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A landmark to be moved

By Allison Bennett

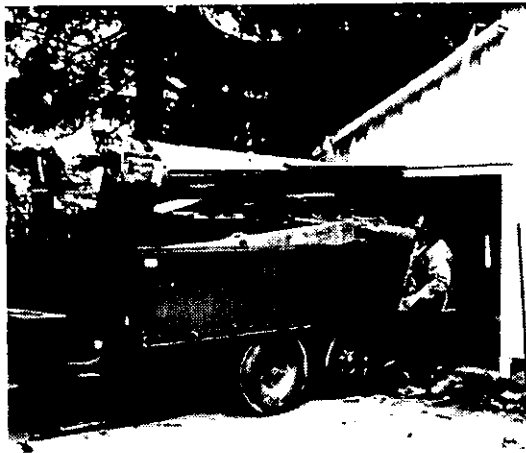
This week one of Bethlehem's landmark buildings will be saved from demolition when it is moved intact to the grounds of the Bethlehem Historical Association museum on Rt. 144 at Cedar Hill.

The carriage house of the former tollgate that stood astride the South Bethlehem Plank Road, which eventually became Rt. 9W at Bethlehem Center, Glenmont, has been given to the Historical Association by the present owner, Ms. Denise Loveridge. The land will be sold to a real estate developer, who plans to build a shopping center at the corner of Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Rd.

If all goes well, the building will be making its precarious way down Rt. 9W and Clapper Rd. to Cedar Hill Wednesday, thanks to the enthusiastic support of many people.

The history of this little carriage house goes back to a group of men who met on May 10, 1851, and agreed to associate themselves for the purpose of organizing a company to construct a plank road from Bethlehem Center to South Bethlehem. It was a state law that "the amount of at least \$500 for every mile of the road intended to be built must be in good faith subscribed."

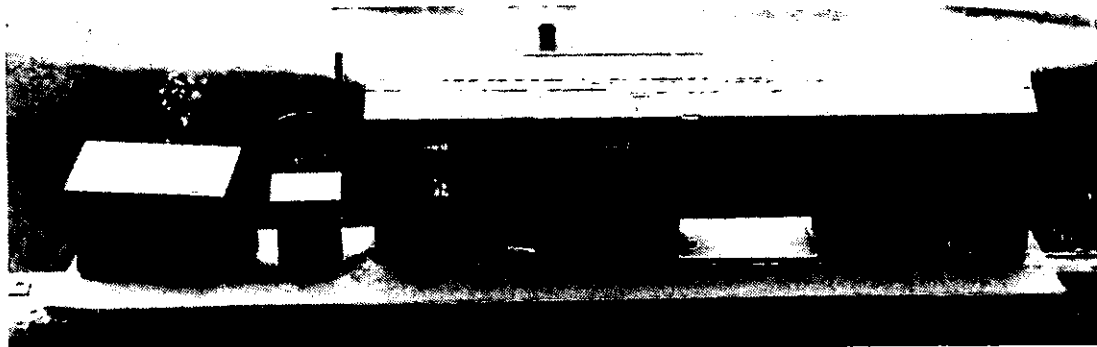
The men set the value of the shares of stock in the corporation at \$50 and each man invested as he was able. It was agreed that there would be



A worker from J.A. Stone Construction of Delmar removes a shed attached to the carriage house in preparation for moving day. *Patricia Mitchell*

two tollgates along the road and one of these would be located below the juncture of the road that led to Feura Bush (the Albany and Clarksville Plank Road). The tollgate keeper would be given a house to live in and a carriage house across the road, the complex connected overhead with a wooden roof and a gate that either let down or closed from the sides to shut off the road between tolls.

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A model of the Bethlehem Center Tollgate as it appeared when it was serving the customers of the South Bethlehem Plank Road in 1851. The model was made by a former owner, John Comstock. *Spotlight*

State forces dairy to close

By Mark Stuart

After being cited by state health officials for numerous offenses, Heath's Dairy of Glenmont is closing down its area retail delivery, bringing an end to that little slice of Americana in Albany County that Norman Rockwell himself would have envied.

As of May 4, the dairy production plant of Heath's Dairy will close permanently, bringing an end to milk delivery service for some 600 area customers. Owner Barry Dance said he will continue to maintain the 460-acre dairy farm and sell his milk to larger firms like Borden and Crowley, but will close his consumer

products operation, which includes bottling and local delivery. The farm store may remain open as an ice cream stand.

"This is a big disappointment," Dance said. "I just can't keep fighting."

In order to remain open and meet the requirements of the state, he said, he would have to hire a technician at a salary of around \$30,000 a year.

"Small (dairy farm) enterprise can't make it in the state, not with the changing climate of the legislation."

Dance, a former college professor,

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BC's election: a change in climate

By Patricia Mitchell

When Lynne Lenhardt filed to run for the Bethlehem Central school board last month, she said, someone asked her who her "people" were behind her campaign.

Most school board candidates say their campaigns are "grass-roots," and "informal", but two "special interest groups" have endorsed candidates this year. Another group has apparently fallen by the wayside, and for the first time in several years issues such as long-range planning and the district's response to its growing enrollment have taken precedent.

Lenhardt will be challenging

incumbent Charles Reeves, and William Collins, Lawrence Faulkner, Gregory Maher and Marcia Roth are in a four-way race for board President Robert Ruslander's seat.

Not in the election process this year for the first time since it was started three years ago is Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT), which "enjoyed a peaceful and quiet demise and burial," said Reeves, who was backed by the group when he was elected to his first term. The group has "just faded away," he said.

After backing Reeves, BUT fielded two unsuccessful candidates two years ago and another

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Nat Boynton's love affair is Media Rare

By Theresa Bobear

"Sports editor in a town without a baseball team? Intolerable! Unacceptable! Unforgivable! The challenge was clear. All right, Nat, go out and get one."

Nat Boynton

Media Rare

Most people who meet Nathaniel A. Boynton of New Scotland remember him. He's a master of the English language, an avid sports enthusiast and an astute political observer with well-defined opinions on many community issues. If he watches a local baseball game, he'll accurately relate the strategic errors or team weakness that led to defeat.

The former editor and publisher of *The Spotlight* knows his community and knows how things happen, inside and out. If he sees a situation he believes should be changed, he'll hesitate only long enough to formulate the most effective course of action.

When he disagreed with fiscal

policies of the Bethlehem Central School District several years ago, he organized the Bethlehem United Taxpayers (BUT) and ran for the school board. Boynton lost, twice, but one of BUT's candidates won.

"It's one thing to like your work, quite another to love it."

He does not hesitate to speak his mind or disagree with the opinions of a colleague. His editorial sparring with Robert Fitchenberg, former managing editor of the *Knickerbocker News*, was characterized by the ricocheting of razor-sharp prose.

Shortly after being appointed sports editor of the *Genera Daily Times* in 1947, Boynton solved the crisis of the baseball void by encouraging members of the

Geneva business community to purchase a minor league baseball team and open a park. Boynton reports that Pete Rose and Tony Perez later played their first professional seasons in the park.

During the past year, Boynton has been writing a narrative of his colorful experiences. He is billing *Media Rare*, his newly released 365-page, soft-cover book, as the "adventures and misadventures of a grassroots newspaperman of the old school." He recounts a lifetime of communications and media adventures, including his start as a cub reporter with the *Watertown Daily Times*, his stint as a magazine editor for the U.S. Army in Newfoundland at the close of World War II, his years as sports editor and state editor with the *Genera Daily Times*, his hectic tenure as state wire editor and Capitol Bureau correspondent with the Associated Press in Albany, his time as an audiovisual speech writer for General Electric

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A young Nat Boynton at work on the copy desk of the *Watertown Times* soon after the end of World War II.

Six candidates vie for 2 BC board seats

By Patricia Mitchell

Two Bethlehem Central school board seats will be filled during the annual budget vote on Wednesday, May 4, and the issues most commonly discussed by the six candidates are communications, quality, the budget and the districts response to its growing student population.

Running for the seat now held by board President Robert Ruslander, who decided not to seek re-election, are William Collins of Glenmont, Lawrence Faulkner of Delmar, Gregory Maher of Delmar and Marcia Roth of Clarksville.

Incumbent Charles Reeves of Delmar is being opposed by Lynne Lenhardt of Delmar.

The three-year terms on the seven-member board will begin on July 1.

The candidates discussed their qualifications and goals in interviews last week. All were asked about their position on the school board's proposed budget, which will also be voted on Wednesday, and on the report now being prepared by the district's Facilities and Enrollment Committee.

William Collins

Collins said he is running for



William Collins



Lawrence Faulkner



Gregory Maher



Marcia Roth



Lynne Lenhardt



Charles Reeves

the school board because he believes he can help translate the community's sentiment about the district into policy.

Several district committees will be reporting back to the school board soon on their work, and Collins said he feels BC will be ready as a community, with a strong administration, to address the issues and reports.

As representatives, the school board members will have to listen carefully, and think about how to convert the reports into actions, Collins said. Some tough decisions

will have to be made, he said, and this will require a positive frame of mind and a focus on the overall goal of quality education.

Collins also said he feels there is a real need for teamwork in the district. Superintendent Leslie Loomis is a strong administrator with strong ideas, he said, and Loomis' ideas should be explored in a positive atmosphere.

Collins said he thinks the proposed \$22.5 million budget is good and balances the needs of the district. There are a lot of factors in it, such as debt service,

additional teachers, preparing for the growth of the district, that make it reasonable.

Asked if he would support a new school or a major construction project if it was an option by the facilities and enrollment committee, Collins said he thinks it is a better time now to listen than to speak. He said facts released so far point to major construction, as does the district's needs and growth. Patching dykes is not a long-term answer, he said.

If the school board decides to go ahead with major construction, it should present the short and long-term goals of the project to the community early on to gain support. Some parents with children in school now will be concerned with their present needs. The board should use public forums, PTAs, and the media to inform the community and Collins said the price of the project should follow.

Collins is a deputy commissioner for legal affairs and the counsel for the state Tax Department, and has also worked as an attorney and chief administrative officer for the state Labor Department.

He received his bachelor's in economics from the state University College at Oneonta, his juris doctor from Albany Law School, and he is working on his master's from Union College.

He and his wife, Barbara, are youth counselors for the high school youth group at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, where he is also a vice president. He is also a member of the Albany County Bar Association.

Residents of Jefferson Rd., he and his wife have a two-year-old son.

Lawrence Faulkner

Faulkner said he is running on four themes. He said he believes he can take problems and turn them into opportunities with a more creative, broad and bold

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approach to offer more to students.

BC should also set high expectations for its children, Faulkner said. Whatever BC students become will be part of the whole community, and the district should look at that and make a sound investment in the district, he said. Part of that is to encourage the professional staff, and while that may mean money in the short run, it means making more of people in the long run, he said.

Faulkner also said he is an advocate of long range planning, such as the district committee now working on a blueprint for the system in five years.

Faulkner said the proposed budget is adequate and should be supported, and is the first that begins to address the needs of a growing enrollment. However, he said, he would have liked to have seen the roofing or expenses and supplies cuts left in, especially the expenses and supplies. That cut was identified as "across the board," and if it can't be identified it should have been left to the voters to decide," he said. If the expenses and supplies were not cut, Faulkner said, the tax increase would have been about 6.6 percent.

As for BC's future enrollment and facilities needs, Faulkner said it appears major construction is needed, and if facts and figures bear out, he would support an appropriate and fiscally sound plan. He said a "bold approach" should be proposed, that the space issue should be approached not as a problem but as an opportunity.

A major construction project should be presented to district residents with honesty and without hiding problems or pretending they are not there, Faulkner said. The school board should also go back to committee members who have played significant roles in the issue and get more input from them as the board gets closer to a decision.

Faulkner said a series of forums on the project should be held, and that perhaps the school board could meet with the town, which is under pressure to open a community center, to discuss the possibility of a joint building project or a trade-off.

Faulkner is a deputy counsel for the state Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. He earned his bachelor's from the state College of Industrial and Labor Relations at

Cornell University, and his master's in history and juris doctorate from the state University at Buffalo.

Faulkner has also taught social welfare at the University at Buffalo and the state University College at Buffalo, was a social worker for Erie County and was the founding director of Legal Services for the Elderly Project of Western New York.

He is a member of Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and he lives on Winne Rd. He and his wife, Marilyn, have two children.

Gregory Maher

Making his second run for the school board, Maher said he is different from the other three candidates running for Ruslander's seat. Maher, who works from his home, said he is based in the community and is aware of school traditions, what is going on in the schools and what the school board is doing.

The next three years will be very important in the school district and he said it will be very important to get into the schools and see how growing enrollment is impacting on them. Maher said he has the freedom to arrange his schedule to do that.

The proposed \$22 million budget is good and has brought a balance by bringing in every aspect of the district's operation, Maher said. He pointed to the start of a reroofing program as the school board's way of slowly introducing programs that will maintain the district.

There is a serious need for the information the facilities and enrollment committee has generated, he said. The committee has clearly defined the issues, said the district will need to make intelligent choices, he said. He said BC will have to be flexible in how and what it decides to build if it chooses to go that route.

In presenting a plan to handle future enrollment, Maher said, the school board should rely on the committee's information that will make clear the district's choices and make them available to the public. The presentation of the plan to the public will take place as the board discusses it. He said he doesn't think it should be managed, but rather a more open process.

Maher has been employed at home raising his family for the past nine years. He has also worked in advertising, film making, retail photography sales,

has managed a store, sold real estate and was a real estate manager. He received his bachelor's in liberal arts from the state University at Oswego.

He is the Hamagrael PTA representative to the school board, a member of the communications task force and the elementary counseling committee, and he has been teaching video workshops at some elementary schools.

Maher is also involved with the Bethlehem Soccer League, the Tri-Village Little League, the Indian Guides and Cub Scout Pack 23 at Hamagrael. He and his wife, Mary, have three children and are residents of Albin Dr.

Marcia Roth

BC has provided quality education and that has benefited the community by adding immeasurably to the quality of life, Roth said. One of BC's strengths is the variety of people living in the district, and this should continue, she said. Roth said she can help the community by contributing to the education system because it is part of the community's quality.

Roth said she puts a lot of priority on the elementary level because that is the basis for education, but there are also equally important issues at the middle and high school levels. The nature of parent involvement changes through the grades but they are all important, she said, citing the role of parents in preventing alcohol and drug abuse.

Roth also said that because she has worked on education issues for 12 years she won't have to go through a period of familiarization with the system and its issues.

The proposed spending plan is responsive, Roth said, because it is the first in several years that looks at the students and allocates accordingly. She noted that the plan adds teachers at the elementary level for growing enrollment there, while cutting back at the high school.

A member of the facilities and enrollment committee, Roth said she would support new construction if it is proposed but maybe not a new school because that will be expensive. If new construction is proposed, she said, it will take some years to complete and some interim steps will be needed. It will be important for the district to decide how to do it and how to make it a quality project.

\$22 million budget on the line Wednesday

By Patricia Mitchell

Bethlehem Central school district voters will be casting their ballot on a proposed \$22 million budget Wednesday.

It includes 5.6 elementary teachers, a foreign language teacher for the middle school, reroofing a portion of the high school and updating the stage lights and sound system at the high school.

Also as part of the annual budget vote, two board seats are to be decided and a \$347,700 transportation bond issue and a referendum proposing that school board seats be elected at large, rather than for a specific seat, will also be on the ballot.

The proposed spending plan of \$22,527,579, is an increase of \$1,849,161 or 8.94 percent over this year's.

Tax rates in the proposed budget are estimated at \$192.12 per \$1,000 of assessed value in Bethlehem, an increase of \$11.54 or 6.39 percent, and at \$275.42 per \$1,000 in New Scotland, a decrease of \$1.01 or .37 percent.

During a public hearing on the budget last month, Superintendent Dr. Leslie Loomis said BC ranks ninth out of the 11 Suburban council school districts in true value tax rates and eighth in per pupil costs.

The proposed spending plan includes:

- To handle an expected increase in enrollment, 5.6 elementary teachers plus an additional middle school foreign language teacher.
- A new bus driver position at \$9,000.
- Upgrading the stage lighting and sound system at the high school auditorium for \$33,000.
- Starting a 10-year district-wide replacement program at \$100,000. Portions of the high school roof will be done next year. The original figure of \$191,000 was trimmed, along with the expenses and supplies accounts, because the district expects to receive less state aid than originally expected.
- Padding the walls of the upper gym at the high school for \$10,800.
- A part-time guidance supervisor for kindergarten to grade 12 for \$1,925.
- Contracting an asbestos management consultant at \$50,000 to comply with new federal asbestos legislation.
- Three in-district special education classes for a savings of \$20,000.

This is the second year the school board started with a Fundamental Operating Budget (FOB), that included all fixed expenditures and costs for carrying this year's programs into next. It then reviewed proposals for new programs to be included in the final budget. After each meeting, the administration provided lists of decisions and their costs that the school board made at the previous meeting.

Voting will take place at the middle school on Kenwood Ave., from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Voters must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and a district resident for at least 30 days.

After making a decision on building needs, the school board should make the committee's report widely available because it has lots of good information, she said. Roth said public meetings should be held throughout the district, and board members should also go out into the

community. She said it may be rough to convince residents of the need to undertake a construction project, but she believes once they are made aware of the facts they will support it.

Roth tracks federal education policy as a budget examiner for

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unsuccessful candidate in 1987.

Playing an active role this year is Respecting Education: Bethlehem Unified Taxpayers (RE:BUT) and Bethlehem Taxpayers for Quality Education (BTQE), which have endorsed Lenhardt and Lawrence Faulkner. Phyllis Hillinger, a member of RE:BUT, said the groups are backing Lenhardt because she has been involved in the schools for a long time and has the experience.

Faulkner was supported because he was involved with the groups, he has in depth knowledge of certain fiscal areas and is an advocate for the elderly, Hillinger said.

The endorsements were made after Lenhardt, Faulkner and Collins spoke before them, Hillinger said. The members knew Maher's views after backing him last year, and they were not interested in backing Reeves, she said. When RE:BUT and BTQE made their endorsements, she

said, Roth had not filed for the school board.

However, Collins said he had not been contacted by the groups or sought any backing. If he had to solicit voting blocks or special interest groups, he said, he would think twice about running.

Maher said that even though he was endorsed by the groups last year he believes they have lost some impartiality by backing candidates this year, and he believes they are now more political.

The RE:BUT and BTQE endorsements will probably have the most impact in the Lenhardt-Reeves contest, where the issues are the most clearly drawn. Reeves is the only candidate not to endorse this year's proposed budget, and has continued to criticize the rest of the board for what he says is a failure to take advantage of cost-cutting measures. Lenhardt is running on her qualifications as an educator and supporter of the district's programs.



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'Charming' school boards

EDITORIAL

We hardly ever think of our governments as charming, but that's how Plato described a democracy.

And let us note that democracy doesn't exist only — or even basically — in a national government. And it doesn't extend down to local matters. Instead, it springs from them and grows upward, with its strength depending on the seed and the nurturing at its very base.

It's hard to think of a governmental unit that is more fundamental than are local school boards. For democracy to thrive there, and grow, numerous elements are vital.

One of these (not so surprisingly when you think of it) is competition... the exchange of ideas and values and goals. Various voices should be heard, and selective choices made among them. Policies of the entire education structure will benefit accordingly.

That's why *The Spotlight* is encouraged to see spirited competition in the school board election for Bethlehem Central. For documentation, see the Vox Pop letters in last week's issue, as well as this week's news coverage. But you'll note an absence of letters boosting candidates for two other area school boards, Voorheesville and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk. And that, in turn, is because of an absence of competition for seats on those boards.

Whether the absence of competition is because of widespread satisfaction or widespread apathy, we feel that is a place where democracy could flourish better.

Little League, big business

Institutions customarily count on the fond generosity of alumni to help support on-going and capital expenses. The institution known as the Tri-Village Little League stands in need of help from its many thousands of alumni at this point. And from lots of other people too.

You've read in *The Spotlight* over the past several weeks about the need for funds to rebuild the facilities at Magee Park — nearly \$100,000 worth. GE Selkirk got the drive off to a flying start with its \$25,000 gift. Several other contributions have also come in (the most recent being \$500 from Grand Union), but better results from the public at large are urgent — and deserved. So far, the response from the community has been disappointingly slow.

With the season now under way for 37 teams, it would be a fine vote of confidence in them, in the 500 players, and in the Little League concept, if the sponsoring officials were able to announce much greater success for their efforts to restore the park. After 35 years of wear and tear, conditions are pretty deplorable. Parents of players traditionally have been counted on — and called on — for material support. And historically, they've come through in fine style. They and others among the 150 adult volunteers who help out during the season can't be called on endlessly.

Participation is growing. This year's 37 teams are four more than the number who played last year. Forecasts of a growing population of 7-to-12-year-olds in the future are probably conservative. Note, too, the increasing number of girls who are playing.

Even the operating budget (apart from capital needs) is impressive: \$70,000, which is raised through registration donations, sponsors' gifts, yearbook advertising, signboards, the snack bar, and direct fund-raising. All this is overseen by a 29-person board of directors.

The mere existence of Magee Park down Kenwood Avenue at Route 32 is attributable to citizen benevolence. The park is named for the family that donated the land more than a third of a century ago.

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Letters should be typed and double spaced if possible. The deadline for all letters is 5 p.m. of the Friday before the Wednesday of publication. All letters must be signed and must include a telephone number where the writer can be reached. With satisfactory reason, letter writers may request that their names be withheld.

Mining passions and politics

By Patricia Mitchell

New Scotland officials should be well-warned that a decision on the town's stance on a gravel mine on the Tall Timbers Country Club needs to be made very soon, before the situation gets even more out of control.

The mine issue has become more than a legal battle, impacting town politics now and in the future, apparently splitting the town board and allowing highly aggressive citizens groups to play politics and attempt to garner public sympathy of their causes. Now one group is threatening civil disobedience against town hall — a very dangerous step indeed.

The players involved have become more and more passionate and town leaders should realize the need for a decision after the April 13 town board meeting during which the town attorney misstated his position, a majority of town board members refused to clearly state where negotiations could lead and tried to throw a smoke screen up by calling it "fact finding," and a group of citizens disrupted the meeting with outbursts and obscenities.

The mine issue has also become a test of the leadership of Supervisor Herbert Reilly, who gaveled the meeting to a close without a motion from the town board. The new supervisor, the first Democrat to run New Scotland in decades, finds himself beset from all sides, including members of his own political party. It is unfortunate that he finds himself in a position where his leadership is questioned a

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mere four months after taking office, and it is important that he make a decision, for better or worse, so the town can finally put the mine aside and get on with other business.

New Scotland faces a special election to fill the fifth town board seat some time later this year. The mine issue will certainly be a factor in that election, and the longer it drags on, the more difficult it will be to resolve.

Reilly came to power faced with a town board split 2-2 and unable to resolve some basic issues. The irony now is that Reilly's allies in the mining case are the two Republican members of the town board and the hold-over Republican town attorney, Fred Riester, who he tried to replace at the beginning of the year. There appear to be some sound legal reasons for the board's determination to continue discussions with the miners, but they are being undercut by Riester's seeming inconsistencies, and by the political climate in the town.

