIC

Northeasterly Winds, woodwind and brass ensemble, concert of serenades, State University at Albany Performing Arts Center, Albany, Jan. 23, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

Empire State Repertory Orchestra, performing works of Rossini and Copland, Philip Livingston Middle School, Albany, Jan. 24, 3 p.m. Tickets, 438-8868.

Parley of Instruments with Paul O'Dette, lute, mandolin and theorbo, Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, Jan. 24, 3 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

FOLK

John Corka, folksinger, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga, Jan. 22 and 23, 8:30 p.m. Tickets, 583-0022.

Gary Nichols, country music artist, The Parting Glass, 4042 Lake Ave., Saratoga, Jan. 27, 8 p.m. Tickets, 583-1916.

ART

"Gary Larson: The Far Side of Science," 400 original cartoons, New York State Museum, Albany, through Feb. 20. Information, 474-5877.

"Interplay," Albany Institute of History and Art, 135 Washington Ave., Albany, through Feb. 20. Information, 463-4478.

Paintings by Peg Orcutt and mixed media works by Sonia Loomis, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, through Feb. 7. Information, 273-0552.

"Interiors," slate proofs and final prints of Peter Milton, Greenhut Galleries, Albany, through Jan. 31. Information, 482-1984.

Paintings and drawings by Allen Grindle and Wendy Williams, Albany Center Galleries, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Feb. 18. Information, 462-4775.

"In the Spirit of the Past," baskets, pottery, jewelry and stained glass ornaments, Valley Artisans Market, Hubbard Hall Opera House, 25 East Main St., Cambridge, through March 10. Information, 686-5975.

"William Woodsworth and the age of English Romanticism," 24 full-color poster panel exhibit, Neil Hellman Library, College of Saint Rose, Western Ave., Albany, through Jan. 29. Information, 454-5102.

"New Age Felt," works of five contemporary artists, Gallery of the Albany Academy, Academy Rd., Albany, through Feb. 5, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 465-1461.

"King Remembered," pictures by photojournalist Flip Schulte, State Museum, Albany, through May 16. Information, 474-5877.

Works of Eleanor Bolduc, Marilyn Pendleton, V. Remington Rich, Carol Turner and Barbara Wooster, Main Square Shoppes, 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar, through mid-February. Information, 439-6437.

"Photographs from the Farm Security Administration Files," by painter and photographer Ben Shahn, Picotte Gallery, College of Saint Rose, 324 State St., through Feb. 21. Information, 454-5185.

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

Watercolors and Oil Paintings of Raymond A. Decker, St. Peter's Hospital, 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany, through January. 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.

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

American Flyer S-Gauge Model Trains, from William Barrett's collection, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, through January, weekdays, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sundays 1-5 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

Miniature Houses from the Collection of Natalie Buchman, Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, through April 2, Information, 463-4478.

Three-Dimensional Works by Judith Hand and Wes Foley, Emma Willard School, 285 Pawling Rd., Troy, through Feb. 11, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Information, 274-4440.

Paintings and Drawings of Allen Grindle and Wendy Williams, Albany Center Galleries, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Feb. 18. Information, 462-4775.

Faculty Exhibit, Harmanus Bleecker Center, 19 Dove St., Albany, Jan. 22-March 12. Information, 465-2044.

FILM

"Bedknobs and Broomsticks," State Museum, Albany, Jan. 24, 1:30 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

"Pather Panchali," College Center Auditorium, Union College, Schenectady, Jan. 26, 7:30 p.m. Information, 370-6098.

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Pen Pal Club, meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 4-5 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Doing Dinosaurs, for preschoolers, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Slide Program, "Travels in Russia," Bethlehem Historical Association Museum, Rt. 144, Selkirk, 2 p.m. Information, 436-8289.

Grandmothers Club, meeting with Chinese Auction, Legion Post, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-1501.

Basic Leader Training Course, for the Great Books Series, Bethlehem Central High School, 3:30-9 p.m., continues Jan. 22. Information, 439-3102.

Postmaster Installation, for Thomas J. Porcaro, Delmar Post Office, 35 Delaware Ave., 11 a.m.

FRIDAY 22 JANUARY

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

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

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

Basic Leader Training Course, for the Great Books Series, Bethlehem Central High School, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 439-3102.

SATURDAY 23 JANUARY

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

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

Snowshoe Program, Five Rivers Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, discussion, 10 a.m., outdoor walk, 2 p.m. Registration, 453-1806.

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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.

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. Information, 439-3135.

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, 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 with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

Pancake Breakfast, sponsored by Elsmere Fire Co., Elsmere Fire House, Poplar Dr., 8 a.m.-noon.

MONDAY 25 JANUARY

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

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

Mothers' Time Out, with instruction on planting a flower garden by Mardell Steinkamp, meets Mondays, Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, child care provided, Delmar Reformed Church, 10-11:30 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

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.

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

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

Spring Storyhour Registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 9 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

Bethlehem Support Group for Parents of Students with Handicapping Conditions, with Dr. Alan Barnett on educational and social problems of handicapped youngsters, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 439-5521.

TUESDAY 26 JANUARY

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

Delmar Progress Club, evening group meeting, 9 Hartwood Dr., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5808.

Middle School Play, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," free senior citizen performance, Bethlehem Middle School, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7460.

WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY

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

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

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AIDS Seminar, "What Do I Do When I Meet Someone with AIDS?" Delmar Reformed Church, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9929.

Book Discussion, "To the Lighthouse," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Feura Bush Neighborhood Association, monthly meeting, Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 28 JANUARY

Elsmere Fire Company, meets last Thursday of each month at the fire house, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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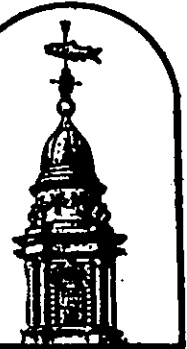
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Under 8	1981-1980
Under 10	1979-1978
Under 12	1977-1976
Under 14	1975-1974
Under 16	1973-1972
Under 19	1971-1969

SPRING REGISTRATION DAYS

Bethlehem Middle School Cafeteria

Jan. 25, 27 - 6-9 p.m. Jan. 30 - 1-4 p.m. Feb. 2, 4 - 6-9 p.m.

The Bethlehem Soccer Club is a parent managed program and is not part of the Bethlehem Town Park or school district. Parent participation is part of a families club membership.

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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

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

THURSDAY - Residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem to Town Squire Plaza 9:00-11:30 a.m.

The Senior Van will provide transportation to the Middle School Play, "How to Succeed in Business Without Even Trying." Join us on January 26th, Tuesday evening. Pick-ups will begin at 6:30 p.m.

For reservations call 439-5770. Admission is free to all senior citizens in the Town of Bethlehem.



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.

Membership Meeting, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Normanside Country Club, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-0512.

Home Improvements Program, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

FRIDAY 29
JANUARY

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

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

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

Middle School Play, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," Bethlehem Middle School, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7460.

Workshop, "Making the Holidays Your Own," Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

Testimonial Dinner, to honor Stephen Wallace, retired supervisor of the Town of New Scotland, Crossgates Restaurant, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 6:30 p.m. Information, 767-2512.

Family Fun Night, sponsored by the PTSA, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Project WILD, teacher training workshop, Five Rivers, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Phobia Discussion, with Robin Weinstein, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

SUNDAY 31
JANUARY

SATURDAY 30
JANUARY

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

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

Middle School Play, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," Bethlehem Middle School, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7460.

Bethlehem Babe Ruth, registration, Bethlehem Town Hall Auditorium, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 439-1976.

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.

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

Open House, Voorheesville Area Ambulance, with dedication at 1:30 p.m., refreshments, 2-4 p.m.

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.

Normanside 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. Information, 439-3135.

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, 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 with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

MONDAY 1
FEBRUARY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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.

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

Delmar Progress Club, general meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.

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FEBRUARY

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Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY

American Diabetes Association, parents support group meeting, 50 Colvin Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-1755.

PMS Lecture, by Dr. Richard H. Etkin, Schenectady County Public Library, Liberty and Clinton St., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 382-3544.

Cut-a-Thon, to benefit the Cerebral Palsy Center for the Disabled by Fantastic Sam's, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Information, 785-0747.

Public Relations Discussion, with a panel of journalists on what is wrong and right with public relations in the Capital District, sponsored by the International Association of Business Communicators, Albany Medical Center Executive Offices, 628 Madison Ave., Albany, noon. Information, 445-3421.

THURSDAY 21 JANUARY

Meeting, Capital District Chapter of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 463-0887.

Martin Luther King Lectures, and services to honor the civil rights leader, College of Saint Rose, St. John's Hall, 420 Western Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5150.

Business Owner's Workshop, to discuss financial problems, marketing and regulations, Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 765-3520.

"Saving on a Limited Budget" workshop, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

Father's Association Breakfast, of the Saint Gregory's School, Desmond Americana Inn, Colonie, 7:30 a.m. Information, 785-6621.

Lecture, "Catholic-Jewish Relations: 40 Years Later," College of Saint Rose, Campus Center, 420 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

Creative Arts Classes, registration at Harmanus Blecker Center, Dove St., Albany. Information, 465-2044.

Slide Talk, "The History of the Hudson River Dayliner," Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

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

Minerva Hour, with Grace M. Hopper, rear admiral in U.S. Navy, Union College Center Auditorium, Schenectady, 11 a.m. Information, 370-6508.

United Tenants of Albany, fundraiser with Particle and E Plernista, Bogies, Madison Ave., Albany, 10 p.m. Information, 489-6632.

Local Zoning Discussion, with local government and zoning experts on "A Change in Zoning: Is Litigation the Best Solution?," sponsored by the Neighborhood Resource Center, Page Hall Auditorium, 135 Western Ave., Albany, 7-9 p.m.

FRIDAY 22 JANUARY

Information Session, to give details about the American Lung Association's Trans America Bicycle Trek, Sand Creek Middle School, Colonie, 7-9 p.m. Information, 459-4197.

Capital District's Mother's Center, drop-in morning, 405 Quail St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 482-4508.

Film Series, "Grey Fox," Bell Tower Cafe, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, 7:30 p.m. Information, 677-2495.

SATURDAY 23 JANUARY

Circle Eight, western square dance, Knights of Columbus, Coxsackie, 8-11 p.m.

Book Signing, for "Traveling Like Everybody Else," by Susan Gersten and Jacqueline Freedman, Hodges Podge Book Store, 272 Lark St., Albany, 1-4 p.m. Information, 489-1511.

Albany Academy for Girls, open house for prospective students, Albany Academy for Girls, Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 463-2201.

Computer Workshop, for potential users of Applework, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 449-3380, extension 324.

United Cerebral Palsy Telethon, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 p.m., continues on Jan. 24. Information, 449-3218.

