

# THE SPOTLIGHT

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## BC options include moving grade levels

By Mark Stuart

Construction of classrooms in the Bethlehem Central school district appears necessary and the enrollment and facilities committee detailed options to the school board Wednesday to find space for student needs.

Three major sections were listed in the report given to the school board: new construction options, short-term options — that drew the most comment from the audience — and "no-build" options.

Facilities and enrollment were identified as the major issue this year by Superintendent Leslie Loomis after the problem grew for several years. A February report by the facilities and enrollment task forces found that enrollment is projected at 1,800 in the elementary schools next year, 115 students more than this year's 1,685. The enrollment trend is projected to continue to climb in BC schools, moving on to the middle school and the high school.

### Move, build or add on?

Enrollment and facilities options as prepared by the Bethlehem Central Enrollment and Facilities Committee.

#### New construction options

- Elementary additions
- New elementary school
- Middle school addition
- New middle school

#### Short-term options

- Place kindergarten center at high school
- Move some kindergarten sections to Clarksville
- Move the fifth grade to the middle school

#### No-build options

- Maintain present grade levels of K-5, 6-8 and 9-12
- Place kindergarten center at the high school with grade levels of 1-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with kindergarten
- Move the fifth grade to the middle school with grade levels of K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.
- Move the fifth grade to the middle school and the eighth grade to the high school for grade levels of K-4, 5-7 and 8-12.

More than fifty people were on hand as the committee presented its report at Wednesday's school board meeting after a six-month

study addressing space problems within the school district.

The BC school board will review the study and make a

decision by the end of June, Loomis said.

The report detailed options only, and did not recommend any

specific option. No cost estimates were given in order for the board to make its judgment based on educational need, and not monetary limitations.

The existing capacity in the schools is not adequate, even with grade level changes, the report concluded, and there are aspects of current elementary buildings that require improvement. Elementary space shortages are compounded by uneven growth in the district and crowding in the lower grades is only bearable on a short-term basis. However, the middle and high schools appear adequate for peak enrollment.

#### New construction options

Options for new construction include additions to the middle school and some elementary schools, or building a new elementary or middle school. The report said the high school property would be a prime area for any new building because of the size of the property.

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The Slingerlands Elementary School's annual carnival drew a crowd of participants and spectators Friday. Observing from a convenient perch were, from left, Rebecca Grimwood, who attends Bethlehem Central

High School, and Slingerlands students Devin McRae, Mark Barrett and Keith Timmerman. On the cover: Becky Carson, 4, decides which lollipop she wants at one of the carnival's games. Spotlight

## Board approves Larned deal

By Patricia Mitchell

The New Scotland Town Board Monday night approved a plan that would end its two-year-old litigation against a gravel mine on the former Tall Timbers Country Club.

Under the proposal, miners William M. Larned and Sons will pay the town \$150,000 to be used towards the start of a new water district and would allow the town access to the mine site for a water source for a water district that would serve the nearby Orchard Park area. The state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) would oversee new tests to insure that the mine would not damage existing or potential groundwater supplies.

Supervisor Herbert Reilly said

### New Scotland

at Monday's meeting that the proposal still has to be approved by miners William M. Larned and Sons and the mine will still have to gain approval from the planning board.

The audience on hand at the town hall overflowed from the meeting room. Members of Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, Inc., a citizens group opposed to the mine and intervenors in the lawsuit, voiced strong opinions against it and some members stormed out of the room before the town board voted on

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## State to test Selkirk air

By Mark Stuart

Officials from the state Department of Environmental Conservation have set a tentative schedule for conducting atmospheric and stack tests at the General Electric plant in Selkirk, where the company has been operating a hazardous waste incinerator since 1983.

The decision to begin testing was sparked by the growing concern among area residents over airborne emissions and odors from area industries and because GE Selkirk has applied for final renewal of a permit to burn, store and bury hazardous wastes at its Selkirk site. The current permits expire in July.

At a meeting Thursday between Department of Environmental Conservation officials, GE representative Michael Joyce and neighborhood residents, plans were discussed to conduct tests of the GE incinerator stack and of ambient conditions in the Selkirk area, which recognizes a new concern over other existing industries in the area contributing to the air quality problem. Joyce said GE will work with the residents, agrees to the additional testing and will pick up some of the costs involved.

Two types of tests, ambient sampling and stack tests, are scheduled to begin this summer. Currently, the scope of the testing

is being prepared by an independent lab, GE and the DEC. Members of the neighborhood citizens action committee will review those plans at a June 6 meeting. After that meeting, the independent lab will submit a report on testing procedure, or priorities and protocol, to the DEC around July 1. Testing should begin around the first two weeks of September and after four months of analysis by the lab and DEC, results of the testing will be made public in February.

Dudley Moon, spokesman for the Selkirk neighborhood citizens' action group, said his group

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## Village to step in?

By Patricia Mitchell and Sal Prividera Jr.

The village board and a local citizens group met last Tuesday to discuss a proposal that Voorheesville become a party to the lawsuit against the Larned and Sons gravel mine, but no notice was given of the meeting in apparent violation of the state's Open Meetings Law.

A spokesman for Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, the citizens group opposed to the mine, said his organization wants the village board to replace New Scotland and Councilman John

Sgarlata as parties in the lawsuit. The New Scotland Town Board voted Monday night to settle with Larned.

The state's Open Meetings Law requires public notice before a governing board meets, but no notice of the May 17 village board session was given.

The board also discussed "unfinished business" and tabled a discussion on purchasing a postal meter for the village Tuesday night at the village hall, but Mayor Edward Clark said no action was taken.

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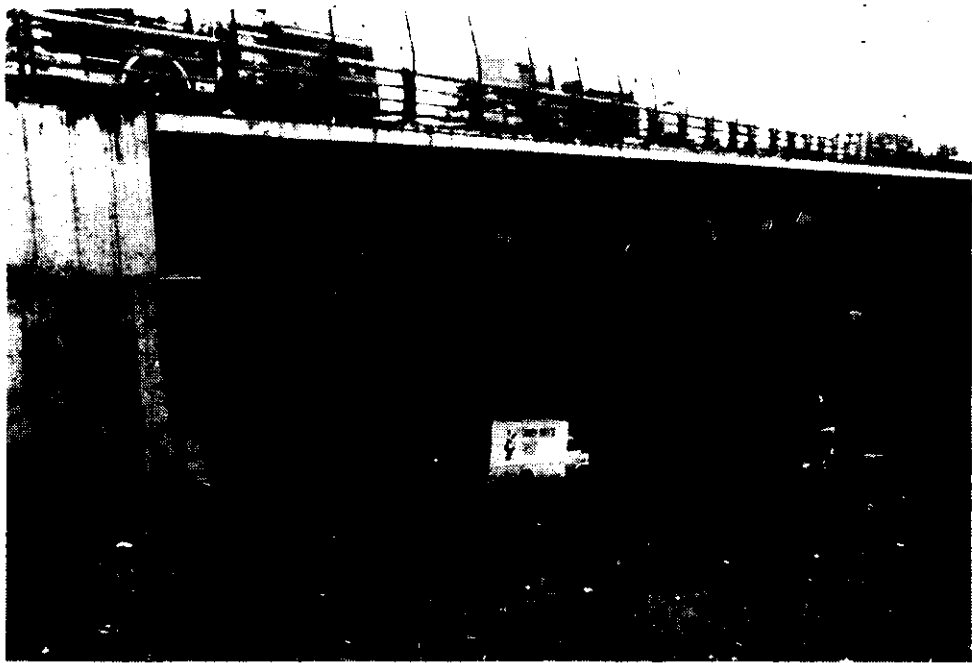
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The Dizzy Izzy's truck, left, driven by Joseph Lev of Loudonville came to rest underneath the Normanskill Bridge last Wednesday, after leaving Rt. 9W. Police have not determined what caused Lev, the owner of Dizzy Izzy's, to



leave the roadway. Right, firefighters from Albany, Selkirk and Slingerlands, Bethlehem police officers and Bethlehem Ambulance crew members carry Lev out of the ravine in a stokes basket. Roy Cooke photos

# Truck lands on precipice

## Accident puzzles police investigators

Joseph M. Lev, 51, of Loudonville was in serious condition on Monday at Albany Medical Center following Wednesday's one-car crash on Rt. 9W, which tied up rush hour traffic.

Bethlehem police have not determined what caused Lev to go off the roadway before the Normanskill Bridge and travel

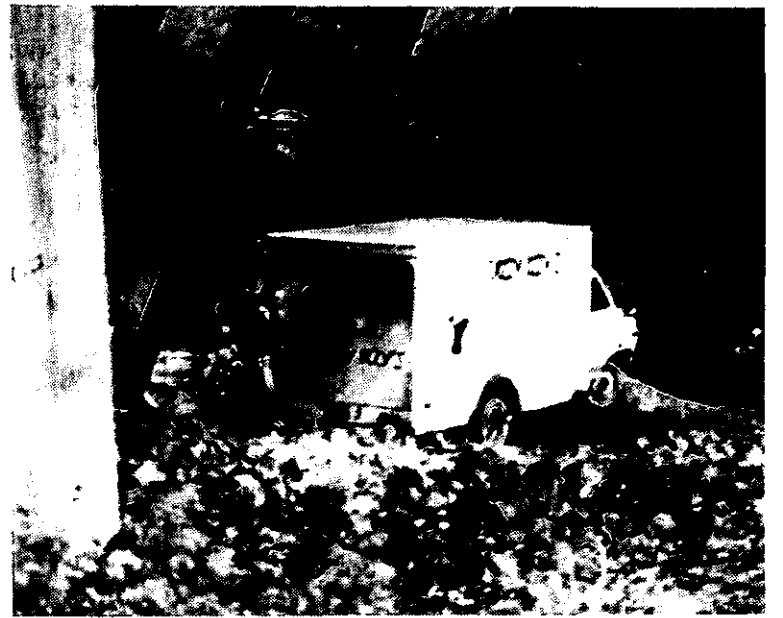
400 feet down the ravine before coming to rest. Lev, owner of the Dizzy Izzy's retail electronics store, was driving a company van at the time of the accident.

Police said the van went between the guard rails and a rock bank and then rolled on its left side before coming to a stop right side up against a large rock.

Bethlehem Police Lt. Richard Vanderbilt said the guard rails do not block the area "completely," which allowed the truck to go down the hill instead of being stopped.

Lev was either thrown from the vehicle or managed to get out, police said. He was found 30 to 35 feet below the truck.

Units from the Albany, Selkirk and Slingerlands Fire Departments were involved in the rescue operation, Vanderbilt said. Members of the Bethlehem Ambulance Squad treated Lev while he was still in the ravine and members of the Albany Fire Department pulled him out by using a stokes basket and rope, police said.



The final stop for Lev's delivery truck was against a large rock, which stopped it from falling into the Normanskill.

# Memorial Day parades

Memorial Day events have been scheduled for Monday, May 30, in area communities.

The Memorial Day parade in Bethlehem will begin on Elsmere Ave. at 11 a.m. Voorheesville's Memorial Day parade marchers will meet at 10 a.m. at Voorheesville Elementary School. Ceremonies will be held at the end of both marches.

A 3.2-kilometer fun walk, as well as 15- and 3.2-kilometer runs, will begin at noon on Memorial Day at the Voorheesville Area Ambulance building on Voorheesville Ave.

Memorial Day festivities, featuring Skip Parson's Clarinet

Marmalade and Puddin' the Clown, will be held at the Main Square Shoppes, Delmar, from noon until 3 p.m.

The Locust Knoll artisans will open their studios at Rt. 85A and Picard Rd. for a show and sale from May 27 through May 29.

The Voorheesville Public Library will be closed on Saturday, May 28, and Monday, May 30. The Bethlehem Public Library will be closed on Sunday and Monday, May 29 and 30.

Voorheesville and Bethlehem schools will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

## Bethlehem officers on the run again

The Bethlehem Police Department will again participate in the Special Olympics Torch Run from Long Island to Buffalo. Proceeds from the event will be used for the state Special Olympics, said Officer Tim Beebe.

The department expects to be handed the torch June 10 from the Albany County Sheriff's Department at the Town of Coeymans line. Bethlehem officers will carry it 8.3 miles along Rt. 9W, Beebe said. At the city line the torch will be handed to runners from the Albany Police Department and taken to Albany for a ceremony.

Running for the department, in addition to Beebe, are Lt. Frederick Holligan, Lt. Richard Vanderbilt, Officers Steve Demarest, Chris Bowdish, Vince Rinaldi, Bruce Oliver and Jeff Vunck. Dispatchers Scott Anderson and Kathy Cooke will also run.

To donate to the Special Olympics, call 370-4817.

## Elsmere Ladies celebrate 50th

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Elsmere Fire Company celebrated the group's 50th anniversary on May 12.

The group received a congratulatory resolution from Bethlehem Town Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick Jr. and a joint legislative resolution letter from state Senator Howard Nolan and state Assemblyman John Faso. The group also received congratulatory letters from Governor Mario Cuomo, John Faso and George Kaufman, chief of the Elsmere Fire Company.

## Police issue warning to children, parents

The Bethlehem Police Department is warning children not to accept rides from strangers following reports of a man trying to get children to go with him.

"Never get in a vehicle with somebody you don't know," warned Lt. Frederick J. Holligan. "Never, under any circumstances."

"Children should never approach a strange vehicle," he said. He said if someone in a vehicle tries to approach a child, the child should move in the opposite direction. Children should be courteous, he said, since "not everybody is a bad guy, but they should also be cautious and suspicious of strangers."

If a child is approached, he or she should report the incident to their parents and the police, he said.

Both the Bethlehem Central and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School Districts sent out similar warnings to elementary students and their parents in a letter this week.

Holligan suggested parents and children work out a code word, which could be used by a neighbor who has to pick up a child. Use of the code word would let a child know the person is a safe ride sent by their parents. He said often child molesters will tell children a parent has been injured and they were sent to bring them home.

Children in the Bethlehem area can also look for homes displaying the red hand denoting participation in the Helping Hands Program, Holligan said. "If a kid sees that sign, they can go there for assistance," he said.

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## Try, try again

The failed Voorheesville School District budget can best be described, perhaps, as the product of a failure in effective communicating.

The figures and impact of the proposed budget, showing an increase of about 6.5 percent, hardly appear substantial enough to warrant a taxpayer uprising. The district experienced just that in 1987, when an increase of about three times that much was twice defeated before ultimate, grudging approval.

A further increase may be construed by some as the insult after that injury to taxpayers' sensibilities. But in real life, the district is confronted by a variety of expensive mandates and the budget submitted by the school board appeared to be defensible, facing up to hard choices realistically.

In the second go-round on the budget, now set for June 9, a more representative turnout of voters probably will find responsible realism overcoming the complaints of the disaffected. The tiny vote this month made it possible for those disaffected to prevail, by the slim nine-vote margin.

## Get on with it

It's time — past time — for all those involved in the Town of New Scotland's wrangling over the gravel quarrying/water supply issues to equitably resolve the matter.

The town board Monday night formally offered a compromise to Larned and Sons that will allow the company to mine gravel on the Tall Timbers property, provided certain stipulations are met. The most important of those stipulations is that the state Department of Environmental Conservation restudy the aquifer in the area and insure that mining will not affect the water table and the proposed water district that would serve not only the Tall Timbers area but also nearby water-starved areas such as Orchard Park.

The prospect that a sufficient supply of good water can be found for dozens of existing homes and many hundreds of unbuilt homes on undeveloped land areas; as a result of the settlement, provides the most potent argument for an agreement

## May is Seniors Month

Officially, it's called Older American Month, but that seems even clumsier than Seniors Month. Anyway, if the middle-aged and elderly — chronologically, that is — can get one-twelfth of the year for a share of respectful attention, who could ask for anything more?

Advancing years do deserve respect, as they historically have. Wisdom through experience, through sifting out the chaff of life, surely does confer a special rank on those who have lived and learned.