At the base of the controversy is a 27-acre gravel mine operated by William Larned and Sons and their subsidiary, Voorheesville Sand and Stone, on the former Tall Timbers Country Club. The history of the mine is long and complex, and the next step is expected to come in state Supreme Court on the question of whether the town should be forced to consider granting the miners a permit. The town's

zoning ordinance, which prohibits mining in the area, has already been upheld by a higher court.

When Reilly took office in January, he said he and the town board would review the mining and development and water concerns at the Tall Timbers Country Club and issue a report that would resolve those concerns.

After a preliminary meeting, Larned and Sons offered a more limited mining plan than was first proposed and also a \$150,000 donation for a water district for Orchard Park. Since then, the town has been negotiating, (or, more recently, "fact finding") with the miners.

After the April 13 meeting it is clear there are now two camps:

- Reilly and Republican Councilmen Wyman Osterhaut and Allyn Moak, who are continuing to direct Riester to talk with Larned and Sons' representatives. The Orchard Park Neighborhood Association sees the development of the country club as the solution to their water problems, and they have been careful to support the town board.

- On the other side is Concerned Citizens for New Scotland and some important allies, including Councilman John Sgarlata, Reilly's fellow Democrat on the board. Thomas Dolin, the chairman of the town's Democratic Committee, has issued a statement critical of the negotiations. On the Republican end of the spectrum, Ken Connolly, a former Republican committee chairman and currently town and village justice, and Ed Clark, mayor of Voorheesville and

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Did you know Neil?

Did you know him?

Did you ever see him on either Elsmere or Delaware Avenues?

He usually was headed for his store, "Neil's Tropical Fish Store." He didn't drive a fancy sports car, he sat in a very comfortable motorized wheel chair. I liked to walk along side of him. He made me laugh — a lot! For approximately two years I helped him do odd jobs and things at his store. I fed the hamsters cleaned cages, set up fish tanks, etc.

Neil was patient with me, that's one nice thing I liked about him. I walked to his store after school and on weekends. I liked going there. He sure knew so

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much about fish and stuff. Did you know that the mother fish of the Mouth Brudders hides her babies in her mouth when other fish try to get them and then she opens her mouth again and they swim out all safe? He always told me so much about his hobby. He told me "watch my lips" when he tried to explain things to me. He was my best friend. He wore a green coat and I always wore a black sweat shirt. Even though he was in a wheel chair I will always think of him as tall and strong. I don't know why he liked me and talked to me about anything. I was just a kid hanging around his store asking questions.

Vox Pop

Something told me that he wasn't going to live real long. You know that feeling you get deep inside that tells you. He was in a bad car accident 25 years ago and couldn't walk or use his hands. He was only 47 years old when he died this past St. Patrick's Day. He was Irish too! I also like his Dad, Joe. Neil's Mom had a stroke six

months ago and isn't doing so good. Neil's nurse Sue works at the store now.

I still go to the store, but something is missing... the sound of his wheel chair. Please be nice to people who aren't able to walk. They have a lot of feeling for life! They are smarter than you could ever believe. He was special. Did you know him? His name was Neil Nolan.

David Dorsey, age 13

Selkirk

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UNCLE DUDLEY

What is the issue?

Traditionally abhorred by most candidates, decried by the "political scientists," and shunned by your average voter is the so-called single-issue candidacy and voting choice.

Our selection of people to represent or govern us ought to be based much more broadly, and soundly, than is the case when the criterion for a candidate is merely that "he agrees with me" on some point that looms large on our personal agenda.

Some such "issues" are indeed major, war-or-peace items. Some are much more limited, such as "Save the Pine Bush." Some aren't basically issues, but are reflective of strong personal convictions (you might even say prejudices). A couple of generations ago, a dividing question was "Wet" or "Dry." Today, it's frequently "pro" or "anti."

I guess that human nature is considerably wrapped up in this kind of choice. But I happen to believe that as voters we need to be (and our government deserves that we be) a little less human and somewhat more reflective. And "discriminating," in the best sense of that double-edged word.

I'm trying to make the historic case for electing men and women to public office on the basis of their actual credentials rather than on tangential matters ranging from personal appearance to party affiliation.

All of this came to mind during the recent primary season, culminating in the New York voting. It seems to me that so far this year we're watching a classic



of one-issue voting. One that is in conflict with the fundamental ideals of the country's institutions, and one that's dangerous for the future.

One-issue voting here in our state, and to varying degree elsewhere, is evident in three dismaying ways.

The first is race, as represented by Mr. Jackson. Some voters unquestionably won't support him because of his race. We must hope that there are many, many times more who don't support him because they find him to be unqualified, whether by experience or positions advocated. And among his supporters, we can hopefully assume that there are some who do find his message creditably appealing. Fundamentally, however, it's evident that his support is overwhelmingly attained because he is a black man. The split within the country along strictly racial lines is dramatically pointed up. It's not pretty and it's not healthy, but it's a fact. It is classic one-issue voting, on a very superficial level. It's polarizing, somewhat akin to the effect of the

feminist candidacy of Geraldine Ferraro. That, too, was based on conditions having little or nothing to do with her fitness for office.

Equally dismaying this year is the matter of voting on religious preferences (Mr. Jackson is a clergyman, but that is not fundamental to his candidacy). The issue is raised by the campaign of the Rev. Marion Robertson. His support comes almost exclusively from true believers in the kind of religious faith that he espouses. In our pluralistic society, where "separation of church and state" is so fundamental, we don't need this kind of one-issue candidate. Mr. Robertson's repudiation by almost all the voting public except his own faithful is an encouraging sign.

My third complaint about the one-issue voter is in the matter of attitude toward the State of Israel. Americans generally can be gratefully aware that for four decades Israel has steadfastly been a bastion of democracy in the Middle East that has helped support our interests there and globally. Despite some dismaying deviations from the country's idealism, Israel continues to deserve U.S. support. But to draw the line as Edward I. Koch did during the New York primary campaigning is repugnant and deserves to be repudiated. That form of one-issue voting is as divisive as any other.

May we soon return to the concept of "May the better man (woman) win"! Or as the old boxing referee, Joe Humphries, used to put it, "May the better competitor emerge victorious."

CONSTANT READER

Catching up with the Fishes

Last week I mentioned the interesting monthly magazine *Manhattan, Inc.* There was space then for only a swift look at the contents. Let's try again.

You'll find some good reading in the April issue, as you will in almost any other. (The magazine is five years old.) It's better than its title suggests.

An article that particularly caught me up was called "The Curious Evolution of the Fishes." There are three of them, but they're far from "the three little fishes." No, they're all Fishes named Hamilton.

The senior Fish will be 100 years old this year. He served 24 years in the House of Representatives, and for his America First views was given prominence by FDR in the 1940 campaign slogan ridiculing isolationists, "Martin, Barton and Fish." To the extent that he's mellowed in recent decades, the change is relatively slight.

His son, Hamilton Jr. (who actually is about the fifth Hamilton Fish), has been in the House of Representatives from a district down the Hudson for the past 20 years.

And his son, Hamilton III, is now a candidate for Congress in a district just to the south of his dad's. He's running as a Democrat, which has brought his grandfather out in public opposition to him. I thought these closing paragraphs from the nine-page article were worth quoting:

"Fish talks. And talks." (The scene is a living-room coffee klatsch, and the talking Fish is Ham III). "Ever so gradually the earnest looks melt into stupor. He's saying all the right things. It's just that his delivery is — well, it's not his grandfather's, not yet, at least.

"But at the end comes the tag line that perks them up again. 'My family,' Fish intones, 'has a long tradition of public service. It's a tradition I want to uphold.' Back on go the curious looks, the appraising glances: he really does have the Fish bearing, doesn't he? That strong-jawed, handsome face. That height. Those shoulders. Suddenly one senses an excitement in this tidy living room that isn't just the presence of a handsome candidate. It's the presence of *history*. Right there on the sofa — American history! And the chance, in this fragmentary nation, to perpetuate it.

"Somewhere else tonight, the Old Man, scornful, furious, proud, fights the downward pull of age. Here in Scarsdale, the youngest Hamilton Fish makes his stubborn way up, embracing a politics his grandfather eschews. And though neither allows the thought, there is, in young Ham, more and more of his grandfather with every year, as if an elixir were being poured from one generation to another. It is a legacy to be celebrated — for clearly, it cannot be helped."

Having known all three of these

Fishes in one degree or another, I can wholeheartedly recommend this article by Michael Shnayerson. Speaking of history, I was fascinated by the one-liner attributed to the oldest of them, "I'm probably the only man alive who knew anyone who knew Lafayette." He remains, as the author says, nothing if not unbowed.

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New England Monthly for April (\$1.95) covers that region like the dew. They choose to feature on the cover articles about two scandals, "Slander and Greed on Nantucket," and "Civil War in a Town in Maine." But at heart it's not that kind of magazine at all. Rather close to home I found special interest in a short piece entitled "Intro to Vietnam," about a history course at Williams College. The class is studying the war, and the visiting lecturer is a lieutenant colonel who talks about many of the whys that the students seem to eat up, "however devoid of moral content his talk may be."

"When he explains how Lyndon Johnson approved only a handful of the bombing targets the air force thought were needed to win the war, mostly because he feared the Chinese would jump in, it reveals a degree of caution for which Johnson wasn't often credited." A brief summary: "Sometimes, too much perspective adds up to none at all."

Understanding AIDS

In last week's Spotlight, Dr. Sarah Elmendorf wrote on "Living With AIDS." In this Point of View article, she discusses improvements in diagnosis and treatment of AIDS, and in the survival rate of patients. She is an assistant professor of medicine at Albany Medical College, and has been associated with treatment of AIDS patients since 1981.

By Sarah Elmendorf, M.D.

In a variety of distinctive ways, the AIDS experience in our area tends to differ from the overall picture.

POINT OF VIEW

Whereas nationally, AIDS patients are predominantly male homosexuals, 60 percent of the men and women who are treated at Albany Medical Center are former or current intravenous drug abusers. Increasing numbers of the patients are female; their infection was acquired either through contaminated needles or by heterosexual exposure to men who carry the AIDS virus.

A sharp distinction between the AMC AIDS Center's patients and those likely to be found in a similar cluster in many other places lies in our status as a state referral center. That designation has meant that 40 percent of our patients are prisoners, sent to us from institutions all over eastern New York. (And this has created additional problems, for the prisoners who are inpatients at the Center are accompanied by guards who are posted in our corridors.) Many inmates — even with their multiple other basic problems — are concerned with trying to make certain that their AIDS virus infection is treated with as much confidentiality as anyone else's. (It is.)

Earlier recognition and treatment of the infection associated with AIDS have helped to bring about an improved survival rate. Early in the 1980s, almost any person correctly diagnosed as having AIDS was fortunate to survive for two years. Now it is somewhat more likely that a patient may live, after diagnosis of AIDS, for at least two years and even as long as four or five years. Beyond the advances of early recognition and diagnosis, survival has also been increased by the drug known as AZT, which tends to inhibit the replication of the virus. This virus is known as HIV, Human Immunodeficiency Virus. Current estimates suggest that 50 percent of patients infected with HIV will develop AIDS.

The approximately 300 AIDS patients currently receiving treatment at AMC AIDS Center (out of 600 who have received treatment since 1981) are but part of the estimated 1 million to 1½ million people throughout the country who are infected with the AIDS virus. As is the case with our inpatient/outpatient ratio (15:300), almost all of those people are living (and, frequently, working) in their communities.

An emotion bordering on near-panic is typically a reaction of many individuals who, by virtue of their lifestyle or by mischance, suspect they have been exposed. (Early symptoms tend to include fever, weight loss, night sweats, shortness of breath, a cough and susceptibility to pneumonia.)

Extraordinary attention, including professional counseling, is called for throughout the changes in each patient's condition and outlook. Our staff at the Center and the Division of Infectious Disease at Albany Medical College (five physicians, two social workers, a nurse educator, a nurse, physician's assistant and the entire staff on the inpatient unit) is what may very accurately be termed an "active service!"

How long may the infection be present in a person before AIDS diagnosis is made? This depends, at least in part, on the strain of the virus. Some are more virulent than others. One person may develop a positive blood test for HIV within as short a time as six weeks from presumed onset; on the other hand, it seems evident in some cases infections with HIV have existed for eight or ten years without the development of immunosuppression seen in AIDS. We also suspect the possibility that some people's immune system can cope with exposure to infection better than others'.

Diagnosis, when it comes, affects patients on many levels. It is devastating and causes tremendous sense of isolation for the person who fears for his/her own future, and also is afraid to tell others. The effect on interpersonal relationships within families can be catastrophic when the truth becomes known.

Relationships elsewhere in the community (including the workplace) become very tenuous, even while the patient is successful in efforts to keep the secret. Typically, the patient is almost eager for conversation with our staff members — it's a relief to be able to talk openly with someone about what has become the central focus of life.

From the professional's standpoint, there obviously is great difficulty in informing an individual that he (she) has contracted a treatable but ultimately fatal disease, and without having the ability to forecast its future course and end.

As for the community, where patients infected with HIV and patients with AIDS are living, more and better educational measures are needed. Increasingly, people will be required to deal with AIDS. More and more in the future, there will be contacts with AIDS patients.

These contacts need not be threatening or dangerous to others; there is no risk in ordinary associations. Infection can occur only through sexual activity or exchange of blood.

In fact, AIDS patients may be the ones in danger — through their heightened susceptibility to secondary infections that their immune systems cannot handle.

MATTERS of Opinion

Drinking at banquets: athlete's view

Editor, The Spotlight:

We've read what the concerned parents and booster club volunteers have had to say. Now, as a Bethlehem Central student athlete, I would like to express my views on the growing controversy surrounding the presence of alcoholic beverages at sports award banquets.

I have been on a member of various athletic teams at BC for three years, and as a member of the football and wrestling teams, I recently attended those two banquets.

I am concerned with the hypocritical message resulting from the serving of alcoholic beverages in the banquet room. Each athlete is required to sign a list of training rules prior to the start of the season that, among other things, prohibits him or her from partaking in alcohol or any other drugs. The document mandates disciplinary measures for violations, and most athletes are dissuaded from damaging their physical condition in this manner.

Why then, at an event held to honor the dedication of these athletes, do so many adults feel that drinking is necessary? This presents a rather confusing message to the athletes. At the same time, something that has been discouraged is being condoned by example.

William Frye raised an important point when he first brought this issue into the public forum. However, some of the generalizations he made about the athletes and the banquet were inaccurate.

I know I speak for most of my fellow wrestlers when I say that we were not "dressed up by our parents" for the occasion. On the contrary, the athletes and pep

Vox Pop

squad members were nicely attired because this was a formal occasion, and they had sound enough judgment to choose appropriate clothing.

I think the proper phrase is not "little men and women," as Mr. Frye described us, but "young men and women". There is a distinction. The implication was that we were kids trying to behave as carbon copies of our parents because we were dressed like them. I'm sure no athlete felt the need to consume alcohol because their parents were. The athletes frequented the bar for soda because they were thirsty and there was no table service prior to the meal, not because they were "emulating their parents."

Aside from the inconsistent attitude towards drinking, the evening did proceed without incident. Unfortunately, the football banquet was not as smooth. Contrary to an earlier letter, there were several adults who were inebriated, and actually disrupted the proceedings with loud comments several times. In addition, many attendees considered it in poor taste for the booster club to complicate the confusing message being displayed to the athletes by handing out bottles of liquor as awards to hard working volunteers and coaches.

The implication was clear: "These coaches, booster club officers, etc., have worked hard, now they can go out and have fun (get drunk) on us." Well, the athletes certainly worked harder than most of the volunteers. Could this situation prompt them to "reward" themselves in the same

way for a job well done?

I was rather disturbed to read in these pages recently William Acquario, football booster club president, writing that "drinks for adults and pretty young women" were necessary for many adults who attended to prevent these banquets from becoming "dull" and "spartan". He went on to say that "many adults enjoy a drink, especially when they have to hang around with so many kids." Maybe these adults are forgetting that these events are organized for those "kids", their kids. If they feel uncomfortable with the guests or honor unless they have a drink to relax, maybe they should stay at home next year instead of causing disturbances and being potential menaces on the roads.

I'm not attempting to launch a crusade against alcohol. It is within the right of any adult to choose to drink. However, I am questioning the appropriateness of it at an event held to honor young people for their physical achievements. These banquets don't need disruptions and drunk drivers on the way home. Maybe the school should redefine its policies, since many students seem to learn all too well by example.

Name submitted

Delmar

Little League gives thanks for help, funds

Editor, The Spotlight:

As the start of the Tri-Village Little League 35th season approaches, it is time to give out some well-deserved thank-yous. On April 16, the League held its annual clean-up day at Magee Park and despite bitterly cold weather, the

turn-out was terrific. Approximately 50 board members, parents, coaches and players made the park playable again.

While on the subject of clean-up day, recognition to two other groups is in order. The Glenmont Job Corps sent a four-man work crew who performed extremely well. The young men at the Job Corps are well trained and we found them up to the task at hand. They represent a great community resource that hopefully will be utilized by interested parties.

As noon approached and the workers began to get hungry, we called in a substantial lunch order to McDonald's. Despite the crush of a Saturday lunch crowd, our order, which consisted in part of 150 hamburgers, was on time and hot. To the manager and crew on duty at that time who performed a difficult job with good humor and efficiency, our thanks.

By now, the community should be well aware of the leagues Capital Improvements Fund Drive. So far, the campaign has gone somewhat slower than expected and left us about \$45,000 short of the \$100,000 goal. One local business has recently come through with a generous contribution that deserves mention. Art Kane, the manager of the Grand Union in Elsmere, was able to persuade a national company that supplies the store to make a contribution in excess of \$500. We are flattered that Art selected us to be the recipients of the donation and, once again we say thank you.

The 1988 season promises to be a great one and we hope to see everyone at Magee Park. PLAY BALL!!

Jeffrey Pesnel
Treasurer, Tri-Village
Little League

The best and genuine slowly disappearing

Editor, The Spotlight:

It was with heavy heart I learned on my weekly visit to Heath's Dairy that their fine quality products will not again be available. My morning coffee will never be the same. I will wonder about fresh eggs... rich cream... heavy milk that has made so many breakfasts complete.

Having made my working debut in the depression years and struggled to attain some of the American quality of life as was so prevalent in the coming years, and to now find such dissipation of the good natural foods and buy American, I can justly say I am glad I am leaning toward the end of life rather than the beginning.

That is my answer to the President's question, "aren't you better off now than eight years ago?"

The few quality purchases I make in the twilight years seem to have inconspicuous, carefully hidden tags or identification as being of foreign manufacture. For instance, a leather bomber jacket from an out-of-state trading post bespeaking New England manufacturing had hidden under lining lamb color from England, manufactured in Taiwan.

Recently from bakery of renowned Boston Department store at Crossgates. Bakery products that are maintained frozen from origin and baked in fast ovens for that day's sales. It is apparent now we must ask the exact questions. I was able to enjoy some of the better and genuine, and search for what should be. That is the reason for the foregoing.

Edward J. McKeon

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Don't kill us with lawn care

Editor, The Spotlight:

I congratulate Linda Burtis for her story on lawn chemicals, and offer the following comments:

Farmers do not live in the fields they treat, and yet a 1986 National Cancer Institute Study showed farmers who apply 2,4D had six times the incidence of one type of cancer. Farmers who also mix these chemical showed an eight times greater occurrence. The chemical mixture 2,4D is the active ingredient in over 1,500 pesticide products used in lawn care.

The Environmental Protection Agency in 1987 called for more regulation of pesticide residue in both raw and processed food. The same year, The National Academy of Sciences estimated that pesticide residues in food may be responsible for as many as 20,000 additional cancer cases each year in the United States. A Natural Resources Defense Council test of sampled food even detected DDT — 15 years after it was banned.

Exposure is harder to predict. There are 50,000 pesticide mixtures, and inert ingredients are usually not identified on the label, even though many are highly toxic chemicals. This makes it impossible for anyone to know what is being used and the effects of combined ingredients.

There is a problem with some hypersensitive individuals. In one case I read where the individual died from exposure to pesticides commercially applied that he was not even aware he was being exposed to. Cumulative build up is also hard to predict.

When homeowners buy a product, they can follow the label instructions. Lawn spray companies sometime hire unskilled laborers and students. These applicators cannot even be sure of what they are using.

Federal law requires applicators to comply with label directions. Often the label warns against use that allows migration beyond the target area. Inhalation of fumes is commonly warned against. A local company applies in up to a 10 miles per hour wind. This appears to be marginal for lawn application and unacceptable for bush and tree application.

Pesticides are used because they kill. Even though some are more toxic to one organism, they

can affect all organisms. The effect on the human organism is not known yet. There is, however, overwhelming evidence to be suspicious and recommend caution.

Alternatives are available: you can keep your lawn and shrubs green with fertilizer and water, and by planting lawns and plants more suitable to your conditions. You can trap beetles in live traps. You can treat grubs with milky spore virus. You can use bird feeders to attract insect eating birds. You can use electronic bug killers.

I urge everyone to read the state Attorney General's report entitled "Lawn Care Pesticides; A Guide for Action". It gives an informative accounting of the problems involved, and the shocking lack of appropriate action.

Lastly, please don't kill me with your (lawn) care.

Timothy M. Fitzgerald

Selkirk

Following is a list of additional sources, compiled by Linda Anne Burtis, who wrote last week's story on chemicals and lawn care. Ed.

CHEMLAWN SERVICES CORPORATION. ChemLawn Corporate Center, 8275 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43085.

COUNCIL ON HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, 4115 Bridge Avenue, Room 104, Cleveland, Ohio, 44113; send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for a free copy of Citizen Fact Sheet No. 2: "Chemical Lawn Treatment."

The National Coalition Against the Misuse of Pesticides, 530 7th Street, E.E., Washington D.C. 20003; one-year membership, plus quarterly newsletter, \$10; will help organize local groups.

Rachel Carson Council, Inc., 894 Jones Mill Road, Chevy Chase, Md. 20815. \$2 per copy for "Pesticides in Contract Lawn Maintenance" or \$3.50 for pamphlet plus "Healthy Lawns Without Toxic Chemicals, Pesticides" and "The Naturalist".

RINGER, 9959 Valley View Road, Eden Prairie, Minn. 55344-3585, 800-654-1047. Mail-order catalogue of natural lawn and garden products.

Young Oak Landscaping and Design, Dave Rivers, owner/operator, 644 Central Avenue, Albany, New York. 458-8495.

Full-day Kindergarten supported

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to respond to last week's letters from Bill Collins and Greg Maher. Neither candidate discussed any specific issues currently facing the board. This is disturbing because there are so many important issues the board needs to address.

One issue that particularly affects parents of preschoolers, and which the board is long overdue in addressing, is full-day kindergarten.

Like many other Bethlehem parents, my husband and I work outside the home. Our two preschool children are in structured out-of-home child care programs. By the time they enter kindergarten, they will have spent years in child care programs. They will be well-socialized, independent enough to be in an out-of-home setting all day, and will probably have at least pre-reading and early math skills. They will be ready to benefit from a full-day kindergarten.

Much of the same is probably true for children in families

where one parent stays home full-time during the child's pre-school years. Many of these children are in professional, private nursery schools before entering kindergarten. Witness the nursery school crunch in Bethlehem!