Far Side of Science Films, "Them," State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 449-3218.

Folk Arts Workshop, State Museum, Albany, 10 a.m.-noon. Information, 449-3218.

Special Education Meeting, National Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, 10 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-0252.

Detail Detectives, family art game, Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, noon-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

Schenectady Antique Radio Club, monthly meeting, Schenectady Museum, Schenectady, 2 p.m. Information, 459-7407.

Contra Dance, with pot luck supper, Jermain Hall, White Creek, 7 p.m. Information, 677-2495.

SUNDAY 24 JANUARY

Northeast Jewish Singles, Snow Ball, with live band, Albany Jewish Community Center, Albany, 7-10 p.m. Information, 765-4690.

Kid Pix, "Bedknobs and Broomsticks," State Museum, Albany, 1:30 and 3 p.m. Information, 449-3218.

MONDAY 25 JANUARY

Microcomputer Orientation, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 449-3380.

Workshop, "Interpreting Historic Interiors," Rensselaer County Historical Society, 189 Second St., Troy, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 273-3400.

TUESDAY 26 JANUARY

Citizens Forum, "Transportation 2020," Assembly Parlor, State Capitol, Albany, 9:30 a.m. Information, 457-6400.

Bloodmobile, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 3-7 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY

Albany Roundtable Forum, to discuss how to have a lively downtown, 11 North Pearl St., Albany, 5:15 p.m.

Travel Films, Berlin and "China Today," New Scotland Branch of the Albany Public Library, 369 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 1:30 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

Annual Dinner, Schenectady Chamber of Commerce, Ramada Inn, Schenectady, 6 p.m. Information, 372-5656.

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Bailey says planning board can hire him

By Patricia Mitchell

The New Scotland Planning Board, without an attorney because of the town board's deadlock, has the authority to hire its own lawyer, according to the board's former attorney.

John Bailey, who served as the town's zoning attorney last year, told the planning board after its meeting Tuesday that it has the authority to decide who to hire for its attorney and to ask the town board for the funds, and to consult with an outside attorney to advise it on where it stands.

Bailey said he "would not object to continuing" as zoning attorney and that he would make himself available.

New board Chairman Robert Hampston said he thinks the town board needs a little time to sort out the issues and then the planning board could talk to them.

The town has been without a zoning attorney and a town attorney after the town board split 2-2 on party lines at the Jan. 1 organizational meeting on the appointments. The board is deadlocked because of Herbert Reilly's empty town board seat, which he had to vacate when he was sworn in as supervisor, and the board has not been able to agree on how to fill that seat either.

Oral arguments were heard Friday in state Supreme Court on

New Scotland

the status of the town attorney's position.

Bailey told the planning board that Section 272 of the state's Town Law gives planning boards the power and authority to hire experts, clerks and secretaries. Because an attorney is considered an expert, he said, it is the planning board's duty to hire its own lawyer after the town board sets funds for it in the budget.

If the planners do have a question about their position, Bailey said, they could ask for some funds to consult with an attorney for advice on their obligations and duties. However, he advised the board to discuss its position with the town board.

Bailey said he enjoyed his one-year stint as zoning attorney and said he wouldn't object to continuing. But, he said, the board has to consider whether it wants to be thrust into the middle of a political controversy. Bailey recommended that the board steer away from it.

The quandry over the appointment should not happen now, Bailey said, and he does not want to see the planning board paralyzed by it.

In other business at Tuesday's

meeting, the board:

- Learned the Galesi Group has made a formal presentation to the town board for a proposed 430-unit Planned Unit Development on 181 acres on the Tall Timbers Country Club, and a joint meeting between the two boards will be scheduled soon to discuss the procedure for reviewing it.

- Decided to refer to the zoning board of appeals without prejudice a proposed variance that would allow the Dewey Northrup family of Mathias Pl., Feura Bush, to live temporarily in a trailer while their home is being rebuilt after a fire. Trailers are not a permitted

use in the town. The family is living in one now in violation of

the zoning ordinance, and Walt Miller, serving as interim building inspector, said he has refused to serve the family with a violation notice. The zoning board will hold the hearing at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29.

- Advised Joe Immediato to get county Health Department approval, drawings and his proposal for a single-family house on Salem Ct. before appearing again before the board to clear up a notice of violation that was served because he was building without a permit.

The next meeting of the New Scotland Planning Board is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26.

Chamber of commerce membership meeting

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce will hold a general membership meeting Thursday, Jan. 28, at noon at the Normanside Country Club. Robert Cates of the Albany County Cooperative Extension will be the speaker. A buffet lunch will be available for \$8. Call 439-0512 by Jan. 27 for reservations.

Closed sessions may be illegal

By Patricia Mitchell

The New Scotland Planning Board is considering going into executive sessions when it discusses its update of the zoning ordinance — a move that would be illegal, according to the director of the state Committee on Open Government.

After Tuesday's meeting, planning board members questioned whether they have to work on revising the ordinance in open or regular sessions.

Member Ann Richards said she doesn't think it can be done in public, and member William Childs said because it would be "nuts and bolts" of the ordinance he also did not see how the planners could hold the discussion in open session. Childs said he thinks there is some way to get the board's discussions closed

under the law.

However, Robert Freeman, director of the state Committee on Open Government, said discussing the scope of zoning ordinances is not covered by the Open Meetings Law, and therefore, the planning board may not adjourn to executive or "closed" sessions when discussing the revisions.

The state's Open Meetings Law, passed in 1977, says all meetings of public bodies are open, except for specific actions, including collective negotiations, matters that may imperil the public's safety, current, pending or proposed litigation and matters concerning particular employees. In such cases a board may adjourn into executive session after passing a resolution to do so in open session.

The planning board, also

discussed the possibility of turning over the work on revising the ordinance to a committee. New planning board Chairman Robert Hampston said it is a lot of work for board members to do, and he thinks they should have "something less than official meetings."

If a committee is charged with the task of revising the ordinance then Freeman said its work will also have to be done in open sessions. A committee charged by a board with an official task is also a public body and needs to meet the same provisions of the Open Meetings Law, he said.

The New Scotland Planning Board has been working on revising its zoning ordinance, which was passed in 1961 and updated in 1981. C.T. Male Associates have been hired as part-time planners to assist the planning board update the zoning codes and maps.

Conference on zoning

The Neighborhood Resource Center will sponsor an evening conference titled "A Change in Zoning: Is Litigation the Best Solution?" Thursday, Jan. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Page Hall Auditorium, 135 Western Ave., Albany.

The conference format will be a panel discussion. Members of the panel will include representatives from neighborhood groups and local governments who must deal with proposed changes to current zoning. Among the panelists is Sam Messina of the Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning.

Flower garden talk

The Mother's Time-Out Group will hear Mardell Steinkamp of Helderledge Farms speak on planning a flower garden at their meeting Monday, Jan. 25, at 10 a.m. at The Delmar Reformed Church. Call 439-9929 for more information.

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Town report due on Tall Timbers

By Patricia Mitchell

A report that could contain a proposal for the resolution of the planning, water and gravel mining issues that revolve around the Tall Timbers Country Club property will be prepared by the New Scotland Town Board.

The groups representing the different interests in the area discussed their positions Wednesday, and Supervisor Herbert Reilly, who called the meeting, said later the town board will put together a report that could contain a proposal for the "most good for the most people." It will be compiled after the groups attending the meeting give a report on their summations of the discussion and common areas of agreement in the mining or the development of the former country club.

Representatives from the Galesi Group, miners-William M. Larned and Son, Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, Inc., the Orchard Park Neighborhood Association and the Krumkill Rd. area sat down for over an hour with the town board Wednesday to discuss their areas of concern. No breakthrough in agreement occurred as the representatives simply reiterated their previously stated positions.

Larned and Son hold a mining permit from the Department of Environmental Conservation to mine 27 acres of the land, while Concerned Citizens oppose the plan and has joined with the town in litigation against it. The mining area is in the middle of the Galesi Group's land and would be turned over to the developers in five years or when mining ceases. In addition, Galesi is proposing to develop a water source that would serve the entire area, solving water problems in Orchard Park and other nearby areas.

Sue Sutch, secretary-treasurer for the miners, said that at a public hearing in May 1986 most concerns were over water, property values and reclamation. She said studies have shown that mining won't impact on the groundwater, and Wayne Smith, attorney for the miners, has offered access to the water for area homeowners.

Property values will be enhanced and reclamation of the mined area will be done by Galesi, Sutch said. However, she said, the reclamation

plans had not been amended to include the Galesi plan.

When Harry Van Wormer, co-chairman of Concerned Citizens asked about quality of life issues surrounding the mine, Sutch said they have never been outlined by residents even though the miners have asked for forums to discuss them.

Bob Morrison, chairman of Concerned Citizens, said mining is probably the worse use for the land.

Tim Larned of Larned and Son said the country club land is a compatible place to dig gravel because there have been mines on it previously. The miners have addressed every concern but have been smeared about the mining operation, he said.

"I have my rights and I will fight for them," Larned said.

If the special use permit for the gravel mine went back before the planning board and it was eventually granted, the town could impose reasonable conditions on the operation of the mine, Smith said.

However, James Linnan, attorney for Concerned Citizens, said only DEC has the right to impose standards on how mining is done and enforcement.

The Galesi Group has formally applied for a 430-unit Planned Unit Development on the country club grounds, with sewer and water systems that would eventually be turned over to the town. Because of concerns over methane, sodium and other contaminants found in the water of some wells in Orchard Park, the town board agreed informally to pursue including the area in the water district. Orchard Park residents generally favor that plan, but some residents of the Krumkill Rd. area are opposed to development.

The gravel mine and the proposed development are two separate issues, said Ralph Polcari, executive vice president with Galesi. The land on the west side of Hilton Rd. that holds the mine will be developed last regardless of the outcome of the litigation, but the water district will be formed first and brought over to the east side of the property that is scheduled to be developed first.

Assuming the PUD is approved by the town, Polcari said the water district would be started immediately after to be completed within six months to a year. The Galesi Group does not have an arrangement with any other developer on the water and sewer districts, but he said they have talked in basic and broad terms about extending the systems to the Michaels Group, owners of property at the west corner of Hilton and Krumkill. The systems would be turned over to the town for operation, and Galesi officials have said they would be willing to include the Orchard Park area from the beginning when forming the water district.

"We want to share the water," Polcari said. "The same thing with the sewer."

Representatives from Orchard Park urged the town to act quickly on Galesi's proposal. Paul Wein, attorney for the association, said the town owes a moral and legal responsibility to those residents, who have waited without a solution to their water problems. If the town doesn't take steps, he said, the neighborhood association is prepared to litigate.

Most residents of Krumkill Rd., northeast of Tall Timbers, have been without water and would prefer a water district, said Dr. Lyon Greenberg, but he said he doesn't feel the town has to be changed to get it.