Those who can recall 1935 recognize it as the year of Social Security, at that time a very controversial idea and law that the Supreme Court very nearly struck down.

Now for a bit of arithmetic. By the year 2000, experts project that one in every seven Americans will be age 65 plus. For persons who were born in the depression year of 1935, 2000 is the year when they will reach 65 and begin to realize some of the benefits that presumably will be theirs after decades of paying into the system.

The rate at which our country is graying is shown by the statistic that already the 65-and-over population is more than double what it was in 1950. And the 65-plus people count for nine times the number who were living in the United States at the beginning

## EDITORIAL

How many stay-at-homes must share responsibility for that result?

To forestall this kind of self-defeating frustration, the school board and its professional staff would seem to be well advised to keep residents better informed of the developments that justify the budget at whatever level. Certainly, nothing about the present budget has been kept secret, but the lack of attendance at meetings coupled with the low voter turnout indicates, we feel, more than apathy — usually people stop participating when they decide they can have no impact on the proceedings. Trust must be reestablished, particularly since the district is facing major decisions on asbestos removal and facilities expansions in the very near future.

And just perhaps there'd be practical wisdom in beginning promptly on the preparation of next year's budget, allowing ample time for explanation and argumentation pro and con.

that can end the conflict. The other major reason for a settlement is that New Scotland needs to get on with business. The mining issue cannot be allowed to tie up town government indefinitely.

Unfortunately, the leaders of the opposition to the mine appear to have lost sight of these important concerns. The illegal secret meeting held May 17 between the Voorheesville Village Board and Concerned Citizens of New Scotland, apparently for the purpose of plotting new legal strategies for sabotaging the settlement, is one more unfortunate sign that politics and personal agendas are playing too important a role here.

We support Supervisor Herb Reilly's efforts in finding the path to a reasonable solution. The fact that the settlement includes a guarantee, as far as is humanly possible, that no mining will take place until the valid concerns about the safety of the water table are resolved should not be lost on anybody.

of the 20th century.

We now have some 29 million "older Americans." By 2000, it will be 35 million out of about 245 million. In either instance, it's quite an impressively large group, one that many people think of as a voting bloc.

It's important to remember that we are talking in numerical terms, not those relating to physical or psychological condition. The country is indeed advancing in relative chronological age, but there's little doubt that most older Americans are not only living longer but also living better in the sense of health, activity, and outlook generally. Perhaps they should be known as Younger Older Americans!

And they benefit from the attention and assistance of Bethlehem Senior Citizens, the Sunshine Seniors of South Bethlehem, the "Second Milers," the Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area and other similar organizations. These vital organizations supplement in many useful ways the requirements (and dreams) of their very valuable clientele, and in so doing contribute far more than their share to a meaningful span of later years. They do honor to the prayer of the 71st Psalm.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth."

## Cable deregulation holds consumer hostage

Editor, The Spotlight:

Adams-Russell announced their third rate increase since 1986. Within the last three years my monthly rate will have increased from \$8.95 to \$15.95, or 79 percent. Cable television companies hold the consumer hostage by selecting channels to be provided and the rates to be charged.

Adams-Russell's exclusive franchise to serve Bethlehem residents with no regulatory controls over rates leaves no choice to the consumer but pay up or do without.

This greedy monopolistic approach by cable television companies would put Rockefeller's oil monopoly of the early 1900's to shame.

Federal legislation deregulating cable television has removed local/state oversight concerning rate increases.

Congressman Edward Markey,

## Vox Pop

chairman Telecommunications Subcommittee is currently holding hearings on cable television.

A letter voicing objections to unsupported and excessive rate increases to Congressman Stratton, Senator D'Amato and Senator Moynihan might be helpful.

Hopefully our state and local governmental representatives can make their views known to Congress.

The alternative to either providing oversight of rate increases or having another cable television company in Bethlehem is to see a monthly charge of \$28 within another three years. If only salaries and retirement incomes could rise at this rate!

Sherwood Davies

Delmar

## ChemLawn replies

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recent articles and letters to the editor have perpetuated a campaign of misinformation against the safety of professional lawn care. In particular, the reports by Linda Anne Burtis (*Spotlight*, April 20) have ignored solid scientific, medical and toxicological information about the chemicals used in lawn care.

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time of year and the agronomic conditions. The pesticides have been registered by the Environmental Protection Agency and our state's Department of Environmental Conservation, and have passed additional scrutiny by ChemLawn's vice president of health and safety, who is a board-certified toxicologist.

3. It would be rare for any pesticide to be applied more than twice in a year. Those persons who claim adverse health effects consistently after all applications are reacting to 92 percent water and 7 percent fertilizer (a nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium combination).

4. Pesticides used in lawn care (Turn to page 6)

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## Amtrak wants help

This is the month of two full moons, as well as a Friday the 13th. It is the kind of month that allows writing-folk (especially columnists) to turn werewolf and roam at large, eating only their own words for sustenance. An appalling, perilous existence it is. So before reading further, pause and beware. As the Shadow used to remind us, "Who knows what evil lurks...?"

The second full moon of the month, incidentally, is due early next Tuesday morning. So if "the weatherman" gives us a break as he closes out May, perhaps we'll be able to view it for a night or two. Incidentally, I am about to launch a poll to determine the most reliable "weatherman" on our TV channels, some of the radio stations, and of course the "Weather Channel" on cable. It's a contest that I'm not sure anyone will win, though. Perhaps we'd be better off relying on the stars.

Well, I did take a trip this past week — on Amtrak. That's a railroad that has a lot going for it, as well as a few minuses. One of the latter is the unsolved problem of finding a way to make the trains run on time. My six-hour trip turned out to be 10 hours instead, putting me at my hosts' doorstep at 1:30 a.m. On the other hand, what's better among the simple pleasures of the world than rolling along beside the lordly Hudson while the mists rise or the sun sets?

On the return trip, my fellow-passengers and I were treated to one of life's contradictions. As most readers of these lines know only too well, the Department of Transportation of the State of New York moves deliberately and implacably — and presumably with a sense of direction though that's not always easy to discern at any given hour. (Witness "next year" as their timetable for repairing Rt. 140 to drivable condition.)

The department had stationed a friendly young man on that train, distributing questionnaires



for people to fill out. Some were highly personal questions, such as the zip code of the person you'd been visiting, and things of that nature.

But the department added another full page for a mystifying question. It went something like this:

"Assume that New York State is going to spend \$100 million to improve the railroads. How would you advise us to spend it?"

There followed maybe 10 items from which we were to select how to spend a hundred million dollars: cleaning up the stations... making the trains run faster... having more trains..." You get the idea.

I advised them all right — at no charge for my time or the quality of my counsel. But I couldn't help but get off the train, after turning in the results of my engineering advisory, thinking that the state Department of Transportation must be in pretty poor shape if it needs passengers' ideas on how to run a railroad.

Incidentally, the passengers in my car had to walk two car lengths inside the train in order to get out at Rensselaer, because Amtrak seemed to have only one person on hand to open a single door. And then we could walk back along the platform (luggage and all) retracing the direction we'd just walked along the aisle. I was sorry that I couldn't add a comment on that to the questionnaire.

CONSTANT READER

## Wear a bathrobe to read this

One of the most comfortable bits of slight reading that it's been my pleasure to find in the past few hundred thousand words is to be found in the May issue of *Smithsonian* magazine.

It's titled, enticingly, "Now is the time for bathrobes, the cloth of sloth." The author (if you can call the writer of a one-page essay an "author") is Barbara Holland, who is otherwise unidentified except as she writes of herself, "I do my best thinking in a bathrobe."

Well, read on, if you can find a copy of *Smithsonian*. It's up to you to envision Barbara's bathrobe while she does her thinking and scribbling. I find it hard to describe her cozy, funny little piece (It's what they used to call a "familiar essay" when you were in third-year English.) without quoting extravagantly from it:

"Everyone says we live in an age of increasing leisure. ...But we shouldn't sit around in a bathrobe. We should go skiing.

We wouldn't apologize to the meter reader if he caught us in our ski pants, but wearing a bathrobe isn't a proper use of free time. To be decent, American leisure must be vigorous.

"Bathrobes restrict activity. You can't mow the lawn or do aerobics in them — that's their charm and their shame. ...By limiting movement, the bathrobe releases the mind. ...The bathrobe keeps us home, excused from dealing with the world. Feet on the coffee table, we are draft exempt from the battles of business and daily life. ...

"The bathrobe keeps us gentle. It's possible to sulk in a bathrobe, but not to rage. A furious person in a bathrobe would be a joke.

"I've driven people to trains in a bathrobe, but it isn't decent and I always hoped the robe would pass for a coat. I tried to put a coat expression on my face instead of a bathrobe expression. The brisk, dressed expression.

"Bathrobe wearers of the

## Solid waste—issues and ANSWERS

A task force of Bethlehem citizens and public officials have been studying the town's solid waste issues since early this year. Last week the town took the first step in establishing a pilot recycling project. Bruce Secor, Bethlehem's commissioner of public works, prepared the following report with other members of the task force. A subsequent report will focus on the even more difficult decisions that lie ahead.

By Bruce Secor

On Jan. 13, the Bethlehem Town Board acted on a recommendation from Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick to establish a Solid Wastes Task Force. This action was required because of recent events which undermined a long-range plan the Town had previously decided upon.

The Bethlehem Town Board began to focus attention on solid waste issues and options early in the 1980's. In 1981 the town board approved an outline for a scope of services for a town-wide study of solid wastes. A number of experienced consultants were interviewed, and the firm of Standard Engineering of Gunderland was selected to do the study. The report was presented in May of 1982 and concluded that the town should join the ANSWERS program, which looked to be the most environmentally prudent solution. The ANSWERS project included recycling, waste reduction and a waste to energy system. . . all of which combined to provide a very positive approach to the solid waste problem.

Recently, the town was put on notice by the City of Albany that its contract with ANSWERS would be terminated because of complications, some of which are beyond their control:

1. The ANSWERS Processing Plant on Rapp Road, owned by the City of Albany, was put into operation in December of 1980, but recycling markets for the separated materials and other recycling components have not been readily available and therefore these materials have been landfilled. Other materials received at the plant (such as "white" goods) were having similar difficulties being recycled and ended up in the landfill, using up available space.

2. The boiler which burns the Refuse Derived Fuel produced by the Albany Processing Plant is owned and operated by state Office of General Services and located on Sheridan Avenue in Albany. This boiler was delayed in start-up until May of 1982. Because of this delay, 18 months of waste had to be landfilled, which rapidly depleted available landfill space. The boiler has been in operation now for six years but has never burned the amount of Refuse Derived Fuel it was supposed to (400 plus tons per day versus a planned 600 tons per day). In addition to this, the boiler has been out of service from time to time for maintenance and repairs. This has resulted in all of the excess material also having to be landfilled. The combined effect of this is that the projected 20-plus year life of the Albany landfill has been dramatically shortened.

3. When the ANSWERS project was planned, waste generation estimates had to be used since there were no records for the number of tons of solid waste that were generated in the service area. The actual amount of solid waste being received at the Rapp Road Processing Plant has exceeded these original estimates. All of the excess material has had to be landfilled and has, again, consumed landfill space.

nation, stand tall. Open the door freely and proudly, even to your in-laws, and let them see what you're wearing. ...It is time now for philosophy, for contemplation, for bathrobes. Perhaps even for an afternoon nap."

In its 196 pages, the *Smithsonian* of course has articles of much heavier going, though generally ones written with a conversational touch. Out of nine heavyweight pieces, I liked best a longish description of how the human skin functions: "Besides holding us together, the 'passive rind' performs vital tasks that are just being discovered."

Incidentally, I think that perhaps you'd appreciate the page given over to suggestions for

"additional reading," a usable bibliography of materials about a subject (from this issue) that may have caught your interest.

But another shorter article was the one that caught my particular attention and imagination. It's about a man named James Lovelock, creator of the "Gaia hypothesis," the idea that the living things of Earth create the environmental conditions they need. According to Lovelock, "the Earth is a superorganism in the sense that it regulates itself much as a body does to maintain a constant temperature."

Lovelock is often asked what people as individuals can do. "He replies: 'It's personal action that

counts. Any biological activation starts with a single organism.'"

*Smithsonian*, you'd think, must be an ancient, established magazine, dating back to the mid-19th century as its fostering institution is. Wrong. The magazine, now only in its 19th year, created an almost instant reputation and success for itself, and a secure place in the world of ideas and of words on paper.

It's published every month, and the subscription is \$20 a year. Or, if you find it on a newsstand, it's \$2.50 a copy, so tentatively asked that the price is put on a label instead of being printed on the cover. Altogether, one of the gems of the American publishing scene.

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4. The City of Albany has made application for an interim landfill expansion on city-owned property adjacent to the existing landfill. This permit has not been approved. In conjunction with this, the city has looked, on a county-wide basis, for alternative long-range landfill sites; but no final site selection has been made.

The rapid depletion of landfill space, along with the economic realities of changes in solid waste disposal regulations, has forced the City of Albany to serve notice to the ANSWERS participating communities that their contracts will be terminated. Mayor Whalen has been holding monthly meetings with the other mayors and town supervisors involved in the ANSWERS project to keep them up to date on the city's attempts to live up to their existing contracts and also to enlist their support for all communities to implement a coordinated waste reduction and recycling program.

In response to the notice by the City of Albany, and because of the need of the Town of Bethlehem to re-implement a recycling program, the supervisor recommended that the town board establish a Solid Wastes Task Force under the guidance of Councilman Dennis Corrigan. This task force has been meeting on the second and forth Tuesday of each month at Town Hall since January. The Task Force has identified nine separate areas for study and formed subcommittee groups for each of these. A time frame was established for preparation of draft reports from each committee; for review and discussion with the entire task force; and a proposed schedule for preparation of a final report. At last week's town board meeting, Mr. Corrigan made an initial presentation to the board for an update of the work which has been accomplished and to provide some initial recommendations.

The first step approved by the town board was the collection and recycling of newspapers on a pilot basis. This will begin on Saturday, June 4, with a kick-off program at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue. This would be the initial phase of the project SORT (Save Our Recyclable Trash). Following the June 4 start-up, private collection firms who operate in the Town of Bethlehem will begin keeping newspapers separate from other trash beginning Monday, June 6, and every Monday thereafter.

The Town of Bethlehem will begin on Wednesday, June 8, and every Wednesday thereafter, to pick up newspapers in addition to the garbage normally picked up Wednesdays.

After the pilot project has had a chance to operate smoothly, newspaper recycling will be expanded town-wide. In the interim, a collection box will be available at Town Hall on Saturday mornings for the use of any town resident who wishes to begin recycling newspapers.

While newspaper recycling is indeed a welcome start, there remain many other possibilities. Additional recycling, waste reduction, all with more difficult solutions. Voluntary compliance may well be reinforced by state mandate.

# MATTERS of Opinion

(From page 4)

are general use pesticides. They can be purchased by anyone without requirement for certification of any kind. However, ChemLawn requires that our specialists receive their state certification for handling pesticides as soon as eligible.

5. Most of the pesticides used in lawn care have been in use for more than 25 years. On the whole, we are living longer and healthier than at any other point in history.

6. No pesticide used in lawn care is recognized as a probable human carcinogen by either the National Toxicology Program of the US Public Health Service or the International Agency for Research in Cancer.

Many studies are cited in the arguments against lawn care. However, the studies do not implicate professional lawn care practices, or the chemicals that are used for home and garden applications. The saying "There

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are three kinds of lies: lies, damn lies and statistics" certainly holds true in this case.

Furthermore:

On environmental illness and its practitioners (clinical ecologists, or members of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine): The American Medical Association does not recognize environmental illness (EI, or chemical hypersensitivity) as a pathological entity or disease. Its practitioners failed to convince a special medical task force — convened at the request of practicing clinical ecologists — that EI is a recognizable syndrome or that its treatments are effective, or based on anything except a placebo response.