If the school district doesn't offer a full-day kindergarten program, working parents will continue to be limited to either sending their children to a private full-day program and other private programs for the remainder of the day. I cannot believe that having my children shuffled to two or more places each day will help them learn. They will need a stable, secure environment with a program they will find interesting and enjoyable.

The school board should look at the need for full-day kindergarten in the district. If there is a special need for it because of the number of parents working out of the home, or if it would benefit the children, let's do it.

One candidate, Larry Faulkner, is in favor of the board studying the needs for and benefits of full-

day kindergarten. His courage and forthrightness are commendable. This is why I am supporting him in this year's school board election.

Christine M. Doran

Delmar

Faulkner makes his statement

Editor, The Spotlight:

Planning for the future of our schools offers both the challenge to solve problems and the opportunity to take advantage of individual and collective resources to provide the best possible education for the young people of the Town of Bethlehem. Too often our attention is focused on the problems. We should redirect that attention to the opportunities for educational excellence. The chance to be a part of that process is my reason for seeking a seat on the Bethlehem Central Board of Education.

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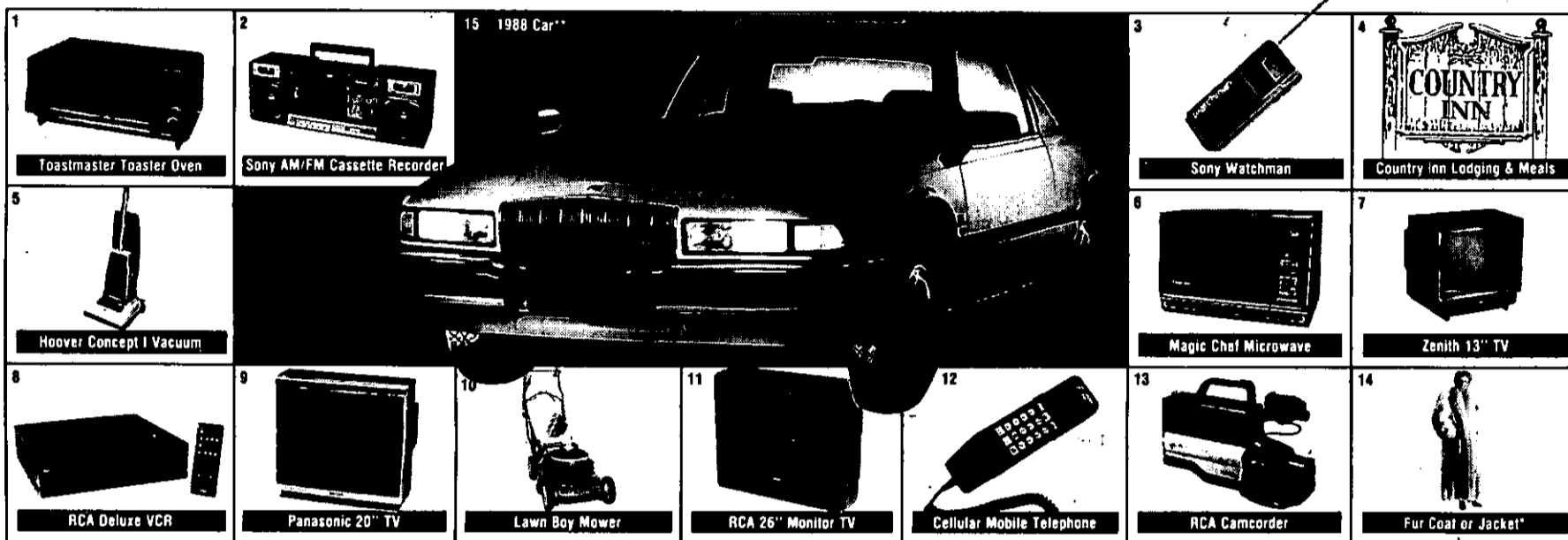
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my thoughts about the role of our schools. Each child should be encouraged to develop his or her talents to the fullest, whatever the nature of these particular talents. Education should offer that opportunity to, and set a high expectation for each and every child. The task before our community, the Board of Education and our excellent faculty and staff is how to actualize that opportunity and expectation.

Earlier I said, "our schools" because the youth of Bethlehem are a responsibility, resource and asset of all of us, parents and non-parents. Children represent more than the present, they represent the future of our families, our community and our nation.

In developing plans for our schools, we should be forward looking, not reactive. For example, rather than viewing increased school enrollments negatively, we should view the situation as an opportunity to create new and exciting educational environments. Ensuring adequate space for the educational needs of entering elementary age children should not be done piecemeal or in a vacuum. We should look at the needs of our schools broadly and reach for bold solutions. Such solutions can be found within fiscal constraints. In fact they may be more economical in the long run than more conservative or restrained solutions. The "problem" of population pressure might actually serve as the catalyst and opportunity for the development of needed new programs and real cooperation between town and schools. Our attention should also be focused on such concerns as kindergarten scheduling, the role of foreign language in elementary education, the expansion of foreign language offerings in middle and high school, the creation of challenging environment for all high school students, and the recruitment and retention of an exceptional professional staff. Figures for the 1986-87 academic year indicate that Bethlehem spent less per pupil than six other systems in

the eleven member suburban Council, \$715 less than the highest spender. Similar figures for the 1987-88 academic year indicate that Bethlehem is spending less than seven of the eleven members of the Council, \$916 less than the highest spender. At some point the education of young people and long run fiscal responsibility will suffer if we continue to focus only on immediate savings.

Bethlehem has a tradition of excellence in education. It has a dedicated and capable community

of faculty, staff and students. Our task is to use those resources to prepare our young people for the demands of the 21st century. I would like to share in meeting that challenge by serving on the Board of Education.

Lawrence Faulkner

Delmar

Despite a policy statement in last week's Spotlight, Mr. Faulkner's letter is being run in the interest of fairness since he was not contacted prior to the deadline for submitting letters. Ed

'Working group' could aid in master plan

Editor, The Spotlight:

Your recent editorial concerning a master plan for Bethlehem raised several important issues and posed several meaningful questions. *The Spotlight* should be commended for once again going right to the heart of the issue.

The Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning has long advocated for a more comprehensive approach to planning and development in our town. The establishment of a master plan represents a corner-stone in our policy on planning in Bethlehem.

There are probably many different opinions about what a master plan should be, how it should be used and how it should be prepared. Certainly BCRP has positions on these points as do many others.

Despite these differences there seems to be a general consensus that a more comprehensive approach to planning is needed. If any plan is to be effective the process through which it is established must be fair, credible and competent.

There is an opportunity here

for the Town Board to consider the best way to fully explore all of the issues involved in developing a master plan. One approach might be to put together a working group of interested citizens and officials to examine the issues and make recommendations to the Town Board. Such an approach worked well on the issues of senior citizens housing.

Your concern regarding the length of time it took to develop the 9W plan is valid. Clear time frames would need to be established and adequate resources allocated to assure timely completion of all master plan activities. We must realize however that this type of comprehensive interactive planning requires a significant amount of time and a great deal of efforts. But as the saying goes, "you get what you pay for."

We believe the future of our town is well worth the investment.

John W. Finn
Bethlehem Citizen

for Responsible Planning

Physician to address parents support group

The Bethlehem Support Group for Parents of Students with Handicapping Conditions will meet Monday, May 2, at the Bethlehem Public Library to hear an address by Dr. Alan J. Barnett of Clifton Park.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. A question and answer period will follow Dr. Barnett's address. Chief of Psychological Services and Research at the Cerebral Palsy Center in Albany, Dr. Barnett has dealt with more than 40 school districts on matters relating to handicapping conditions. His private practice includes treatment of a large number of disabled youths.

The support group was organized earlier this year to provide programs of support, information, and advocacy to parents of handicapped students. Membership also is open to all interested persons.

Citizens group dedicates pin oak tree to town

The Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning, in recognition of its first anniversary, is dedicating a pin oak tree to the town.

The tree will be planted in the park at the corner of Adams Place and Hawthorn street during a ceremony to be held Friday, April

29, beginning at 5 p.m. John Smolinski, chairman of the citizens group, has invited the community to join in the celebration. Balloons will be distributed to children. The tree will be planted by Smolinski and a representative of the town board.

STEP course offered at Delmar CHP

The Community Health Plan of Delmar will offer a ten-week Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) of teens course beginning Wednesday, May 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the CHP Center, 250 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Town urges safety in trash pickup

Six months and many tons of debris later, the Bethlehem Highway Department continues to struggle to keep up with the debris from last October's storm.

As special trash pick-ups by the department continue, residents are asked for their cooperation in making the process as easy and safe as possible.

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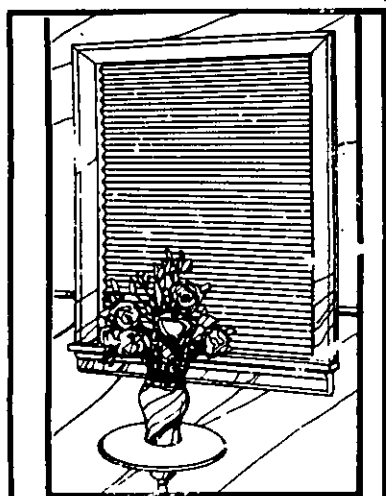
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Police union protests new sergeants' exam

By Mark Stuart

In a surprise move, the Town of Bethlehem announced Friday that it will hold another police sergeant's exam. The decision was immediately denounced by two of the three officers who are contesting the promotion based on the department's previous exam.

Also last week, Officer Cynthia Reed-Kerr took the town to court to show why she should not be promoted after the last exam. The town will find itself in court again next month when the sergeant who was promoted, Louis Corsi, will try to block his decertification from the post.

Reed-Kerr's attorney asked state Supreme Court Judge F. Warren Travers to join her case with Corsi's, but the motion was opposed by Corsi's attorney and also the attorneys representing the town and the Albany County Civil Service Commission.

The cases involve the Bethlehem Town Board's promotion of Corsi to sergeant last December. After the board appointed Corsi to the position on the recommendation of Police Chief Paul Currie, a

challenge was made by Officer Marvin Koonz as to the eligibility of Corsi when he took the Civil Service sergeants' exam. Koonz had placed second on the exam, Reed-Kerr first and Corsi third. In March, Corsi was decertified from the Civil Service test because he did not meet the three year continuous time-in-service requirements with the department as stated in the civil service commission's announcement of the exam.

Currie said Tuesday the new test was not a last minute decision, but was planned six months ago. "There is only one sergeant's exam given (statewide), and civil service is so busy with the paperwork, we have to give them notice six months in advance," he said.

Currie said that the town has not given a sergeant's exam since June of 1986, and the new exam will give the department a new list of candidates for three potential sergeant's openings next year. A new 20-year retirement plan will be put in effect in January, and may result in those three openings next year,

he said. The decision of retirement will be left up to those eligible for the plan, Currie said.

The Bethlehem Police now have five sergeants on the force, including Corsi, who is continuing in the position pending his appeal.

The announcement of the new test requires only two years time-in-service, which would make Corsi eligible. Currie said the department had told the Albany County Civil Service Commission that the town wanted to lower the requirements for last year's exam to 24 months, and that the commission said, "don't worry about it." He said the commission told him it would be "no problem" since the candidate in question, Corsi, had previous experience with the Albany County Sheriff's Dept. At the time of last year's exam, Corsi had two years with the Bethlehem Police, and three years with the sheriff's department.

Results of the new exam will supersede the results of last year's exam, and will not be published until December.

Koonz, who is president of the Bethlehem Police Union Local,

said the local and its parent union, Council 82 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, are looking at the possibility of bringing an action to block the exam. He said the move for the test is deceitful, hurts the two officers in litigation, is not fair to the veteran officers and brings the department's morale down lower. He said he believes the promotion has come down to personalities and not qualifications.

"It is so obvious what they want to do here. They've got a valid list. They're just trying to get someone on the list they like. It's real unfair as hell," Koonz said. "Other officers are looking into other careers because they don't see any future in (the department)."

Reed-Kerr called the exam "an unnecessary expenditure of the county's money," pointing out there are still eight candidates eligible for the position from the last exam given.

Currie would not comment on the plan by members of Local 82 to block the June exam.

Koonz also said the two years of service requirement is unheard of in most police departments. In the past 20 years, the Bethlehem Police Department has required a minimum qualification of 36 months, he said. Koonz said it is more likely that a department would require a candidate have five years of continuous service on the force.

Currie said the requirements for time in service are decided upon by the police force alone, and not the town board or civil service commission.

The last civil service exam was given on June 13, 1987, and was verified by Albany County in October, Koonz said. While the list is valid for one year with eight

names, it can last as long as four years.

At the same time the decision to give a new test was announced, the attorneys for two of the candidates up for the sergeant's position, plus Bethlehem Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz and Albany County Attorney Tom Burch, were in State Supreme Court making their cases before Judge Travers involving the legitimacy of last year's sergeant's exam and subsequent promotion of Corsi.

Reed-Kerr's attorney, Robert Roche, asked Travers to combine the cases of his client and Corsi.

Corsi's attorney, Jeffrey Honeywell, asked that the court not join the two cases since he was not adequately familiar with the Reed-Kerr case, while Kaplowitz also asked that the consolidation be denied.

According to Kaplowitz, the decisions in both cases need to be made quickly in order for both Reed-Kerr and Corsi to maintain standing in the court.

Reed-Kerr's show-cause case is centered around her being passed up for promotion despite her nine years with the town police force and the fact that her score was the highest among the three candidates.

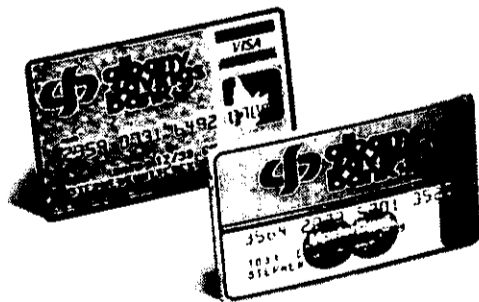
Corsi is asking the state Supreme Court to block his decertification from the position. That case is scheduled to be heard in court on May 20. Corsi has also obtained a temporary restraining order preventing the town from any action against him until that hearing.

Studies sociology

Victoria L. Ross, daughter of Marlene Ross of Voorheesville, participated in a Hartwick College January Term sociology program in Ireland. She is a junior sociology major at the Oneonta College.

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took ownership of the farm in 1982 after he decided he wanted a career change after 20 years. "I wanted to have an enjoyable life and produce a quality product," Dance said.

Health violations cited

As of last week, milk production at the farm was "suspended indefinitely" by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets because "conditions did not meet the code for grade A milk," according to Harold Rudnick, assistant director of the Division of Milk Control.

That action, however, is not the reason for the May 4 closure. A hearing was held last September by the department to decide if there were grounds to shut down Heath's Dairy. In December, the decision was made to close the dairy. In January, Dance was informed of the state's decision and an outstanding order was issued shutting down the dairy permanently as of May 4.

According to Rudnick, the dairy has been cited previously ("a large number" of violations dating back to 1986) and had been shut down before, as recent as three weeks ago. Dance said the dairy has been operating on probation since last summer.

The following is a list of major offenses found by the state at their April 14 inspection, according to Rudnick:

- Residual build-up in the dairy's large vat pasteurizer.
 - No protective shields over fluorescent lights.
 - Cobwebs, peeling paint in processing room.
 - Product build-up inside bulk tank.
- Rudnick said his department found similar conditions at an April 8 inspection. Some of the violations from that inspection were:
- Temperature of canned cooler for cream storage at 50 degrees at 2 a.m. (maximum allowable temperature is 45 degrees.)
 - Open plastic bags of milk bottles on floor.
 - Cooler floors have broken glass, paper, plastic, dirt, cardboard, dirt and spoiled product on floor.
- The farm was also cited for violations of cleanliness regarding

animal hygiene, manure accumulation and an automatic pipeline clean-up system that was apparently broken down.

Perhaps the most serious violation is recent bacteria counts taken by the state from the dairy's raw milk that showed a cell count of 3,800,000, or ten times the allowable amount of 300,000, according to Rudnick.

Dance strongly disputes that figure. He said that a private lab took samples of the same raw milk and found the bacteria cell count to be acceptable. Furthermore, Dance pointed out that the Borden lab tests the milk he ships to them and they also found the raw milk bacteria count to be acceptable, otherwise they would not accept shipment. Officials at Borden's could not be reached for comment.

"Not only is milk nature's perfect food (for man), it's perfect for bacteria," Rudnick said, "it's the perfect medium for any type of pathogenic bacteria, including salmonella and staphylococcus."

Rudnick said there were no reports of illness from any of Heath's Dairy customers.

"Any number of things could have happened," Rudnick said, "but nothing has happened."

"Nit-picking" claimed.

Dance responded to the violations by claiming the state was "mostly nit-picking." He said that the dairy was given an A-1 rating on March 3 of this year, and the state's action shows how the state has made it impossible for the small farmer to operate.

Dance said that the reports made by the inspector were blown out of proportion when they were filed with the department. In one case, he said, a fitting on one machine was broken and some product had spilled on the machine itself; but in the official report, it stated that all of the machines needed to be cleaned, which Dance said was not true. Dance said the hygiene problems pertained to the clipping of cows. Only five percent of the 135-head herd had that problem, he said, but the report claimed that all of the cows had the problem.

He said that a string of break-ins during the past few weeks were the cause for the paper, glass and dirt being on the floor of the dairy cooler. He claimed that someone had been breaking into

the cooler regularly, taking between \$100 and \$150 worth of goods a week. He said that was also the reason why the milk containers were unwrapped and on the floor.

The Bethlehem Police Department had no reports of break-ins at the dairy.

Dance also said that the state mistakenly cited his Glenmont farm after inspecting his Selkirk farm, which he uses for raising heifers and calves and not for dairy production.

The only violation that Dance said was valid was the case where the cream cooler temperature was too high. "But we corrected that instantly," he said.

Dance objected to the way he has been dealt with by the state. He said that their inspectors would come at all hours of the night, a practice that so irked him, he said, he would just hand the inspector the key to the facility and go back to bed. By doing so, he said, he would not be able to straighten up the mess left by the alleged thief.

Al Place, director of the New York State Division of Milk Control admitted that it was "unusual" for 2 a.m. inspections, but that it was not unusual for inspectors to show up right before production begins.

"The time of the inspections is left to the discretion of the inspector, depending upon the hours of operation," he said.

New future.

Place said that his people had suggested to Dance that he hire someone with a background in dairy farming and a related chemistry background, perhaps a

two-year graduate from a school like SUNY-Cobleskill. He said that Dance "indicated a strong desire to do that, but couldn't (afford it) financially."

"It's not our business to tell him how to run his business," Place said, "but it is our business to protect the public."

In the July 15, 1987 issue of *The Spotlight*, Dance said the biggest problem facing dairy farmers are "outdated" federal and state regulations governing small farms, including a federal buy-out program that helps pay dairy farmers to go out of business.

Last week, Dance reiterated his bitterness for such programs. "I had a feeling something like this was going to happen," he said. According to Dance, there were over 500 farms like his operating in the state 20 years ago, and now there are about seven. Place said that there are about 20 operating in the state. Only one dairy farm in Albany County still serves the community with local delivery — Van Wies' Meadowbrook Dairy in New Scotland.

Place said that Dance "always has been cooperative with us" but that dairy farming is a management intensive program and "without any experience or education in dairy management or farming, it is very difficult to succeed."



Dance plans to make his country store into an ice cream stand and convert his bottling facilities over to juice and bottled water production. He will continue to sell milk to large dairy firms.

The farm is part of the governor's student tours of the Capital District and will continue to be, according to Dance.

And so a special chapter in the history of Albany County comes to a close. Since 1920, the Heath Dairy has provided milk delivery to many, through the Depression years, world war and prosperity; and Barry Dance takes an open-minded approach to it all.

"This has changed our whole direction, but I'm still going to keep enjoying the good life," he said.

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Cedar Ridge, Delmar Village Studies may be combined

By Bill Cote

The proposed Cedar Ridge subdivision off Orchard St. is the second area development that could have a significant environmental impact, the Bethlehem Planning Board decided last week.

In addition, the town's planning consultant, Edward Kleinke, is recommending that the 128-unit single family development proposal should be studied in concert with the Delmar Village project proposed for the same area.

According to a letter to the board from David Stout, Senior Environmental Analyst at New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, traffic impacts on the surrounding roadways will be large. "Improvements will be required, such as the connection of Fisher Boulevard to the Slingerlands bypass," he wrote.

Stout also expressed concern for the cumulative impacts of all the proposals in the central Bethlehem area. "It appears the only way to adequately consider

measures to reduce or eliminate the yet-to-be-defined extent of these impacts is a single generic impact statement for these 5-8 current proposals or extensions," he said. "We suggest either the town prepare one or require the developers to jointly prepare one with town direction."

The project has been considered by the board on a prepreliminary basis, and the town assumed the role of lead agency for the purposes of the impact analysis under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

The planning board later heard Building Inspector John Flanigan update the status of building permits issued in the town through 1987. His effort marks the town's continuing interest in keeping the various departments coordinated with the boards.

Flanigan's report included a summary of the building department's 1987 annual report, then broke down the types of units permitted since 1945 and showed a ten year cycle in the number of permits issued.

Flanigan separated the number of permits issued annually into their constituent categories, such as single family homes, apartment units and commercial uses.

A negative correlation exists between single family housing starts in Bethlehem and interest rates, according to Flanigan. His graph shows that one family permits range from 160 to 170 units annually in peak years, except during the 1950s, when the level was about 125 units. Lows fell in a range of 55 units, with the 50's again being the exception by remaining around 100 units.

Flanigan's annual report noted that 152 dwelling units were permitted in 1987. Eighty one were single family units, 39 were town homes and 32 were duplex apartments. In addition, 12 mercantile, business and industrial buildings were permitted in 1987.

The report noted over \$77,000 received in fees by the building department and the prospective increase in building valuation by over \$24.7 million last year.

Hits pole, man faces felony DWI charges

Harry D. Courtright, 27, of Albany is facing a felony driving while intoxicated charge and other charges after an accident on Russell Rd. last Sunday night, Bethlehem police said.

Courtright struck a utility pole on Russell Rd. and then fled the scene on foot, police said. He was located a short time later in Albany. Charges of criminal possession of stolen property are pending an investigation of how he obtained the vehicle, which was registered to another Albany man, police said.

9W study revised

By Bill Cote

The Rt. 9W corridor study proposal accepted at an April 6 special Bethlehem Planning Board meeting received a face lift last week. The town planning department submitted a revised proposal that includes public comments received at that meeting.

Town Planner Jeffrey Lipnicky integrated five accents and enhancements into the proposal:

- Study time frames at two to five years, 10 and 20 years were established.
- Traffic analysis must consider potential development beyond the lines of the corridor.
- Credentials will be requested from subcontractors.
- Detailed cost schedules will be requested for each section of the study.
- Detailed time schedules will also be requested.

"Any minor deficiencies can and will be corrected during the process of selecting a consultant," said Lipnicky in a memo to the planning board. "It is more important at this point that we get the process moving," he said.

The planning board approved the revisions and will send the document to the town board for adoption and distribution.