Van Wormer said it was hard to believe that the town has water available on Tall Timbers but has to wait for a developer to supply it. Fred Riester, who has served as town attorney and advised the town board at the meeting, said the town could take the land that will be developed for water by eminent domain but he asked how it would pay for it. When there is a developer, he said, the town gets what it can for the benefit of the town, such as water and sewer systems and road improvements.

As another part of its PUD, Galesi is proposing road improvements such as widening Hilton Rd. and improving the right turning lane on westbound Rt. 85 at Rt. 85A. James Sanderson of Krumkill Rd., who is also chairman of the town's zoning board of appeals, said he felt the traffic impact study prepared by Galesi was "worthless" and said

the company will have to do a significant study of the area. He said Galesi should also look at improving Krumkill Rd.

"You're going to dump a problem there," Sanderson said.

Polcari said he would refer Sanderson's concerns to Greiner Engineering, the firm that prepared the traffic study.

Stratton names 3 for service academies

Three area residents were among 33 people who have been nominated by Congressman Samuel S. Stratton to compete for five vacancies at the nation's three service academies.

Matthew Bates of Voorheesville will be competing for the first vacancy at West Point. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bates.

Keith Dix of Delmar will be competing for the second vacancy at the Naval Academy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dix.

Michael Race of Voorheesville will be competing for the vacancy at the Air Force Academy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Race.

Each academy will select who will fill the vacancy. Selections for the competition were made by the Academy Advisory Committee on the basis of scholastic work, extra-curricular activities and personal interviews.

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Fire violations report tabled

By Sal Prividera

After representatives of local fire and government agencies voiced their disagreement with some of the findings, the Voorheesville Board of Education voted last week to table a fire inspection report that found a number of violations at the elementary and high schools.

The report, required by the state Education Department, was completed and presented by Joseph Metzger of Clark Shaughnessy Associates.

The fire inspection report was made from a checklist supplied by the education department, Metzger told the board. He found both the elementary school and the high school to be not in compliance in several areas.

But Voorheesville Building Inspector Gerald Gordinier disagreed with several of Metzger's findings, saying that the codes were not applicable to the district buildings since they were existing structures when the state Uniform Building Code was revised. Gordinier also told the board that it should see if the state had funds available to pay for work that has to be done under education department regulations.

Among the items Metzger found was no indication that glass in exitways and sidelights at the schools were made of safety glass. The safety glass is required by state building code, he said. Board members questioned this finding as to whether or not it applied to the school buildings since they were not recently constructed. Metzger told them

that the glass would have to be put in if the existing glass was not found to be safety glass regardless of the age of the building.

Other items found not in compliance according to Metzger were no panic hardware on the cafeteria doors; the gym, cafeteria and auditorium egress into the same smoke zone; exit corridors from the auditorium and gym are obstructed by the storage of chairs and bleachers; exit signs in the pool area are not illuminated; the electric ranges in two home economics rooms are without emergency disconnects; and the swimming pool disinfectant storage area should be ventilated.

At the elementary school, Metzger found the cafeteria exit doors swing the wrong way (into the building) and do not have panic hardware; only one egress from the auditorium; classrooms in the original building do not have emergency escape windows; missing exit lights; doors without panic hardware in the auditorium/cafeteria; no emergency lighting in the gym and on stairways; and non-grounded electrical outlets in the original building.

Both buildings were found to have all doors locked and chained from the inside when unoccupied, which is illegal, Metzger said.

Several violations were also found in both of the district's storage sheds, which have to meet the same standards as the school buildings. Board members questioned Metzger's findings since students are not allowed in the sheds. Metzger told the board that the sheds have to conform with

the code since students and staff could have access to them.

Board member David Teuten said everyone on the board wants to do "what's right for the students." He added that he wanted to see the "differences of professional opinion resolved before the report was sent to state ed."

Metzger, Gordinier, Voorheesville Fire Chief William Hotaling and New Salem Fire Chief Louis Donato agreed to meet and discuss the report and to seek advice from state offices.

The board unanimously approved tabling the report to its Jan. 20 budget meeting. The board has to approve the report before it is sent the state Education Department and will be required to submit a plan of action to correct the non-compliance items.

Savings goal workshop

"Saving on a Limited Budget," a free workshop conducted by the Albany County Cooperative Extension, will be held on Thursday, Jan. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Albany Public Library. The workshop will help add muscle to the puny savings by telling people how to set savings goals, how much they need to save to reach those goals, ways to make saving painless and where savings should be put. Participants will also receive a planning brochure on financial fitness. Call 449-3380 for more information.

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New Scotland goes to court

The debate over who will serve as New Scotland's town attorney while the town board remains deadlocked on the appointment was replayed before state Supreme Court Justice Robert Doran Friday, with last year's town attorney, Fred Riester, arguing that he is obligated to continue serving, and the town's special counsel arguing that Riester's term is finished.

Riester is suing New Scotland to be declared town attorney and paid for his services until the town board is able to break a political deadlock and appoint its counsel for the year.

Republicans on the board are backing Riester, who served as town attorney for seven and a half years, while Democrats want to appoint John Biscone, Supervisor Herbert Reilly's campaign manager and former supervisor of the town of Coeymans.

The board deadlocked over the position at the yearly organizational meeting when Reilly vacated his town board seat when he was sworn in as supervisor. That left two Republicans and two Democrats on the board. The board is also split on how the vacant board seat should be filled, as well as the zoning attorney's seat.

Riester is claiming that the office of town attorney is considered a public officer under Section 5 of the state's Public Officer's Law that says current appointments "shall" be carried over after the end of the term and a successor is appointed.

Under that law, Riester said, he has a right and an obligation to serve in the position until the town board can break its deadlock and name an attorney for the year.

Appearing for the town, Albany attorney Robert Roche said unless the town board appoints a town attorney, there is no attorney. In case law, the state controller has decided that the town attorney cannot outlive the board that makes the appointment.

The town board appointed a special counsel for this case, Roche said, and it has had other special counsels with a town attorney. The business of the town won't stop without an attorney, he said.

In a related matter, the town board designated Biscone to act as its attorney for renewing bond anticipation notes at a special meeting Wednesday. Councilman Allyn Moak, one of the town board members backing Riester, said he agreed to using Biscone as long as it was a one-time designation and was not politically motivated.

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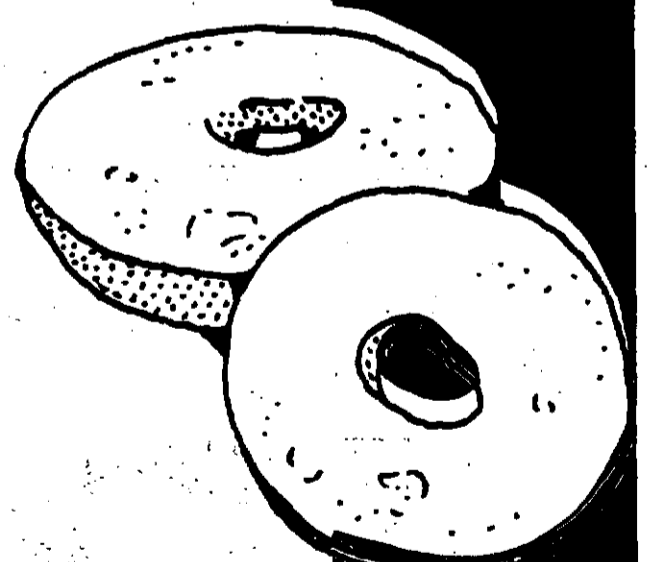
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Ambulance squad open house

The Voorheesville Area Ambulance Squad invites the public to an open house to be held in their new building on Voorheesville Ave. on Sunday, Jan. 31. The afternoon will begin with a dedication ceremony to take place between 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Guest speakers will be Voorheesville Mayor Edward Clark and New Scotland Town Supervisor Herb Reilly.

The dedication of the training room in honor of John August Berger, founder and past captain of the Ambulance Squad, and the dedication of the Stained Glass Star of Life will also take place that afternoon. Refreshments will be served from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. All are welcome.

Community nursery school

Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will hold an informational meeting on Tuesday, January 26 at 7 p.m. in the church social hall. The school's teachers and board members will be on hand that evening to answer any questions about the program for four year olds which operates on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from October through May. Applications will also be handed out at that time.

Those who are unable to attend the meeting may contact registration chairperson Patti Cavilieri at 765-3306 or the church office at 765-2895 for more information. Applications will be available at the church office and nursery school until Feb. 1 when the annual lottery will be held to fill the slots in next fall's class. All applications are due by that time. All are welcome to attend the drawing to be held at 7 p.m. that evening in the social hall. Children whose names are not drawn or whose applications are received late will be placed on a waiting list.

Reservation deadline

Those wishing to attend the testimonial dinner on Friday Jan. 29 to honor retired Town Supervisor Stephen Wallace must make their reservations by Tuesday, Jan. 26. The cost of the sirloin dinner, to be held at the Crossgates Restaurant on Wash-

ington Ave. Extension is \$15 per person. Those wishing more information or to make reservations may contact Peter Van Zetten at 439-6179, Bill Bailey at 439-1546 or Harry Duncan at 765-2512.

Church plans dinner

This is also the last week to make reservations to attend the annual dinner-dance sponsored by St. Matthew's Church of Voorheesville. Parish members and their guests may contact either Susan Dougherty at 439-9951, Jack Stevens at 765-4350 or Delores Pierro at 765-4584 to make reservations for the event to be held on Saturday, Jan. 30 at the Albany Country Club. Tickets will also be on sale in the back of the church after each mass this weekend.

Girl Scout cookie time

It's cookie time again and the Daiseys, Brownies and Girl Scouts of Voorheesville will soon be delivering all the cookies they took orders for in November. Those who would like to purchase cookies may contact any girl scout or Voorheesville Neighborhood Cookie Chairperson Diane Guyer at 765-2529.

Meanwhile area leaders and assistant leaders will hold their monthly meeting at the home of Christine Luczak on Monday, Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m. This is a packet meeting and all are urged to attend.

Valentine Heartline

Flowers and Valentine's Day are just about here and Voorheesville librarian Lynn Hutchinson invites all young artists to make Valentines again for this year's Valentine Heartline sponsored by the Voorheesville Public Library. All Valentines left at the library by Monday, Feb. 8 will be distributed to residents in area nursing homes.

Voorheesville budget meeting

A reminder that tonight will be the first meeting of the Voorheesville Central School District to discuss the budget for the 1988-89 school year. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Voorheesville Elementary School. Another meeting will be held next Thursday, Jan 28 at 7 p.m. at the high school. The Board invites all area residents to come forth and

voice their opinions and concerns on the budget.