On pesticides and cancer: Dr. Bruce Ames, who invented a test to detect the cancer-causing properties of chemicals, stated recently on ABC's 20/20, "There's a whole movement of people who are committed to the idea that man-made chemicals are causing a lot of cancer. . . I don't think there's much science behind it. In fact, the science is all going the other way."

On irresponsible reporting: On the same 20/20 program, John Stossel said, "I think we in the press — many of us — have been irresponsible about (chemical reporting). We consumer reporters especially often report on a scientist's accusation that this substance causes cancer and make a big scare story out of it without really checking to see how good the research was."

Ms. Burtis had a transcript of this show when she wrote her report "Chemicals on the lawn: is

there a hazard?" She chose to focus on the scare, and not the facts.

Americans value their lawns. At ChemLawn, we care for our environment as we help our customers maintain their landscapes in a responsible manner. We provide a service; we do not manufacture chemicals, nor do we have any economic incentive to overapply chemicals or misuse them. The rhetoric in the campaign against lawn care services has gone far enough.

I hope that in the future, the facts will be given equal weight with the allegations.

Jim Davis

ChemLawn Services Corporation  
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## Lawn chemicals: more sources for discussion

Editor, The Spotlight:

The article "Chemicals on the Lawn: Is There a Hazard?" by Linda Anne Burtis in your April 20, 1988 issue raised some interesting points regarding lawn care chemical toxicity. This subject needs study and open discussion.

I have a problem accepting the concept that the person receiving "detoxification" was affected by each application by ChemLawn, since each application is made up of totally different chemicals, some of which are simply fertilizer. Nonetheless, I felt the article was thoughtfully done and thought-provoking. An attempt was made to show many facts of a complex issue. The article quoted Elizabeth Whelan, Ph.D., of the American Council on Science and Health. Unfortunately, the list of references that appeared in the April 27, 1988 issue of *The Spotlight* did not include the American Council on Science and Health, a well-rounded, excellent source of information. Readers who are interested at all in this issue should not fail to read "Lawn Care Chemicals: What Consumers Should Know," available for \$2 per copy from the American Council on Science and

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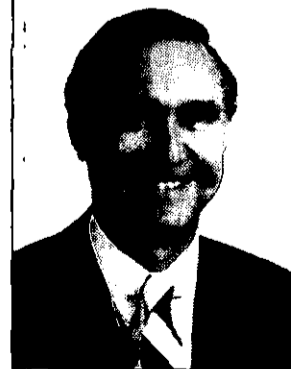
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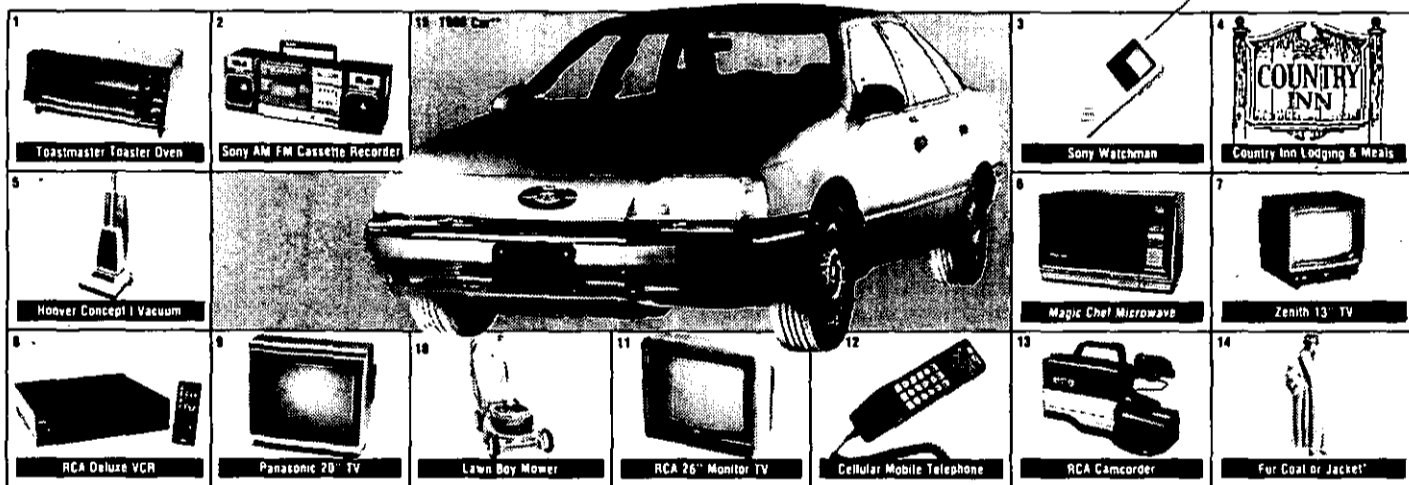


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Delmar

## Subject of ChemLawn story 'clears the air'

Editor, The Spotlight:

In regard to the April 20 cover story (on lawn care companies and chemicals), I would like to clear the air in reference to the origin of my problem. In my particular instance (and a number of fellow workers), an unusual particle board coupled with virtually no ventilation in my place of former employment caused my present condition.

Allergies to many everyday items including petrochemical products is the result of my immune system disregulation. The ChemLawn product did not cause the problem but in no way can I tolerate it at this point in time.

I would also like to thank ChemLawn for treating our front lawn even though the contract was cancelled and the April 20 article had run. I would like to know what satisfaction ChemLawn could possibly have by being so negligent.

Chris Jacques

Delmar

Mr. Jacques' name was misspelled in the April 20 article.

## Recreation facilities for the younger crowd

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have become overly concerned with the fact that we are greatly limited in recreation in our community. I am most concerned with the 18- to 20-year-old age bracket. Although there are movie theaters and bowling alleys, they tend to become very monotonous. When going to these places, one can be subjected to a wide range of age groups. Not many 18 to 20 year olds want to go out and bowl next to little kids.

Since the law was passed to enforce the 21 drinking age, it deprived the young people 18 to 20 years of their own social setting. In my opinion, bars should admit 18 to 20 year olds and not deny them their right to dance and socialize with their peers. I think we should still conform with the drinking age by stamping their hands to distinguish who is of age to drink and who is not, but not limit the bars completely to people under 21. While I am 21, many of my friends are under that age, and I believe it is unfair to exclude them. In the long run this would give the people from 18 to 20 years of age a supervised atmosphere where they could go during their free time instead of "hanging out" on street corners and causing trouble just for fun and the sake of having something to do.

David J. Hammond

Glenmont

Editor, The Spotlight:

It is obvious that spring is here, which means children and families riding bicycles and the beginning of baseball season. As a resident of Winne Place (off lower Kenwood Ave.), I am concerned about both of these issues. The Tri-village Little League is apparently one of the most active places in town this time of year for children and families and the mode of transportation to this "hot spot" seems to be hazardous not only to the participants in the sport but also to those trying to exit Winne Place. Cars are parked along Kenwood Ave. on both sides leaving visibility to be quit impossible. Often times I see children trying to go across the street to Tom and Jo's Store to get some candy or soda, and even though all children are taught to look both ways, it is difficult for a driver to notice them behind a parked car. The exit off Rt. 32 onto Kenwood Ave also exacerbates the problem due to its poor visibility when approaching Magee Park.

I am also quite concerned about the children riding to and from the park on their bicycles. As an active bicyclist myself, I find that lower Kenwood Ave. can be a very dangerous road to ride on due to no sidewalks, streetlights or shoulder; all of which end at Mason Rd. I don't know why this is like this, but it

appears to put these bicyclists at risk for injuries. This letter can not change anything, but I hope it makes parents and families aware of the risk it puts their children at when just going to play ball and have fun.

Why doesn't the Tri-village Little League buy the corner property that is for sale on Kenwood and Winne Place and make it into an extra parking lot to get the cars off Kenwood Ave? Why doesn't the Tri-village Little League contract with the Solid Rock Church to use their parking lot? Why can't sidewalks be put down the rest of Kenwood Ave.? If all of these ideas are exhausted why aren't games moved to the Town Park on Elm Ave. where there is plenty of parking?

A letter was sent last spring regarding this same issue to Police Chief Paul Currie and his reply was that a traffic control committee was being established and was looking into this issue as well as other community traffic problems. However, another spring is here and the same hazards exist, putting the adults and children of our community in danger.

Deborah Pangburn

Glenmont

## Gunner helped students get their diplomas

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would first like to say good luck and best wishes to Mr. Charles Gunner, on his retirement as principal of Bethlehem Central High School. I left school in my junior year, six years ago. Mr. Gunner took interest in me and helped me get my diploma. Thanks to his help I have graduated.

He has helped others do the same. I sincerely hope the help he has given will not be lost to students who want it when he leaves.

Thanks for all your time and help you have given me.

Karen Haverly

Delmar

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## BC facilities needs presents an opportunity

Editor, The Spotlight:

This is an exciting time for education in Bethlehem. Large voter turnouts, significant yes votes on bond and budget issues and interest in Board elections and meetings are clear indicators of the importance this community places on quality education.

In reviewing options to resolve the increasing shortage of space faced by our schools, the Bethlehem Central Board of Education should keep in mind this community commitment and look at issues significantly greater than simple classroom counts. The board has the opportunity to provide our community with space of quality and room for needed educational improvements and innovations at a cost equal to or less than the simple addition of classrooms.

Two of the options discussed at the last board meeting offer that opportunity.

The first proposal provides for building additional facilities onto the high school, moving eighth grade into the high school and moving fifth grade into the middle school. The second proposal provides for building a new middle school on the high school grounds, converting the current middle school into two or three distinct elementary schools and selling the land currently used for the Glenmont and Elsmere Schools. Both proposals offer the

chance to improve educational opportunities for our youth, can be designed and administered in a fashion which protects and supports the children, preserves the "neighborhood" school as it currently operates in our community and are cost effective.

The addition of space at the high school and relocation of fifth and eighth grades would give us a plan similar to Guilderland. It would give us the opportunity to enlarge and strengthen the middle and high school programs, as well as provide space for needed services at the elementary level. The grouping of fifth graders would allow for the creation of special classes for a variety of academic and developmental needs. Truly exciting programs in art, drama and music would be possible. Foreign language instruction could be given, perhaps allowing for the completion of two Regents sequences by graduation.

The relocation of eighth graders to the high school should eliminate whatever fears parents have concerning the placement of 10-year-olds with 14-year-olds.

The placement of the eighth grade in the high school would permit more rational use of upper grade faculty. Many eighth graders are now taking high school level classes in the middle school. The larger group of high school students would permit the



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Health, 47 Maple Street, Summit, addition of classes currently not offered because minimum class size cannot be secured. This problem is particularly acute in the area of foreign languages. The small amount of additional space to be constructed would consist of specialized classes which would further enlarge the quality of the program.

Construction costs would be minimal because they would involve no core space for assemblies, food service or physical education. Construction would be located at one site and would involve no disruption of current programs. Unlike some of the other options, small children would not be near the site of the construction.

Finally, the relocation of the fifth grades would leave space for expansion of the libraries and support services at existing elementary schools, would leave the "neighborhood" schools intact and would reduce the required redistricting to very little or none. The availability of space for new and expanded programs at the elementary level under this, or

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any of the plans, needs additional research.

The proposal for a new middle school offers most of the advantages of the above proposal. It is, however, more complicated. It provides the enhanced educational opportunities of having larger groups of students from which to develop upper level classes while keeping the schools at their current size. It also would provide enough elementary students at one site to offer some new programs while keeping each unit small and oriented to a particular part of town. By allowing for the sale of commercially valuable property much or all of the construction costs could be recouped.

Any proposal for change can be upsetting. However, the plans outlined above offer us the opportunity to provide an exciting and creative educational environment for our children. Given the necessity to build, they are the most cost effective. The simple addition of classrooms at three of

the elementary schools will not improve education at any level. It ignores the needs and opportunity to improve programs at the middle and high schools and the chance to offer our fifth graders additional services. It involves construction at three scattered sites with resulting increased costs, disruption to students and

neighborhoods and increased danger to small children. Ultimately, it would create three large elementary schools and in so doing, effectively diminish the nurturing and protective neighborhood environment it was designed to prolong.

In reviewing the options available, I urge the board to make

educational programming and our goals for the 21st Century the starting point. You have a unique opportunity to make our school system truly exciting.

Lawrence R. Faulkner

Delmar

Lawrence Faulkner was a candidate in the recent Bethlehem Central school board election.

## Action urged on planning

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have just returned from a sobering meeting of the Bethlehem Board of Education where the pressures of an expanding school population are generating serious problems involving complex educational and financial decisions. Thus, it was heartening to read the statement by Supervisor Hendrick (*Spotlight*, May 18) regarding the forward direction being set by the Town Board in regard to a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Bethlehem. Mr. Hendrick is to be commended on his leadership in establishing a commitment and clear objectives to achieve this Comprehensive Plan.

Our school district is now paying a heavy price — in every sense of the word — for a patchwork approach to the problems of growth and the end is not yet in sight. A new proposal before the Planning Board for the Cedar Ridge subdivision in Slingerlands will generate approximately 254 school-age children. This is the equivalent of almost another elementary school from only one subdivision! And there are many other large projects yet to come before the Planning Board.

According to the Enrollment and Facilities Committee Report

of May 18, classroom crowding at the elementary level is bearable only "in the short term" and "construction of additional classroom space appears necessary." The school district is in a crisis situation right now, due in part to rapid growth and development. Will our library be next? What about fire and police services?

We urge Supervisor Hendrick to place a high priority on his recommended interim measures "to strengthen our zoning and subdivision regulations." It is essential that such measures be in place before further high density development deepens the already complicated problems faced by the Board of Education.

Sylvia L. Ponemon

Bethlehem Citizens

for Responsible Planning

### Thanks for publicity

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you for publicizing our car wash in *The Spotlight* last week. It was extremely successful. The Girl Scouts and leaders of Bethlehem appreciate your support.

Liz Ferraro

Neighborhood Chairman  
Girl Scouts of Bethlehem

Editor, The Spotlight:

In recent weeks, several events related to planning in the Town of Bethlehem are worth noting: first and most important is the discussion at the May 11 Town Board meeting regarding a comprehensive planning strategy. While some of us would encourage a faster pace, all in all, we should be encouraged that a meeting of the minds on the subject resulted in a common opinion that the Town Planner should continue his effort to present specific recommendations on comprehensive planning for the Town Board's consideration.

Supervisor Hendrick's letter in the May 18 *Spotlight* succinctly describes the board's intent and additionally describes the planner's effort to "strengthen our existing ordinance to ensure that our comprehensive plan is not undermined by development which may occur between now and when the comprehensive plan is in place." The result of the board's discussion is very positive movement toward a long range plan — which admittedly will take some time to develop — and near term changes in the zoning ordinance to better control development until the plan is in place. Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning (BCRP) is supportive of the board's direction to move toward development of a comprehensive plan.

While we honestly believe that Bethlehem town planning is at the dawn of a new age, on Tuesday, May 17, a majority of the Planning Board — not including its chairman and one board member — showed that it is not yet ready to be awakened. In a lengthy discussion of a scope for a draft environmental impact statement for the Cedar Ridge project, the majority of the board chose to reject recommendations of its consultant and Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning which would have improved the draft scope.