Company burglarized

Bethlehem police are investigating the theft of over \$700 dollars worth of books and equipment from the D.A. Bennett company on Delaware Ave. Taken from the store were assorted service manuals, a torch handle and an inclined nanometer totaling \$776.43, police said. The theft was reported Friday, police said.

Stolen from car

Bethlehem police are investigating the theft of \$400 worth of audio cassette tapes from a parked car in Slingerlands during the overnight hours last Sunday. The 53 tapes were stolen from the car while it was parked at the Toll Gate Apartments, police said.

Get snow tires off

Department of Motor Vehicles Commissioner Patricia B. Adduci reminds motorists that studded

snow tires must be removed from their vehicles before May 1.

Metal studded tires are prohibited from use from May 1 to October 15 as they cause damage to dry roads. Driving a vehicle with studded tires after May 1 could result in a \$50 fine and/or 30 days in jail.

Normansville group sets history project meeting

The Normansville Neighborhood Association will meet May 2 at 7 p.m. at the Normansville Community Church on Rockefeller Rd. to gather material for its ongoing project on community history.

The association is looking for a large attendance at the meeting, which it characterizes as the stepping stone of many more meetings. The history project will emphasize the importance of the community in the town of Bethlehem.



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Building in Bethlehem comparable to '87

Building permits for the first three months of 1988 indicate activity on a par with last year's building season in Bethlehem, according to Building Inspector John Flanigan. *The Spotlight* will run monthly reports on building permits throughout the year.

Bethlehem building permits, January, 1988

68 Boylston Dr., new home, William R. Swift Bldrs., Inc., Jan. 7.
 13 South Heldeberg Pkwy., greenhouse, David H. Baim, Jan. 05.
 72 Boylston Dr., new home, William R. Swift Builders, Inc., Jan. 7.
 494 Elm Ave., satellite dish, Carmelo Papa, Jan. 6.
 Route 9W, Morton Bldg., addition, Robert H. Finke and Sons, Inc., Jan. 6.
 12 Holbrook Way, new home, William R. Swift Bldrs., Inc., Jan. 7.
 33 Hawthorne Ave., kitchen addition, Michael Harte, Jan. 8.
 163 Delaware Ave., wall sign, H.M.C. Associates, Jan. 8.
 141-148 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 15.
 133-140 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 14.
 125-132 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 14.
 88 Hampton Street, wood deck, Timothy P. Hanifin, Jan. 29.
 313 Maple Ave., metal storage building, Garry Guyette, Jan. 13.
 Kenwood Ave., install standby generator, Team One Radio Inc., Jan. 14.
 117-124 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 29.
 109-116 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 29.
 101-108 Juniper Dr., 8 unit apartment house, J.F. Associates, Jan. 29.
 Rt. 9W, new deck, Kathryn and Vincent Spinosa, Jan. 25.
 264 Delaware Ave., convert existing storage bldg. to office area, Fred and William Weber, Jan. 28.

Bethlehem building permits, February, 1988

523 Feura Bush Road, wood deck, Dennis and Gail O'Shaughnessy, Feb. 19.
 155 Winne Road, screened in deck-porch, Douglas and Carol Roberts, Feb. 29.
 Baker Road, alteration and kitchen addition, Madonna Realty, Inc., Feb. 26.
 15 Sunset Drive, wood deck, Susan Jacobsen, Feb. 11.
 25 Delaware Ave., alterations, New York Businessman's Group, Feb. 19.
 Rt. 144 and Corning Hill, alterations, Richard Bohl, Feb. 11.
 63 Dorchester Ave., wood deck, Alan and Beth Fuchs, Feb. 22.
 17 Borthwoc Ave., additions, Dominick Matarese, Feb. 03.
 12 Frances Lane, new home, Kircher Realty, Inc., Feb. 3.
 23 Frances Lane, new home, Kircher Realty, Inc., Feb. 3.
 122 Devon Road, screened in porch, Edmond M. Haven, Feb. 16.
 140 Fernbank Avenue, kitchen alterations, Mr. and Mrs. David Peter, Feb. 11.
 79 Meadowland Street, fire restorations, Susan Steindorff, Feb. 16.
 4 Normanskill Blvd, alterations to existing office, Athens Associates, Feb. 19.
 14 Fernbank Avenue, wood storage shed, Ralph and Judy Doyle, Feb. 19.

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84 Font Grove Road, family room addition, Walter V. DiStefano, Feb. 22.

108 Darroch Road, new home, D.E.M. Building Co., Inc., Feb. 19.
 5 Pine Street, dormer addition, Robert Gavaletz, Feb. 19.

R.R.#1, Box 356, River Road, pole sign, Citgo Petroleum Corp., Feb. 24.

590 Feura Bush Road, alterations to kitchen and bath, Anthony C. Germano, Feb. 23.

P.O. Box 98 Route 9W and Pictuay Road, addition to existing building, Wickes Corporation, Feb. 24.

Feura Bush Road, retail stores, Glenmont Centre Square, Inc., Feb. 26.

81 Mosher Road, dining room addition, Earl Jones, Feb. 26.

Bethlehem building permits, March, 1988

112 Union Avenue, enlarge second floor, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy VanRiper.
 64 Boylston Drive, new home, William R. Swift Bldrs., Inc.
 10 Holbrook Way, new home, William R. Swift Bldrs., Inc.
 72 Bender Lane, remodeling, Anthony J. and Alba Giordano.
 45 Southwood Drive, room addition, J. Crisafulli.
 29 Wemple Road, alterations, new bath, Michael Terry and Thomas Terry.

1 Noryl Avenue, picnic pavillion, General Electric Co., Mar. 8.

Rt. 9W and Glenmont Road, satellite dish, Loeb Partners Realty and Development Corp., Mar. 9.

19 Frances Lane, new home, Kircher Realty, Inc., Mar. 9.

11 Maple Terrace, dormer addition and bath, George Patrick Leamy.

101 Beacon Road, wood storage shed, Alice and John Corbett, Jr.

14 Frances Lane, new home, Kircher Realty, Inc.

78 Voyage Drive, new home, Daniels Builders, Inc.

18 Holland Court, wood deck, Robert L. McRae.

128 Elsmere Avenue, addition, Victor A. and Angeles R. Lopez.

66 Beacon Road, addition, Bonnie Seely.

163 Delaware Avenue, alterations — office, Delaware Plaza Associates.

243 Delaware Avenue, alterations, Letitia P. Shipp.

70 Adams Place, addition and alteration, Arthur J. and Veronica Setzer-Siegal.

319 Kenwood Avenue, alterations-porch, Phyllis W. Marcotte.

303 Longmeadow Drive, addition, Toni and Bonnie Genovese.

Route 9W, ground sign, D.S.W. Partnership.

11 Malden Lane, new home, William R. Swift Bldrs., Inc.

1478 New Scotland Road, wood deck, Carol Turner.

1,3,5,7 Rusfield Drive, four single family unit town houses, Charter Concord Construction.

11 Marion Road, demolish garage, Gregg Sagendorph.

15 Holbrook Way, new home, William R. Swift Builders, Inc.

109 Westchester Drive, shed, Donald and MaryLou Schulz.

14 Belmont Court, in-ground pool, Michael Katz.

33 Thatcher Street, detached garage, George Nichol.

Route 9W, alterations to existing bldg., Farm Family Life Ins. Co.

130 Dumbarton Drive, screened in porch addition, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hyde.

80 McCormack Road, addition and alteration to existing bldg., Residential Opportunities.

243 Delaware Avenue, ground sign, Letitia P. Shipp.

120 Darroch Road, new home, Klersy Building Corp.

Beaver Dam Road, alterations, Wesley and Susan Demarest.

1 Wedge Road, wood deck, Stephen and Sherry Hawley.

48 Hoyt Avenue, wood deck, Martin Davison.

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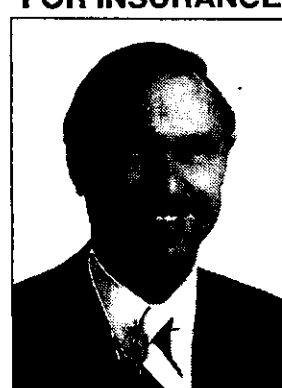
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Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

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 breast-feeding experiences, 8 p.m. For meeting schedule and breast-feeding information call 439-1774.

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.

Town of Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, hours for youths interested in part-time work, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information, 439-2238.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

Food Pantry, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area, Bethlehem Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, call 767-2243, 436-8289 or 767-2977.

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

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

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, conservations advisory council, as required, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

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.

New Scotland Senior Citizens, every Wednesday, old schoolhouse, New Salem. Information, Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

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

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

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

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

Tupperware Social, sponsored by the Womens Guild, New Salem Reformed Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-6179.

Oak Tree Dedication, by the Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning to honor their first anniversary, Adams Pl. and Hawthorn St., Delmar, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY 28 APRIL

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.

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

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

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

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

Substance Abuse Prevention Project, kick-off meeting with Michael Nerney, music by Concert Strings, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7740.

Food Class, "Feeding a Crowd Safely," taught by Gail Bromley, William Rice Cooperative Extension, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 7-9 p.m. Information, 765-3550.

Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, coffee hour for new area residents, 7:30 p.m. Information, 475-1188.

Tawasentha Chapter NSDAR, slide presentation, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 439-1437.

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, general membership meeting, with discussion on crime prevention, Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7:30-9 a.m. Reservations, 439-0512.

Craft Sale, Good Samaritan Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 439-8116.

FRIDAY 29 APRIL

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

Meet the Candidates Night, for Bethlehem Central school board, sponsored by PTAs and community organization, Bethlehem Central High School, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY 30 APRIL

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

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.

Heiderberg Workshop, courses in fly tying, miniatures, and cave exploring, Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 765-2569.

SUNDAY 1 MAY

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.

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; followed by coffee hour, Willowbrook Ave., South Bethlehem. Information, 767-9953.

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.

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

WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL

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

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

area arts

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

THEATRE

"Nonsense," Cohoes Music Hall, through May 15. Tickets, 235-7969.

"The Big Knife," Capital Rep Market Theater, Albany, through May 1. Tickets, 462-4531.

"The Mikado," Foy Campus Center, Siena College, Loudonville, through May 1. Information, 783-2381.

"The Sunshine Boys," St. Andrew's Dinner Theater, 10 North Main St., Albany, April 29-May 1, 7 p.m. Information, 463-2586.

"Theatre of Trash," featuring Paul Zalom, Proctor's Too, 226 Broadway, Schenectady, April 29-30, Friday, 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., Saturday, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

MUSIC

University of Michigan Men's Glee Club, Linton High School, Schenectady, May 3, 8 p.m. Information, 439-1074.

Richard Peek, organist, First United Methodist Church, 603 State St., Schenectady, May 1, 4 p.m. Information, 374-4403.

Masterworks Chorale of the College of Saint Rose, St. Joseph's Auditorium, Albany, May 1, 8 p.m. Information, 454-5178.

Carillonist Richard Strauss, Albany City Hall, Monday through Friday, 12:10-12:30 p.m.

Scott Hamilton Jazz Quintet, Page Hall, State University at Albany, May 1, 7 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

FOLK

Bob Franke, folk singer, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, April 29, 8:30 p.m.

Amy Fradon and Leslie Ritter, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, April 30, 8:30 p.m.

DANCE

"Salon Performances," by Kuperberg Morris Movement Theater, Performing Arts Loft, 286 Central Ave., Albany, April 29 and 30, 8 p.m. Tickets, 482-2886.

ART

Harmanus Bleecker Center Student Art Show, Harmanus Bleecker Center, Albany, through May 10. Information, 463-4478.

Works of Bruno La Verdere, Diétel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, through May 1, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

"Japan the Fad," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through June 26. Information, 463-4478.

"Impressions of a New Civilization: The Lincoln Kirstein Collection of Japanese Prints, 1860-1912," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through July 17. Information, 463-4478.

"The Art of Japan," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through July 28. Information, 463-4478.

"N.C. Wyeth: The Met Life Murals," State Museum, Albany, through June 5. Information, 474-5877.

"Wall Pieces," by Suzanne Phelan Denny and Phoebe Helman, Rathbone Gallery, Albany, through May 13. Information, 445-1778.

"Art of the Eye," works by artists with visual impairments, State Museum, Albany, April 30-July 4. Information, 474-5877.

JCA Student Art Show, display of student works, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, April 28-30, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

"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.

"Send Us a Lady Physician: Women Doctors in America, 1835-1920," State Museum, Albany, through May 1. Information, 474-5877.

"The Miniature Print Biennial," Albany Academy Gallery, Academy Rd., Albany, through May 13, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 465-1461.

"Made in Japan: A Tradition of Beauty," exhibition of chests and folk art, Oriental Line Gallery, 295 Hamilton St., Albany, through May 11, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Information, 462-3463.

Juried Art Show, sponsored by the Bethlehem Art Association, Bethlehem Public Library, through April 30. Information, 439-6808.

"Printmaking: North/South/East/West," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through May 27. Information, 463-4478. FILM

"Radium City," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, April 30, 2 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

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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.

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.

Clarksville Community Church, Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Coffee following service, nursery care provided. Information, 768-2853.

Schuyler String Quartet, concert with music by Brahms and Ives, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

MONDAY 2
APRIL

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.

Historic Meeting, to gather history of the community, Normansville Community Church, Rockefeller Rd., Normansville, 7 p.m. Information, 439-8684.

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

TUESDAY 3
MAY

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

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

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

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

Delmar Progress Club, legislative forum meeting, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-noon.

WEDNESDAY 4
MAY

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

Bethlehem Business Women's Club meets first Wednesday of month, Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Albany, 6 p.m. social hour.

Mother's Time Together, group for mothers and their preschool children, meets first and third Wednesday of month, Onesquethaw Reformed Church, 10 a.m.-noon.

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.

New Scotland Senior Citizens, every Wednesday, old schoolhouse, New Salem. Information, Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

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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Twilight Walk, to look for the American Woodcock, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Bethlehem Business Women, dinner meeting, Albany Motor Inn, 6 p.m. Information, 439-2034.

Parenting Program, "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting of Teens," Community Health Plan Center, Delmar, 7-9 p.m., continues for ten weeks. Information, 783-3110.

Public Hearing, Town of Bethlehem Board of Appeals on the applications of Raymond F. Wolfe Jr., 454 Russell Rd., Albany for variance under Article XIII, Northeast Savings, Town Squire Shopping Center, Glenmont for variance under Article V, and Richard and Deborah Sokoler, 36 Douglas Rd., Delmar for variance under Article XII, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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THURSDAY 5
MAY

Aquatic Project WILD Workshop, for teachers and youth group leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

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

Child Care as a Business in Your Home, William Rice Extension Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 5:45-9:15 p.m. Information, 765-3520.

Arthur Gregg Local History Seminar, "A Beautiful and Fruitful Land: The Dutch on the Upper Hudson," First United Methodist Church, Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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.

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

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

FRIDAY 6
MAY

Delmar Progress Club, drama group meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

Preschool Films, "Wonder Dog" and "Owl and the Pussycat," Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Garage Sale, sponsored by the Glenmont Reformed Church Women's Guild, 1 Chapel La., Glenmont, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 465-3836.

SATURDAY 7
MAY

Pet Show, with parade of animals, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

Garage Sale, sponsored by the Glenmont Reformed Church Women's Guild, 1 Chapel La., Glenmont, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 465-3836.

Roast Pork Dinner, Clarksville Community Church, \$6.50, 4-6 p.m. Information, 768-2853.

Craft Show, and flea market, rain or shine, sponsored by the New Salem Volunteer Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary, New Salem Fire House, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 765-4334.

Fashion Show, luncheon and silent auction, Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, \$7.50, noon. Information, 439-1766.

Wildflower Programs, identification, and wildflower walk, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 453-1806.

SUNDAY 8
MAY

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.

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; followed by coffee hour; Willowbrook Ave., South Bethlehem. Information, 767-9953.

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.

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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.
Senior Van Dinner Out Program - Take a friend out to dinner! The Senior Van will pick you up at your home at an appointed time and the group will be transported to a designated restaurant. Reservations are made in advance by the office.
Wednesday - April 27th, YIP's (Chinese)
Cheese Distribution - Mark your calendar! For those people on public assistance (HEAP, Food Stamps, Unemployment, SSI, WICS or with a statement of reduced property taxes, Cheese Day will be in Thursday, May 5th, at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 106.
The Senior Van will offer transportation for voting on Wednesday, May 4th from 10:00 to noon. Bethlehem Central School budget and new board members. Call 439-5770 from 9:00 to noon for reservations.

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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.

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Clarksville Community Church, Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Coffee following service, nursery care provided. Information, 768-2853.

Mother's Day Open House, Good Samaritan Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 439-8116.

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Tommy and Kelly Ringler of Delmar meet a new friend at Schuyler Mansion's "Farm Day in the City." This year, the event will take place on Sunday, May 1, from 1 to 5 p.m.

MONDAY 9
MAY

AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS
Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY 27
APRIL

Northeastern Association of the Blind, volunteer recognition luncheon, Ramada Inn, Albany. Information, 463-1211.

Basic Sailing Course, taught by the American Red Cross, Chapter House, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Continues for four weeks. Information, 462-7461.

Albany County League of Women Voters, meeting with discussion on federal agriculture policy, Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church, 2291 Western Ave., Albany, 9:30 a.m. Information, 756-2976.

Teacher Workshop, "At Your Fingertips: Tapping Local History Resources for Teaching," Shaker Museum, Old Chatham, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Information, 273-3400.

Criminal Justice Conference, "Making Whole What is Broken: Criminal Justice Alternatives that Work," Thruway House, 1375 Washington Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 438-6681.

Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council, Laurels Banquet, honoring Silver Award Winners, seniors and volunteers, West Albany Italian Benevolent Society Hall, Exchange St., Albany. Information, 439-4936.

Lock Repair Workshop, Albany County Cooperative Extension, 230 Green St., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 463-4267.

Drug Talk, concerning the prescription of certain drugs, Desmond Americana, Colonie, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2826.

Elderly Caregivers Seminar, with speakers and question time, Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

Eagle Lecture, "The Return of the Peregrine Falcons and Bald Eagles to New York State," Saraga Spa State Park, Administration Building, 7:30 p.m. Information, 584-2535.

School To Employment Program, work-study program registration, Rensselaer Community Center, Washington Ave., Rensselaer, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 434-2410.

THURSDAY 28
APRIL

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

Slide Talk, "19th Century Images of Industry along the Hudson River Valley," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

A directory of popular restaurants recommended for family dining in the immediate area within easy driving distance of Bethlehem and New Scotland.

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Albany Academy for Girls, open house for prospective students, 140 Academy Rd., Albany. 4-7 p.m. Information, 463-2201.

Allergies and Asthma Education Day, with speakers and specialists, American Lung Association Offices, 8 Mountaintown Ave., Albany. Registration, 459-4197.

Comedy Show, with Jay Leno, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, 7 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

Albany Colony National Society New England Women, business meeting and luncheon, Veeder's Restaurant, 2020 Central Ave., Albany, 11:30 a.m. Information, 286-3283.

Institute of Divine Metaphysical Research, state convention, Albany Thruway House, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, (914)452-1200 ext. 231.

FRIDAY 29
APRIL

Conference, "Interdisciplinary Perspectives: The Child With Special Needs," Campus Center, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Information, 445-1717.

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

Chemanon, self-help group for adolescents using drugs or alcohol, 1500 Western Ave., Albany, 7-8 p.m. Information, 869-1172.

Altamont Station Squares, square dance in celebration of the 20th anniversary, Guilderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, Guilderland, 8-11 p.m. Information, 382-0680.

Poetry Reading, to benefit "Groundswell," Humanities Building, State University at Albany, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 399-2320.

Historic Albany Foundation, architectural parts warehouse grand opening sale, 399 South Pearl St., Albany, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information, 463-0622.

SATURDAY 30
APRIL

Steamship Historical Society, annual dinner, University Club, Washington Ave. and Dove St., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 377-0296.

Albany Academy, gala celebration of 175 anniversary, Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany. Reservations, 465-1461.

Art Auction, sponsored by Mayfair Women's Club, Terry Morris Chrysler-Plymouth Showroom, Rt. 50, Burnt Hills, 7 p.m. Information, 399-8117.

Chicken and Biscuit Dinner, Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Temple, Maple Ave., Altamont, 4-7 p.m.

Spring Auction, to benefit the Albany YMCA, 274 Washington Ave., Albany, 7-10 p.m. Information, 449-7196.

Hudson Valley Community College Foundation, annual reception and gala, Trustee's Administration Center, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, 8 p.m. Information, 270-1537.

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

Running Races, "High and Dry," 5 kilometers, and "Fun Run," one mile, Central Park, Schenectady, 10:30 a.m. Information, 346-4436.

Health Fair, with screenings, St. Peter's Family Health Center, Bassett and South Pearl St., Albany, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 463-1160.

Voice Clinic, with speech, hearing, and throat examinations, Albany Medical Center Hospital, Albany, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Appointments, 454-5256.

Word Processing Workshop, using Appleworks, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-noon. Reservations, 449-3380, ext. 324.

Historic Albany Foundation, architectural parts warehouse grand opening sale, 399 South Pearl St., Albany, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information, 463-0622.

Altamont Community Garage Sale, new playground benefit with household goods, clothes and toys, Village Park, Rt. 146, Altamont, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 861-6636.

Maple Festival, sponsored by the Exchange Club of Chatham, Chatham Fairgrounds, Rt. 66, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 392-4287.

Multicultural Family Celebration, and workshops for patents, entertainment, Pierce Hall, State University at Albany, \$8, 2:15-7 p.m. Information, 436-0184.

Spring Open House, for high school junior and senior girls, information on programs, Russell Sage College, Troy, 9 a.m. Information, 270-2218.

Wildflower Walk, through historic Stewart Preserve sponsored by the Nature Conservancy, Eastern New York Chapter, Stewart Preserve, Rt. 43, Sand Lake, 10 a.m. Information, 869-0453.

SUNDAY 1
MAY

Rummage Sale, with clothes and furniture, Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 9:30 A.M.-3 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

Wine Taste, with wines from New York, Sign of the Tree Restaurant, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 2-6 p.m. Information, 463-2224.

"The Girl in Red", feature film from China with English subtitles, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

Victim's Rights Day, for crime victims, their families, friends and concerned citizens to recognize the needs of crime victims, State Capitol, Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 463-5878.

Coin and Stamp Show, sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 346-2584.

Indo-American Day, with authentic Indian arts, folk dances and food, Empire State Plaza, Albany, noon-6 p.m. Information, 474-5986.

"Farm Day in the City", pony rides, music and the Pokingbrook Morris Dancers, Schuyler Mansion Historic Site, 1-5 p.m. Information, 434-0834.

Cadette Conference, "A Capital Experience," Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 439-4936.

MONDAY 2
MAY

Legal Consultations, with practicing attorneys, Albany Savings Bank, Crossgates Mall, Guilderland, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 445-7691.

Cadette Conference, "A Capital Experience," Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 439-4936.

Matthew Fox Workshop, "A Creation of Spirituality," by Rev. Kenneth J. Tunny, Consultation Center, 790 Lancaster St., Albany, \$25, 7 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

TUESDAY 3
MAY

Dana Natural History Society, meeting with lecture on the Helderbergs, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 767-9916.

Business Seminar, "Clothing and Textiles as a Home Business," presented by Cooperative Extension, Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Information, 765-3520.