Family fun night

To help warm up the cold, the Voorheesville PTSA will hold its annual Family Fun Night on Friday, Jan. 29 at the high school. The fun filled evening will begin at 7:30 p.m. Following games by the Linendahl family of Altamont, the PTSA will host a dessert sharing in the cafeteria. Those wishing to assist may contact PTSA president Deb Baron at 765-9371. All families attending are requested to bring a dessert to share.

Those still interested in obtaining the Entertainment '88 books being sold by the PTSA may contact Molly Getnick at 765-4003.

Military academies appointees

Congratulations go out to Voorheesville seniors Matthew Bates and Michael Race who were recently nominated by Sam Stratton for appointments at two U.S. Military academies.

Bates, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bates, was nominated to West Point while Race, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Race, was nominated to attend the Air Force Academy. Final appointments will be announced later in the spring.

United Way gets GE donations

The General Electric Foundation, a non-profit group based in Connecticut, recently donated \$8,000 to the United Way of Northeastern New York, Inc. The GE Plastics Operation in Selkirk made the request for the donation.

The donation was on of 233 United Way Campaign donations the foundation made in 1987 totaling over \$22 million.

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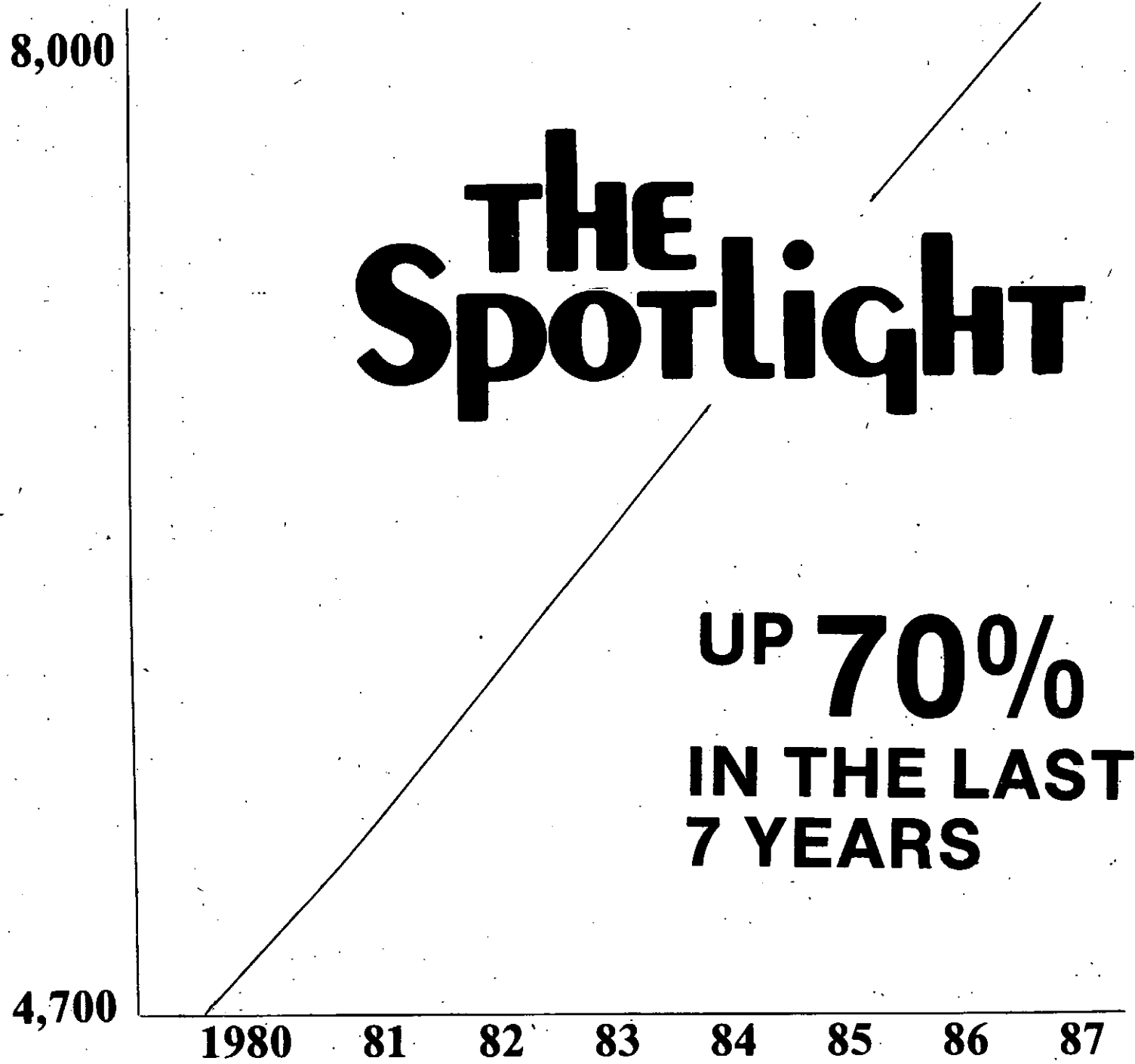
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Becker cafeteria survey

The A.W. Becker School PTA has evaluated the results of a cafeteria "extra" survey sent home to parents. The majority of those questioned felt that the availability of chocolate milk, pretzel rods, cheese and cracker packets and cookies without preservatives were permissible. The survey results will be presented to the Board of Education.

In other PTA news, in the recent fund raiser, Cassandra Dutton and Helen Thompkins were winners in top sales. A drawing for two bicycles was held for those with highest sales and the winners were Todd Wickham and Michael Wood.

Historical association talk on Russia

The Bethlehem Historical Association announces a special meeting tomorrow, Thursday, Jan. 21 at 2 p.m. at the Schoolhouse Museum on route 144 at Clapper Road. Please note the change in time.

Mrs. Erastus Corning, II will present a program on "Travels In Russia." The meeting will be informal and open to questions. It is open to the public and will be followed by a social hour and refreshments.

Elks honor RCS high school seniors

Students of the Month, a program sponsored by the Bethlehem Elks, has named these two fine RCS seniors: Dena Perry and Bray Engel.

Dena is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Perry of South Bethlehem. She is the captain of the Cross Country team, (a two year all-star), a member of the basketball and track teams, an office worker and a volunteer at the Cerebral Palsy Center for the Disabled.

Dena enjoys athletics, likes canoeing and is interested in sports medicine. According to school staff and students, she demonstrates good common sense and has a very friendly outgoing personality.

Bray Engel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Engel Jr. of Selkirk. His long list of accomplishments include president of the student council, member of the steering committee, Principal's Advisory Committee, National Honor Society, Jazz, Pep, and Concert Band, Area All State Band, Varsity Basketball, French Club, and recipient of the DAR Citizenship Award. He also is listed in Who's Who in American High Schools.

Bray always goes the extra measure in helping fellow students, and those in his neighborhood, especially senior citizens, will attest to his thoughtfulness.

Grange wants participants

The Bethlehem Grange is seeking participants for the state grange sponsored youth program. Dee Wooley, Director of the Grange youth Division has announced a Winter Weekend program to be held the weekend of February 5-7 in Bainbridge, New York. Topics include public speaking and a "sing a song" contest. Lodging will be provided by grange families. The program will be held at the Algonquin Hotel on Main St. in Bainbridge.

Interested young people should contact the Bethlehem Grange by calling Mrs. Helen Raynor at 767-2770.

Pancake supper scheduled

The South Bethlehem Methodist Church invites all area residents to attend its Pancake Supper on January 23, between 5 and 7 p.m. at the church. The menu includes all the pancakes you can eat. The price for adults will be \$3.50 and \$2.25 for children. Those under age 3 years are served free. Proceeds will go to the parsonage fund.

RCS annual fund benefit

The RCS Sports Association has begun its 10th Annual Winter Fund Raising Benefit with hopes of the most successful drive yet. Tickets sold during this event will represent a variety of prizes donated by these and other area merchants: Bush's Service Star Hardware, Perrine Electronics, Ways Furniture and Persico Oil. Winners will be drawn at the Associations annual dance in February.

Elks Las Vegas night

How's this to beat cabin fever? The Bethlehem Elks will be holding a Las Vegas Night at the lodge on Route 144 in Cedar Hill on Friday, January 22nd from 8 P.M. to 1 A.M. Admission is free and a buffet will be available at 7 P.M. Games will include Money Wheel, Black Jack, Dice, Jokers 7, and a Roulette Table. For further information, call 767-9959.

To include news of your groups in this column, call 767-2373 or mail items to Cheryl Clary, P.O. Box 172, Selkirk, N.Y. 12158.

PMS lecture offered at Schenectady library

A lecture on understanding premenstrual syndrome (PMS) will be given by Dr. Richard Etkin of Schenectady on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 7:30 p.m., at the Schenectady County Public Library, Liberty and Clinton streets.

Etkin will address various known treatments such as diet and medication for PMS. There will be a question and answer period and a chance to talk with Etkin privately.

The lecture is free.

South Bethlehem fire auxiliary gets donation

Professional Insurance Agents of Glenmont has donated \$500 to the Ladies Auxiliary of Selkirk Fire Company 3 in South Bethlehem. The donation was made as a result of the work the auxiliary did during October's snowstorm during which the auxiliary fed and housed those without power.

The Ladies Auxiliary assists both the fire department and the community. Members go to the scene of any major fire to provide food and beverages. The auxiliary also provides assistance to anyone whose home has been destroyed by fire.

Professional Insurance Agents, with headquarters on Rt. 9W, is a trade association serving independent insurance agencies in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Bleau honored by towers

Olin Bleau of Bleau's Towing Service in Selkirk was recently presented a plaque by the Empire State Towing and Recovery Association (ESTRA). The presentation was in recognition of his work as the originator and first president of the Towers Organization Committee, which became ESTRA, and for 10 years of service.

Evangelism workshop

Members of local Christian churches are invited to improve their skills in sharing their faith at an evangelism workshop Feb. 5 and 6 at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Topics will include one-to-one sharing, involving inactive church members and small group development. There is a \$5 fee. Registration is due at the church by Jan. 22. Call 768-2602 for more information.

Winter art classes offered for kids

The registration deadline for the "Kidspace" art classes winter session is Friday, Jan. 22. Classes are held in the Harmanus Bleecker Center in Albany.

Classes are offered on weekends, during the day and after school for children age three through 18. Printmaking, paint a story and art in motion will be among the classes offered during the winter session.

For information call 464-2044.



Professional Insurance Agents (PIA) Executive Director James E. Reed, left, recently presented a \$500 donation to Flo Barbic, president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Selkirk Fire Company 3 in South Bethlehem. The company made the donation in recognition of the auxiliary's work in the community during the Oct. 4 storm.