The majority's concept of a scope of study was unexplainably far different than the Town Board's scope issued for the adjacent, and in many ways similar, Delmar Village project. Attempts by the chairman, counsel and the town planner to explain the logic of specifying the assessment of many important environmental factors were rebuffed by the majority. The purpose of an EIS is to provide information so the board can make an informed decision. To prejudice and worse yet, make light of, many potential impacts such as impacts on visual resources, recreational resources, endangered species, and incremental impacts on major neighborhood intersections is inexcusable and unprofessional and demonstrates a poor understanding of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR). While many of the rejected items would have improved the prospect of a more complete

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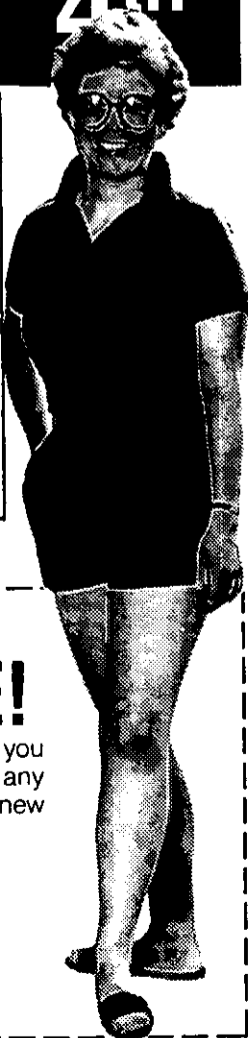
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# MATTERS of Opinion

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impact statement, the majority voted to issue a vague and less than complete scope. One underlying reason offered by board members was that they felt it would cost the developer too much to prepare these standard evaluations. It's time that developers realize that there is a cost of doing business in Bethlehem and that cost includes adequate analysis and project design to protect the values of Bethlehem neighborhoods and citizens.

We are hopeful that the Town Board's recently expressed philosophy on planning and development will eventually be acknowledged by the May 17 majority of the Planning Board. Mr. Hendrick's commitment to a planning task force is excellent, as is his intention to involve the chairman of the Planning Board and members of the community, but he must not let the May 17 majority of the Planning Board thwart the town's planning goals by doing anything less than a

## Vox Pop

thorough review of all of the projects that come before it.

John Smolinsky  
Bethlehem Citizens  
for Responsible Planning

## Some answers on Rt. 9W safety

Editor, The Spotlight:

In response to Mr. Silber's letter in the May 11 issue of the Spotlight:

I cannot answer all your questions but I suggest that maybe you should contact the building to answer some. I do know that the PIA building is on the original Rt. 9W.

In regards to Farm Family Insurance, there were studies done and requirements had to be met before approval could have been given.

The speed limit has been reduced in the last few years from 55 m.p.h. to 45 m.p.h. If the people don't pay attention to 45 m.p.h. what makes you think they will obey a limit lower than that? The police cannot be there 24 hours a day.

There may not be a speed limit reduction or flashing light by the Glenmont Grade School but there is a sign warning people of the school. The children at Glenmont are not allowed to walk. The Becker School a few miles down the road also does not have warning lights and the speed limit there is 55 m.p.h. These children also are not allowed to walk.

In regards to no police protection at the school craft fair. Has the school administrator or fair chairman tried to see if they could have assistance from the department? The department might possibly put up signs for *No Parking* on the south side of Rt. 9W or help with traffic. To do this they would need advance notice in order to have more manpower available. If Farm Family had been contacted permission may have been given for fair goers to park in their parking lot. The first step is to keep people informed and ask for their assistance.

There are signs for the post office in plain sight for people to view. No amount of signs or speed limits are going to do one bit of good until we take responsibility for our own actions and pay attention to what we are doing. Use common sense, be cautious, and cautious when driving.

Five days after the accident on Rt. 9W at the site of the accident, permission was given by the owner for a group to sell flowers to passing motorists. What is more likely to cause an accident — something that has been there

for quite some time, that you pass day after day, or something out of the norm that would distract the driver and cause him or her to stop quickly or make a sudden turn?

Isabel Glasletter

Glenmont

## Library celebration a great success

Editor, The Spotlight:

The special supplement to the May 11 issue of *The Spotlight* was excellent and an important document for the continuing history of the Bethlehem Public Library. The Board of Trustees and the staff of the Library wish to extend their thanks to Tom McPheeters and to Chris Fiato for their work, and to the members of the community who wrote personal statements for the supplement.

The Library celebrated its 75th anniversary Saturday, May 14. The building was beautifully transformed and decorated with masses of flowers and trees contributed by *Verstandig's*. The Glenmont Job Corps, under the direction of Joseph Vanelli, prepared the food which was attractively presented and served by several Job Corps members. There was lovely music by the Capitol Chamber Artists through the courtesy of GE Plastics, Selkirk. It was all a great success.

The gala, planned by the Anniversary Planning Committee composed of community volunteers and staff members, was made possible by the generous donations of many area businesses and individuals. The brief program honored Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl for his 38 years of service as a Library trustee, the members of the Progress Club of 1913 for starting the Library, and the designers, needleworkers and quilters who produced the magnificent quilted wall hanging. Special

guests were Mrs. Barbara Rau, former Library director who served for 20 years, and state Sen. Howard Nolan, who presented a legislative resolution honoring the 75 years of service to the community.

We would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank everyone who helped to make the evening so enjoyable. As we celebrate the 75th anniversary, we are grateful for and proud of this sort of successful cooperative community effort, which is the essence of the Bethlehem Public Library.

Barbara P. Mladinov  
Director  
Bethlehem Public Library

## Bike Day got great cooperation, weather

Editor, The Spotlight:

The annual "Rodeo Bike Day" on Saturday, May 14, attracted nearly 200 cyclists for a day of safety training, fun and prizes at Bethlehem Town Hall's parking area.

There were many volunteers who joined in making this event a great success, as well as prize contributions, and the Town of Bethlehem is also grateful for the cheerful assistance and contributions of: Delmar Kiwanis Club; Delmar Lions Club; Blanchard Post, American Legion; Elks Lodge; Bethlehem Reserve Police; Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau; Bethlehem Town Clerk Carolyn Lyons; Bethlehem Highway Department, Marty Cross; Bethlehem Senior Citizens, Inc.; Eagles Nest Bike Shop; McDonalds of Delmar; Joyce McCann; K-Mart, Glenmont; Owens-Corning Fiberglas and the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department, Dave Austin.

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# BC's options

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The location of any new building would depend upon the population density and proposed residential developments, Loomis said. The school board has considered the Bethlehem Planning Board's decisions in its redistricting decisions in the past.

A new elementary school would mean less disruption but does not deal with deficiencies in other schools. A new middle school could mean two elementary schools would be sold and it is the most expensive construction option. Both options mean that redistricting is necessary.

Elementary additions, if made, would be to the Hamagrael, Glenmont and Slingerlands schools. The committee's report noted that the benefits of such a move would be lower construction expense, a continued sense of "neighborhood" identification between the students and the benefit of using existing administrations at the schools instead of creating a new system at a new school.

If additions were made to the elementary and middle schools, board member Charles Reeves suggested selling either the Elsmere or Glenmont schools because of their high commercial value and diminishing safety factors in the heavy traffic areas, and use the money for new building construction as well as adding onto the existing facilities.

## Short term options

The short-term options drew the most comments from the audience. Designated for implementation during the 1989-90 and 1990-91 school years while long term options are brought into effect, the plan offered three alternatives. First, the kindergarten classes would be moved to the high school; second, some

kindergarten classes would be held at the Clarksville Elementary School; and the fifth grade would be moved to the middle school.

The issue of whether to move the fifth grade up to the middle school from the elementary evoked strong response from the audience. Several who spoke were against moving the fifth grade up to the middle school, and many said instead they felt it would be better to move the kindergarten to high school.

The report cited several reasons against moving the fifth grade to the middle school, including problems with transportation and additional administration and guidance staffing. Comments from the audience raised questions about a fifth grader's ability to cope with making the adjustment to being with the older students.

William Faulkner of Delmar said he felt that a fifth grader would be going through a difficult growth period, both academically and emotionally, and he urged the board to use caution in moving the fifth grade to the middle school.

A mother said she was concerned about the pressures put on a fifth grader in the middle school to go to parties, have a girlfriend or boyfriend and the adjustment to the different grading procedure.

Another woman said she would like to see the kindergarten moved to the high school because those children aren't as deeply "entrenched" in the school system, and that such a move wouldn't be as disruptive.

Dennis Frank, a member of the Hamagrael PTA, said the proposal to move the kindergarten to the high school drew a lot of support from the Hamagrael PTA.

## No-build options

Under the "no-build" options, several alternatives involved the moving around of certain grades, much like the short-term options. They are:

- The current grade structures of K-5, 6-8 and 9-12.
- Place a kindergarten center at the high school with grade structures of 1-5, 6-8, and 9-12 with kindergarten.
- Move the fifth grade to the middle school with grade structures of K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.

• Move the fifth grade to the middle school and the eighth grade to the high school; the grade pattern would be K-4, 5-7 and 8-12.

The first three options were recognized as not feasible because they will eventually require some construction.

The Guilderland Central School District now uses with success school levels of K-4, 5-7 and 8-12, said facilities and enrollment spokesman Rich Young. He said under future Regents' planning programs, it may be required for eighth grade students to take high school level courses, making that option a more preferable one.

Faulkner said BC may be able to draw students from the eighth grade into specialized courses, such as Latin, and maintain student numbers in those classes and prevent course cancellation due to lack of enrollment if that grade moved to the high school.

Furthermore, the last option would only be adequate on a short term basis, through 1994 at the latest, and would serve only as an interim strategy.

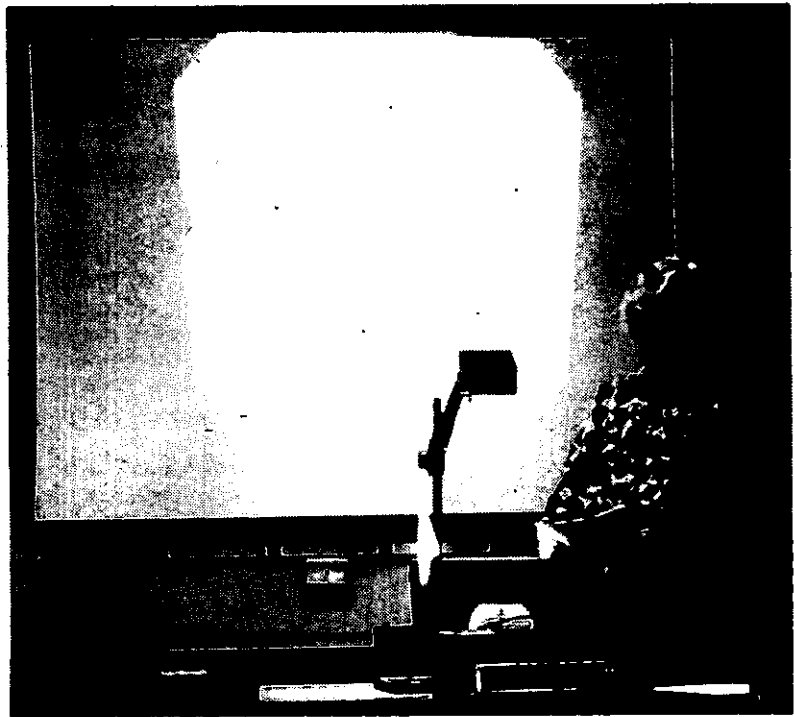
The report also noted other considerations, including redistricting — which was not a stand alone option, and was a necessary part of any course of action — and relocatable classrooms at Glenmont, which would offer good classrooms, and would take into mind other options for their use.

## Mosquito spraying program ends

The Bethlehem Town Board unanimously passed a resolution to discontinue the town's mosquito spraying program at the April 27 meeting.

Town Highway Superintendent Marty Cross, who requested the program closing, cited the cost and complexity of state Environmental Conservation Department regulations, pending restrictive legislation by the New York State Legislature and the unavailability of liability insurance covering handling accidents and pollution.

In a letter to the town board Cross said, "New regulations would make this program too labor intensive and cost prohibitive for the Town of Bethlehem to undertake at this time. One lawsuit, whether unfounded or not, would more than offset any of the positive aspects of this program."



Patricia Thorpe of the Bethlehem Central School District's facilities and enrollment committee delivers an overview of the space limitation options within the district to residents and the school board at a meeting last Wednesday.

Mark Stuart

## Area farmers' market opens

A farmers' market will be held each Tuesday through October at St. Vincent DePaul's Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany. The market will be open from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

A special market will be held at the Delmar United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 28, from 9 a.m. until noon. For information call 765-2331.

## Swim program registration set

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will conduct an in-person registration

for the summer tiny tot swim, learn to swim, stroke improvement and diving programs at the Bethlehem Town Hall on Tuesday, May 31, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

For information call the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department office at 439-4131. Registration is limited to Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District residents.

## Garage sale scheduled

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# Scope of impact statement debated

## How much will town demand of Cedar Ridge Developer?

By Theresa Bobear

After considerable debate last Tuesday night, Bethlehem Planning Board members decided on the scope of an environmental impact statement to be prepared by developers of the proposed Cedar Ridge subdivision in Slingerlands. Some 128 single-family lots are proposed for the AA-Residential Fisher Blvd. site.

While the planners approved a four-page proposed scope of the draft environmental impact statement presented at an earlier meeting, the board rejected most of the additional items suggested by area residents, including members of the Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning. The additional proposed scope requirements were formally presented last week by Edward Kleinke, town planning consultant.

"We can worry this process to extremes," said Board Member John LaForte. "The development proposes to build within the

density that the zone now requires."

Board Chairman Kenneth Ringler and Board Member William Johnston objected to the board's decision to eliminate review of the intended type, design and architectural style of the proposed single-family housing at the impact statement stage. LaForte said the market will dictate the style of housing. "If you want to dictate the architectural style, you do it in the deed," said Board Member John Williamson.

With Ringler and Johnston dissenting, the board voted against asking for a review of the proposed development's impact on transportation at the intersection of Orchard St. and Union Ave., and the intersection of Longmeadow Dr./ Van Dyke Rd. and Delaware Ave. The intersections were described as remote.

Proposals to prepare a visual assessment and describe the

recreational value of the Fisher Blvd. and Orchard St. corridors were also rejected by the board, with Ringler and Johnston dissenting. Board Member Marcia Nelson asked for an explanation of the public recreation value of private property. A resident explained that the streets were enjoyed by joggers and walkers.

A proposal to require an alternate density proposal with lots at a minimum of 20,000 square feet was rejected, with Ringler and Johnston dissenting. Lots with a minimum of 20,000 square feet are required in an AAA-Residential zone. The lots of the proposed Cedar Ridge subdivision exceed the town's requirements for the AA-Residential zone.

With Ringler and Johnston dissenting, the board voted against requiring the developers to include an anticipated project schedule with details on road and infrastructure installation. Williamson said construction projects are often not completed by the developer who makes the original proposal.

Proposals to request a list of the site's endangered species, a description of services provided by the Bethlehem Public Library and Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, and a description of projected increases in energy consumption resulting from the project were rejected by all members of the board except Ringler. "I think this is really going too far," LaForte said.

The board members unanimously agreed to require an analysis of existing watershed conditions and a review of "aspects of the environmental setting that may adversely or beneficially affect or be affected by the proposed Delmar Village project."

The board unanimously approved a four-page recommended scope for the draft environmental impact statement.

The developers will be required to provide information regarding the site's geography, topography and acreage, adjoining roadways, site access, zoning, environmental character, adjoining lands, visual character, soil types, agricultural uses, water table, wetland areas and streams, and flora and fauna. The board also requested information about the project, including a

description of anticipated construction and phasing schedules, land use and project benefits, all required project approvals, demographics and economics, solid waste disposal, adverse environmental impacts and mitigating measures, an alternate project density or design, irreversible conversion of resources, and the potential impact on the New Scotland Rd., Orchard St. and Delaware Ave. intersections with Fisher Blvd., as well as the intersection of Orchard St. and Cherry Ave.

When the draft environmental impact statement is filed with the town, the planners may require the developers to provide additional information. Ringler said anyone may inspect documents relating to Cedar Ridge and other development proposals at the Bethlehem Public Library or the Bethlehem Town Hall.

The meeting began with a public hearing on the proposed two-lot subdivision of the AA-zoned Wemple Rd. lands of Anthony and Edith Germano. Jay Jakovic, the owner of adjacent property, asked the board to impose specific conditions regarding drainage of the lots, including the maintenance and insurance of drainage ditches and a commitment to hook up to a town storm sewer if one is installed in the future.

"We'll be discussing it with the engineering department before a decision is made," said Ringler.