Natural History Lecture, "Iroquois Indians," State University at Albany, Lecture Center 7, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Cadette Conference, "A Capital Experience," Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 439-4936.

Old Dorp Show, sponsored by the Schenectady Panhellenic Alumnae Association with 103 entries, First Reformed Church of Scotia, 224 North Ballston Ave., Scotia, 10 a.m.-9 pm. Information, 393-8479.

Blood Pressure Screening, sponsored by the Catskill Savings Bank, Main Branch, Catskill, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 372-3376.

Flower Drying, presentation by Audrey Hawkins, Albany County Cooperative Extension master gardener, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:15 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

"New Federalism and the Future Work Force", speech by Assembly Majority Leader James Tallon Jr., Harmanus Bleecker Hall, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 11 a.m. Information, 393-9003.

WEDNESDAY 4
MAY

College Fair, with college representatives and financial aid officers, Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon and 7-9 p.m. Information, 445-1730.

Mental Health Association, dinner with speech by Richard Surles, Albany City Hall Rotunda, Albany, 6-9 p.m. Information, 462-5439.

"Drug Therapy and Epilepsy", lecture by Peter Fallon, R.Ph., sponsored by the Epilepsy Association of the Capital District, First Presbyterian Church, State St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 456-7501.



Showhouse '88 benefitting the Albany Symphony Orchestra opened this week and will continue through May 15 at 134 Niskayuna Rd., Loudonville.

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Variance requested to allow landscaper

By Bill Cote

The owner of a building at 64 Hudson Ave., Delmar, wants to sell the property to a landscaping and snow removal business, but the Bethlehem Board of Appeals will have to decide if a "hardship" is involved.

Terry Rupert came before the board last week with a hardship plea to allow a change in an existing variance for semi-active storage of landscaping, driveway paving and snow removal equipment. The property is zoned AB residential.

Rupert said that he has contracted to sell the property, which contains an apartment and ground-level storage for eight vehicles. The character of his building made marketing it very difficult, he said. But a prospective purchaser feels that the site would be perfect for his outdoor maintenance business. The sale is pending approval of the variance.

Until recently, the first floor space was rented by the grounds maintenance department of Bethlehem Central School District, according to Rupert. An untended leaky roof forced the district to remove its equipment. The upstairs space would remain a rental apartment, he said.

The roof was repaired, but too late for the school district. He said that since then, he's been stuck with a mortgage payment and no first floor tenant.

Rupert said that since he is an absentee owner, he hasn't been able to tend the property as well as he'd like to. Approval of his

request would be best because his prospective purchaser lives locally, he said.

The board's questions centered on the financial statements that Rupert submitted to substantiate his hardship and the nature of the proposed use. The board was interested to know the prospective hours of use. Board members also questioned the prospective purchaser about his intent to maintain his equipment on the premises and whether fuels will be stored there.

The landscaper plans to store six vehicles on the property and said that all will be kept indoors. He said that no maintenance will be conducted on the premises and that fuels will not be stored there. He said that during the winter months, plows will be moved sometimes late at night or early in the morning. But during the summer, equipment will be picked up in the morning and dropped off in the evening, with little or no use of the premises during the day.

The board also entertained a special exception request by a 672 Feura Bush Rd. couple who wish to construct two kennel runs for breeding Labrador retrievers.

Sheryl and Harry Allen said that they plan to raise one or two litters a year and that they would have up to five adult dogs on the property.

"As a general rule, they are not a noisy dog," said Allen. He plans not to board animals or to do any commercial operation such as grooming. The dogs would not be

allowed to run unattended in the yard, he said.

In other action, the board set public hearing dates for:

- A Northeast Savings Bank variance request to display a 2 by 15 foot banner at their Glenmont shopping center location for a period of six months. The hearing is scheduled for May 4 at 8:15 p.m.

- A 454 Russell Rd. resident who proposes to build an addition to his home. Raymond Wolfe Jr. requested a variance to build closer to his rear property line than the ordinance allows. The

hearing is slated for May 4 at 8 p.m.

- A '68 Fairlawn Dr. Selkirk couple. Deborah and John Kaplan would like to exceed allowable lot occupancy limits by building an addition to their home. Lot occupancy guidelines regulate the percentage of the lot that can be covered by buildings and is indicative of the potential building density in an area. The meeting will be on May 18 at 8 p.m.

- Richard Sokoler of 36 Douglas Rd. in Delmar, who wishes to construct a porch on his property.

The proposed addition would leave a substandard 6.4 foot sideyard.

Additionally, three agenda items were tabled due to the late hour because previous hearings ran longer than expected.

Senior housing options explored

The Albany County Senior Housing Options Programs (ACSHOP) is offering free housing counseling and information to Albany County residents 60 years and older.

Samaritan shelter proposed

By Bill Cote

Bethlehem will have a second "non-secure" home for troubled adolescents if the Board of Appeals approves a zoning variance requested by Samaritan Shelters, Inc.

The Glenmont-based organization came to the board Wednesday requesting a use variance so that it can rehabilitate the old Andrew Coon residence on Beaver Dam Rd. in Selkirk as a shelter for up to ten female juveniles. Girls to age 16 would remain in the shelter's care for an average of 27 days while awaiting Albany County court action.

The Beaver Dam Road site would replace Samaritan's Loudonville location which, according to Executive Director Claudia Engelhardt, the organization has

outgrown. Two to five adults will attend the shelter at all times, she said.

A Bethlehem location for the girl's shelter will be convenient to Samaritan's administrative offices on Rt. 144 in Glenmont, Engelhardt said. The Rt. 144 location, in operation since July of 1978, also accommodate a boy's shelter and classrooms.

Several local residents voiced opposition to the plan, including Alan Bozzolo of Beaver Dam Rd., who expressed a concern for security in the home. Bozzolo said that he also objected to the increase in traffic that the shelter will bring, and the influence that the youths will have on the neighborhood children. The youths are classified by the courts as "PINS", Persons In need of Supervision.

"They are children who experience trouble in their homes, trouble with parents or at school," according to Engelhardt. Many of the children come from single-parent families. Some might be from abusive or neglective situations and termed "ungovernable," she said.

"We do not lock them in the house, but instead maintain them through positive measures. . . 40 to 50 percent go back to their homes," Engelhardt said.

Close neighbors to the proposed shelter said that the building is structurally unsound. They said that in addition, the building will require complete rewiring and serious attention to the leach fields and septic system.

Samaritan plans to spend \$25,000 rehabilitating the structure and another \$25,000 for modifications to the home, Engelhardt said.

The organization is non-profit. One board member asked what service Bethlehem could expect in return for surrendering five plus acres of prime land from the tax roles. Engelhardt's answer was none, unless a youth from Bethlehem is in need of the service. The board reserved decision on the variance.

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Chiropractic, from its early beginnings, has endorsed the wellness concept, which is gathering interest in America today, stated Dr. Barile.

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Dr. Barile state that these people must be made aware of their health needs through information. He is one of more than 5,000 doctors of chiropractic in the U.S. who have mounted a campaign to bring health information into consumers' homes. The campaign was inaugurated with an 8-page advertising supplement in the April 1988 issue of *Reader's Digest*.

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Bake sale planned

The United Methodist Women of the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church will hold their spring bake sale on Saturday, April 30, at a location near the South Bethlehem Post Office. While the exact location has not yet been determined, signs will be posted near the post office on the day of the sale. Coordinators Austa Cole and Ada Court promise that if you are willing to travel to them this year, the variety of homemade confections and breads will make the trip worth your while.

PTA needs volunteers

The A.W. Becker Elementary School Parent Teacher Association has announced that 50 volunteers are needed to hold field day on June 21. In years past the event has provided good times for the children and volunteers alike. This year's event will feature a moonwalk, facepainting, an army tank and/or helicopter, clay modeling, a book swap, games and refreshments. Anyone interested is serving as a volunteer may send a note to Sherry Stanton, c/o A.W. Becker Parent Teacher Association.

Other Becker school dates to remember are: May 4, teacher recognition day; May 10, board of education budget meeting; May 11, vote on budget, and May 20, Peter Pan at the Egg (remember to wear school T-shirts).

The next meeting of the PTA will be held on May 17.

Volunteer dinner set

The RCS School District adult volunteer dinner will be held on May 5. Some 200 people have been invited as a small 'thank you' for their efforts during the past school year. Guests will be treated to music by the Select Junior High Chorus. If any volunteer has been overlooked, please call Mr. Keating at the Becker School.

Hearing scheduled

A public hearing will be held at Bethlehem Town Hall on May 10 to consider a permit request by General Electric for start-up of an incinerator to dispose of non-hazardous waste. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the state Department of Environmental Conservation will

hear comments for and against the proposal from the public and parties involved. Written statements will be accepted. The hearing will begin at 10 a.m.

Fire officers elected

Newly elected officers of the Selkirk Fire Company are: Charles Wickham Jr., chief; Francis Asprion, first chief; Daniel Hotaling, second chief; Craig Wickham, third chief; Robert Weddell, president; Bill Gonyea, vice president; Charles Viviano, treasurer, and Kathy Hotaling, secretary.

Bethlehem residents in film

South Bethlehem residents Kathy and Jennifer Keenan will be among those appearing in a locally produced film tentatively titled 'Vampyr' which will premier this year around Halloween.

The film, produced, written and directed by area arts critic, Bruce Hallenback, centers on a female vampire that terrorizes a small New York State village during the 1700's.

A premier at Proctors Theater will feature the cast arriving not in limosines but in hearses. The Keenans will play the part of guests at a masked ball which requires dancing as well as acting expertise.

DWI charges filed in 2 arrests

Bethlehem police reported arresting two drivers for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated this week.

A 33-year-old Glenmont man was arrested for driving while intoxicated early Monday morning on Cherry Ave., Bethlehem police said. The man was stopped by officers after he failed to keep right and subsequently failed an alcohol pre-screening test, police said.

A seventeen-year-old Selkirk man was arrested for driving while intoxicated Saturday morning after he hit a telephone pole on Popular Dr., police said. He was also charged with obstructing government administration and second-degree reckless endangerment, police said.



1st Lt. Thomas Budzyna

Lyricizes about Army unit in Germany

1st Lt. Thomas E. Budzyna, son of Lt. Colonel Fred K. and Peggy Budzyna of East Bayberry Rd., Glenmont, recently wrote a song about his experiences as "second in command" of a tank company in Mainz, Germany.

Budzyna's guitar-playing talents and his "in the field" experience with his unit has inspired him to write a song titled "The Hohenfels Blues." Budzyna and the three platoon leaders assigned to his company formed a group "Lt. Bud and the Trackbusters," and did the songs at numerous unit functions. The song was well received at the functions and was recently televised.

Hohenfels is a major training area in Europe where soldiers go to train with their equipment and refine tactics.

New Salem craft show

The Ladies Auxiliary of the New Salem Volunteer Fire company will sponsor a craft show and flea market on Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the New Salem fire house, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

There will be a variety of crafts and merchandise available indoors and outside and the sponsors say the show will go on, rain or shine. Vendor information is available at 765-4334.

RCS contracts information service

By Sal Prividera

The use of a BOCES public information service to assist the school district with its publications and distribution of information was unanimously approved by the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education last Monday.

The contracted service, which was included in the district's budget proposal, will provide RCS with a half-time person to assist in writing press releases, newsletters and working with local media, said Superintendent William Schwartz. He said he had a meeting with the person who

would be working with the district and was shown several examples of improved layout for *The Chalkboard* publication.

"I think it's in our best interests," he said.

Board member Konrad Raup, a member of the community relations committee, agreed with Schwartz and said the service was professional, an added resource and BOCES-aidable.

Schwartz said \$8,000 was budgeted for the service and it would be "about 50 percent aidable."

Man leads police on chase in Albany

After leading a Bethlehem police officer on a high speed chase Thursday through Delmar to Albany, a 20-year-old Ravena man is facing several vehicular charges.

Timothy J. Conrad was observed by a Bethlehem officer speeding on Rt. 32 near Kenwood Ave., police said. He then ran several stop lights and signs before losing control and striking a telephone pole on Rt. 144, police said. Conrad then backed away from the pole and led the officer into Albany, driving on only three tires. While traveling through Albany, Conrad drove on sidewalks at a high rate of speed, forcing pedestrians into the road, police said. He was stopped when he became boxed in by traffic at the intersection of Central Ave. and Northern Blvd. in Albany, police said.

Conrad is facing charges in Bethlehem of speeding, leaving the scene of an incident, operating a motor vehicle while license suspended, passing a no passing zone and passing a vehicle on the right, police said. Police he is also facing charges in Albany including reckless endangerment.

Conrad was remanded to Albany County Jail in lieu of \$7,500 bail, police said.

Windshield broken

Bethlehem police are investigating the breaking of a truck windshield Friday on Wemple Rd., in Glenmont. The truck's windshield, worth \$200, was smashed during the overnight hours while the vehicle was parked in front of a residence, police said. The manner in which the damage was done was unknown, police said.

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the state Division of Budget, and she has also worked for the state Commerce Department and the state Department of Environmental Conservation. She received her bachelor's in political science from Drew university in Madison, N.J., and her master's in public administration from the Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University at Albany, and participated in its Public Administration Intern Program.

She is a member of the Bethlehem Support Group for Parents of Children with Handicapping Conditions, Parents and Professionals Concerned with Children with Special Needs, and she is forming a coordinating council for various parent support groups in the Albany area.

A resident of Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville, she and her husband, Kenneth Caffrey, have two sons.

Lynne Lenhardt

A volunteer in many organizations and in the schools, Lenhardt said she has a feeling of the community's and school's sentiment, and combined with her past work experience in government and education, she believes she has the understanding and expertise to make fiscally responsible decisions in areas of programming, staffing and other district needs.

A two-term president of the Slingerlands PTA, Lenhardt is a member of BC's facilities and enrollment committee, teaches Creative Problem Solving as part of the Math Olympiad Program at the Slingerlands School, is a board member of the Delmar Dolphins Swim Club, a member of the Slingerlands Fire Department Auxiliary, teaches religious education at St. Thomas Church, is involved with the Bethlehem Soccer Club and is a sixth grade team captain at the middle school.

She said she also assisted in writing a grant for federal funding that provided video cameras at all elementary schools last year and spoke to state legislators about the amount of state aid that BC receives.

The proposed \$22 million budget is fair and is a modest increase that reflects expanding enrollment while trying to maintain high quality programming, Lenhardt said. The tax rate increase in Bethlehem and the decrease in New Scotland shows fiscal responsibility on the part of the administration and the board, she said.

Lenhardt said she feels that the teacher and staff additions are all needed and important. They provide for continued improvements in instruction and demonstrate responsible building maintenance, and the three in-district special education classes are a step towards providing the best education for handicapped students, she said. She also applauded the school board for including funds for the high school auditorium's stage lighting.

Lenhardt said she feels all board members should take a position on the budget, pointing to Reeves' abstention when the school board adopted the budget.

A member of the facilities and enrollment committee that will be presenting its options to the school board, Lenhardt said she feels some construction will be necessary but does not feel a new school building is feasible because enrollment will peak and then decline again.

Therefore, she said, the best alternative would be to add on to the elementary schools that need expansion and have the room to do so. Lenhardt said she believes another important part of the committee's work is looking at the equality of the facilities, such as art and music rooms in all schools.

The school board and administration has already taken the initial step to try to get public support for a proposal by establishing the committee and holding public input sessions, Lenhardt said.

When the committee makes its report on May 14 and the board starts discussing the options, she said, the public will have a chance again to speak on the options at school board meetings.

A substitute teacher and a home instructor for BC, Lenhardt said she has submitted her resignation from those positions effective June 30 to comply with state Education Department rules.

Lenhardt received her master's in public affairs from the Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy and her bachelor's in teaching, both from the University at Albany. She taught school on Long Island and was an administrative assistant at the state Legislature working predominately on education issues.

She and her husband, George, have two children and live on Magdalen Dr.

Charles "Bud" Reeves

Reeves calls himself the "anti-establishment" candidate. He said Bethlehem Central is not the best but it can be, and that the school board has missed opportunities that he has proposed to reduce costs.

BC's early retirement system has become a pension enhancement program and not a cost reduction

program because all 41 employees who have taken advantage of it have been replaced, Reeves said. Instead, Reeves said, BC should have taken advantage of attrition to make money off the program.

Reeves also said fringe benefits, this year budgeted at about \$4 million, are climbing faster than the budget but the school board has made no serious effort to contain health care costs.

The third missed opportunity, Reeves said, is failing to take advantage of proposals for contracting for transportation, which mean a saving of about 10 percent off that line. He said he is also endorsing contracting for food service.

Reeves also makes two proposals he calls "visionary." BC should concentrate on excellence in education against comparable schools in the Suburban Council or CASDA. Reeves said the board's education eye-level must be raised in striving for excellence.

He also proposes a transitional merit plan for all administrators and professional teaching staff working towards a full merit plan because he said it is the only equitable way to treat professionals as an incentive for excellence.

Reeves has said he believes the proposed BC budget is too high, but he abstained when the board adopted it in deference to Loomis. He said that since 1985 the district has seen a student increase of 6.9 percent, a cost of living increase of 17.9 percent, a cost per pupil increase of 36 percent and a budget increase of 45 percent.

Reeves said he would support a major building project if it was one of the recommendations by the facilities and enrollment committee, as long as BC also considers abandoning the Elsmere School and getting off Delaware Ave. The school is a very

marketable property and could be used as a community center, he said.

Under Loomis, Reeves said, the district's communication process has greatly improved, and he would look to the superintendent for an endorsement program for a proposed buildings project.

Reeves is a retired assistant vice president for personnel administration for the New York Telephone Co. and a graduate of Hamilton College.

He volunteers as a bus driver for the Town of Bethlehem Senior Citizen office and is on the advisory board at the College of St. Rose. He has been a member of the board of directors of the United Way of Northeastern New York; the Albany Symphony, the University Foundation at Albany,

Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the Downtown Albany Development Corporation, and he was involved with Little League and Pop Warner sports.

Residents of Westchester Dr., North, Reeves and his wife, Robyn, have five children.

Name Glenmont woman chief financial officer

Amy H. Zick, a sophomore management major at Hartwick College, in Oneonta, has been named chief financial officer of the Hartwick Humanities in Management Institute. Zick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Zick of Glenmont.

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Student enrichment

Students in the Voorheesville Central School District will have a unique opportunity during the next two weeks to benefit from a residency of Byron Berger, a Master Teacher, from Nature's Classroom in Connecticut where several fourth grade classes spent a week last December.

Berger, who has advanced degrees in biological sciences, will bring his experiences of traveling through Alaska and other parts of the U.S. to the students. Also an expert on Native American culture, he has lived with an Indian tribe for an extended period of time and will recount his experience to the classes.

Sponsored through the generosity of Theatre Fun for Young People, the non-profit organization which brings quality performing arts to the Voorheesville Central School district, Berger will take part in various planned projects during his residency. Field experiences are planned at Helderberg Workshop for students in grades two through six. There will be work on Indian stories and legends with kindergarten, transition and first grade as well as other small group experiences for students up through grade 8.

During his residency Berger will be residing with host families from those who chaperoned the earlier trip to Ivoryton.

To welcome Byron Berger to Voorheesville and give parents a chance to meet the man who will be working with their children over the next two weeks, the Voorheesville PTSA is sponsoring a free Spring Thing-pot luck supper and activity night this Friday, April 29, at the high

school. The program will include a presentation by Berger on Indian lore.

The dinner will begin at 6 p.m. with each attending family bringing a covered dish and dessert to share. The PTSA will provide beverages, plates, utensils and a tossed salad. A movie will be provided for very young children during the after-dinner presentation.

Reservations are not necessary. All are urged to attend to welcome the visiting naturalist to the community. Those having questions should call coordinator Joanne St. Denis at 765-4748.

Car wash fundraiser

The Voorheesville Fire Department will hold a car wash this Sunday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Fire House on School Rd. Cost is \$4 per vehicle. The public is encouraged to support this fundraiser.

Kiwanis bike rally, sale

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland has been busy planning numerous activities for the coming months. With baseball starting this month, the Kiwanians are sure to have a full schedule but have added two June activities to their calendar.

On Saturday, June 4, the local men's service group will sponsor its annual bike rally to be held at the Voorheesville Elementary School Parking Lot. With more students out cycling now, safety is a big factor and the Kiwanians will be on hand to check all bikes and do minor adjustments.

The following week on June 11, the men will hold their annual tag sale also at the elementary school. Those wishing to donate items

are welcome to call Mike Lancor at 765-4883.

Garden club plant sale

The Helderview Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 7, just in time for Mother's Day. Plants will be sold at the Voorheesville Pharmacy from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and at Stewarts from 9 a.m. until noon. All are welcome to come browse and shop.

Library plans book sale

The Voorheesville Public Library will hold its fourth semi-annual book sale on Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the library on Main St. Those wishing to donate books to the event are welcome to leave them off at the library by May 1.

The Executive Board of the Voorheesville Public Library will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, May 2, at the library. As usual, all are welcome to attend.

First communion event

St. Matthew's Church will hold First Communion for its second grade students on Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1 at the 10 a.m. masses. Formal communion will be held on Saturday and family communion on Sunday.

Senior citizens are active

New Scotland's Senior Citizens are on the go again. They recently attended the Circus on Ice Performance on April 13 at the Empire State Plaza and the Mikado on Sunday, April 24. The next meeting of the group is today, April 27, at the Old New Salem Schoolhouse. Anyone 60 and over who lives in the Town of New Scotland is welcome to join the group. Those wanting more information should contact Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

Plans for bridge repairs to be readied

By Patricia Mitchell

New Scotland's engineers will be drawing up plans to repair the Cass Hill and Wolf Rd. bridges.

The town is asking C.T. Male Associates of Latham to prepare the specifications after the engineering firm inspected both bridges in March.

Highway Superintendent Pete Van Zetten said the bridges will be designed for 15 ton loads, which is adequate for the town's needs. Town crews will probably do the repair work, he said.

Both bridges are town-owned and therefore the town is responsible for fixing them. Town Attorney Fred Riester said at the April 6 town board meeting he has confirmed with the state Department of Transportation, which has a computer inventory of all bridges in the state, that the town is responsible for the bridges.

An April 5 letter from the engineers to the town said repair costs would be significantly less if New Scotland purchases the materials and uses its own labor and equipment than if it contracted for the work. C.T. Male also said CHIPs money, state funds allocated to the town for highway work, could be used for the work.

The Wolf Hill Rd. bridge is now posted for two tons, which is below federal guidelines for bridges, but town officials decided to leave it open for the convenience of residents. The Cass Hill Rd. bridge is closed to traffic.

Preliminary plans by C.T. Male to upgrade the Wolf Hill Rd. bridge include removing and replacing part of one abutment, removing and replacing the steel superstructure and replacing the guide rails with some minor repair work to the deck.

To upgrade the Cass Hill Rd. bridge, preliminary plans outlined by C.T. Male include removing and replacing the steel superstructure, replacing the guide rail system and doing some minor repair work to the wood deck.

The closed Cass Hill Rd. bridge is on the east route of the road that splits before reaching Delaware Turnpike. The one-span bridge is supported by two grouted, fieldstone abutments and nine 10-inch steel beams.