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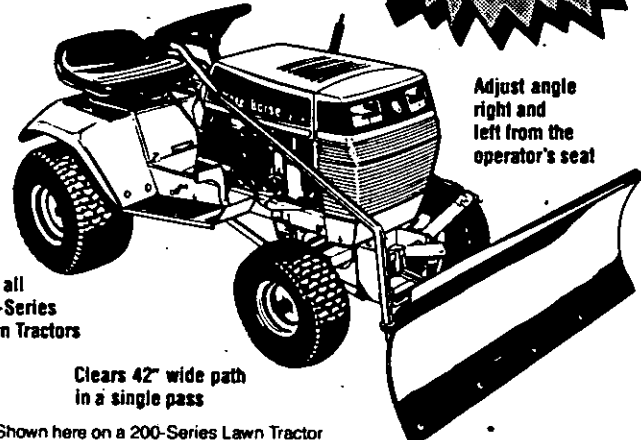
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By Rev. Clark S. Callender

Many years ago, when our firstborn son was only a few months old, we were advised by the pediatrician to go see an orthopedic specialist about his feet turning in. We did so, expecting that we would receive some advice or plan for consideration. Instead the doctor took one look at his feet and legs and immediately started wrapping both his legs and feet into casts. Lucy and I were stunned! How was our little baby going to react to those heavy casts for the next months?

What took us by surprise again was the fact that after the initial fussing of a few minutes over his legs, Stephen totally accepted the fact that his legs were white and were much heavier. He dealt with the situation as a young child often does. His curiosity quickly faded and the casts were ignored as something very normal.

Actually, the heavy casts provided him with a great deal of entertainment. He proceeded with glee to swing his legs in his crib and bash them so hard on the side of the crib that we had to go back several times to have new casts made. The final result was

that his legs and feet turned out totally normal.

That experience brings to mind the well-known fact that the determining factor in life is not what our situation is but how we deal with our situation. Great people have often had to battle against almost overwhelming odds. Many great artists have gained their wholeness through their wounds, their epilepsy, tuberculosis or periods of madness. Victor Frankl lost his wife, father, mother and brother in Hitler's concentration camps. He was stripped of all his possessions and was reduced almost to the status of an animal. In such conditions, Frankl faced the excruciating question whether life really had any meaning at all. He wrote, "The question which beset me was, 'has all this suffering, this dying around us a meaning?' For if not, then ultimately there is no meaning to survival; for a life whose meaning depends upon such a happenstance — whether one escapes or not — ultimately would not be worth living at all!"

From his own experience and from observing the other prisoners, Frankl came to the conclusion that what matters most in life is the attitude one takes toward his or her life and circumstances. Some people were able to survive conditions that destroyed others. Why? Because they somehow found hope and a sense of meaning and purpose.

Our secular world would have

us believe that everything in life is explainable, definable, predictable; and, yet, each of us knows in our heart that such is not the case. While we may not be too vocal about it, we can recall times when we had our back against the wall and suddenly there was an open door. The check arrived in the mail just when it seemed our resources were depleted; the smile appeared on the doctor's face as he told us the spot on an earlier x-ray had mysteriously disappeared; the officer exclaimed, "I don't see how anyone walked away from that accident."

In a discussion with other sophisticated people we will term it coincidence or good fortune. Deep within our souls, however, part of us is saying, in laughter and relief, "thank you, God."

In the great Old Testament story, Sarah laughed because she wanted to believe that a 90-year-old womb could bring forth a child if God so willed it. God did will it. She named her son, Issac, "laughter."

If we lose that child-like belief in the impossible, we are missing out on one of life's most important resources. There is a force in this world that the unbeliever simply will not reckon with. It is the world of mystery and miracle, a world that is wonder filled and

thus wonderful. There is something unexplainable in scientific terms, when a world-renowned organist, scientist, philosopher leaves the comforts of western society to minister to the diseased bodies of Africans in a remote village in the jungle. I'm sure you can add many other events from your own life experiences. We are joining the laughter of millions of persons over the past thousands of years who have discovered that God is alive and at work in their lives.

May God's peace and laughter be at work in your lives!

Local students win in essay contest

Bethlehem Central School District students were among the area winners of the Albany YWCA's annual black history essay contest.

The winners from Glenmont Elementary School, all fourth grade students, were Kristina Westfall, with an essay on Willie Mays; Parise Sellitti, who wrote about Diana Ross; Chad Davey with an essay on Jesse Owens; and Chris Leonardo, who wrote about Jackie Robinson.

Becky Furman, a student at the Slingerlands Elementary School, wrote a winning essay about William and Ellen Craft. Bethlehem Middle School student Maile Ray won with an essay on Malcolm X.

BIRTHS



Bellvue Hospital

Twins, David Michael and Ryan Don, to Christina and David Tymchyn of Voorheesville, Jan. 4.

Boy, Marcus William, to Maria and William Hauf of Delmar, Dec. 31.

Girl, Allison Rae, to Lynne and Alan Pillans, Dec. 23.

Albany Medical Center

Girl, Vodi-Lynn Michelle, to Mary Ann and Daniel Kostuck of Voorheesville, Nov. 11.

Boy, Andrew James, to Deborah and Drew Hazelton of Selkirk, Nov. 23.

Boy, Francis Christopher, to Roseanne and James Blubaugh of Feura Bush, Nov. 28.

Girl, Brittany Ann, to Stanley and Elizabeth Spindlee of Delmar, Nov. 29.

Girl, Rebecca Lynn, to Charmaine and Curtis Loucks of Delmar, Dec. 1.

Boy, Edward William, to Lisa and James Lytle of Delmar, Dec. 1.

Girl, Nicole Marie, to Judith and Philip Volpi of Selkirk, Dec. 3.

Boy, Richard Andrew, to Robin and Richard Schroth of Slingerlands, Dec. 4.

Boy, Evan Daniel, to Susan and Evan Walden of Slingerlands, Dec. 6.

Boy, Alex Brett, to Eva and John Murphy of Voorheesville, Dec. 8.

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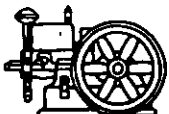
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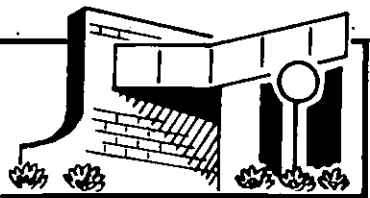
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A planning committee consisting of library staff members and community volunteers has been hard at work since last summer planning events so that everyone will be able to join in the celebration.

The calendar of events will include completion of the anniversary quilt project and a 75th anniversary silent film festival during January, February and March. The festival will feature classic films that were popular during the library's first decade. On Jan. 20 pictorial historian Morris Gerber will visit the library to share vintage photographs of Bethlehem and Albany. On Sunday, Feb. 28, the Delmar Community Orchestra will present an anniversary concert in the library's community room.

The library will observe National Library Week, April 17 through 23, with an array of programs for all ages. The Week will close on Friday, April 22, with

Dime offers prizes at new Delmar office

The new Dime Savings Bank office at 214 Delaware Ave. in Delmar recently opened for business. The branch will offer a Dime Visa credit card, Saturday hours and full service banking including mortgages and financial planning.

In celebration of the opening, the bank is holding a grand prize sweepstakes drawing for a personal home computer as well as other prizes. The sweepstakes is open to all.

The office will be managed by Sandra Pangburn of Glenmont.

Christiana joins Boston Five

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Albany County sheriff's deputies are wondering who is holding the bag as they search for about \$20,000 that was allegedly taken in a Voorheesville bank holdup last week.

James Porpeggia, 19, of Foundry Rd., Guilderland, has been charged in the Jan. 8 robbery and with briefly taking a bank customer hostage, both felony counts. Deputies said his case will be going to an Albany County Grand jury soon.

After more than a week of searching, deputies said they have not found the cash that was allegedly taken during the robbery, even after searching the Foundry Rd. house and surroundings. There is about a 20 to 25 minute "gray area" that has not been accounted for between the time the bank was robbed and Porpeggia was arrested, deputies said.

Porpeggia allegedly made off with about \$20,000 after holding up the Northeast Savings Bank at the old Grand Union Plaza armed with a handgun. Deputies said he fled the scene with a bank customer's car after taking her hostage.

a guest appearance by nationally known novelist and Albany area resident Bernard Connors.

Everyone in the community is invited to the library's gala diamond anniversary birthday party on the evening of Saturday, May 14. The Glenmont Job Corps food service staff and students will prepare and serve refreshments during the event. The anniversary quilt will be unveiled. Delmar Progress Club members and others will be honored for their contributions to the library.

The year will continue with Bethlehem's Celebrate the Library Day on June 12, featuring guest performers and a revival of the "Bizarre Bazaar," an art show that was held every year at the old library on Adams Street. The Bethlehem Art Association will co-sponsor this 1988 version of the bazaar.

Each of the summer's "Evening on the Green" series of entertainment programs will highlight one decade of the library's 75 years in drama and song.

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Porpeggia was allegedly dropped off by the hostage near the Western Turnpike Golf Course in Guilderland and the women then

drove to Loeham's Plaza on Rt. 20 where she called deputies. Deputies and state-troopers followed a trail in the snow with a canine unit leading to the residence on Foundry Rd., deputies said. Porpeggia was arrested a short time later after returning home, deputies said.

Patricia Mitchell

Clothes shop loses cash

Bethlehem police said someone entered the office of the Clothes Circuit in the Town Squire Shopping Center Friday and took \$79 in cash. Police said the money was discovered to be missing at about 5 p.m.

Reappointed to college committee

Edward Donohue of Voorheesville has been reappointed to the computer technology advisory committee at the State University College at Cobleskill.

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Birds break streak against Ravena

By Rick Leach

Coming into last Friday night's game against Ravena, the Voorheesville boy's basketball team had lost seven straight games. It certainly didn't look like it was going to get any better, either, as they were about to embark on back-to-back road games against Ravena and Schalmont. Everybody knows it is next to impossible to win on the road in the Colonial Council, and Voorheesville was winless in the league on the road this season. However, the Birds played probably their best basketball of the season in blowing out Ravena 68-38, and then falling 59-55 to second place Schalmont, a team that has not lost a home game all season.

The game against the Indians was one that Voorheesville coach Bob Crandall said the team "needed very badly." The Blackbirds came out like a team on a mission, scoring the first ten points and just building on it the

Basketball

rest of the way. They led by 19 points at halftime, and were not done yet. Everybody on the squad got a chance to play and everyone scored, giving the Birds the 30-point margin. The group's two leading scorers, Marty Gordinier and John Lawrence, had 20 and 14 points respectively. Also playing well for Voorheesville were Kevin Davis, Joe Harding, Derek Moak and Dave Larabee.

This win gave the Blackbirds some confidence heading into the next night's contest with the Sabres. The hosts were coming off a disappointing loss to Lansingburgh, and they exploded out of the locker room like a team looking for revenge, grabbing a 9-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Birds, as they have done in so many other games, refused to die, and they came

racing back to cut the margin to 19-17 late in the half.