The board granted conditional final approval of the two-lot subdivision of lands of Meilak on Beaver Dam Rd. Building Inspector John Flanagan explained that developers do not have building rights until the conditions of the approval are met and the final approval is signed.

With no formal application to consider, the planners entertained discussion of the possible subdivision of lands of Briggs McAndrews at Stratton Place and Maple Terrace. Board Attorney John Mitchell explained that any development of land abutting the paper street connecting the two sections of Stratton Place would have to leave the paper street unencumbered.

Lindsay Boutelle, an engineer representing the property owner, said the \$30,000 to \$40,000 cost of connecting the street would be

difficult to justify for only two lots. Boutelle said the through traffic resulting from the connection might put a burden on the road, which is only 24 feet wide.

Neighboring residents asked board members to carefully review drainage problems in the area before deciding on any formal subdivision proposal.

A formal application for a two or three-lot subdivision with or without a proposed connection of Stratton Place may be presented at a future meeting.

Finally, the board approved a minor lot line revision for the Jessica Park subdivision and extended final plat approval for the three-lot Murray Wood subdivision until June 1.

The next meeting of the Bethlehem Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m.

### Tiny tots group forming

A new tiny tots play group is being started by Clara Simon at 109 Elsmere Ave. in Delmar, featuring Jewish songs, arts and crafts, swimming, trips and more.

The camp will run four mornings a week, from Monday through Thursday, June 27 to July 28. Children ages 3 and 4 will be accepted. There will also be a one-day a week program for two year olds.

For information call Simon at 439-8280.

### Student musicians make the grade

Samuel S. Bossella, Bethlehem Central music supervisor, recently announced result of the district's participation in the New York State School Music Association major organization competition festival.

The high school symphonic and string orchestras, directed by Mrs. Blanchard, earned A ratings at level 6, the most difficult category of competition. The high school wind ensemble, directed by Bozzella, also earned an A rating at level 6. The high school symphonic band, directed by Ms. Ferris, earned an A rating at level 5.

Middle school bands 7 and 8, directed by Mr. Smith, earned A and A ratings at levels 2 and 3.

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# Hudson Ave. variance denied

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals unanimously voted last week to deny Terry Ruppert's request for a variance to allow the storage of landscaping, driveway paving and snow removal equipment at 64 Hudson Ave.

At an earlier meeting, Ruppert said he had contracted to sell the property to a landscaping and snow removal business. The requested variance was a condition of the sale.

Board Member M. Sheila Galvin said she had "a problem with the lack of figures" Ruppert supplied in his application to substantiate his claim of hardship. "I can't find an economic hardship," she said. While Board Member Gary Swan claimed it was a "tough call," he said the owner "could not yield a reasonable return on the property."

Swan was in favor of granting the variance provided a number of conditions, including no repairs on the premises and no storage of fuels, were added to the approval resolution. However, Donald DeAngelis, the board's attorney, pointed out that the board currently has a lawsuit pending over the conditions of its approval for a variance granted to the Petrol Station on Rt. 9W.

Building Inspector John Flanigan and DeAngelis both said the conditions are tough to enforce and convictions are rare.

## Three injured in crash

The Albany County Sheriff's Department is investigating a two-car crash on Rt. 85A Friday, which reportedly sent three people to Albany Medical Center.

Deputies said Wilfred Rapp, 66, of Voorheesville struck the car driven by Richard Lech, 17, of Altamont on Rt. 85A. Rapp and Orvilla Rapp, 62, were reportedly taken to Albany Medical Center, deputies said, and 16-year-old Brian Logan was treated and released for injuries he sustained in the crash.

No charges were filed in the incident, deputies said.

## Hadassah celebrates State of Israel

Six capital district Chapters of Hadassah will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the State of Israel at Temple Beth Emeth, Albany, on May 25. The celebration will begin at 7:30 p.m. Call 377-0882 for information.

The Hudson Ave. building had been used for equipment storage by the Bethlehem Central School District maintenance department. A leaky roof forced the district to move its equipment. The board may vote on a formal resolution denying the request at its next meeting, June 1.

In other business, the board:

- Scheduled a public hearing for June 1 at 8:15 p.m. on the application of D and B Realty for a special exception to allow the storage of 18,000 gallons of gasoline, which is 3,000 gallons over the town limit. The Selkirk site, on Rt. 9W near Cottage Lane, would house a Stewart's convenience store and gasoline station.

- Scheduled a public hearing on June 1 at 8:30 p.m. to consider John O'Brien Long's application for a use variance to add a third family dwelling in an A-Residential zone at 413 Delaware Ave.

- Denied the request of the Four M Construction Corp. for two variances to permit construction of a home on a substandard Orchard St. lot. The lot does not meet the town's front yard requirements.

- Granted preliminary approval of a special use exception to Sheryl M. and Harry L. Allen Jr. of 672 Feura Bush Rd. The Allens requested permission to build two

## Delmar, Albany men face DWI charges

The Bethlehem Police Department arrested two people on misdemeanor driving while intoxicated charges in separate incidents last week.

A 41-year-old Delmar man was arrested for driving while intoxicated Wednesday night on Fernbank Ave. after being observed pulling into traffic on Delaware Ave. and cutting off two vehicles, police said. The man failed a pre-screening device test and was charged, police said.

The second arrest was a 36-year-old Albany man, who was stopped Saturday night for failure to keep right, police said. The man was observed by police weaving on the Normanskill Bridge and failing to keep right on Delaware Ave., police said. He was also charged with having a blood alcohol content of more than .10 percent, police said.

kennel runs on their property. The board decided to allow up to four adult dogs on the premises for breeding purposes.

- Granted preliminary approval of the request of Raymond F. Wolfe Jr. for the construction of an addition at 454 Russell Rd., Albany.

- Denied the request of Northeast Savings in the Town Squire Shopping Center to display a 2-by-15 banner outside their building for six months.

- Denied the request of Robert Gold for a variance to permit installation of a hot tub on his Woodstream, Delmar property.

- Granted to Jerald E. Vancik a variance from the maximum lot occupancy and rear yard requirements to permit construction of an addition.

- Held a public hearing on John and Deborah Kaplan's request for a variance from the maximum percentage of lot occupancy to permit construction of an addition at 68 Fairlawn Dr., Selkirk. Neighbors supported the request.

- Held a public hearing to consider Steven and Ilene Leveston's application for lot occupancy variance to permit construction of den and kitchen additions at 127 Westchester Dr., Delmar residence. Neighbors spoke in favor of the proposal.



Panhellenic Association members Nancy Rodgers, left, Phyllis Fletcher and Doris Baker get things ready for the association's garage sale at 65 Lyons Ave. on Saturday, June 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds from the event will be used for college scholarships.

## Bethlehem student vocalists in concert

Choral students at Bethlehem Central High School will present a free spring choral concert tonight (Wednesday) at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The Choraliers and Concert Chorus will sing spirituals, folk songs and selections from "West Side Story." The Sound System Singers will feature saxophonist Tim Hansen presenting Paul Desmond's "Take Five" and

Huey Lewis's "Hip to Be Square." Todd Goodins, Michele Hylan, Nicole Stokes and Eric Joachim will be vocal soloists. The members of the Excelsior String Quartet will perform as guest artists.

## Dancers close season

The Tri-Village Squares will hold their last square dance of the season on June 4, from 8 to 11 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Jim Ryans will be the caller. For information call 438-1227.

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# THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

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.

## WEDNESDAY 25 MAY

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

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

**Bloodmobile**, Bethlehem High School, Delmar, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

**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 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.

**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.

**Seafood Program**, "Seafood — A Healthy Choice," taught by Gail Bromley, William Rice Extension Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 7-9 p.m. Registration, 765-3550.

**Teddy Bear's Picnic**, for two to five year olds, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

**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.

**Annual Meeting**, Tawasentha Chapter NSDAR, with remembrance of Revolutionary War patriots, Delmar Reformed Church, 6 p.m. Information, 482-3865.

**Eastern Star**, Onesquethaw Chapter 818, dinner and meeting, Delmar Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-3883.

**Bethlehem High School Concert**, Bethlehem High School, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4921.

**Public Hearing**, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**Choral Concert**, featuring junior and senior high groups, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3314.

## THURSDAY 26 MAY

**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.

**Bethlehem Central Community Organization**, informational night on AIDS, with panel of a nurse, two doctors and a social worker, Bethlehem Central High School, room 46, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5679.

**"Business After Hours" Meeting**, sponsored by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, American Legion Hall, Elsmere, \$3, 5-7 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

## FRIDAY 27 MAY

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

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

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

**Locust Knolls Artisans**, show, junction of Rt. 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

## SATURDAY 28 MAY

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

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

**Bethlehem Public Library**, closed in observance of Memorial Day.

**Farmers Market**, asparagus, rhubarb, plants and baked goods, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 767-9809.

**Locust Knolls Artisans**, show, junction of Rt. 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

## SUNDAY 29 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.

**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**, service and Sunday school, 11 a.m., child care provided, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-2512.

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

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

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**, Eucharist with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

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

## area arts

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

### THEATRE

"The Nerd," Capital Rep, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through June 12. Tickets, 462-4534.

"Peter Pan," The Egg, Albany, through May 27. Tickets, 443-5222.

"The Fantasticks," Mac-Hyden Theater, Chatham, May 27-June 5. Tickets, 392-9292.

### DANCE

"Incredible Feet," Hallenbeck School of Dance, Albany High School Auditorium, May 26, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, 438-3664.

### MUSIC

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

### FOLK

Aztec Two-Step, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, May 27 and 28, 8:30 p.m.

Chuck Rosenberg, songs reflecting experiences during the Vietnam War, Studio Theater, The Egg, Albany, May 28, 8 p.m. Information, 474-5987.

### ART

"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.

ST1 "N.C. Wyeth: The Met Life Murals," State Museum, Albany, through June 5. Information, 474-5877.

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

"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.

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

"The New York State Capitol: A Place in History," 160 photographs and cartoons, State Capitol, State St. Lobby, through May, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 473-0341.

Works of Gallery Artists, Greenhut Galleries, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, through June. Information, 482-1984.

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Locust Knolls Artisans Show and Sale, junction of 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**MONDAY 30**  
MAY

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

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

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

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.

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Memorial Day Parade, sponsored by the American Legion, Elsmere Ave., Bethlehem Cemetery, Kenwood Ave., Adams Pl., Delaware Ave., and Memorial Park, step-off, 11 a.m. Information, 439-2257.

Memorial Day Parade, starting at Voorheesville Elementary School, 10 a.m.; ceremonies, American Legion Hall; children's races, 11 a.m.; Adult races, noon.

Main Square Shoppes, Memorial Day festivities with Skip Parsons' Clarinet Marmalade and Puddin' the Clown, Main Square Shoppes, Delmar, noon-3 p.m. Information, 439-6437.

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**TUESDAY 31**  
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Delmar Rotary, meets Tuesdays at Starlite Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6 p.m.

Bethlehem Swimming Programs, registration for Summer Tiny Tot Swim, Learn to Swim and Stroke Improvement and diving program, Bethlehem Town Hall, 6:30-8 p.m. Information, 439-4131.

**WEDNESDAY 1**  
JUNE

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 Wednesdays 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.

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Aquatic Project WILD, teacher workshop, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Bloodmobile, Voorheesville United Methodist Church, noon-6 p.m. Information, 765-4788.

**THURSDAY 2**  
JUNE

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

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

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

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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.

Wildflower Identification Walk, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 9 a.m. Information, 453-1806.

**FRIDAY 3**  
JUNE

Preschool Films, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 and 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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.

Beatlemania, salute to the Beatles, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**SATURDAY 4**  
JUNE

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


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

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**Great Garage Sale**, sponsored by the Association of Ladies of Charity, 114 Westchester Dr. North, Delmar, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 462-6947.

**Bird Watch**, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**Newspaper Recycling**, Town of Bethlehem Residents may bring bundled newspapers to town hall, 9 a.m.-noon.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**, Eucharist with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

**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.

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**Toddler Program**, stories, songs, and treats for the berry season, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

**Newspaper Recycling**, Town of Bethlehem Residents who have regular Monday pickup by private haulers may bundle newspapers separately for recycling pickup.

# AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY 25  
MAY

**Capital District Women's Political Caucus**, meeting with speech by Kathleen Waits, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 283-8416.

**HAVEN**, meetings for adults coping with the death of close friends, HAVEN Office, 1101 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 370-1666.

**Empire State College**, information session, 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 5:30 p.m. Information, 587-2100.

**Council of Community Services**, 61st Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner, Century House, Rt. 9, Latham, 5:30 p.m.

**Chapters of Hadassah**, celebration of the State of Israel's 40th Anniversary, Temple Beth Emeth, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 377-0882.

**River Valley Sweet Adelines**, Guest Night, Glen Worden School, Worden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 384-0473.

**Blood Pressure Screening**, Health Works, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 474-5370.

**Glaucoma and Hypertension Screening**, Community Health Plan, 1201 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Latham, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 783-3110.

**American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists**, second annual conference, Albany Hilton. Information, 462-0318.

THURSDAY 26  
MAY

**Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School Band**, concert, West Capital Park, Albany, noon-1 p.m.

**Visiting Nurse Association of Albany**, open house, Colvin Ave., Albany, 2-7 p.m. Information, 489-2681.

**Noontime Presentation**, "Paris in Japan: The Japanese Encounter with European Painting," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

**Concerned Friends of Hope House**, support group for families of substance abusers, Child's Nursing Home, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

**Historic Albany Foundation**, training for volunteer tour guides, 44 Central Ave., Albany, 6-8 p.m. Information, 463-0622.

**Hearing Endeavor for the Albany Region**, self-help group for persons with hearing disabilities, roundtable discussion, Room K226, Albany Medical Center Hospital, 7 p.m. Information, 445-4535.

FRIDAY 27  
MAY

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

SUNDAY 5  
JUNE

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

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**Sons of the Revolution**, annual ladies night meeting, University Club, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 486-2695.

**Allamont Station Squares**, square dance, Guilderland Elementary School, 8-10:30 p.m. Information, 382-0680.

**Empire State College**, information session, 155 Washington Rd., Albany, noon. Information, 447-6746.

**SATURDAY**  
MAY **28**

**3-D Show**, multi-media presentation with live performances, New York State Museum, Albany, 1 and 2:30 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

**Freihofers Run for Women**, with music and activities, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Information, 273-0267.

**Pine Bush Hike**, to look for the Karner Blue Butterfly, meet at Rt. 155 and Old State Rd., Guilderland, 10 a.m. Information, 462-0891.

**SUNDAY**  
MAY **29**

**Championship Mud-Boggin'**, to benefit the Arthritis Foundation, Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, Rt. 40, 1 p.m. Information, 829-2700.

**MONDAY**  
MAY **30**

**Memorial Day Concert**, "George Gershwin Salutes Irving Berlin," State Museum, Albany, 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

**TUESDAY**  
MAY **31**

**Farmers Market**, early crops, Saint Vincent DePaul's Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 765-2874.

**Environment 88 Public Meeting**, with Attorney General Robert Abrams and representatives of 25 environmental organizations, Legislative Office Building, Hearing Room C, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 486-5469.

**Counseling Lecture**, "Psychiatric Problems in the Elderly," Albany Medical Center, 7-8:30 p.m. Information, 445-3137.

**National Museum of Dance**, public opening, South Broadway, Saratoga Springs, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 584-2225.

**Computer Workshop**, "Advanced Lotus Techniques," College of Saint Rose, Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., continues June 1. Information, 454-5102.

**WEDNESDAY**  
JUNE **1**

**Women's Lecture**, "The Woman Within: The Importance of a Positive Self-Image," Russell Sage Center for Women's Education, 65 First St., Troy, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 270-2319.

**Handivan Workshop**, on masonry, Albany County Cooperative Extension, 230 Green St., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 463-4267.

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# Logo, slogan contest starts

The Bethlehem Networks Project announces a town-wide logo and slogan contest to be used in all project-related activities, as well as stickers for business windows, bumper stickers, tee shirts, local publications and more.