Albany County is planning to do repair work by the fall on the Plank Rd. bridge, a county-maintained bridge that is also closed because of a two-ton weight limit.

The Onesquethaw Creek Rd. bridge is also waiting on a historically-designed permanent bridge.

Women's club meeting

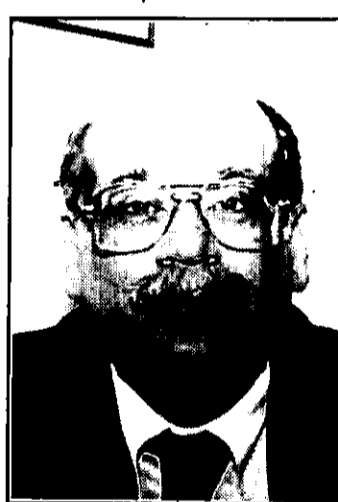
The Bethlehem Business Women's Club will hold its monthly dinner meeting May 4 at the Albany Motor Inn. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will include presentation of scholarship awards. Prospective members are invited and may call 439-1046 for information.

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□ New Scotland's mining issue

(From page 4)

briefly the GOP candidate for supervisor last year, are charter members and behind-the-scenes advisors of Concerned Citizens.

Also supporting the Concerned Citizen position is the Font Grove Rd./Krumkill Rd. Neighborhood Association, whose leader, Dr. Lyon Greenberg, has obtained new information that appears to support the concern that mining might contaminate the present wells and the water supply for the proposed water district.

Not everybody has taken sides. Galesi's representatives have gone to great pains to stress that their proposal is not linked to the mining controversy in any way.

But the battle lines have led to some interesting conflicts.

The town board majority has declined to say what their feelings are now on the Larned and Sons mine or where "fact finding" could lead. Reilly said last week they are trying to seek information from all sides to make their decisions and he doesn't want to see this turned into a political issue. The town board report, originally planned for March, may now be released by early or mid-May. The town board, Reilly said, has agreed to hire a special counsel if the case goes back to court.

Riester asked the board on April 6 to accept his resignation from the case because of time constraints, but later withdrew that offer because he said there is still a possibility of negotiating with Larned and Sons. He said he believes the town's energies should be focused on either litigating or exploring a settlement and that it would be best to explore the miners' position now rather than wait until the case is in a courtroom.

Sgarlata, a founder of the Concerned Citizens and one of the signers of the lawsuit before he was elected to the town board, appears to have broken ranks with his fellow councilmen by calling for Riester's resignation from the case and the appointment of a special counsel to begin

preparations for the state Supreme Court trial. Earlier, he had come under attack from the Orchard Park contingent, his neighbors, for possible conflict of interest for his involvement in Concerned Citizens. Sgarlata said publicly he had resigned from Concerned Citizens and was taking his name off the lawsuit.

There were reports last week that Dolin and Connolly's Albany law firm may take over the mine case if Riester resigns, but Dolin said he feels that might be perceived as a conflict of interest. He suggested that a law firm with no ties to the area be selected.

The Concerned Citizens for New Scotland continues to call for a no negotiations stance, and has also called for Riester's resignation from the case. Chairman Robert Morrison said his group will "watch" Reilly and Riester. They claim that Riester has an obvious bias against the case and that Reilly doesn't seem to be exercising any leadership. They are considering civil disobedience against town hall to demonstrate that their supporters are incensed, Morrison said. He added that the group is also considering legal steps to force former town officials to give depositions in the case.

Little has been heard from former Supervisor Stephen Wallace, former Planning Board Chairman Richard Stickley, former Building Inspector Walt Miller and former zoning attorney Fred Edmunds, all of whom were in office when the Larned and Sons mine was first proposed. Wallace, Stickley and Edmunds are Republicans, and Edmunds is a former town GOP chairman.

If the case goes to court, those former officials will be forced to testify about their roles, Morrison said, adding that he expects their testimony to impact greatly on the town.

This only hints at the amount of passion the issue has engendered. But it doesn't help that the issues themselves have, if anything, become less clear as time goes on. Some of the problems:

- Conflicting opinions on the town's legal position. Riester has counseled the town board — in closed, executive session — that the town has at best a difficult case to defend. The town zoning was changed after Larned and Sons applied for its permit to preclude mining in the Tall Timbers area, and all of the other legal maneuvering up to this point can't obscure that fact. But Concerned Citizens says advice from its lawyer, James Linnan, contradicts Riester's opinion. At the very least, argue the Concerned Citizens contingent, there are plenty of additional legal steps (including planning board review) that offer opportunities to keep the mine from starting up, and they promise to continue their fight against the mine.

- More importantly, Riester appears to have damaged his own credibility by his performance at the April 13 town board meeting,

when he said he thought there is a possibility that the miners could start digging right away if they won in Supreme Court. The statement, which Riester later explained was a hurried, partial answer during the heated meeting, raised anew the charge that he is working for a settlement to protect the reputation of Wallace and other members of his administration.

- The potential impacts on the environment don't appear to be settled and any attempts at gathering new information will probably not be conclusive enough to satisfy either side. Don Larned of Larned and Sons said at the April 13 meeting hydrology is an inexact science — one statement that the Concerned Citizens contingent agrees with. The miners continue to present information saying that mining will not impact on the environment. Concerned Citizens commissioned its own hydrogeologist that reported that two earlier studies had not been thorough enough to dispel doubt. When it was learned that Galesi was proposing to put wells down into the aquifer

directly below the mine, doubts redoubled.

During all of this, Reilly has kept his own counsel. After his initial stalemate with the Republicans on the town board over appointment of a fifth member and whether Riester should be retained, he has worked hard to promote unity on the board and has been busy shaping up town hall and starting new programs. He appeared to be succeeding until Sgarlata broke ranks, but now Sgarlata is also complaining that Reilly keeps a number of issues too close to his vest.

The town board's report is long overdue. As much as the town board needs to make a decision quickly, it should not have to do it in a climate of threats, outbursts and obscenities. Citizens involved also have some responsibility for helping defuse the explosive climate in the town.

Clarksville dinner

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Just what college did you go to, anyway?

Editor's note: Amesley Junior-Senior high School is the fictional setting for "In The Classroom." Happenings at Amesley are a composite picture drawn from the author's teaching experience in four public high schools.



A Tuesday in September. Lunch with three other teachers in the faculty workroom. All, except me, have been teaching at least 25 years. Bill speaks. "You know it was never like this when I started teaching. The teacher was God. His word, his judgment was never questioned. I remember my second year of teaching. The son of a hot shot lawyer in town was in my class. He was a nice kid, but a rotten math student. We all did

what we could, but he still failed. You know, I didn't hear a word about it. My God, nowadays you do a thing like that and the parents call you on the phone. They want a conference. They say you don't know what you're doing. You're not exercising good judgment anymore."

Sympathetic chuckles from around the table. Other members of our foursome relate similar

tales from the "golden age" of teaching and from the bronze age of modern life.

I think about my own encounters with the questioning public: Why did my daughter do so poorly on the final exam? My son Sean is bright but I'm concerned that your class is challenging him beyond his ability. Why didn't you recommend Amy for advanced placement?

I've always assumed at least some skepticism on the part of the public, and I don't mind trying to answer questions. I don't know why Jane did poorly on the final exam. Have you considered enrolling Sean in an easier class? I think Amy would work very, very hard and do only a mediocre job in the AP class, and I don't think that would do her any good. So, I have difficulty relating to my fellow teachers' discouragement with the scrutiny all teachers bear.

"But Jim, it was different 25 years ago," Bill pleads. And so it was. A teacher's judgment was rarely questioned 25 years ago. A physician's judgment was rarely questioned. Likewise for attorneys and accountants and plumbers and architects and psychologists and almost anybody privy to

specialized knowledge. Largely gone are the days when a professional was viewed with awe, seen as one wielding magical power.

As national educational levels have advanced, the learning gap between professionals and the general public has narrowed. An educated lay person often knows enough to ask the intelligent question and informed enough to make a critical assessment of the answer. A medical doctor these days is less often revered as a powerful shaman who heals the sick and more often grilled about the soundness of her diagnosis and just what medical school she went to anyway. Teachers are subject to the same critical review. So I can't quite share the distress of my senior colleagues at lunch.

But skepticism works two ways.

At a parent conference Mrs. Krug says, "I don't think Jason should be placed in the lower level class. An eminent educational psychologist I saw on Phil Donahue last week says that high expectations bring high results. I want Jason in the honors class." My own skepticism says that persons who presume expertise

based on an hour in front of the TV only make fools of themselves.

At the end of the school year Mr. Gillespie phones: "I'm concerned about my daughter's 78 in Social Studies and I'd like to know how you computed it."

"Sure, Mr. Gillespie, I'd be happy to tell you." He asks some more questions, which I answer. Then...

"Mr. Nehring just how important is a freshman course on the high school transcript. I mean, would this ill-affect Jessies's shot at an Ivy League school?" I feel oddly vindicated by the comment because it reflects less on my competence as a school teacher and more on that person's insecurities.

All in all, an informed and vigilant public is a good thing. If I know that I may be questioned about a recommendation that Annie should be placed in a different level social studies class, I will be certain to be fully conscious of my reasons and to have ready documentation to support my decision. Public skepticism keeps professionals on their toes. It keeps us from becoming casual about important decisions just because we face them every day.

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BC educator attends conference

Ralph P. VanderHeide, supervisor of Bethlehem Central's foreign language department, attended the 35th annual meeting of the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in mid-April.

More than 2600 educators met in New York City for this year's conference. Activities focused on the theme, "Toward a New Integration of Language and Culture."

Five Rivers staffer honored at ceremony

Ward B. Stone, Wildlife Pathologist with the Five Rivers Environmental Center in Delmar, was one of 15 individuals honored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at an awards ceremony held April 22 in New York City.

The ceremony, held in connection with Earth Day, paid tribute to people who have made significant contributions over the past year to environmental protection.

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Ithaca College — Marjorie Eilertsen, Delmar.
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 Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Penna. — Cynthia Ann Ferrari, Delmar.
 Central College in Pella, Iowa — Deborah Meester, Delmar.
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BC lists its honor roll

Bethlehem Central High School has released the names of its high honor roll students for the third marking period of the 1987-88 school year.

Ninth Grade

Maurizio Agostino, Joel Begg, Rebecca Biggerstaff, Brian Caulfield, Aaron Colman, Jed Colquhoun, Jennifer Coon, Jennifer Curtis, Justin Davis, Brian Decker, Molly Defazio, Kathryn Dorgan, Sandra Drozd, Christopher Dumper and Jennifer Fisk.

Also, Genise Fraiman, Kevin Freeman, Ashley Gates, Michael Genovese, Rebecca Grimwood, Justin Hilson, Anita Kaplan, Erin Kleinke, Naomi Kubo, Keith Lenden, Kathryn Leonard, Nancy Leonard, David Lorette, Andrew McQuide, Margaret Meixner, Michael Moran, Christopher Philippo, David Pierce, Joshua Pierce, Erin Rodat, Marla Rosenberg, Teige Sheehan, Eric Sims, Michael Sullivan, Victoria Taggart, William Tsitsos, Benjamin Vigoda and Benjamin Weiss.

Tenth Grade

Jeffrey Ballou, Matthew Begg, John Bellizzi, Daniel Blaustein, Hillary Bollam, Rogean Cadieux, Kara Carlson, Michael Chung, Kimberly Clash, Rebecca Cunningham, Daniel Dunn, Timothy Edgar, Michelle Fisher, Crystal Fournier, Alex Hackman, Julie Hammer, Jennifer Haug, Arielle Hecht, Jennifer Joy, Kirsten Kearse, Charlene Kelly, Susan Koeppen, Lynn Kovach, Joshua Levensohn, Maryann Loegering, Michael Mafilios, Brian Manning, Anthea Mataragnon, Marc Medwin, Jessica Miller, Eugene Mirabelli, Michael Moak, Kathleen Montanus and Stewart Newman.

Also, Shannon Perkins, Amy Pierce, Jennifer Platt, Jason Price, Nicole Rivers, Nicole Rosenkrantz, Kathleen Saba, Angela Schoep, Kevin Schoonover, John Schroeder, Marisa Sellitti, Amy Shultes, Gayle Simidian, Jacquelyn Steadman, Michael Sussman, Karen Timmerman, Carla Torre and Jessica Wolpaw.

Eleventh Grade

Leslie Anderson, Christopher Ayers, Amy Aylward, Lisa Babiskin, Suzanne Bellacqua, Neil Breslin, Karen Callender, Scott Cannella, Bryan Carnahan, Peter Cocozza, Rebecca Colman, Jennifer Comi, Jeremy Crean and Kimberlee Dale.

Also, Lisa D'Ambrosi, Thierry Demoly, James Dillon, Robert Dillon, Rose Docteur, Adam Gold, Christopher Greenwald, Deanna Greer, Tammy Guarino, Jeremy Hartnett, Heather Hawley, John Hollner, Gregory Jazcko, Eric Joachim, Amy Koretz, Peter Kroth and Jeffrey LaPointe.

Others in eleventh grade are Anne Mineau, Tammy Moak, Danielle Rinsler, Gregory Rinsler, James Schoep, Sara Stasko, Amy Storfer, Theresa Stornelli, Kimberly Sullivan, Paul Vichot, Beth Whitaker, Joanne Whitbeck, Randi Wolkenbreit, Evelyn Wright, Matthew Yeara.

Twelfth Grade

Katharine Billings, Kristin Burda, Kristin Burkart, Ann Cantwell, Kay Chung, Samuel Ernst, Kathryn Felt, Geoffrey Frank, Alfred Funk, Michelle Gibbons, Wendy Gill, Marla Gordon, Katherine Green, Beth Handwerger and Jeffrey Hauser.

Also, Justin Hopson, Craig Isenberg, Caroline Jazcko, Stacy Kahalas, Rena Kaminsky, Brendan Kearse, Elizabeth Keens, Martha Kowalski, Brendan Lalor, Kathrine Lawrence, Eric Lee, Jennifer Lockman, Pamela Marshall, Donna McAndrews, Matthew Newman, Christine Popp, Elise Relyea, Cynthia Riegel, David Rosewater, Brian Saelens, Lynne Silber, Andrea Stancin, Lynette Stracke, Gegory Toth, Jennifer VanAernam, Lisa Vitillo, Christine Walter, Doranne Westerhouse, Scott Winne, and Leila Wissel.

Kaltenborn receives department honors

State Tax Commissioner Roderrick G.W. Chu recognized the special contributions of an area resident employed by the state Department of Taxation and Finance during a recent ceremony in his office.

Marilyn Kaltenborn of Delmar, chief of tax regulations, was honored for evaluating complicated tax and economic implications of doing business in New York or another state. Kaltenborn highlighted the advantages of doing business in the state.

She received a plaque and a bonus.

Community garage sale

The Altamont Community Garage Sale will be held Saturday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with more than 50 homes having garage sales.

Sponsored for the benefit of the Altamont Community Playground, the sale will provide household goods, clothes, toys, antiques, appliances, and furniture. A free map showing locations and merchandise of the homes will be available the day of the sale at the gazebo at the Village Park on Rt. 146, six miles off Rt. 20.



Tri-Village Welcome Wagon members Michelle Pollard-Foley, left, and Dorothy Pesnel, right, model fashions from Laura Ashley of Crossgates with the help of Laurie Barton, shop manager, in time for the Welcome Wagon's Spring Luncheon at noon on Tuesday, May 10, at the Normanside Country Club in Elsmere. For information, call 439-0716.

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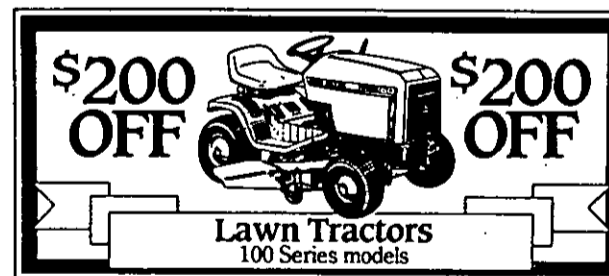
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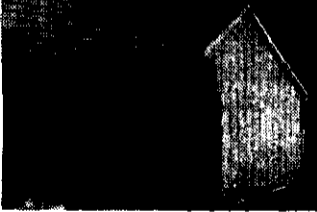
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Craig Sleurs has his pet peeves

By Patricia Mitchell

Animals that are abused or mistreated are pet peeves of Craig Sleurs.

It takes just a little common sense to treat an animal well, Bethlehem's animal control officer says. But while most animal owners in Bethlehem are good to their pets, it's his job to let those who are not know about it.

Sleurs said he told a woman that it was wrong when she hit her dog after he brought it back when it ran away.

It also bothers Sleurs when people building new houses in the town bring their dogs along in the winter because the animals are out in the cold all day. Recently, Sleurs said, he picked up a dog and brought it to the Menands shelter when its owner left the building site for several hours one day.

Dogs being abandoned are another pet peeve because the shelter will take the animals immediately. "You just get these people who don't give a darn. That bothers me — they don't want (the animal)," Sleurs said.

All dogs in the town should have licenses. "It's a law that they have them," Sleurs said.

Dog owners should obey the town's leash law that mandates dogs should be on a leash or under full control of the owner. However, Sleurs said, some owners seem not to care about their dog and allow it to roam free. Sometimes, owners will call the Bethlehem Police Department, where Sleurs works, if a dog has escaped.



Craig Sleurs

black labradors (yes, they are licensed and obey the town's leash law), Sleurs applied for the job because of his love for animals.

"I do, seriously," he said. "I enjoy being with animals. I enjoy my work."

His interest in animals started when Sleurs was young and he went on calls with local veterinarian Dr. Stuart Lyman.

As animal control officer, Sleurs handles mostly dog and cat calls. He has been bit a few times and sprayed by skunks but Sleurs said he is scared of being bit mostly because of rabies.

Sleurs said he has assisted the Albany County sheriffs deputies at the Voorheesville substation with a complaint of a vicious cat at the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. The cat would go after students, he said, and it was not known who owned it or if it had bit anyone.

Sleurs had to catch the cat, have it put to sleep and brought it to Griffiths laboratory in Guilderland to determine if it had rabies. While the cat did not have the disease, it was learned that it did have something similar to disemper that made it vicious.

The blond-haired, blue-eyed Sleurs, with a perpetually red face, quick grin and easy-going manner, said he would like to be a police officer someday. His father, Joseph, is a Bethlehem police sergeant. Eventually the younger Sleurs hopes to try working with a canine unit, training a dog for police work and keeping it with him.

"That's what I'd like them to do," he said.

Sleurs said it's a bad situation when a dog gets hit by a car and it is something he has had to learn to get used to. When it does happen, Sleurs said, it is ultimately the owner's fault.

"It's never the dog's fault," he said.

When he is working on a case, Sleurs said, he is just doing his job and doesn't mean to harass people.

"It's our job and we've got to do it," he said.

Sleurs has been animal control officer in the town for about 10 months and he freely admits his love of animals. The owner of two

"That's my goal at some point," he said.

In addition to being animal control officer, Sleurs is also a part-time dispatcher at the police department and a part-time maintenance worker at town hall. He grew up in Bethlehem and graduated from Bethlehem Central High School. Sleurs also went to auto body school at BOCES and has worked as a mechanic. He is a member of the Bethlehem Police Reserve.

Sleurs lives with his parents and four brothers in Delmar.

Music association elects officers

Officers for the 1988-89 school year have been elected by the Bethlehem Music Association.

President is Ann Leonard, vice president is Kathy Loegering, secretary is Joanna Shogan and treasurer is Marty Lazarus.

The Bethlehem Music Association is a support group for the music program in the Bethlehem Central School District and is made up of parents, faculty and members of the community.

A recent appearance at the Egg enabled several Bethlehem students to perform with Bob McGrath of Sesame Street. Deneige Barlow, Meg Bragle, Marilyn Kirk, Michele Hylan, Brian Farrell, Christopher Greenwald, Eric Joachim and Todd Googins, all members of Sound System, had the experience of rehearsing and working first hand with a professional singer as members of McGrath's backup group.

Progress Club wins arts awards

The state Federation of Women's Clubs Third District annual arts and crafts contest was held Wednesday, April 13 at Kozel's Restaurant in Ghent.

May Blackmore, district director and former president of the Delmar Progress Club, presided and was honored by members of the 17 Federated Women's Clubs, including the Delmar Progress Club, and the Coeyman's Ravena Club, under her jurisdiction for her two years of dedication to her district.

Winners in the arts and crafts contest from the Delmar Progress Club were: Eunice Spindler, second place for oil painting; Lynn Clarke, first place and Jan Robinson, third place for needlework; Edna McCoy, first place for deCoupage/collage; Gladys Amos, second place and Ann Buehler, third place for tole painting and stenciling; Joy Ford, first place for braided rug and Betty Fleahman, third place for a woven basket.

The winners for arts and crafts from Bethlehem Central High School were: Jennifer Fisk, first place for pastels; Matthew Clynes, first and Gino Mirabellij, third place for tempera; Brad Hall, first place for watercolors; Lisa Vitello, first and Karen Honikel, second place for deCoupage/collage; Heather Eldridge, second place for pottery/sculpture; and Jennifer Coon, second place for weaving.


All first prize winner's works will be taken to the state Federated Women's Club Convention in Swan Lake the first week in May where they will compete with artists from all the clubs in the state.

Participates in co-op education program

Kirstin Westendorf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Westendorf, Delmar, is participating in Valparaiso (Ind.) University's co-operative education program this semester.

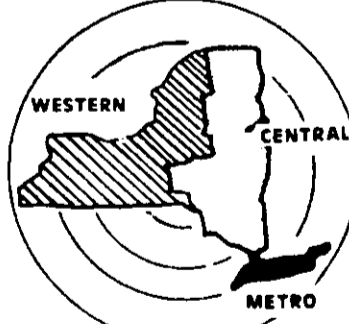
A senior at the university, Westendorf is working for G.E. Plastics Division, Pittsfield, Mass. She is assigned responsibilities to develop plans for the electrical and instrumentation needs for a new instrument to produce Nylon 61. G.E. Plastics Division is a manufacturer of plastics for industrial uses.

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Library throws itself a party

The Bethlehem Public Library will mark the 75th anniversary of its founding with a gala celebration on the evening of Saturday, May 14. The reception and program will be held between 7 and 9 p.m. at the library at 351 Delaware Avenue, Delmar.

The event is free and all adults in the community are invited to attend. Reservations are required. Members of the public can make reservations by calling the library at 439-9314 by 5 p.m. Sunday, May 8th. Planners of the celebration extend a special welcome to former library staff members and hope many will be able to attend.

Children are invited to celebrate the library's anniversary with a preschool birthday party and other special events during the week of May 16 to 21. Call the Children's Room of the library at 439-9314 for more information.

The Capital Chamber Artists will play during the Gala. Florist Robert Verstandig of Delmar will decorate the building for the occasion. The staff and students of the Glenmont Job Corps will provide and serve refreshments. A quilted wall hanging commemorating the anniversary, designed and created by area residents, will be unveiled. During the program, the local community will pay tribute to the men, women and organizations that have contributed to the development of the library over the years.