At this point a controversial play appeared to turn the game around. A fight broke out between a couple of players from each team. After the battlers were separated, the official gave two technical fouls to the Blackbirds and none to the hosts. This turned out to be a five-point turnaround.

"The severity of what was called was far more severe than what the official appeared to call at the time," Crandall said. "I think he kind of over-stepped his bounds."

The Birds went into intermission trailing by a 24-19 margin. With

three minutes gone in the second half, the Birds had evened the score and even took the lead, as the game see-sawed back and forth. The Sabres erupted late in

the quarter and grabbed a 40-34 advantage heading into the final stanza. They controlled much of the last stanza, going up by 11 with 2:30 remaining. However,

the Birds refused to die. Lawrence nailed two three-pointers to cut the margin to six, and then two foul shots cut the lead to two with seven seconds showing.

Voorheesville couldn't steal the inbounds pass and then had to foul, sending a Schalmont player

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to the line with just a few ticks remaining. He calmly hit both free throws to put the game away.

Crandall praised Lawrence for his intense basketball, as well as Davis, Harding, Gardner and Foster for going to the boards aggressively. Lawrence finished with 11 points for the group, while Foster added 10, Harding nine and Gordinier eight.

Voorheesville plays host to Cohoes this Tuesday and then receives a bye on Friday. The Blackbirds are looking for revenge against the Tigers, as they lost in a controversial one-point decision the first time around.

Eagles slip past Scotia

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

It was an uneventful, yet profitable week for the Bethlehem Central boys varsity basketball team last week as they squeaked past Scotia with a score of 53-48, maintaining its top-ranked position in the Suburban Council Gold Division.

This victory gave the Eagles their sixth straight win, bringing their record to 6-2 in the league and 9-4 overall, with Guilderland trailing by only one game in the league with a record of 5-3.

Surprisingly enough, Scotia virtually won the first and third quarters and tied in the second. Coach Jack Moser said it was Bethlehem's "poise, experience, and winning attitude" which kept them alive in the fourth. Up until this point, the Eagles had been

"playing not to lose," Moser said. This game was the turning point.

Bethlehem had not played in a week, due to a bye day on Tuesday. Moser said he was concerned about his team coming out flat, and unfortunately that is exactly what they did. Scotia, with a record of 0-8 in the league and 1-12 overall, obviously had nothing to lose. At one point late in the first quarter, Scotia dominated the Eagles with a score of 20-8. As if that wasn't enough, they were also outrebounding Bethlehem and had an unrelenting Tartan crowd behind them.

It was up to Bethlehem to break their rhythm and to make the extra effort to stay in and win the game.

"They didn't fall apart... they kept up," said Moser.

It was then that the Eagles made their outstanding comeback with a new winning attitude. They came to the realization that they deserved to win and really

started to believe in both themselves and winning the game.

With two minutes and one second to go in the fourth, 6-8 center Todd Wright put in two free throws to secure the lead for Bethlehem. Jim Blendell did an "excellent job off the backboard," Moser said.

Wright led the team with 17 points, Blendell hit 12, and John Peyrebrune scored nine.

Area residents elected to board

Margrethe R. Powers of Delmar was recently elected president of the Albany County Bar Association. Following the recent election, John T. Mitchell of Delmar will serve as secretary.

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BC girls ready for Nisky

By Bill Dixon

"They've proven that they can beat us, but we're confident we can beat them. We're all hoping for a good ball game," said Coach Gene Lewis of today's Gold Division tie breaking game that will put the Bethlehem girls on the basketball court against Niskayuna. Whoever wins will emerge as the leader in the Gold Division, a position which up until now has been shared by both teams.

"We know we're capable," said Lewis. "But a little bit of luck would also help."

But luck was not too big a factor last week as the team went virtually unchallenged in two games, both of which ended as victories. Burnt Hills fell to Bethlehem Tuesday with a score of 41-29, while Scotia suffered a 55-21 loss on Saturday.

The Burnt Hills game started out fairly close with the score at half time being a narrow 17-12 lead for Bethlehem. A third quarter rally put the Eagles even more comfortably ahead, however, with the score a more lopsided 29-13. From then on the outcome was to be clear enough.

"After that we knew we had it," reflected Lewis. "It was just a matter of staying ahead."

The fourth quarter saw a nearly desperate Burnt Hills. Tactics used to slow the clock often turned into fouls, and then, more profitably for the Eagles, foul shots. The team ended up tallying a respectable 8 for 12 foul shot record, with Lynette Stracke going 4 for 4 and Michel Gibbons shooting 2 for 2.

Both teams showed outstanding defensive plays, which somewhat limited offensive measures on each side and kept the final score lower than might be expected. But even with the

formidable Burnt Hills defense blocking her way, Bethlehem's Anita Kaplan was still able to put in her nineteen points, while teammate Julie Francis broke through the lines for 7.

"We played good defense in the beginning, but towards the end we cranked it up so it was even better. Our game plan was to get the ball on the inside and try to get it to either Anita or Julie. We played pretty well," said Lewis.

As for Scotia?

"It really wasn't a contest. Their program has been suffering over the years and we knew right from the first basket that we wouldn't be having any problems."

The Eagles took a huge lead in the first quarter, with a score of 16-2. Things continued to go badly for Scotia all the way through the half, by which time they had only scored six points to the Eagles' 33. Tight defense from Bethlehem's side seemed to be at work once more, as the third quarter only saw six points from Scotia in contrast to B.C.'s 16.

"They just didn't have anybody who could stop any of our players. But we also kept our defense up," said Lewis. "We were able to try some new things, fine tune the offense some, change the line-up a little bit. Overall, it was good experience."

Kaplan and Francis both scored less than usual, though putting in less court time as well. Kaplan totaled 13 points, while Francis put in 12.

And maybe it will be the last one to come for awhile. After Tuesday's bout with Niskayuna, the team will, in coming weeks, face Saratoga and Colonie, both of which would prove to be enough of a challenge for the Eagles.

Volleyball team nets 2

By Kim VanDerZee

RCS spiker Jill Gottesman continued her outstanding performances as the Indians toppled their two opponents this week.

The Indians defeated Waterford and Schalmont to improve their record 13-1.

Gottesman assisted the RCS

spikers and played an outstanding game during their first trip to Waterford. The Indians easily defeated them, 15-9 and 15-1.

The second game saw Schalmont travel to Ravena and lose in two games. Kris Gerg and Dawn Dinardi made a great duo setting and spiking, and they both also served well.

St. Thomas celebrates Catholic Schools Week

The Saint Thomas School will join with the Diocesan Schools in celebrating Catholic Schools Week from Jan. 31 to February 5. There will be a variety of events and programs. On February 4 and 5 the public is invited to Open House Days at the school which is located at 42 Adams Place in Delmar. For more information, call 439-5573.

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Registration for Bethlehem Babe Ruth will take place on Jan. 30 at the Town Hall. Cost for the baseball program is \$30 per person or \$40 for two or more players from the same family. Any parent who is interested in volunteering as a coach or manager is welcome.

The Bethlehem Babe Ruth program is currently looking into establishing inter-league games and the possibility of hosting the All-Star tournament.

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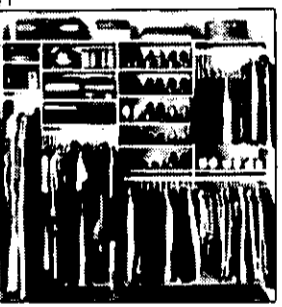
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Eagles have chance to redeem against powerful Burnt Hills

By John Bellizzi III

Even the best of athletic teams will occasionally have an "off week" or two, when the squad is not functioning at optimum potential for one reason or another. This is the best description of the condition that the Bethlehem Central wrestling team has been in for the past two weeks.

The Eagles have lost their last two dual meets to strong league rivals by very slim margins. Of course, all that could change tonight.

This evening, as Burnt Hills travels to Delmar for an important league dual meet, Bethlehem has the opportunity to break its losing streak and return to the road of victory on which they have grown so accustomed to traveling.

Last year's varsity team lost only three duals; defeated by Saratoga, Shenendehowa and Burnt Hills. A victory this evening would mean a very good opportunity for an improved season record over last year's.

The remaining opponents on BC's dual meet schedule are not expected to be of the same caliber as these three Suburban Council rivals, making tonight an important meet in terms of whether the Eagles reasserting their position as league wrestling powerhouse.

BC Coach Rick Poplaski sees a win tonight as definitely being within the Eagles' grasp. "I can only say the same thing I've said for the past two weeks," Poplaski told his team. "If everybody stays

Wrestling

off their backs, we'll win the meet." And his point is well taken, because in close meets like the past two and most likely tonight's, it is those six team points awarded for a pin compared to the three points for a decision that decide the dual meet.

Tonight, the Eagles have a chance to break their losing streak and greatly improve their blemished league record. In addition, it's an opportunity for spectators to see some very high-caliber wrestling action. Those fans who attended the BC-Saratoga meet two weeks ago will know what to expect.

BC's only dual meet last week also was a very exciting contest between two powerful and strong-willed league mat squads. The Shenendehowa Plainsmen won by a slim margin over the Eagles, although BC's comeback in the upper weights brought them to within one match of victory. Compared to the Saratoga meet, Poplaski observed that "some of the individual match-ups were a little tougher" against the Plainsmen. Some of these tough opponents turned their advantages into big points for their team.

Shenendehowa gained an early 9-0 lead in Wednesday's meet by winning in the first two weight classes. With no backup available for ailing BC freshman Mike Ehrlich, the Plainsmen won the 91 pound weight class by forfeit. In the evening's first varsity bout, a 3-3 tie was broken in the last

period as Kevin Schoonover was reversed by his opponent to lose by a 5-3 decision.

Bethlehem took its first stand in the next weight class. For the second time in as many weeks, it was a Leamy who broke the opponent's streak of lightweight victories to give BC its' first victory of the contest. Instead of Mike Leamy, whose 3-2 decision in the 119 bout against Saratoga sparked off a five-match, 18-point Eagle rally from a 21-0 deficit, it was his brother Pat who put Bethlehem on the scoreboard against the Plainsmen. The 105-pound junior earned a technical fall by outscoring his opponent 15-0 in the second period, putting BC back in the dual meet by narrowing Shenendehowa's lead to 9-6.

Unfortunately, Bethlehem had no lightweight rally during this meet. Eric Brown and Mike Leamy were both decided over the course of the following two matches, increasing Shenendehowa's lead to 17-6. Brown fell by a 14-0 superior decision at 112 pounds, and Leamy lost his 119-pound bout 10-4.