The logo, either a design or picture, and the slogan, a phrase or sentence, should convey all or some of: a positive influence network, made up of adults and youths interacting with other youths; Bethlehem as an individual community with unique characteristics; and a promotion of positive alternatives to substance use and abuse.

The contest is open to any student, from kindergarten to 12th grade, who resides in the Town of Bethlehem or attends school in the Bethlehem Central School District. This includes all BC schools, the St. Thomas School, A.W. Becker School, New Scotland residents attending BC schools, and any private school students living in the town.

Entries should be dropped off or mailed to Elizabeth Iseman, ESC, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar 12054, by Monday, June 6. Each submission should include name, home address and phone number, grade and school. There is no limit to the entries. Winners will be notified by Monday, June 13.

An awards ceremony will be on Sunday, June 19, at the Hamagrael School along with the awards ceremony for the Father's Day

## Slingerlands PTA elects officers

The Slingerlands Parent Teacher Association recently elected officers for the 1988-89 school year.

The officers are: Janet Shaye, president; Pat Loomis, vice president for membership; Kathy Gutman, corresponding secretary; Mary Ann Eaton and Judy Fruiterman, recording secretaries, and Kathy Decker, treasurer.

Race sponsored by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and Bethlehem Zephyrs.

All winning entries will be displayed at the Bethlehem Town Library during July.

The grand prizes will be \$75 and a book of McDonald's gift certificates for the winning slogan and the winning logo.

Prizes will also be awarded for the best logo and the best slogan at the elementary, middle and high school levels. For first prize,

\$50 will be awarded for each slogan or design at each level, for second prize, \$25 will be awarded, and for third prize, \$15 will be awarded.

Prize money has been donated by BOU; Albany Savings Bank, Owens Corning, American Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Bethlehem Athletic Association, Bethlehem Police Officers Union Local, Town Councilman Sue Ann Ritchko, Price Chopper, Citibank and McDonald's for the gift certificates.

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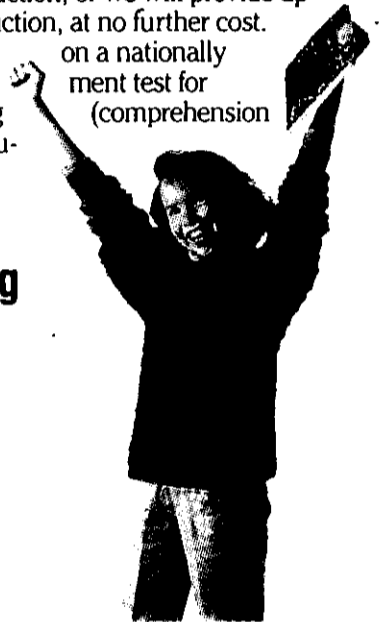
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# Shelter for girls opposed by neighbors

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Samaritan Shelters Inc. was granted preliminary approval for its proposed home for female juveniles on Beaver Dam Rd. in Selkirk Wednesday, but the Bethlehem Board of Appeals Decision has some Selkirk residents up in arms.

Preliminary approval was granted in a second vote after a motion to deny approval was defeated, 3-4. Board Chairman Charles Fritts cast the deciding vote to defeat the denial and break a deadlocked board. A second motion to grant approval was approved by one vote, 4-3. Also in favor of the use variance in the Residential-A zone were board members Orrin Barr,

## Selkirk

Robert Wiggand and Thomas Scherer.

Samaritan Shelters, already operating a boys home on Rt. 144 in Glenmont, requested a use variance to rehabilitate the former Coon residence as a shelter for up to ten juvenile girls. The "non-secure" home would be used as a residence for youths classified as "PINS", Persons In Need of Supervision. Samaritan is planning to spend \$50,000 on rehabilitation and modification of the property.

A group of residents who opposed the home at the public

hearing and their neighbors have organized to battle the decision, said Terri Lymburner, group spokesperson.

"We're upset about the decision and feel as though the residents were not heard," she said. "Not one of the residents spoke in favor." Some twenty residents attended a meeting Thursday and 25 attended a meeting on Sunday, said Lymburner, who lives 100 feet from the property. A petition, which had 60 signatures as of Monday morning, is being circulated, and letters have been sent to board members to encourage them to change the decision, she said.

"We intend to follow through as far as we can, if it involves lawyers and the supreme court, we'll do it," Lymburner said.

State institutions, such as mental health institutions, are not subject to local zoning ordinances when establishing group homes and do not have to apply for variances under state law. However, the law does not apply to the Samaritan Shelters facility, and the sponsors must go through the regular variance procedure because the house is in a residential zone.

"If this were a state agency we would have no discretion and I think we need it," Fritts said before casting his vote. However, he said the lot size of five and one-half acres also was a factor in his decision.

The proposed facility would house girls up to the age of 16 for up to 27 days, said Samaritan Executive Director Claudia Engelhardt at last month's hearing. She said a staff of two to five

adults would be on the premises at all times, but that the youths would not be locked up. The girls at the home would be ones who had experienced trouble at home, school or with parents or been in an abusive situation, she said.

Barr said he checked with a family court judge, who told him never heard of any problems at similar homes. "The children are not delinquents... not arsonists, not on drugs," he said. "Some of the kids are right from our own community."

Fritts said he also checked with police agencies about the boys home in Glenmont. "They haven't had any major problems," he said.

Board members M. Sheila Galvin, Dominick DeCecco and Gary Swan voted against the variance.

Galvin opposed the home because of the "self-imposed hardship" and said Samaritan had only looked at one other location "seriously." "I have a problem with the amount of (neighborhood) opposition," she said.

"While I think there is need for the facility... I think a more intensive search could be done even within the town in appropriate zones," said DeCecco. He said there were more suitable locations for the home, both in the town and out of the town. Swan said the property owners, Reginald Scott and Thomas Coyle, should have filed for the variance instead of Samaritan Shelters.

Swan said the residents of the area did not move to Bethlehem for anxiety. He said he saw a problem with the New York State Thruway, which is only 500 feet away from the home, increasing the potential for runaways.

"Are we doing the girls a service with a location so close to two excellent modes of transportation?" asked Kathy Searles, also a Beaver Dam Rd. resident. She said the home is not only near the Thruway, but also has railroad tracks behind it.

"We came to the area because it was a rural, residential area with no traffic... that's why we bought a house here," said Lymburner on Saturday. "We assumed since no one spoke in favor it wouldn't pass."

At its Sunday meeting, the citizens group cited three reasons for opposing the variance, Lymbur-

ner said. The town will lose tax revenue when the property is taken off the rolls and will gain no new jobs, she said. The group feels the property owners did not meet the appeals criteria of proving hardship because the owners could not get a reasonable return.

"We don't believe the property is unsalable. It was sold two times in 18 months," she said. "The owner imposed the problem himself," she said.

The third reason the group opposes the variance is that "use allowed by variance must not change the character of the neighborhood and we feel this does," Lymburner said.

Lymburner said the board's decision is "spot zoning" and that the home is different from other facilities in the area, such as the Glenmont Job Corps and the boys home because "no one is near them." "Beaver Dam is strictly residential with neighbors near (Samaritan's) property," she said.

"We don't believe they (Samaritan) looked very hard," Lymburner said. She said a real estate agent in the group was able to find four suitable properties within the Town of Bethlehem that were properly zoned and "we're talking about all of Albany County."

Searles, a member of the group, but speaking for herself, said she is concerned for the safety of her children since the home is not secure. She said placing the not-secure home in a residential area "doesn't make sense."

"We will peacefully and calmly let them (the board) know we don't think they considered what was said," Searles said. "Absolutely no one wanted this."

The board may vote on a formal resolution granting final approval to Samaritan Shelters at its next regular meeting Wednesday, June 1.

## Aquatic WILD workshop offered

An Aquatic Project WILD workshop for teachers will be held on Wednesday, June 1, at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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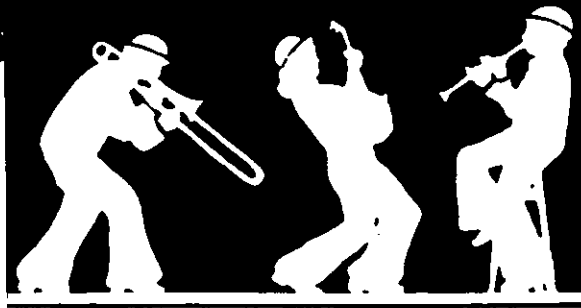
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# RCS plans asbestos testing

By Sal Prividera Jr.

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education dealt with several building and asbestos issues at last Monday's meeting.

District Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Angelo Rosato was appointed asbestos coordinator, according to Superintendent William Schwartz. Appointment of a coordinator is required of all school districts to oversee mandated asbestos testing and management under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Schwartz said Rosato has received training for his job as coordinator.

Professional Services Industries Inc. was awarded a \$31,853 contract to conduct the mandated inspection of all the district's building for asbestos, Schwartz said. The company will also

conduct air sampling tests for asbestos and prepare a management plan to deal with any asbestos found in the district.

The board also adopted a resolution to indemnify or protect school employees from lawsuits over asbestos, Schwartz said. Simeo Gallo, the district's counsel, recommended that the board pass a resolution to relieve individuals of liability, according to Schwartz.

The board also approved additional funding for the firm of Mendel, Mesick, Cohen, Waite and Hall, which is designing the proposed construction and renovation projects. Schwartz said the extra funds will cover the cost of the district's request for a different high school library design and the CAFE committee's request for an additional teaching station in the gym.

Originally, an addition to the existing library was planned,

Schwartz said. The superintendent said the current plan is calling for a new library to be added on to the building, with the "old" library becoming a classroom. He said the additional funding will pay for plans for both structures.

## Student, teacher win gold stars

A.W. Becker Elementary student Dean Kreplin Jr. won an essay contest award for writing about why his teacher deserves an A-plus.

Kreplin's essay recognizing his teacher David Selover as an "A Teacher" was selected from more than 500 essays entered by Albany County students into a contest sponsored by television channel WXXA and McDonald's restaurant.

Kreplin wrote, "He has changed my whole outlook on school. I have always found school hard and never enjoyed it. With him, and the way he gets involved, you're learning before you know it. He even gives up his lunch hour to help you. No one has to fight with me to do my homework anymore. I even enjoy doing extra projects. He's given me a reason to like school and do my best. This is why he should be awarded an A."

Thursday, Kreplin, Selover and the rest of the fourth grade class were filmed for a 30-second commercial to air on WXXA during "Teacher Celebration Week", from May 23 until May 30. The class will also share Kreplin's prize of dinner at McDonald's.

## Shelter's window hit

An incident of vandalism in Glenmont is under investigation by the Bethlehem police.

Police received a report Saturday of a window being broken at the Samaritan Shelters' home on Rt. 144 in Glenmont. The window was damaged by a single shot from a BB gun, police said. Police said two youths were seen in the area prior to the incident.

# News from Selkirk AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM



Cheryl Clary

767-2373

## Child care program opening

The 1988-89 year looks bright for after-school child care in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk area. The After School Activities Program board of directors is seeking qualified staff for positions at A.W. Becker Elementary School and Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School. The independent child care program is not affiliated with the RCS School District.

An assistant director for program planning is needed for 15-20 hours each week. Group leaders/teachers are needed to supervise the children.

To apply for either position, send a resume or letter to the After School Activities Program, Inc., Box 302, Ravena, N.Y. 12143.

## Seniors to visit castle

The Sunshine Senior Citizens of Selkirk will be visiting the Wilson Castle in Proctor, Vt., and the Early American Farm Museum in West Fort Ann, N.Y., on June 21. The group will view a working water wheel, a covered bridge and early farm equipment.

All seniors are invited. For reservations call 439-4560 or 462-0560.

## PTA officers elected

Recently elected officers of the A.W. Becker School PTA are: Lorna Milburn and Shirley Kreplin, co-presidents; Arlene Jordan, first vice president; Principal Al Keating, second vice president; Jane Hilson, recording secretary; Mary Rusik, corresponding secretary; Josephine Hargis, treasurer; Cathy Searles, hospitality; Marie McClumpha, publicity, and David Selover, membership.

## Fifth grade graduating

The fifth grade students at A.W. Becker Elementary School will graduate on June 23, at 10 a.m. The students will be dismissed at 1 p.m. following lunch. The class will visit Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts on June 3.

## Rocket club sponsors contest

The A.W. Becker Rocket Club will soon sponsor a contest on the school grounds. All district residents are invited to enter. For

information call Keith Searles at 767-2908.

## Flag burning scheduled

A flag burning ceremony will be held at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Selkirk, on Flag Day, June 12, beginning at 2 p.m.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion posts will assist in the proper disposal of worn or outdated flags.

Worn flags may be deposited before June 12 in collection boxes at the Bethlehem Town Hall, the Bethlehem Public Library and area schools.

## Spring concert tonight

Student musicians at RCS Junior High School will present a spring concert tonight (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m.

Selections will be presented by the seventh and eighth grade chorus, the sixth grade band and select chorus, the junior high jazz ensemble, the sixth grade chorus, and the seventh and eighth grade band.

## Students honored

Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School has announced students of the month for May. Students being honored include: Devon Davis, Derek Stephens and Kristen Burns, grade two; Kerri Brugermann, Jason Stephens and Karina Case and Stacey Sebert, grade three; Sean Newell, Danielle Blendell, Sarah Chatterton and Lisa Pietropaoli, grade four, and Crystal Callahan, Aleisha Olby, Candace Burgess and Tim VanDorn, grade five.

## Legion members lauded

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post of the American Legion honored two members at the recent past commanders and auxiliary presidents dinner.

George H. Ten Eyck of Delmar received the past American Legion commanders diamond pin for his service as a board of directors member.

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# June 9 revote scheduled for school district budget

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Voorheesville School District voters will go to the polls on Thursday, June 9, to vote on the \$7.8 million district budget that was defeated May 11.

After discussing reasons for voters' initial rejection of the budget, the board unanimously decided at a special meeting last Tuesday to put the budget up for vote a second time. The proposed spending plan is \$662,244 or nine percent higher than this year's budget and proposals.

"I suggest the same budget," said Board Member David Teuten, echoing his sentiments of last week. "I don't think a message was sent." He said he was "comfortable" with apathy and a large no vote as reasons for the defeat.

"My feeling is this is a good budget," said Board President Mary Van Ryn, adding she would rather put the same budget out than "take the nine vote margin as definitive. I'm not ready to revamp (the budget) without more no votes."

Board Member John McKenna said, "The groups at the outset (referring to the first two meetings for public input at the start of the budget process) stressed communication... and we did less, we didn't do more... people received less information

## Voorheesville

than last year." The board may not have "done something right communicating (to the voters)," Board Member Joseph Fernandez said.

The issue of communication was raised by board members last week as was the issue of apathy. Van Ryn said residents thought the budget would pass and did not vote. Superintendent Louise Gonan said "a number of people did not vote" while in the school building for a concert.

"In terms of history, this is not a small vote," said McKenna, who explained that this year's voter turnout was the fourth highest in the last nine years. While McKenna said the board "shouldn't run to apathy," he supported the idea of a second vote on the same budget because it was "basically a 50-50 vote."

Only one board member, Judith Shearer, was initially against putting the same budget before voters. "I don't think the original was bad, but I don't know if I'm comfortable coming out with the same one."

Several options for getting information to voters prior to the second vote were discussed by the

board including a letter and another budget pamphlet, which could include a "budget at a glance" format or a question and answer format.

The proposed budget includes:

- An increase of \$352,173 for teacher salaries and for the purchase of music and technology equipment.

- An increase of \$72,715 to cover hospital, medical and dental insurance rate hikes.

- An increase of \$40,398 for interest on the public library bond.

- Funding of \$15,000 to \$20,000 for a federally mandated asbestos management plan.

Under the proposed budget, tax rates could be:

- Increased for New Scotland residents by 6.76 percent or \$21.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value to \$344.25 per \$1,000.