The Gala commemorates the signing of the library's constitution by 19 members of the Delmar Progress Club on the evening of May 14, 1913. The library first

opened in one room of what was then Delmar's elementary school, now the Masonic Temple on Kenwood Ave. In 1915-1916, the library owned 889 books and had an annual circulation of 3,870.

In 1917 the library was moved into its own building on the corner of Adams Street and Hawthorne Avenue. It was operated by volunteers until 1931 when it became a school district library. In 1968 its name was changed from Delmar Public Library to Bethlehem Public Library. Even after wings were added, the library outgrew the Adams Street location. The library's present, modern building was opened on Delaware Ave. in 1972. Use of the facility continues to grow. In 1987 the Bethlehem Public Library owned 198,000 items and its annual circulation topped 418,000, a 9 percent increase over the previous year.

In college 'Who's who'

Josephine Anne Vitillo has been chosen to be in the 1988 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." She is a senior at the Albany College of Pharmacy and will graduate in May. She is the daughter of Marie and Ralph Vitillo of Delmar.

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executives and, finally, his years as publisher/editor of *The Spotlight*.

The volume, with 80 illustrations, five maps and an index, has been published by the Chandler Press of Maynard, Mass. Boynton's daughter, Cornelia Ochsbein of Maynard, Mass., with her husband Roland, designed and published *Media Rare*.

Born in Orange, N.J., in 1917, Nat Boynton was 13 or 14 years of age when he first became aware of his love for the newspaper business. The boys in his neighborhood filled summer days during the Depression by playing dice baseball with a set of dice and a roster of players on baseball cards.

"Big league baseball was our passion," said Boynton. "We memorized batting averages and team lineups, and we listened to games on an old Philco radio."

Boynton drew up dice baseball schedules, reported team standings and batting averages, and issued a league newspaper.

By age 15 Boynton was reporting summaries of the Newark Academy scholastic games to the *Newark Evening News*. At 16 he was hired as official scorer and publicist for the Newark Bears, a Triple A International League team.

Boynton went on to study political science at Princeton University.

"I think one of the most significant things in my career was as a senior at Princeton in the Depression in 1939 having a job offer from an associate of my late father to join a prominent Wall St. financial firm," said Boynton. "I turned it down because I was determined to be a newspaperman. I was also determined to get out of the New York metropolitan area where I had grown up."

"I saw a much better environment for living that my cousins in Geneva had. I made my decision to turn down the job and try my luck at finding a newspaper job somewhere in upstate New York," said Boynton. "In those Depression years there were very few openings or very few jobs on newspapers."

After graduating with a degree in government and political science, Boynton joined the *Watertown Daily Times* as a cub reporter. In Watertown Boynton met "gruff old bear" Gordon Bryant, the editor who in his rough but caring manner molded cub reporters into professional newspapermen.

"He trained me and others in the strict basic principles of aggressive, accurate journalism, in other words, how to be a thorough reporter," said Boynton.

"His philosophy was complete stories and thorough coverage of every conceivable news source."

Boynton soon left the paper's main office to serve as Massena Bureau correspondent. "I thought that was the most ideal newspaper opportunity that any young man could possibly have — being on your own for an aggressive daily newspaper," said Boynton. "It's one thing to like your work, quite another to love it."

"It was interrupted by the war, by the draft, by Pearl Harbor after two years," he recalled.

The U.S. Army trained Boynton in aircraft mechanics. "I spent four years working with all kinds of people from many parts of the United States," said Boynton. "I got out four years later and it was a different world. The experience made me better equipped to return to my newspaper work."

Boynton returned to the *Watertown Daily Times* to be trained as an editor. After nine months, he moved on to the *Geneva Daily Times*, where he served as state editor and sports editor for five years.

He left the Geneva paper to join the Associated Press in Albany, where he edited wire copy and

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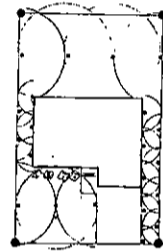
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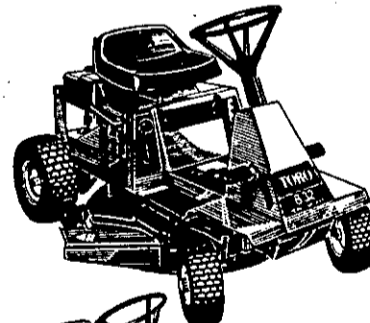
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later covered the state legislature and governor's office.

When Boynton first attended one of Governor Thomas Dewey's impromptu news conferences, he learned about survival in a competitive editorial environment.

"As the crowd of reporters filled the room and lined up three deep around the governor's desk, I was congratulating myself for getting a front-row position," said Boynton. "Moments before the governor started to speak I realized my gaffe. There was a strict rule that no one could leave the room until the conference was over, and here I was, twenty feet from the only door trapped by a wall of humanity..."

"The AP is intensely competitive and requires reportorial and editorial experience. The AP is no place for an entry-level journalist," said Boynton. "I enjoyed being on the scene of many important stories as they broke and as they developed."

Boynton left the Associated Press to join General Electric in Schenectady as an audiovisual speech writer for the company's executives.

"The corporate life is a different world. The demands and the challenges are equally intense, but the requirements in style and approach are far different and more diverse," said Boynton.

"In the newspaper business your day's work is highly visible. It is there for all to see," he explained. "Whereas in the corporate life or the corporate maelstrom individual contributions are often lost in the overall picture."

After 18 years in corporate public relations work, Boynton

purchased *The Spotlight*. While his struggles to revive the faltering paper was the focus of Boynton's award-winning series last summer, his experiences as editor and publisher of Bethlehem's weekly paper occupy only a small portion of *Media Rare*.

"*The Spotlight* was almost on the brink of suspending publication," said Boynton. He said his family was very supportive as he worked to revive the financially troubled publication.

"My original intent was to offer a bona fide newspaper of its own with comprehensive coverage rather than a free circulation shopping paper," said Boynton. "Naturally, it was satisfying to realize that we had done that."

"I feel that the editor of a community newspaper is the riskiest and most vulnerable public relations job that anyone could have. He's automatically controversial, working in a fishbowl, loved or hated, praised or chastised. You strive to be objective; but, when you take a stand on an issue, you are accused of being divisive. If you don't take a stand, you are accused of being timid or passive."

In defense of the job Boynton said, "I think the intimacy with all facets of the community is appealing."

"I have a love affair with the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland and have no intention of ever living anywhere else. I think we are fortunate in having an unusually unified and cohesive community, perhaps more so than any suburban community in the capital region," says Boynton.

"I think that *The Spotlight* has made a contribution in this respect," said Boynton. "I think

A spirited, funny book

By Theresa Bobear

When Nat Boynton, a young Princeton graduate with "ink in the blood" and "imbued with the purest of journalistic fidelity," became a correspondent for the Massena Bureau of the *Watertown Times* in 1940, he was more than just infatuated with the newspaper world. "It was the whole world, more than romance, a deep-down love affair," Boynton explains.

Media Rare, Boynton's account of a lifetime of communications and media adventures, has just been released by the Chandler Press of Maynard, Mass. The 365-page softcover book includes 80 illustrations, five maps and an index. Boynton is billing his volume as the "adventures and misadventures of a grassroots newspaperman of the old school."

Readers who expect a simple history of *The Spotlight*, however, are in for a surprise. Boynton, a flamboyant mover and shaker of the old school, shares his lifetime of experiences.

While looking back to when he was a young "eager beaver" reporter, he recalls being "lured into the Carbino carbon syndrome" of cooperation with Irving Carbino, who was news correspondent for the only competing newspaper in Massena. The sharing of news story carbons allowed Boynton to manage occasional visits with his family in Geneva, N.Y., and permitted his colleague to skip a day of reporting in favor of fishing.

Boynton shares the excitement he felt while covering his first "breaking story," a fire that destroyed a business building in Massena. In order to determine the occupants of the

commercial structure, he made off with the glassed-in metal building directory from the wall of the side entrance. He triumphantly inspected his "trophy" in an office across the street.

Another chapter in the books follows Boynton's stint as a "myopic draftee" in the U.S. Army during World War II. Later chapters review his return to newspaper work in Geneva and his quick graduation to the rank of state wire editor for the Associated Press in Albany. He gives readers an inside look at the Albany news scene in earlier years.

After accounting for his "corporate diversion" in public relations, Boynton tells about his return to his first love by purchasing *The Spotlight*.

Boynton's rare gift for molding language is likely to appeal to readers of all ages. His rich and colorful telling of even the smallest event, such as a stay in an Army hospital quarantine unit, is sure to bring a smile to even the most sober face.

His realistic account of the excitement, grueling hours and commitment required to keep the public informed in a timely fashion will interest journalists, media professionals and students embarking on a journalism career.

Boynton's book is available for \$11.95 at the Friar Tuck bookstore in Delaware Plaza, the Tri-Village Drug Store at the Four Corners, Johnson's stationers, the Spotlight office, Houghtaling's Market in Feura Bush and the Book House in Stuyvesant Plaza.

(publisher) Richard Ahlstrom and (editor) Tom McPheeters have taken the paper to dimensions far beyond my hopes."

Boynton lives in New Scotland with his wife, Barbara, an award-winning artist, in a house that looks over the Helderbergs.

Boynton sold *The Spotlight* in 1980. He continues to contribute stories and "Media Rare" columns. In addition, he recruits high school correspondents and coordinates high school sports coverage. Most recently he has been devoting his energy to sharing pithy tales of his adventurous life in *Media Rare*.

"I decided that in retirement I was able to yield to the urging of my family and friends, knowing my reputation as a storyteller, to put together anecdotes and experiences — some humorous, some poignant — from all the facets of my career that spans 40 years."

"It is ironic that of the four daily newspapers that are prominent in this narrative, two had important milestones barely two weeks after *Media Rare* went to press. The Albany *Knickerbocker News* announcement that it was ceasing publication after 143 years came 10 days after this book

had been sent to the printers," said Boynton. "Three days later the *Finger Lakes Times* in Geneva (formerly the *Geneva Daily Times*) was sold by the Williams family to a Pennsylvania publishing company."

MS society plans neighborhood drive

The Capital District Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will hold its annual Hope Chest Campaign from Mother's Day, May 8, until the end of June.

Thousands of volunteers are expected to raise more than \$100,000 for the chapter, according to Vito Grasso, executive director. Grasso said that local volunteers last year raised more than \$123,000. Statistics show that more than 1,600 Capital District residents are victims of the progressive, often disabling disease of the central nervous system.

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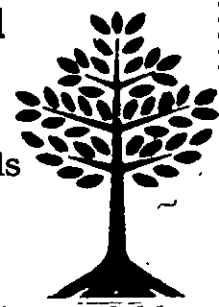
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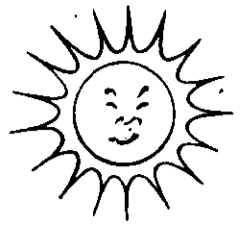
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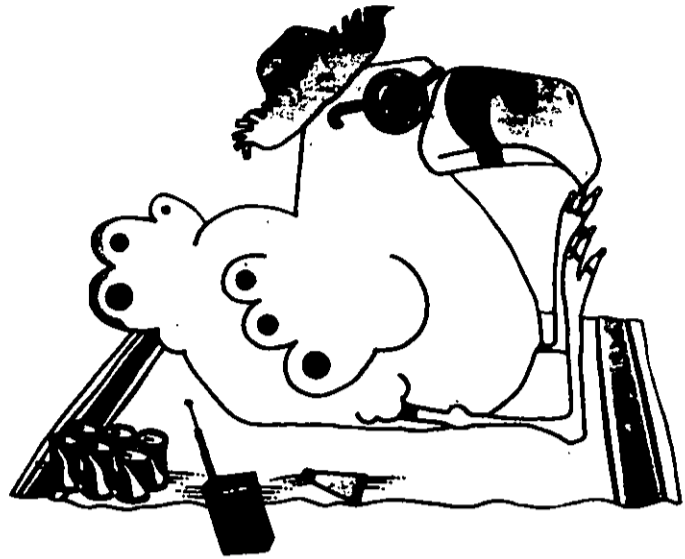
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Little League opens season, is growing

By John Bellizzi III

The cold and rain on Sunday didn't discourage most of the almost 500 youngsters who turned out at Magee Park for the official opening of Tri-Village Little League's 35th season.

The regular season begins Friday night at Magee, with games in all leagues continuing throughout the day Saturday.

In his opening address, league President Rich Van Wormer wished the players, coaches and managers of all 37 teams the best of luck for this anniversary season. In addition, Van Wormer brought attention to the monumental Capital Improvements Fund Drive that the league is conducting. Last year, the decision was made that the facilities at Magee Park were in need of extensive renovation or replacement. In addition, the annual expansion of teams will require a fourth field to be added to the three currently at Magee. The board of directors is

tentatively planning to completely rebuild the park for next year's season.

So far, the league has raised \$55,000 for this project, a figure that is still \$45,000 short of the projected \$100,000 cost for the new park. Almost half of the total funds collected thus far came from General Electric Plastics, which donated \$25,000 to the capital improvements drive. Barry Gibbs of General Electric threw out the first ball of the 1988 season during the opening day ceremonies.

In addition, several local businesses have announced special contributions to the league. Fantastic Sam's of Delaware Plaza, sponsor of a junior league team, is running a "Donation Dollar" campaign. For each "Donation Dollar" coupon, Fantastic Sam's receives from its customers, the store will donate a dollar to the little league.

In addition, Five-star Video and

Alteri's Restaurant are sponsoring a "Fifth-Inning Fifty" program for the 1988 season. Every player who hits a home run over the fence in the fifth inning will receive a twenty-five dollar gift certificate from both Alteri's and Five-star Video. In addition, every player who hits the Five-star Video sign with a batted ball will receive a free movie rental.

As in past years, Hoogy's Village Corner of Slingerlands, sponsor of an intermediate team, will give a free pizza to each player who puts a home run out of the park.

Van Wormer also announced the date of this year's little league day at Heritage Park. The league has reserved free tickets for all players to see the Albany-Colonie Yankees play the Glens Falls Tigers on June 26th.

The Board of Directors, the volunteer backbone of Tri-Village Little League, received due recognition for the considerable work and preparation that allows the league to run smoothly. This year's officers are: Van Wormer, president; Gerry Thorpe, vice-president; John Bellizzi, secretary; Jeff Pesnel, treasurer; Carmen Manella, player activities director. Board members for 1988 are Al Bartoletti, Barbara Bartoletti, Art



Tom Walencik, vice president of the Bethlehem Tennis Association, left, presents a plaque to Mike Friedman, manager of the Southwood Tennis Club in Albany, that will be displayed at Southwood and contain the names of winners in BTA women's doubles tournaments in the future. The plaque was presented in memory of Jessie Witt, a former BTA member and employee at Southwood who died two years ago. Witt was a Slingerlands resident and was active in many tennis promotions and tournaments, winning a women's doubles tournament in the early 1970's. The BTA will hold its spring tournament on June 3-5 and 10-12. For information, call 439-9254.

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Eagles use vacation for 4-game win streak

By John Bellizzi III

Spring Break '88 is gone, but fond memories still remain for the Bethlehem Central varsity baseball team. The Eagles used their vacation time wisely, going from a 1-1 team to a 5-1 ball club.

The defending Gold Division champions, coached by Ken Hodge, added two league wins and two non-league wins last week. The Eagles, though, will have to work hard to keep their winning streak going this week. The tough opponents they will confront this week in the Suburban Council are Guilderland, Saratoga and Burnt Hills. This weekend, Bethlehem is off to the home of the Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown, N.Y., to face the Cooperstown High School team on Doubleday Field.

Bethlehem's winning streak began last Tuesday when they picked up two victories. Chatham fell to the Eagles in the first game, 9-1. Pat Doody was the winning pitcher in the non-league victory, allowing only five hits and striking out nine batters. The Eagles established themselves early in the game by scoring six runs in the second inning. Bill McFerran doubled and singled for two RBIs, Ryan Flynn tripled and singled, and Mike Hodge singled twice.

In the second half of Tuesday's double header, BC came back in the last inning to narrowly defeat Columbia 7-6 in a Suburban Council game that had been postponed from Monday. The Blue Devils had a 6-4 lead going into the bottom of the seventh.

Baseball

With one out, McFerran walked, and Flynn advanced on an error. A fielder's choice by Sean Lynch advanced the runners. With two out and two men on, Mike Hodge singled, scoring two runs and tying the game. Hodge advanced to third on John Reagan's single and a Columbia error. David Sodergren had the game-winning hit. Reagan went two for two with a double and a single.

Lynch was BC's winning pitcher, relieving starter Jon Skilbeck after five and one-third innings.

Bethlehem overcame league rival Mohonasen on Wednesday, 5-3. Hodge struck out 11 batters and allowed only seven hits. Reagan led the offense with a solo home run and a double. The Eagles broke a 2-2 tie in the fifth to take the lead. Pete Coccozza doubled, followed by a single off of McFerran's bat. Flynn doubled, scoring both runners. In the seventh, BC picked up an insurance run when Hodge singled home Flynn, who had walked and advanced on a fielder's choice.

LaSalle was defeated by the Eagles 12-4 in a non-league game on Thursday. Neil Fitzpatrick went the distance for BC on the mound, striking out 10 and giving up seven hits. McFerran singled and homered, and Flynn singled

twice and tripled, going three for four.

Spring vacation was also good to the junior varsity baseball team. Coached by John Furey, the jayvees defeated LaSalle and Chatham and fell to Columbia to bring their record to 4-2 for the season (1-1 league). The highlight of last week was the LaSalle game, which BC dominated by a score of 37-4. Today, the jayvees are scheduled to face Saratoga, and Burnt Hills on Friday.

The freshman baseball team is also in the midst of a successful season. Coached by Jesse Braverman, the frosh team is currently enjoying a 5-1 record, but they will face formidable opponents this week with games against Burnt Hills, Saratoga and Guilderland. Last week, the freshmen chalked up an impressive 16-4 non-league victory over The LaSalle Institute.

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Glenmont garage sale

The Women's Guild of the Glenmont Reformed Church will hold a garage sale May 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and May 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church on Chapel Lane in Glenmont. Light refreshments may be purchased at the sale.

RCS girls win 2 of 3

By Curt Vanderzee

The RCS Softball Team continued its winning ways by winning two out of three games and improving their overall record to 5-1. The Indians stayed in first place, and remained undefeated in league play by winning their two council games this week.

On Monday, the girls blew away an overmatched Waterford team 18 to 1. Dawn Dinardi led the way offensively with three singles and two 2 RBIs. Lisa Holsapple also contributed with two singles and four RBIs. Waterford led to their own demise by committing a host of errors and walking many people.

Ichabod Crane came to town on Wednesday to play what was expected to be a tough non-league game. The game lived up to its expectations as Ichabod was up 3-2 going into the bottom of the sixth. Using two walks and a single, the Indians loaded the bases with two outs, but they were unable to take advantage of this opportunity and they didn't score any runs. At this point Coach Stott felt that his team suffered a big letdown, which led to a big seventh inning for the opposing team. Ichabod went on to score eight runs and blow open a close game. The eight runs were scored on a couple of blooper hits and a lot of errors.

Dawn Dinardi led the Indians offense, which was shut down for the first time this year with a pair of singles. Sophomore Hope Ackert suffered her first loss of the year.

Next, Watervliet came into town with an undefeated record

Softball

and high expectations for the year. The game was tough and evenly played throughout, but in the end the Indians pulled away for the victory. The score was 7-5 until the sixth, when RCS scored four times to put the game out of reach at 11-5. This win raised RCS's Colonial Council record to 4-0.

Cherie Prior, with a single, a triple and two RBIs, and Martie Arnold, with a single, a double and two RBIs were the hitting stars for the Indians. Tracy Tucker and Dawn Dinardi also played a big part in the victory with two singles and an RBI each. Hope Ackert got the win to improve her record to 5-1.

Coach Stott said the team's defense deserves a lot of credit for the win. He was especially pleased with his outfielders, Kathie Desrochers and Cheri Prior, both juniors, and sophomore Colleen Connors. He was also happy with the play of junior Dawn Dinardi. He said that she has become one of the best hitters on the team and is becoming a leader both on and off the field.

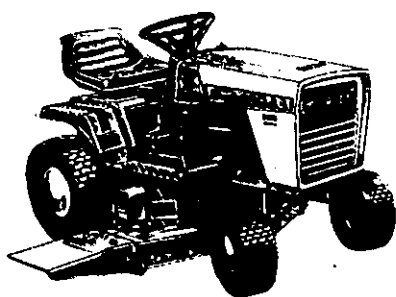
This week the softball team will play four games, including two with teams that are tied for first place with the Indians, Lansingburgh and Schalmont.

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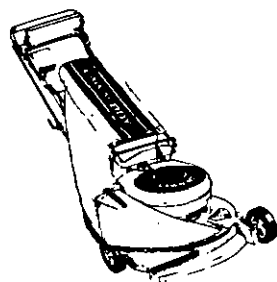
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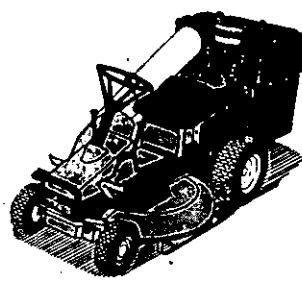


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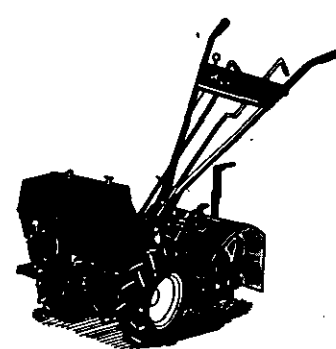
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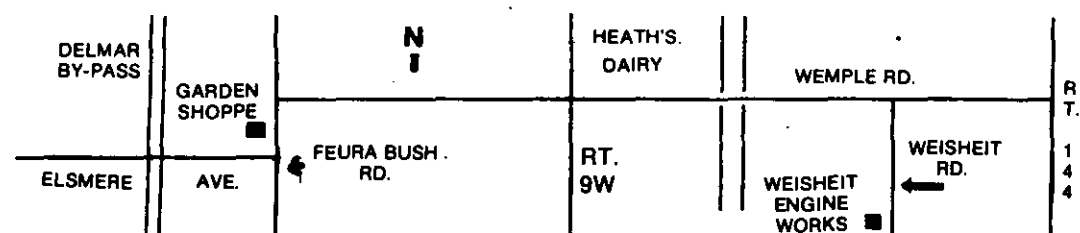
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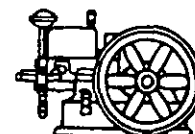


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Oliver North and John Poindexter. Kurt Waldheim. Jimmy Swaggart and Jim Bakker. What brings these names together on this particular list has something to do with crimes and punishment. It also has something to do with our faith.

The crimes these persons committed may be alleged or proven, private or public, secular or religious, but in some way they stepped outside the bounds of commonly accepted behavior. The punishment is our effort to bring justice to bear, to extract payment and deter future transgressions.

The effort is at best imperfect. People whom we know should be punished are never caught, or they get off with light sentences or get off completely. Mistakes are made on the other side, and the innocent go to prison. We keep honing our system, trying to make it better, more responsive, more just. Yet something seems always to go wrong, and the perfect system remains as elusive as ever.