BC's bad luck continued through the next two weight classes. The 126-pound match was tied 4-4 in the third period when Bethlehem's Tom Nyilis was put to his back and pinned. John Gallogly was pinned at 132 pounds in the second period, making the team score 29-6.

At 138 pounds, Chris Saba stepped on the mat and pinned his opponent with two seconds left in the first period. Saba's personal record for the season, his fifth at the varsity level, currently stands

Blackbirds notch 2 wins

By Matt Bates

After bowing to Ravena and dropping their league record to 4-1 two weeks ago, the Voorheesville wrestling team excelled in dual matches this week with overwhelming victories against Guilderland and Lansingburg.

The Birds destroyed Guilderland in their non-league match, with a final score of 54-12 and every wrestler on the team registered a win in the battle. The grapplers went on a run of seven straight pins, starting with Chris Dell'Acqua at 126

pounds and ending with John Traudt's pin at 177. In between, Tom Ravidia, Matt Cillis, Rick Leach, James Kane, and Paul Novak all had pins against their foes. Other winners for the team

were Pat Magram at 105, Bob Blanchard at 119, and Jim Giantasio won his first match of the year at 215.

at 16-0.

At 145 pounds, Paul Vichot was defeated via technical fall, adding six points to the Plainsmen's score. Tom Morrison's match at 155 pounds ended in a 4-4 draw, bringing the team score to 37-14.

This is the point where Bethlehem's come-from-behind rally began. Mike Mosley started it off with a pin. The 167 pound senior's victory came with 45 seconds left in the match and narrowed Shenendehowa's lead to 37-20. Steve Guynup accepted a forfeit at 177, bringing the Eagles to within 11 points of the Plainsmen. Jim Hoffman kept Bethlehem's rally going by pinning his adversary in the second period of his heavyweight match, but BC still found themselves short by five points. Shenendehowa's 250-pounder pinned John Reagan in the second period of the super heavyweight bout for a final team score of Shenendehowa 43, Bethlehem 32.

BC's junior varsity wrestling

team also was defeated by a larger Shenendehowa squad. Although the Eagles won more JV bouts than their opponents; the match scores and several forfeits caused the dual meet to be decided in the Plainsmen's advantage. The meet was not without its good points, though. Pete Bragaw pinned his opponent at 167, maintaining his undefeated record for the season. At 145 pounds, Garrett Histed was victorious by a 16-0 technical fall. John Schroeder, Nick Morrison, and Tom Bruni won by decision.

The Eagle grappler's week doesn't end after tonight, though. This Saturday, the varsity team has an opportunity for revenge against Saratoga as they participate in the Saratoga varsity wrestling tournament. On the same day, the junior varsity team will wrestle in the Colonie JV tournament. Two dual meets will follow during mid-term week, with the Eagles traveling to Scotia and hosting Amsterdam next Thursday and Friday respectively.

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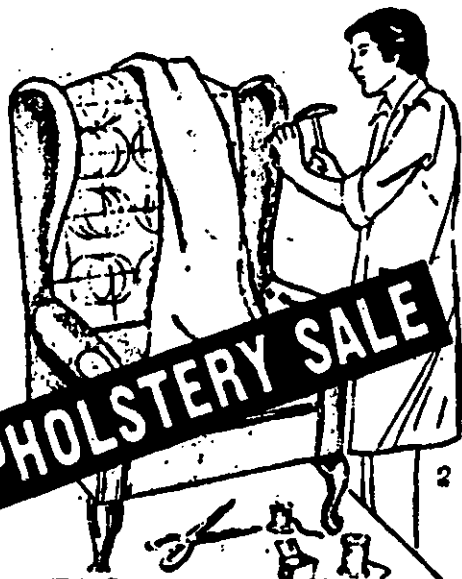


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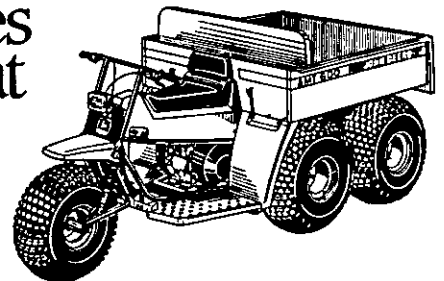
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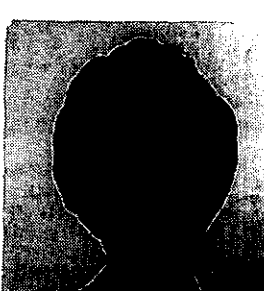
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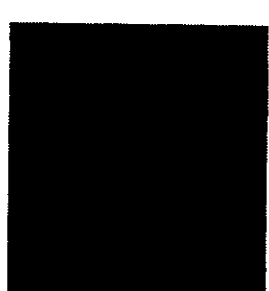
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Guilderville halfway there

By Stephen A. Smith

The Guilderville Knicks swimming team set a goal at the beginning of this season to win at least five meets and send at least one relay team to the sectionals. With less than half their meets over the Knicks have compiled a record of 3-6 and are coming on strong.

Much of the credit for the Knicks sudden success can be given to the non-starters who have been picking up the slack for the team. In the past two weeks Guilderville, which is the combined Voorheesville-Guilderland team, has competed in four meets and managed to come out even. Against Stillwater the Knicks lost a heartbreaker because they had to forfeit an event due to a lack of swimmers, thus losing by a narrow margin of four points. Senior swimmer extraordinaire Kevin Tyrrell was more than impressive once again in this meet, along with a strong performance by both relays teams.

Swimming

Guilderville then traveled to Shaker High School with something to prove. With all their swimmers back and ready, the Knicks handed the Blue Bison a big defeat. Once again Tyrrell and his younger brother Joe, were major contributors to the victory, as was the relay team of Joe Tyrrell, Gary Washburn, Scott Bowden and Kevin Tyrrell. Due to incident after the swimming meet at Stillwater, Guilderville was without the services of three of their better swimmers.

Queensbury was next on Guilderville's busy schedule and this was a meet they would have liked to missed. Queensbury, the clearly superior team, dominated throughout most of the match, except when Tyrrell was in the pool. When the Knicks got on the bus to go home they knew they had been beaten.

Guilderville worked very hard.

between the Queensbury meet and its home against Scotia. This was quite obvious as the Knicks destroyed Scotia by a score of 57-14. This was truly a victory because the team didn't have seven of its best swimmers, including Kevin Tyrrell and Gary Washburn, who were both sick. Henry and Chris Nuebold, who were here on a foreign exchange program, moved back to Germany. The three other missing swimmers are on suspension. So Coach Larry Dedrick looked to his back ups and they delivered. Senior rookie Matt Bates contributed a lot to this teams victory, winning his first race as a Knick. Other heroes were Joe Tyrrell, David Washburn and Scott Bowden, all freshman.

So, with little time left to prove themselves this Guilderville Knicks team is eager to win. The Knicks have meets Wednesday and Friday of this week and they go into this week with confidence and high hopes. In the words of captain Kevin Tyrrell, "We're shootin' for the MOON!"

Young Dolphins place at Canahojarie meet

Many of the 16 Delmar Dolphins placed while participating in the Canahojarie Developmental Meet on Jan. 16.

In the 10 and under girls group, Cailin Brennan placed first in the 50-yard backstroke and sixth in the 100-yard individual medley, while Melanie Veazey earned "B" time certificates in the 100-yard individual medley and the 50-yard breaststroke.

Representing the 10 and under boys, Billy Leary took first in the 100-yard individual medley, fifth in the 50-yard butterfly, and earned a "B" time certificate in the 50-yard freestyle.

In the 11 and 12 boys category, David Seegal placed second in the 50-yard freestyle, fourth in the 50-yard butterfly, and sixth in the 50-yard backstroke, while Marc Kanuk took third in the 100-yard individual medley and Brian Lenhardt finished fifth in the 50-yard freestyle.

Swimming in the 13 and 14

boys group were Craig Mattox, who placed first in the 100-yard backstroke, third in the 100-yard breaststroke, fourth in the 100-yard butterfly, and earned "B" time certificates in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard freestyle. Jim Davis finished first in the 100-yard freestyle.

Strong performances, were also turned in by Jackie Baseline, Georgia Butt, Laura DelVecchio, Katie Hall, Coleen Pickering, Reva Rotenberg, Kerry Van Riper, and James Veazey.

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OBITUARIES

Edward M. Sheehan Sr.

Edward M. Sheehan Sr., 70, of Delmar, a former motorcycle trooper and restaurant owner, died Sunday, Jan. 10 at the Albany Medical Center Hospital.

He was born in Albany and was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy.

He was a member of the State Police Troop G Motorcycle Division for seven years and later operated Sheehan's family restaurant in Albany, retiring in 1952. He also worked for 20 years at the Hartford Insurance Co. in Delmar as an insurance claims supervisor.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving as a chief petty officer.

He was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

He is survived by his wife, Winifred Carlin Sheehan; four sons, Edward M. Sheehan Jr. of Andover, Mass., Thomas J. Sheehan of Clifton Park, Daniel P. Sheehan of Albany and Peter C. Sheehan of Darry, N.H.; a daughter, Mary S. O'Connell of Albany, and several grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, Albany.

Margaret Slater

Margaret Gedney Slater, 85, of Slingerlands died Tuesday, Jan. 12, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was born in Coeymans Hollow and was a longtime area resident. She was the wife of the late Raymond C. Slater.

She was a secretary for the state Department of Education and after her retirement worked as an assistant to the editor of the

Journal of American Mosquito Control Association in Albany, retiring in 1987.

She is survived by a daughter, Barbara Fairbanks of Arkport, N.Y.; two sisters, Dorothy Daton of Sarasota, Fla., and Elsie Jane Gould of Vero Beach, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Tebbutt Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Philip Pettinger

Philip Pettinger, 90, of Voorheesville died Tuesday, Jan. 12 at his home.

He was born in Boston and was a Voorheesville resident for 30 years.

He worked for the Pinkerton Co., retiring in 1960. He also worked for the Delaware and Hudson Railway and the Duffy Mott Co. in Voorheesville.

He was the last surviving charter member and an honorary life member of the Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club.

He is survived by a nephew, John Pettinger of Troy.

Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, New Scotland. Arrangements were made by the Reilly and Son Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Lydia H. M. Carl

Lydia H. M. Carl, 89, of Slingerlands died Sunday, Jan. 10, in Cape Fear Memorial Hospital in Wilmington, N.C.

She was born in Coeymans Hollow and was the wife of the late Wendell Carl.

She was employed by the state

Department of Education and retired in 1969.

She is survived by a daughter, Shirley Miller of Slingerlands; a brother Claude Marshall of Ravena; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Spring burial will be in the Chestnut Lawn Cemetery in New Baltimore. Arrangements were made by the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to the Congregational Christian Church, Ravena.