- Increased for Guelderland residents by 18.8 percent or \$3.91 per \$1,000 to \$24.70 per \$1,000.

- Increased for Berne residents by 11.37 percent or \$67.77 per \$1,000 to \$663.85 per \$1,000.

The district is expected to receive \$3,005,238 in state aid next year.

Approximately one percent of the tax rates in each town is for the interest on the 10-year \$717,000-bond for the new Voorheesville Public Library, which by state law must be channeled through the school district's budget.

District residents who are 18 years or older and have resided in the district for at least 30 days are eligible to vote at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School on June 9, between 2 to 9:30 p.m. The senior awards night ceremony will be held at the high school on the same evening.

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Richard Leach, left, Voorheesville Central School's health coordinator, was the moderator for a panel discussion sponsored by Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD) on driving while intoxicated, which was part of "The World Thru Different Eyes" program at the high school Thursday. The panel was Ann Metzger, left, a DWI victim, Cheryl F. Coleman, Albany County Assistant District Attorney, Dennis Foley, of the county STOP-DWI program, and Capt. Mark Stevens of the Albany County Sheriff's Department. Sal Prividera Jr.

## Empire Passports now available

The 1988 Empire Passport, which provides unlimited vehicle entrance to most facilities operated by the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Preservation, is now available.

The passport can be purchased for \$25 from any state park office, state Department of Environmental Conservation office and at most state parks. The passport is valid from April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

For information call 474-0456.

## Nature walk planned

An early morning wild flower walk will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Thursday, June 2, at 9 a.m. All are welcome to join the free program. For information call Five Rivers at 453-1806.

## Handivan program wins honors

The Handivan home maintenance and repair education program, won a Mayor's Community Development Merit Award during a recent ceremony at Albany City Hall.

The free workshop and classes are presented by John Kohler. The program is funded by the Federal Community Block Grant Program and the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Albany County. For information call 463-4267.

## Transportation service sought

Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area is applying for a grant, under the Urban mass Transportation Act of 1964, to acquire vehicles for a transportation service for elderly and disabled people in Albany County.

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## State Trooper exam offered

Applications for the next State Trooper entrance examination on Sept. 24 are being accepted through Aug. 29.

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# Voorheesville NEWS NOTES



Staff 765-2451

## Voorheesville plans Memorial Day parade

The Memorial Day Parade in the Village of Voorheesville will step off from the Voorheesville Elementary School parking lot on Monday, May 30, at 10 a.m.

The marchers will proceed down Maple Ave., over Voorheesville Ave. to Main St. According to Ray Jones, commander of the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493, Memorial Day services will be held at the Voorheesville American Legion Hall. Mayor Ed Clark will address the group.

The Voorheesville and New Salem fire companies and ladies auxiliaries will participate in the parade. Also marching will be members of the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, Daisies and Brownies, kindergarten students from Voorheesville Elementary School and the Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville. Little League baseball teams sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, officials from the Town of New Scotland and the Village of Voorheesville, and members of other community organizations.

## Runners follow parade

Area runners are invited to join in the 15- and 3.2-kilometer runs following Voorheesville's Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 30. A 3.2-kilometer fun walk will also be offered.

The races are being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, the Village of Voorheesville, the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493 and the New Scotland Elks Lodge No. 2611. The TAC-sponsored runs will begin at noon at the Voorheesville Area Ambulance ambulance building on Voorheesville Ave., according to Herb Reilly, coordinator of the event.

The first three finishers in each division of the 15- and 3.2-kilometer races will receive trophies. The first 200 finishers in each race will receive a souvenir.

The entry fee is \$4 by mail if paid before May 26 and \$5 on the day of the race.

Children's races, ranging from 220 to 440 yards, will also be held at 11 a.m. on the village green. All children participating in the races will receive ribbons. The children's races are free.

For information call Reilly at 765-2538.

## Locust Knoll sale opens

The Memorial Day weekend will be memorable for craft lovers this year. The Locust Knoll artisans will open their show and sale of primitive and early American craft items on Friday, May 27, at Rt. 85A and Picard Rd. The sale will continue on Saturday, May 28, and close on Sunday, May 30. The show will be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day and from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday.

Locust Knoll artisans are: Linda O'Connor, quilt maker; Jean Petrie, caner; Linda Hladun, candle maker; Ellen Scofield, teddy bear and porcelain doll maker; Jean Goldstein, grapevine designs, and Bonnie Foster, potter. Guest artists will also be showing jewelry, wood crafts, weaving and folk art. The artists will be available to answer questions about their crafts.

## Library closes for holiday

The Voorheesville Public Library will be closed on Saturday, May 28, and Monday, May 30, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. The library will reopen on Tuesday, May 31, at 10 a.m.

## Bloodmobile visits church

A bloodmobile will visit the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville on Wednesday, June 1, from noon until 6 p.m. Anyone over the age of 17 and in good health is invited to donate blood. For information call 765-4788.

## Students present concert

Students in the Voorheesville Central School District will present a free choral concert tonight (May 25) at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, beginning at 7:30 p.m. All are invited.

## Boy Scouts enjoy weekend

Boy Scouts from Voorheesville Troop 73 were among the 3,200 scouts participating in the North-O-Ree weekend held recently at Saratoga State Park. The three-day gave John Halligan, Bob Stapf, Brian and Douglas Wuttke, Doug Condon, Tom Machia and Hans Keiserman an opportunity to meet and learn about their brother scouts from the northeast. The boys were accompanied by Joe Colburn, scoutmaster, Ray Ginder, assistant scoutmaster, Mike Jarus and George Wuttke.

## CPR training completed

Several members of the Voorheesville Central School District

physical education department recently completed an 8-hour cardiopulmonary resuscitation course taught by Terry Luyckx, a member of the high school staff.

Nadine Bassler, Ferne Horne, George Reilly, Dave Cady, Barbara Karl and Reed Schultz were certified after taking practical and written exams.

## Schools closed Memorial Day

Voorheesville schools will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. The high school, junior high school and elementary school will reopen on Tuesday, May 31.

## Dinner meeting set

The Onesquethaw Chapter 818 of the Order of the Eastern Star will hold a dinner meeting at the Delmar Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., on Wednesday, May 25, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Dorothy L. Barton, grand matron, will attend.

For information call 439-3883.

## Search for birds

An afternoon bird walk will be held at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, June 4, at 2 p.m.

During the 90-minute walk, the group will search for the Canada goose, the eastern bluebird and the bobolink. Sturdy walking shoes and outdoor attire are suggested. For information call 453-1806.

## Blood donations sought

A bloodmobile will be held at the Voorheesville United Methodist Church on Wednesday, June 1, from noon until 6 p.m. For information call 462-7461.

# Town acquires site for Clarksville well

By Patricia Mitchell

The well site for the Clarksville water district has been purchased by New Scotland, according to Supervisor Herbert Reilly.

The acquisition of the letting of the bids this week mean the project is on schedule, Reilly said. Construction is expected to start on July 1.

"I think the people will be happy. We are on schedule," Reilly said.

The land on Rt. 32 was sold by the Howard Wisenburn family to the town for \$55,000 in the Thursday agreement. Reilly said the town has agreements with the

owners of land for the pump site and tank, and will be closing on the sales.

A public hearing will be held on an expected increase in cost for the district on Wednesday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. The cost is now estimated at \$2,025,000, an increase of \$209,500 from the original figure of \$1,815,500. The increase will cover expected cost overruns due to a delay in starting the district. The town board is expecting to borrow the funds from the Farmers Home Administration.

The town board will also hold a special meeting on Friday, June 17, to open the construction bids.

# Board grants 3 variances

The New Scotland Zoning Board of Appeals approved three variance requests at its meeting Friday.

Board Chairman James Sanderson also said the board denied a fourth request in a split vote.

A setback variance requested by Sam Bell to build an addition to his house on Rt. 85, south of Stove Pipe Rd., was approved without conditions, Sanderson said.

A request from Fred and Doris Kirk for a setback variance to build an addition to their house on Rt. 85, near Upper Font Grove Rd., was also approved without conditions, Sanderson said.

The zoning board also approved

a setback variance request without conditions for Joseph Buehler on Delaware Turnpike to build a garage, Sanderson said.

However, a request from Lawrence Bartkus of Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville for a setback variance was not approved because Bartkus did not prove hardship, Sanderson said. The home is not in violation of the zoning ordinance, and Bartkus was requesting to build an addition to his home within eight feet of the property line while the zoning ordinance requires 15 feet. The board voted 2-2 on the request, and therefore did not approve it, Sanderson said.

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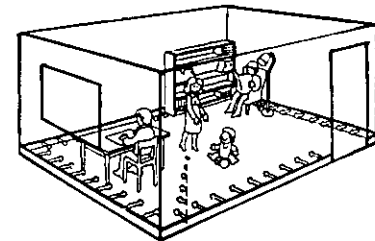
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# Corsi case: should sheriffs duty count?

By Patricia Mitchell

A state Supreme court judge will decide whether time served by Bethlehem Police Sgt. Louis Corsi as a sheriff's deputy can be counted when he applied for a promotional exam last year.

Corsi is attempting to block his decertification from the sergeant's

position he held since December 1987. He had 23 months with the Bethlehem Police Department when he took a civil service exam last June although 36 months were needed to be eligible to take it. He claims he was told time with two other departments would count towards the exam requirement, but the Albany

County Civil Service Commission decided in February to decertify him because he did not have enough time served in Bethlehem.

Corsi's show cause order before state Supreme Court Judge William McDermott Friday is the second lawsuit stemming from his promotion. Officer Cynthia Reed-Kerr brought a suit last month to force the town to explain why she was passed up for promotion to sergeant after placing first on the civil service exam.

State Supreme Court Judge F. Warren Travers decided last week against ruling on Reed-Kerr's suit until Corsi's case is decided.

Corsi placed third on the sergeant's exam last June, Officer

Marvin Koonz second and Reed-Kerr first. They were interviewed by a promotion board, which recommended Corsi be promoted to sergeant by the town board.

At the heart of Corsi's suit against the Town of Bethlehem and the Civil Service Commission is whether deputy sheriffs can be considered police officers in promotional exams. Corsi spent four years in the Albany County Sheriff's Department, part of that time as a sergeant. Corsi also served on the Coeymans police force.

In court last week, it was revealed that the county civil service commission received a letter from the Municipal Service Division of the state Civil Service Department on Feb. 18, indicating

that deputy sheriffs should not be considered police officers in promotional exams under Section 58.1b of the Civil Service Law. That section applies to local government police departments with 150,000 or less in population.

Tom Burch, an attorney for the county, said based on that letter the county decided to decertify Corsi as sergeant. Burch said after appearing in court he thinks that section of the Civil Service Law should be studied to see if it applies.

Jeffrey Honeywell, Corsi's attorney, said after court he doubts that Section 58 applies. All parties involved acted in good faith, he said, but the county civil service commission decision to decertify Corsi was a mistake.

"We think Lou Corsi is a good cop and he should be allowed to continue in his position as sergeant," Honeywell said.

When Corsi wanted to transfer to the Bethlehem Police Department he was told by the county civil service commission that he could bring time served with the sheriff's department but he could not bring his rank as sergeant, Honeywell told McDermott. When he applied to take the sergeant's exam last year, Corsi and Bethlehem Police Chief Paul Currie were both told by the county that the time would count, Honeywell said. He said he believes that ruling was correct.

Honeywell also said in court that Corsi was not notified or asked to comment by the county until he received a letter from the county civil service commission notifying him of its decision to decertify him.

Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said the town has acted in good faith.

Corsi is continuing as sergeant because he received a court order blocking the town from taking any action against him or his position until a decision is handed down from the state Supreme Court.

Bethlehem has advertised for a new sergeant's exam to be given next month.



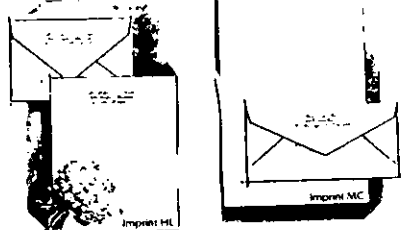
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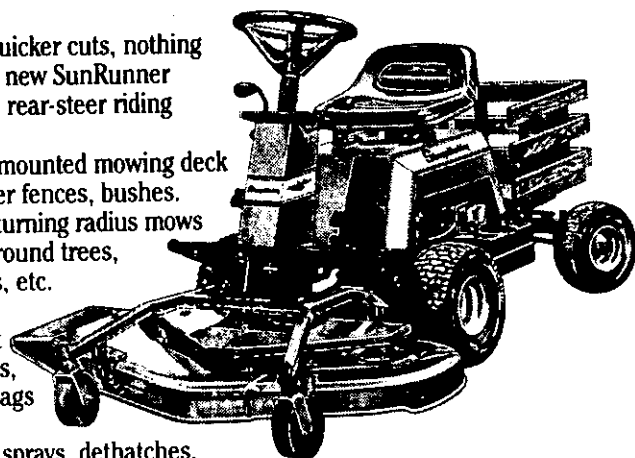
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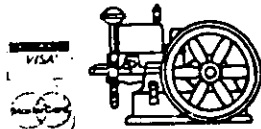
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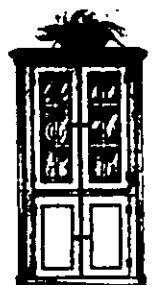
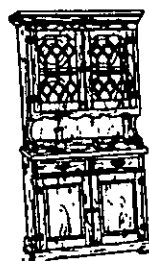
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# Selkirk air tests

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wants to establish a data base from the atmospheric testing for future reference for problems that may arise. He said GE has "always been a good neighbor" but that the community "wants assurances about the air quality."

"I don't want to have to come back in a year because we have a problem; if there is a problem, we want to have a data base (from this study) to work from," Moon said.

"The key is we are becoming more and more of an industrial area."

Several residents have complained about odors, which all three parties agreed may be caused by the high concentration of industrial emissions in the area.

**"The key is we are becoming more and more of an industrial area."**

Specifically, Garry Neighmond of the DEC cited aldehyde emissions from the diesel engines in Conrail's Selkirk yards and formaldehyde emissions at the Owens-Corning plant, which have doubled since the plant opened a second production line in 1987. Neighmond said formaldehyde and other chemical members in the aldehyde family may be contributing to odor problems in the Selkirk area. Aldehydes, he said, are common chemicals found in cigarette smoke, car exhaust, building trade materials and virtually any kind of combustion exhaust.

Other area industries mentioned by Neighmond as possible contributors to the odor problem were Texas Eastern Gas, Blue Circle-Atlantic Cement, Callahan Industries, which operates an asphalt plant, Niagara Mohawk's steam plant on Rt. 144 and traffic exhaust from the Thruway and Rt. 9W.

Texas Eastern had an incident in March when a valve at its Selkirk facility was left open for a half hour, allowing a non-flammable gas to escape, according to Neighmond. About a quart of the gas, which is mixed with propane to give it a smell for detection purposes, escaped and was reported by residents of Schodack, across the Hudson River. No reports were received from residents of Selkirk, however.

"Formaldehyde is ubiquitous, we're going to find it everywhere in Albany County," said Art Fossa of the DEC's Bureau of Toxic Air Sampling.

Rita Cleary, a resident of Selkirk, said she has compiled statistics from area school officials and school records indicating that there is a high amount of asthma cases in the area schools, which she said she attributes to the air quality in the area.

According Albany County Health Commissioner William Grattan, no definitive study concerning the long-term effect of formaldehyde on humans has been made. He said long-term exposure of laboratory animals to high concentrations of formaldehyde caused nose, throat and oral cancer, but pointed out that

ambient levels would never be as concentrated as the experimental levels. He did say short-term exposure to ambient levels of formaldehyde by humans causes irritation in the upper respiratory tract and eyes, and although it can not cause asthma, it can worsen an asthmatic condition.

Dr. Grattan said he was contacted by the DEC last Friday and will study the information compiled so far by the DEC concerning the formaldehyde levels.