Sometimes we encounter a part of the system that seems to complicate things unnecessarily. Gerald Ford pardoned Richard Nixon, and parts of the story that we needed to hear remain untold. Speculation is that President Reagan may pardon North, Poindexter, and others, even before formal charges are brought or before a trial can pronounce guilt or innocence, thus using the law itself to subvert justice.

Or the system works when we don't want it to. There's Jimmy Swaggart, hypocritically insisting on the punishment of others for "loose moral behavior" and breaking trust, while neatly sidestepping similar treatment for himself.

Or it stalls and doesn't work at all, and people scurry around trying to make it work by sheer weight of popular opinion, as in the case of Kurt Waldheim and

his alleged involvement in Nazi war crimes.

There are problems, all right. One problem is our frustration when justice fails and we are forced to recognize our impotence. Another is that even when justice seems to work well, it can remain unsatisfying. The parents whose teenage daughter is raped and murdered may see someone punished, but that doesn't do much to ease their loss or fill the empty space in their lives.

The real problem is not with our system of justice at all, but with our distorted notion of justice itself and with the shallowness of our faith. For while we talk about crimes and punishment, our faith speaks of faithfulness and forgiveness.

We operate in society out of a practical atheism that doesn't trust God to "take care of things" but insists on practicing our own version of justice. We forget

(conveniently) that God's ways are not our ways and that God's justice doesn't look anything like our justice. We are unable or unwilling to forgive without first extracting some payment from the guilty to even the score, forgetting the lip service we give to the belief that all that is necessary was completed in Jesus who is the Christ.

Among all else that it means, forgiveness also means that we no longer allow the future to be determined by the past. It means that we sweep away everything that belongs to yesterday — all prejudices and perspectives, debts and obligations, wrongs suffered and scores to be evened — so that we can receive the new creation that greets us at each new dawn. Forgiveness is not something intellectual only. It is not hypothetical, or "spiritual," or something for tomorrow. It is practical and it is today, or it is nothing at all.

When we celebrate the presence of the risen Christ in our midst, we are called to realize that what was once reserved for some future time has come to pass. God's great final act has begun, and we are called to live accordingly — not in theory but in practice.

Albany catholic diocese bishop's appeal starts

The 1988 Bishop's Appeal begins this week in the nearly 200 parishes of the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese and will continue through May 15.

The appeal, originated in 1955, has become the primary source of revenue for diocesan operations on a year-to-year basis. According to Rev. Michael A. Farano of the diocesan Chancery Office, the diocese spent nearly \$5.4 million during 1986-87 on basic programs

and services to parishes, the needy, and church members. He said the diocese has been "holding the line" on increased spending for the past two years because incoming contributions are not keeping pace with funding requests. Diocesan Bishop Howard Hubbard is encouraging Catholic families to consider pledging a minimum of \$2 per week or \$104 yearly total as a general guideline for the appeal contributions.

Dr. King scholarships available for students

The Capital Area Council of Churches announces that applications for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship is available to graduating high school students who live in Albany and Southern Rensselaer counties.

The student must be active in their church or synagogue. They must meet standards of good character, academic achievement, and service to others. They must

also be accepted into a college or vocational school.

Applications are available from high school guidance counselors and the Capital Area Council of Churches, 901 Madison Ave., Albany. Telephone number is 489-8441. Deadline for receipt of completed application is May 1. Scholarship funds are distributed without regard to race, creed, or color.

Luncheon, fashion show at Slingerlands church

The Community Methodist Church at Slingerlands will sponsor a luncheon and fashion show May 7, beginning at noon at the church. The afternoon program will include a silent auction and awarding of door prizes.

General chairmen for the event are Jane Stolz and Eleanor Haywood. Fashions, by Carroll Reed of the Crossgates Mall, will be modeled by ladies of the church. The script was written by Ann Clark and Elaine Loder and the commentator will be Stephanie Bollam.

Reservations may be obtained by calling the church office at 439-1766 or publicity at 439-2209.

Hadassah flower sale

The Albany-Bethlehem Chapter of Hadassah is offering flower arrangements to raise funds for research in Hadassah Hospital in Israel.

The arrangements are by "Flowers Forever" and will sell for \$10 per arrangement. Hadassah will deliver the flowers to area residents by noon on May 8, Mother's Day. Payment must be made by May 1. Orders may be placed with Lynn at 439-4822.

Swimming benefits community center

All members of the community are invited to participate in a "Chai Swim" to benefit the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, during the week of May 1 through 8.

Swimmers of all ages will get pledges for the number of laps that they swim.

Registration forms and pledge sheets are available at the Albany Jewish Community Center. Swimmers may register in the 7 and younger, 8 to 12 years, teen, adult and senior categories. All participants with \$18 in pledges will receive a T-shirt. Prizes will be awarded in each age group for the most laps swum and the most money raised.

In Slingerlands The Spotlight is sold at Tollgate, PBs Subs, Falvos, Stonewell and Judy's.

Hospice volunteer positions open

Pre-training interviews are currently being scheduled for individuals interested in volunteer positions with St. Peter's Hospice in both Albany and Rensselaer counties. Potential volunteers who meet eligibility requirements will be accepted into the 30-hour training session, scheduled for April 29, 30 and May 1.

Volunteers are needed for the bereavement, home care, day care and pastoral care programs, as well as to assist with patient care in the Hospice Inn. Volunteers may also serve as clerical support staff in either the Albany or Troy office.

Hospice volunteers are an integral part of the Hospice team and are welcomed at team conferences, staff inservices and outside workshops. In addition, there is strong emphasis on care for the caregiver, with the availability of on-going group and individual support meetings.

Potential volunteers are encouraged to contact Hospice to schedule an interview. Pre-training interviews will be held through April 28. For further information contact St. Peter's Hospice, 454-1686 or 271-1901.

Campaign to inform eligible food stamp users

The Hunger Action Network of New York State, in cooperation with the Albany County Department of Social Services, has opened a countywide Food Stamp outreach campaign to inform users of emergency food pantries that they may be eligible for expedited food stamps.

According to spokesmen for the agencies, about 8,000 individuals a month use food pantry services but the number of people receiving food stamps has been steadily declining. A survey found that less than half of pantry guests in the county received the stamp benefits although most were eligible and in need. The campaign will provide training for pantry intake workers to acquaint them with guidelines and the application process. Volunteers will be recruited to help pantries with Food Stamp advocacy.



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Charles B. Fritts
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(April 27, 1988)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY

LEGAL NOTICE

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(April 27, 1988)

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, an election for qualified voters of the Selkirk Fire District, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, will be held on May 16, 1988 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. at Selkirk Fire House No. 1, Selkirk, New York for the purpose of voting yes or no on the following resolution:
"Shall the Selkirk Fire District purchase new hydraulic rescue tools, air bags and accessories for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, which sum has been budgeted for that purpose and shall not require any indebtedness on behalf of the Fire District."
Dated: April 18, 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE

LEGAL NOTICE

DISTRICT, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK
s/ Frank A. With
Secretary
(April 27, 1988)
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioners of the Selkirk Fire District, Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, invite sealed bids to be publicly opened at 8:00 P.M. on May 16, 1988 at No. 1 Fire House, Maple Ave., Selkirk, New York, 12158, for the purchase of a new hydraulic rescue tools, air bags and accessories.
Specifications may be obtained from Thomas W. Jeram, Esq., 39 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207, (518) 463-2251.
The Board of Fire Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.
Dated: April 18, 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT
s/ Frank A. With
Secretary
(April 27, 1988)
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 4, 1988, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Raymond F. Wolfe, Jr., 454 Russell Road, Albany, New York 12203 for Variance under Article XIII of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to construct an addition which would encroach on the rear line at premises 454

LEGAL NOTICE

Russell Road, Albany, New York 12203.
Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(April 27, 1988)
NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL
(Pursuant to sections 506 and 1526 of the Real Property Tax Law)
HEARING OF COMPLAINTS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor of the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany has completed the tentative assessment roll for the current year and that a copy has been left with the Office of Assessor at 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, where it may be seen and examined by any interested person from the first of May until the third Tuesday in May.
The Assessor will be in attendance with the tentative assessment roll on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and the following Saturdays: May 7, and 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.
The Board of Assessment Review will meet on May 17, 1988, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., in said town, to hear and examine all complaints in relation to assessments, on the application of any person believing himself to be aggrieved.
Dated this 27th day of April 1988.
John F. Thompson
Assessor
Town of Bethlehem
(April 27, 1988)
LEGAL NOTICE
Annual Meeting of Onesquehaw Union Cemetary Association, will be held, Monday, May 2, 1988 at 7:30 p.m. at Clarksville Community Church. Officers are urged to be present. Meeting is open to public. Everyone interested in cemetary care should attend.
Isabel Rarick
(April 27, 1988)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual election of the inhabitants of the above named school district will be held in the upper gymnasium of the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, New York, on Wednesday, May 4, 1988, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. EDT.
The Board of Education will present for consideration the school district budget for the period July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989. Copies of said budget may be reviewed by any inhabitant of the district during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the annual election, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., EDT at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York and at the offices of the elementary schools, the Middle School, and the High School of the district.
The Trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library will present for consideration the public library budget for the period July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989. Copies of the budget may be obtained at the reference desk of the library.
Petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1988 to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Charles Reeves, incumbent; petitions nominating candidates for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1988 to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Robert Ruslander, incumbent; and petitions nominating candidates for the office of trustee for the Bethlehem Public Library for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1988, to fill the vacancy caused by the

LEGAL NOTICE

expiration of the term of Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl, must be filed with the Clerk of the School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, not later than 4:30 p.m., EDT, April 4, 1988.
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that votes will be taken upon the following:
1. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
2. For the election of two members of the Board of Education of said Bethlehem Central School District, one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1988, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Charles Reeves; and one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1988, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Robert Ruslander.
3. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Public Library and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
4. For the election of one trustee to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1988, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl.
5. Upon the appropriation of \$347,700 to purchase 7 buses for the Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
6. Upon a proposition to take effect next year, whereby vacancies on the Board of Education will not be considered separate specific offices and candidates for said Board will not be nominated for specific vacancies, such vacancies instead being filled by the candidates receiving a plurality of votes cast for all such vacancies.
Kristi Carr
District Clerk
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OBITUARIES

John Adams

John F. "Yoch" Adams, 64, of New Scotland died Wednesday, April 20, in his home after a long illness.

He was born in Albany and lived all his life in Delmar and New Scotland.

He was a self-employed plumbing and heating contractor until 1985, when he started working for Builders Kitchens Inc. of Albany. He was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and a World War II Marine Corps veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Frances Ardizzone Adams; one daughter, Christine Gosstola of New Scotland; two sons, John F. Adams Jr. and Richard W. Adams of New Scotland; a sister, Dorothy Scoon of Delmar; a brother Edward Adams of Florida; and five grandchildren.

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

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

Jane Wilson Jones

A memorial service for Jane Wilson Jones, wife of the late Sydney T. Jones, Jr. and a resident of Slingerlands for 49 years, will be held Friday, April 29, at 11 a.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 105 State St., Albany.

Mrs. Jones died suddenly on Saturday, April 23, in Delray Beach, Fla., where she had spent the winter season for many years. She was 71.

Mrs. Jones was prominent as a volunteer in a number of civic organizations in the Albany area. As a member of the Albany Medical Center Auxiliary she worked as a hospital volunteer each Monday, except during her winter vacations, up to the time of her death. She was a member of the Junior League of Albany, Women's Council of the Albany Institute of History and Art, University Club women's bowling league, and the Albany Country Club nine-hole golfing group. She was a Sunday School teacher at St. Peter's Church, Albany, for many years, and was active in fund drives for a number of civic and charitable organizations.

A native of Amsterdam, Mrs. Jones was a graduate of Colby-Sawyer College, New London, N.H. She worked for the New York Telephone Co. prior to her marriage on April 15, 1939. Her husband, a lifelong resident of Slingerlands, was president of Hudson Valley Paper Co. and senior warden of St. Peter's Church. He died Jan. 7, 1971.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. George (Polly) Jordan of Lawrenceville, N. J., Sydney T. Jones III of Slingerlands, and Mrs. Rodman K. (Elsa) Forter of Beverly, Mass., and seven grandchildren. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. Kenneth (Charlotte) Morley of Amsterdam.

Contributions may be sent to the Jane Wilson Jones Memorial Fund established by the Albany Medical Center Auxiliary. Burial in Albany Rural Cemetery will be private.

A landmark moves

(From Page 1)

The land at this corner was for many years lived on and owned by the Comstock family, whose uncle, John Martin, conducted a blacksmith shop where the Mobil station is now located. It was Mr. Martin who purchased the tollgate property when the turnpike company was dissolved in 1906. In 1907 he moved the tollkeeper's house and carriage house a few feet back from the highway and used the property for rental income.

In 1942, Mr. Martin's nephew, John Comstock, took over the property and did renovation of the house and grounds for the use of his wife, Loretta, and himself. Advancing age and physical infirmities were the only things that could make the Comstocks part with their lovely home. And so, two years ago they sold to Ms. Loveridge. Now that the property and its appurtenances are about to disappear forever, with all the connections to early Bethlehem history that they encompass, it furthered the purposes of the Historical Association to try and preserve at least part of these historic buildings.

Mrs. Richard Law, President of the Historical Association, appointed me to chair the project of moving the carriage house to the Cedar Hill property. The logistics of the project were tremendous, but not insurmountable, and the entire move would not have been possible without the assistance and enthusiasm of many persons. Bethlehem Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick gave immediate approval to the idea, since the building will sit on land owned by the town. However, the Historical Association is bearing the expense of moving and construction. It will administer and use the building in its storage and exhibit programs.

One of the town engineers, Mike Cirillo, reviewed the map of the Cedar Hill property and suggested possible locations for the structure. He then went to the site and staked out two locations and made sure that the building would be sited properly. The first thing the building would need was a new foundation at Cedar Hill. The Town Highway Department and its able chief, Martin Cross, agreed to construct an "Alaskan slab" as the Town's contribution to the effort. This was done under the direction of Rod Raynor of the Highway Department, and at a time too when the department is literally "snowed under" in its April collection of brush and rubbish. Bernard Kaplowitz, town attorney, gave advice as to legal ramifications and contacted the necessary persons relative to donation of the building.

Of course, to move a building one needs to find a capable house mover, and they are a rather scarce commodity in this area. The Larmon House Movers, Inc. of Schuylerville received strong recommendations from persons here who had used their service. They have the contract to do the actual moving, that will take place within the next few days. Mr. Larmon and I rode over several routes that might be suitable to use and met at the sites to determine any obstacles.

Yes, there are obstacles. One big one is the telephone wires that are required by law to be 18 feet high, but often are less than that. These wires would need to be pulled up to accommodate the move. Ray Borst of New York Telephone Company and his immediate supervisor, Mr. Maas, were enlisted to see what could be done about the wire situation.

Through the more than generous contribution of the company, this historic building will go along Rt. 9W and Clapper Rd. to the site at Cedar Hill. A crew from the Telephone Company will be going at the move to raise wires and supervise that aspect of the building's progress. And going along with it also will be a police escort, provided by our town Police Department, to direct and control traffic along the busy routes that the building will take.

Since the building had a garage and woodshed that needed to be removed and an opening in the front enlarged so that the house mover could get his truck inside, a contractor had to be found who could do the necessary jobs. The J. A. Stone Construction Company of Delmar, of which Edward Languish is the owner, has already completed the preliminary work and will put everything back together when the building is installed on its new site. Their enthusiasm for the preservation of the building found them able to fit work time into their already busy schedule to accommodate our project.

The board of directors of the Historical Association voted a specific amount of funds to take care of the necessary expenses for the project and to purchase paint to repaint the structure. The Glenmont Job Corps will be leading a crew of students in scraping and painting the building, and then completing the grading when the building is in place. This is their contribution to enrich the community in which the Job Corps is located.

Mrs. Mary Van Oostenbrugge of the Historical Association dug up a quantity of green plants at the perimeter of the building and these will be replanted when the building is finished.

From just this recitation you can see that many people and organizations have given abundantly of their time and talent to make the project "happen". The extreme generosity and good will that we encountered can never be paid back in a monetary sense, but it will remain in our memories and in the grateful hearts of the people of Bethlehem. We at the Bethlehem Historical Association must pledge to do our part in maintaining and interpreting the history of our Town and preserving what pieces of it fortunately fall in to our hands. The association is open to anyone who has an interest in our purposes and we would welcome all who join us as a new member and willing worker. Do come and see what has been done and plan to visit the museum after Memorial Day on any Sunday afternoon from two to five p.m. this summer.

Allison Bennett is a former Bethlehem Town Historian, the author of several books on local history and a Spotlight columnist.

Burrell, Volkenant elected to board

Chester E. Burrell of Slingerlands and Diane K. Volkenant of Delmar have been elected to the recently established advisory board of Albany's Historic Cherry Hill.



FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glasstetter

Date	Department or Unit	Nature of Call
April 14	Delmar Fire Dept.	Alarm drop
April 14	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Medical emergency
April 14	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Medical emergency
April 14	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Auto accident
April 14	Slingerlands Rescue Sqd.	Rescue call
April 14	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Auto accident
April 15	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Unknown illness
April 16	Voorheesville Ambulance	Personal injury
April 16	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Brush fire
April 17	N. Bethlehem EMS	Auto accident
April 17	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Medical emergency
April 17	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Auto accident
April 17	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Medical emergency
April 17	Voorheesville Fire Dept.	Brush fire
April 17	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Brush fire
April 17	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 17	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Standby
April 18	Onesquethaw Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 18	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Standby
April 18	N. Bethlehem E.M.S.	Unknown illness
April 18	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 18	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Standby
April 18	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 18	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual aid
April 18	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Standby
April 18	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Heart attack
April 19	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Car fire
April 19	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 19	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
April 19	Onesquethaw Fire	Structure fire
April 19	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Standby
April 20	New Salem Fire Dept.	Manure fire
April 20	New Salem Fire Dept.	Structure fire
April 20	Delmar F.D. Rescue Sqd.	Personal injury
April 20	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical emergency

State celebrates ratification

The New York State Bicentennial Commission recently began a celebration of the 200th anniversary of the state's signing of the U.S. Constitution on July 26, 1788. New York was the 11th state to join the federal Union. At a news conference in Albany, the Critical Choices Program was

inaugurated. Upcoming events commemorating Ratification Day, including town meetings, a statewide convention next summer and a writing competition, were announced. For information call 783-1333.

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Slimline

"It's a party," I thought, as brightly colored balloons lured me to mirrored walls. A red light in the acoustic ceiling periodically blinked. Old and young, all stretched to the pulsing beat of music. What a way to exercise.

ON THE HOME FRONT

Susan Gordon



"Time to introduce you to our equipment," chimed my spa hostess. She was in fact certified — by the National Institute of Dance and Exercise. Had I one third her energy I'd have been certified elsewhere.

"This is the Graceline," Cara, my hostess, explained. As I prepared to ease my body into the comfortably padded seat, it was suggested that I pull down on the weighted handlebars above my head. I managed to avoid a concussion during their descent. "Back straight, chest out," Cara encouraged. I haven't looked this good in years, I mused.

"What's that over there," I inquired, eyeing a comfy nap table. "Oh, that's the Roman Sled." "Would you demonstrate?" I requested, stalling. Enthusiastic and competent, Cara leapt aboard.

Feet curled beneath a padded frame prevented her supine body from sliding as her upper body descended to floor level. Is there a podiatrist on call? Or maybe an orthopedic surgeon? "The sled isn't recommended for beginners," Cara tactfully pealed.

Cara spotted me with coat draped around my shoulders. "I think I'll return tomorrow," I lamely explained my escape. "The aerobics tired me."

As I passed to leave, another woman, also there to shed her winter fat, worked out to the beat of an electronic voice. "Does it encourage you?" I asked. "I can't understand a word it says!" she chuckled.

120 learn to swim

The Town of Bethlehem Swimming Program, which began on March 22, will conclude on May 2.

A total of 120 students in grades one through six registered for the program.

All of the instructors for this program were volunteers, and four of the instructors were not residents of the town.

Cancer Society accepting donations

A residential crusade to benefit the American Cancer Society will begin in late April or early May.

All area residents will have an opportunity to participate by making a donation when American Cancer Society volunteers visit their homes to distributing literature on cancer.

For information call Christine DeCarlo at 438-7841.

Junior League makes appeal for furnishings

The Junior League of Albany is appealing to the community to donate items in good condition to help furnish Swyer House scheduled to open in Albany in June.

Chairs, lamps, tables, cooking utensils, maintenance tools and many other items are needed to equip a house for five persons and one office.

Swyer House is a DePaul Residence which provides housing for the homeless.

For information contact Mrs. Laurie Karian at 465-4604. All donations are tax deductible.

Delmar woman named careers coordinator

Maria Colbert of Delmar recently was appointed Second Careers Coordinator with the Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area, Inc.

Mrs. Colbert was named to the new full-time position after it became available through a grant from the Junior League of Albany. As coordinator, she will run the program which places older people in jobs and offers them volunteer opportunities. According to the Centers' Executive Director, Ann G. DiSarro, Mrs. Colbert's duties will include activating and organizing older people to help meet community needs through volunteer work.

The new appointee has worked at the Center for the Disabled for the past eight years where she was executive secretary to the Vice President of Educational Services. She is an active member of St. Thomas The Apostle Church in Delmar where she has been a CCD instructor. She and her husband, Don, are the parents of two sons, Craig and Brian.

The family of Joy DeKalb of Delmar announce her engagement to R. Ford Clark of Delmar.

The bride-to-be is a senior stenographer for New York State, Facilities Development Corporation. She is a graduate of the state University College at Cobleskill and is working towards her

bachelor's at the University at Albany.

Her fiance is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is currently the construction manager for an Albany area builder and developer.

An October wedding is being planned.

Joy DeKalb and R. Ford Clark

DeKalb-Clark

Boynton-Killorin

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel A. Boynton of New Scotland announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Gordon, to Eric Hyatt Killorin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Killorin of Andover, Mass.

The bride-to-be is a 1975 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and holds a bachelor's degree in music education from the Boston Conservatory of Music. She is an elementary school music teacher in the Andover, Mass., public school system, and a member of the Merrimac Valley Philharmonic Orchestra.

Her fiance is president of Hyatt Research Corp., Andover. He is a graduate of Merrimac College in business administration.

A September wedding is planned.

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Community Corner

A Positive Force

If you have wondered what you can do about the frightening problem of substance abuse by young people in this community, consider a new approach that will be previewed Thursday night — an approach that seeks to involve the entire community.

The Bethlehem Networks Project will introduce itself Thursday, April 28, at the Bethlehem Town Hall at 7 p.m. The network will begin its work of organizing a "positive influence network" for the youth of the town in an effort to prevent substance abuse. The evening will feature a presentation by Michael Nerney, training director of the Narcotics and Drug Research Institute.

The meeting is open to anyone who is interested. Dessert and coffee will be provided by the Cheese Connection with music provided by the Concert Strings. Reservations can be made by calling 439-7740.



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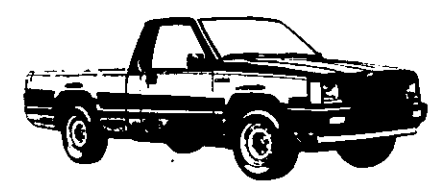
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