Emily Porter Blood

Emily Porter Blood, 34, of Selkirk, a nurse, died Wednesday, Jan. 13, at Albany Medical Center Hospital, where she was employed, after being stricken at home.

She was born in Pittsburgh and lived in Lake George and Grosse Pointe, Mich., before moving to Selkirk.

She was a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing. She was employed at Albany Medical Center Hospital in the burn center and emergency room since 1974. She was also a helicopter transport nurse.

She is survived by her husband, Steven P. Blood; a son, Nathaniel Blood; her mother, Hazel Porter Maitland of Heath, Mass.; two sisters, Jennella Porter and Laura Porter of Heath, Mass.; and a brother John Porter of Heath, Mass.

Arrangements were made by the Babcock Funeral Home, Ravena.

Contributions may be made to the Emily Porter Blood Memorial Fund, c/o Betty Lawrence, 399 Maple St. Selkirk, 12158. The fund has been established to help educate her son Nathaniel.

Myron D. Flagg

Myron D. "Skip" Flagg, 66, of Selkirk died Friday, Jan. 15, in Albany Medical Center Hospital after being stricken at home.

He was born in Albany and was a longtime area resident.

He worked as a service station mechanic in the area for most of his life.

A World War II Navy veteran, he was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Glenn A. Warner Post of Owego, N.Y. He was a member of the Selkirk Fire Department and a charter member of the Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association. He was also a member of the Tin Can Sailor's Inc. of Fall River, Mass., a group that restores old Navy battleships.

He is survived by his wife, Vera Peck Flagg; two daughters, Dawn Pratt and Linda Schacht of Selkirk; a brother, Richard Flagg Sr. of East Greenbush; a sister, Marion Viviano of Ravena; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Ambulance Squad or the Delmar Rescue Squad.

Appraiser to explain improvement option

Peter Trent, commercial and residential appraiser, will present a program entitled "Home Improvements: The Ones That Make the Difference" on Jan. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library.

The uncertainty of future interest rates is making home improvements an attractive option for homeowners considering selling their present house to purchase a newer or larger one. Trent will discuss these options and how home improvements add to the value of property.

To register for this program, call the library at 439-9314.

Once upon a time

By Susan Gordon

I should have known by the invitation. Incubated in several layers of parchment, it shouted, "conspicuous consumption still thrives."

ON THE HOME FRONT



Susan Gordon

For a year, relatives salivated at the thought of my cousin's co-starring role in a society wedding. The day the invitation arrived, I was serene. It would be lovely to rediscover long-lost relatives.

My serenity was short-lived. That night, before drifting off, I asked my spouse what "black tie" meant. Poor soul, he never slept a wink.

Our search for costumes began. Several weeks later, my spouse brought home his tux. Its bow tie, cummerbund and pleated shirt were elegant. The suspenders looked like ones we'd dressed our teens in when they were tots.

I fared better. Dressed in jeans, loafers and baggy sweater, I meandered into Ursula's. The sales clerk levitated when I asked for evening gowns.

An hour later, I emerged disheveled and amazed at the energy expended in trying on 15 gowns. A soft chiffon was an easy winner.

The evening arrived, and we drove 100 miles to the country club. When the valet emerged to park our car, it dawned on us that there was no turning back.

The club's balustraded entry made us gasp. A twinkling chandelier larger than our living room transformed the reception hall into a land touched by the good fairy's wand. Wall and ceiling mirrors enhanced the effect.

And food! The appetizer buffet would have given Hiro's heartburn. Four banquet rooms were laced with delicacies to tempt even the pickiest. Tekka maki, smoked salmon and caviar were but a few of the offerings. Two hours later, we greeted the dinner announcement with a prayer for Pepto-Bismol.

The bride and groom were gracious and graceful. Their first dance was reflected in a magnificent oak floor. I felt gratified that the architects had also discovered Gym Coat.

At evening's end, we drove quietly home to the accompaniment of our own voices and smokey sky. Happily, we were inconspicuous.

FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glatetter

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Jan. 7	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
Jan. 7	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
Jan. 7	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Jan. 8	No. Bethlehem Fire Dept.	Standby Auto Accident
Jan. 8	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
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Jan. 8	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
Jan. 8	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Car Fire
Jan. 8	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
Jan. 8	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
Jan. 8	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
Jan. 9	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
Jan. 9	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 9	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
Jan. 9	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
Jan. 9	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
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Jan. 9	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
Jan. 10	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
Jan. 11	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Jan. 11	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto Accident
Jan. 11	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Car Fire
Jan. 11	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
Jan. 11	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal Injury
Jan. 11	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
Jan. 12	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Standby
Jan. 12	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
Jan. 12	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Jan. 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
Jan. 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
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On Jan. 16, the Bethlehem Elks presented the Fireman of the Year awards to firemen in the different departments. They are:

- North Bethlehem — Frank Decerri.
- Slingerlands — John Flanigan.
- Delmar — Al McNamera.
- Elsmere — Peter Merrill.

There will be a Pancake Breakfast at the Elsmere Fire House on Sunday, Jan. 24, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Anyone interested in attending the Bethlehem Ambulance Annual Dinner may make reservations by contacting Arlene Wiggand, 434-8550, or Kathy Keenan, 767-3031. The dinner is Jan. 30, with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. dinner at 7 p.m. followed by dancing. Tickets are \$5 for members and \$10 for guests.



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 NEW RENEWAL

Mark Kleinke marries

Joyce Ann Fraver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grinnell of Centerville, Ohio, and the late Norman Fraver, and Mark William Kleinke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kleinke Jr. of Slingerlands, were married Oct. 31 at the Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church, Kettering, Ohio. The Rev. James Brier officiated.

Heide Breisch was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Corine Little, Jodie Tregory and Jeanel Gliebe. Megan Herrman, niece of the groom, was junior bridesmaid.

Jerry Weissberg served as best man. Ushers were John Allchin, James Clyne and David Little.

The bride attended Bowling Green University. The bridegroom, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, holds a B.S. and a M.B.A. from the Rochester Institute of Technology.

After a wedding trip to the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Greensboro, N.C.



Ashlee Mathusa and Randall Reakes

Mathusa-Reakes

Mr. and Mrs. Parker D. Mathusa of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter Ashlee Margaret to Randall Scott Reakes of Hamilton, N.Y.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Paul Smith's College. She is

employed by Planned Parenthood in Syracuse.

Her fiance, a graduate of Hamilton High School and Paul Smith's College, is employed by Januzi Land Surveying.

A July 9 wedding date has been set.

New small business workshop slated

"Small Business Start-Up and Survival," a workshop for prospective small business owners and those that have been in business for three months or less, will be held at the Ramada Inn in Albany on Thursday, Jan. 21. The day long program will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Speakers from the various governmental agencies and private businesses will address small business assistance, financial factors, marketing, business records and taxes. Cost of the workshop is \$15 and includes lunch and a packet of materials. For more information and to register, call 765-3520.

Lung association bicycle trek meeting

The American Lung Association will hold its second annual Trans-American Bicycle Trek. Details about the 3,400 mile cross-country fund raiser will be presented to the public on Jan. 22 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Sand Creek Middle School in Colonie.

Among the four area residents who participated in last year's event is Jeanette Rice of Delmar.

BCMS to present play

The students of Bethlehem Middle School will present "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" on Friday and Saturday, January 29 and 30 at 8 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the middle school office or at the door for \$2. There will also be a free performance for senior citizens on Tuesday, January 26, at 7 p.m.

J. Pierrepoint Finch will be played by Jedd Thompson, Bud Frump by Ryan Dunham, Rosemary by Karen Kerness and Smitty by Sara Israel.

Windbreaks can be planted now for spring

January is a good time to plan windbreaks for next spring, according to the Albany County Soil and Water Conservation District. Windbreaks, consisting of trees, can diminish wind speed by 60 percent and reduce the amount of fuel used to heat a home.

Plantings should be on the windward side and oriented to offer protection from severe winter storms. Coniferous trees are the best to use and should be planted 50 feet away from buildings, roads and feedlots.



Elise Mathusa and James Flynn Jr.

Mathusa-Flynn

Mr. and Mrs. Parker D. Mathusa of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elise Ann, to James Daniel Flynn Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Flynn of Troy.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Fashion Institute of Technology. She is employed by Lanier Business Products, New York City.

Her fiance, a graduate of Troy High School and the state

University at Albany, is an international equities sales liaison for Solomon Brothers, Inc., New York City.

An Oct. 8 wedding is planned.

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Dagners celebrate 64th

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dagner of Delmar will be celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary with a dinner at the Century House.

The Dagners were married Jan. 20, 1924, in St. Patrick's Church in Albany. They have two children, Harry Dagner of Colonie and Virginia Rose Cronin of Clifton Park and Florida. They also have seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

CP telethon helps Center for Disabled

The 28th annual Cerebral Palsy Center for the Disabled Telethon will be held Jan. 23 and 24 at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center.

"Put Your Love on the Line" is the theme for the telethon which can be seen on WTEN TV-10. WTEN's John McLoughlin will be the local host of the event and Jack Smith will be the "National Starathon" host.

Funds raised locally will be used to cover programs and services provided by the Center for the Disabled in Albany to over 2,500 individuals in 11 counties of all ages with developmental disabilities and neurological impairments.

The telethon goal is to surpass last year's goal of \$667,921.

Talk on phobias slated by mental health group

The Mental Health Association will hold an informational talk about phobias at the Bethlehem Library on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m.

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Community Corner

Help Your Volunteer Ambulance Service

You can help your volunteer ambulance service in many ways without even joining. CPR classes are offered free of charge by many area volunteer ambulance squads. You can provide valuable assistance and reassurance during those long minutes waiting for the ambulance to arrive. Also, if you see a green flashing light on a car, pull over. It means that someone is on their way to a patient.

If you need to call an ambulance, let the dispatcher hang up first. They may need directions to your house or patient information. Send someone outside to direct the ambulance squad to the patient. If there isn't anyone available to go outside, turn on your porch light and the emergency flashers on your car. Also, put any medication, non-prescription as well as prescription, in a bag so it may go to the hospital with the patient.



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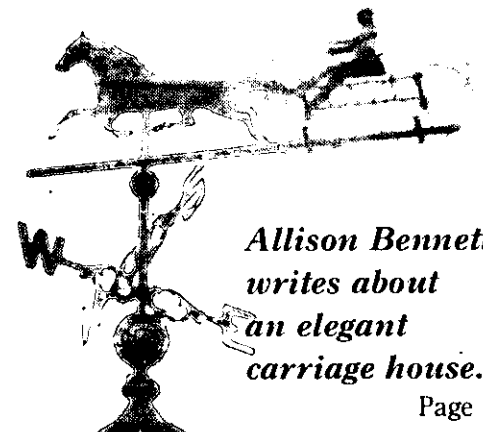
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