"Unlike in the lab, it is hard to say with absolute certainty what the cause for the rise in asthma is, there are a quite a few variables," Dr. Grattan said. He said he plans to compile data from area school health officials and records.

He said five to 10 percent of all children are likely to have at least one or more episode of asthma on the average, and that there have been no reported cases of death caused by asthma.

In order to evaluate the overall ambient air quality of the Selkirk area, the DEC will use a mobile detection unit known as a trace atmospheric gas analyzer, or TAGA. The TAGA will take samples around the Selkirk area at unannounced intervals, according to Fossa.

The TAGA, which is about as big as a CDTA bus, was first used in 1979 to analyze air samples at a

chlorine and propane rail car accident near Buffalo, Fossa said. The TAGA can now measure certain chemicals, such as dioxins, up to the parts per billion and others up to parts per trillion, but cannot analyze formaldehyde because formaldehyde is too light.

In addition to readings by the TAGA, there will be stack tests to analyze the incinerator's ability to maintain a complete burn of hazardous wastes. The incinerator will be "spiked" with special compounds that don't burn easily to measure traces of emissions in the stack. The compound used, according to Fossa, will be carbon tetrachloride, which was once used in fire extinguishers.

Joyce said GE does not burn formaldehyde and that he personally would like to see "overkill" in the study to assure the community's safety. "We live here in the area too," he said.

Joyce said that air quality samples taken since the incinerator began operation in 1983 have actually improved. The last atmospheric tests were conducted in 1981 and 1982, the results of which are available to the public, Joyce said. Furthermore, he said GE would be willing to pay for another air quality test. He said the federal government recently passed an act requiring reports to the public on the emission levels from industrial burning.

Both Dudley and Joyce have said they will take part in forming a citizen's advisory board, which Bethlehem Town Councilwoman Sue Ann Ritchko has said she plans to become a member of. Ritchko, along with Bethlehem Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor, attended Thursday's meeting.

## Store shortchanged

Bethlehem police are investigating the theft of cash from a convenience store cashier at the Town Squire Shopping Center on Rt. 9W last Monday.

Police said the cashier reported that two black males entered the store and paid for an item with a \$20 bill. While one questioned the cashier, the other repeatedly asked for change, police said. Police said \$126.65 was taken in the incident.

## Books for sale

The Unitarian book sale will be on Saturday, June 4, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., at the Delaware Plaza, Delmar.



The newly elected officers of the Bethlehem Progress Club are, from left, seated, Margaret Holmgren, second vice president; Peggy Zimmerman, president and Lois Dillon, first vice president. Standing, Virginia Russom, recording secretary; Nancy Bosworth, corresponding secretary and Jeannette Hall, treasurer.

Mark Stuart

## Progress Club installs officers

Delmar Progress Club officers for the 1988-89 year were installed by Mrs. Kenneth Ford, a former president of the club, at the annual meeting May 9.

Mrs. Ford is the current chairman of citizenship division and public affairs department of the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The incoming officers are: Mrs. Joseph F. Zimmerman, president;

Mrs. Edward R. Dillon Jr., first vice president; Mrs. Raymond Russom, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert A. Bosworth, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Jeannette Hall, treasurer, and Mrs. Paul Buehler, assistant treasurer.

Members of the board of directors are Mrs. William P. Blackmore and Mrs. Harry K. Spindler.

Mrs. John E. McLean was elected to the nominating committee.

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# Town board approves mine deal

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the proposal. Concerned Citizens is also seeking to remove Town Attorney Fred Riester from the case and to force examinations of witnesses before a state Supreme Court trial they said they will still pursue.

"Your day is coming, Herb," said Karen Magrum, a member of Concerned Citizens, at the end of the meeting.

The 27-acre gravel mine has long been a subject of controversy in the town. The mine east of Rt. 155 near Voorheesville was mined briefly last summer until litigation halted work. The town's zoning ordinance prohibiting mining in the zones where it is located was upheld by the Appellate Division earlier this year, but was sent back to state Supreme Court for a trial on the history of the case. That trial has not been held.

The town board voted 3-1 to accept a proposal that would end the lawsuit, with Republican Councilmen Allyn Moak and Wyman Osterhaut joining Reilly and Councilman John Sgarlata casting the sole negative vote. Reilly and Sgarlata are Democrats.

Sgarlata said he doesn't believe the town can risk a its water resource, and that the decision means that the zoning ordinance will be useless, casting doubt on the town's ability to control its future. New Scotland needs to send a message that it listens to its residents and stands up to developers, he said.

The debate over the gravel mine has been a difficult issue for the town board, Reilly said. After the meeting he said he would have liked never to have dealt with the

issue but he believes agreeing to end the litigation was the best course for the town. He said he is pleased with the parts of the settlement that allow the town control over the mine, including the power to shut it down.

Moak said for the past two years he has listened to rhetoric, truths and half truths, and while it would be nice to see the issue with tunnel vision, he has to decide what is best for the town. He said he voted on his own conscience so he would be able to look at himself in the mirror.

After the meeting, Concerned Citizens Chairman Robert Morrison said his group will go forward with the lawsuit. It is obvious that residents of the town don't want the mine, he said, and that Concerned Citizens' position is strongly supported.

Morrison also charged that Reilly is participating in a coverup by stopping pre-trial examinations of former town officials who have been subpoenaed to testify in the state Supreme Court trial.

"You want to begin calling this New Scotland-gate? I think we should," Morrison said.

Town Democratic Party Chairman Thomas Dolin echoed the charge that a coverup was going on, and he said after the meeting there is an effort by incumbent board members (Reilly, Moak and Osterhaut) to prevent disclosure of what took place. He said no one can explain why the town board is rushing to settle the lawsuit. A committee representative approached Reilly before the meeting to ask him to postpone the vote, and he declined to do so, Dolin said.

Reilly has done "a complete

betrayal" from what the party stood for, Dolin said, and he is "very disturbed at his actions." The party committee will be meeting Sunday, June 5, to discuss Reilly's actions, Dolin said.

"Herb has totally broken from his promise to the citizens," Dolin said.

However, Reilly said no one approached him formally from the Democratic Party. A committee member did suggest last week that the vote be postponed but he also made some suggestions on the proposal.

Reilly also said Morrison and James Eberhardt, another member of Concerned Citizens, met with him about a month ago and claimed they had a "smoking gun" that would destroy the miners case, but they would not identify what it was. Reilly said he is concerned that the pre-trial examinations would hurt the town's case more than help it.

At the meeting, several members of the audience asked that more information be gathered on the potential effects of the mine before the town board votes on the proposal and questioned why the town board was moving ahead with the settlement.

Reilly said after the meeting that he will continue to gather information on the potential effects of the mine and forward the information to DEC.

Members of the Orchard Park Neighborhood Association spoke in favor of settling the lawsuit that would allow them access to the mine site to get public water. Some wells in the neighborhood contain methane, sodium and other pollutants. Association

President Pat Bulgaro said the town board was faced with a very difficult choice. While no one wants the nuisances of the mine, he said his neighbors live with the nuisance of bottled water.

Gary Ellsworth said the association honestly feel their families' lives are in danger.

No one is crazy about trucks driving through the town, said association member Tony Mistretta, but there will be development in the town and gravel trucks will be driving through then.

Meanwhile, the stew of lawsuits surrounding the gravel mine has become thicker as Concerned Citizens have petitioned the state Supreme Court to remove Riester from the case because he is a potential witness and has an apparent conflict of interest, Morrison said. A hearing will be held on June 15. Morrison also said his group is joining with Larned and Sons in other legal actions to hold the pre-trial exams as soon as possible.

However, Riester said being a potential witness is not a conflict of interest, but instead has an impact on his ability to be an advocate for his client. He has a responsibility to be an advocacy and a witness, and he doesn't believe his adversary has a right to demand his withdrawal from the case. Riester said nothing prevents him from representing the town during the settlement of the litigation.

## Student awards Schimanski honored

Lori A. Schimanski of Delmar was honored for her academic achievements at Lehigh University during the university's recent honors convocation.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schimanski of Delmar.

## Area students win law school honors

Two Delmar residents earned honors at the Western New England College School of Law.

Maureen Gross of Delmar, a senior, has been awarded the American Jurisprudence Award for federal civil trial advocacy.

Suzanne Capone of Delmar, also a senior, has been awarded the American Jurisprudence Award for family law. Capone is the daughter of Samuel and Marie Capone of Delmar.

## Break-in attempted

Bethlehem police are investigating an attempted break-in of a Meadowbrook Dr. home in Delmar after the owner reported the incident Sunday.

Police said someone tried to gain entrance to the home by prying a rear first floor window and a patio door. Damage was done in both areas, police said.

## Slingerlands items go in time capsule

The kindergarten class of Slingerlands Elementary School, the members of the high school class of 2000, will join other kindergarten students of the district in burying a time capsule at the quad section of Bethlehem Central High School in June.

The capsule, donated by Niagara Mohawk, will contain news items of interest including the October snowstorm and the end of the *Knickerbocker News*, as well as lists of current prices, trends, and popular music and toys.

The children are compiling this information under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Helen Salamone. The spot will be marked by a plaque donated by Applebee Funeral Home.

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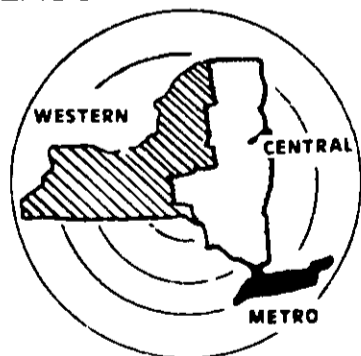
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# Secret meeting Voorheesville honors

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Because a quorum of the five-member village board was present, the session would be considered a meeting under the state's Open Meetings Law, said Robert Freeman, director of the state Committee on Open Government. All meetings have to be preceded by a public notice, including postings and notifying the local media.

When asked why there was no notification of the meeting, Clark said, "We just didn't notify anybody." He said the board was "clearing up odds and ends" and that it was "not a formal meeting." Clark said the board "didn't know about the meeting in time to notify" the media or residents and questioned whether that should prevent the board from meeting.

Concerned Citizens Chairman Robert Morrison said Friday his group did not want the meeting publicized, and that it was premature to announce it. "I don't know where (reports of the meeting) came from," Morrison said.

Clark said a proposal from Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, Inc., that the village consider becoming party to the lawsuit currently bearing the name of his group and the Town of New Scotland against the 27-acre gravel mine on the Tall Timbers Country Club, just east of the village, operated by William M. Larned and Sons, was heard by the board. After a half-hour presentation, the board asked for more information on the suit and its current status, he said.

The town board accepted a proposal Monday night to end its participation in the litigation and to send Larned's request back to the planning board to decide whether to allow the operators to continue mining. Morrison said his group asked the village to join in the suit in any case, but particularly if the town decided to drop out.

If the village joins the suit it would also replace Councilmar

John Sgarlata, who recently had his name removed from it due to a potential conflict of interest, Morrison said. Sgarlata was named as a plaintiff in the original suit brought by Concerned Citizens in October, 1986.

Because proposed litigation was discussed, Freeman said some of the meeting could have been conducted in a valid executive, or closed, session. However, a motion must be made in an open session to go into executive session. Freeman said a public notice would still have been needed for the open session.

Clark said the board had to find out the legal implications of the suit, the prospects of costs and find out what the community wants. "All us have to talk to people and see how they feel," he said, adding that the board was "not in a hurry to reach a conclusion."

Morrison noted that his group is not asking the village to bear any costs in the litigation. "It's an excellent idea," Morrison said.

The matter was to be discussed at Tuesday night's regular board meeting.

Also at last Tuesday's meeting, the board looked at the village sidewalks in an effort to determine where to put new ones and discussed the pending solid waste removal program, Clark said.

## Baum elected

Mitchell P. Baum has been elected to serve as a student senator for the 1988-89 year at Messiah College in Harrisburg, Pa.

Baum, a freshman, is the son of Barry and Mary Baum of Delmar.

The following list is the third quarter honor roll for grades seven through nine at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. One asterisk indicates high honor roll. Two asterisks indicate the superintendent's honor roll.

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# GE, McDonalds tied for first in majors

By John Bellizzi III

McDonald's defeated Spotlight and General Electric Plastics last week to increase their record to 5-2 in the Tri-Village Little League major division, tied for first place with G.E. Starwood Fund Raising (4-2) is a close second place.

McDonald's defeated Spotlight in the first major game of the week last Monday. They continued their success on Saturday by shutting out G.E. 1-0 in an exciting contest. Matt Thornton scored the winning run for McDonald's in the first inning, when he drew a walk, advanced to second base on a passed ball, and scored on Scott Hasselbarth's single. Hasselbarth's RBI single and singles by Thornton and Adam Holigan were the only three hits off of G.E.'s Chris Macaluso, who went the distance on the mound, striking out eight and walking five.

Pitchers Hasselbarth and Brian Garver combined for the three-hit shutout. Matt Winterhoff, Jeff Dievendorf and Macaluso had their team's only hits, three singles.

Last Tuesday, G.E. defeated Verardi by a 16-3 margin. Winterhoff backed his pitching performance with a double and a single. John Matagaras and Farbstein both doubled, and Mike Carpenter and Brian Winterhoff had two singles apiece. Singles by Dievendorf, Andrew Kinney and Gary Van Wormer completed General Electric's victory.

Matt D'Ambrosi was Verardi's starting pitcher, relieved in the third by Brad Mattox. Joe Thierry

and Ronnie Hollins went to the mound in the sixth inning to finish the game. Offensively, Thierry's two doubles led the team. Two singles by Jon Gould and a single by Robin Bellizzi were the team's only other hits.

Owens-Corning faced Starwood twice last week. The first time, last Thursday, Owens-Corning was the victor 12-11. Mike Soronen was the winning pitcher. Teammates Chad Mallow, Greg Sack and Tom Leyden singled for Owens-Corning.

Jon Pesnel was Starwood's pitcher. Pesnel aided his own cause with three singles, Jeff Hoefs hit two singles, and Sam Stasko hit two singles and a double. Mike Breslin aided the losing effort with a home run.

When Owens-Corning Fiberglas and Starwood next met Saturday evening, Starwood emerged the victor by a score of 13-2. Sean Brewer was the winning pitcher, and backed his pitching with a triple. Stasko and Pesnel each contributed two singles, Breslin and Hoefs each a double, and Shawn Walmsley a single.

Sack and Bob Keparutis combined on the mound for Owens-Corning. Leyden, Nathan Kosoc, Lonny Winter and Aaron Tannata all had hits for the losing team.

Also on Saturday, Spotlight picked up their first victory 15-5 over Verardi. Scott Lobel went the distance for Spotlight and got the win, striking out seven and allowing only five hits, with singles by Gould, Mattox, Erick Bartoletti and Jason Silber and Mike O'Donnell.

Mattox started pitching for Verardi, giving up six runs on one base hit in three innings. Bartoletti gave up five hits in two innings of relief. George Kansas led Spotlight's offense with three singles, and Josh Willey and David Decker both had hits.

Previously undefeated Main Care of the Intermediate League met its first defeat of the season Sunday at the hands of Farm Family. Main Care is now 6-1.

Manufacturers Hanover tied with Messina and Cahill in the junior league to break the tie for first place between Hanover and Bryant Insurance. Bryant has the lead with a 5-0 record and Manufacturers Hanover is second with Fantastic Sam's trailing in a close third place.



Pitcher Tommy Feller of Buenau's warms up between innings during Tri-Village Little League action last week.  
John Bellizzi III

## NFL players scheduled for Normanside benefit tourney

On June 13, the Normanside Country Club in Delmar will be the site of a sporting event that may look more like an NFL summer training camp than a golf tournament.

How's this for starters: Buddy Curry, linebacker for the Atlanta Falcons, Tim Sherwin, tight end for the Indianapolis Colts, Ray Butler, wide receiver for the Seattle Seahawks, and Chris Hinton, all-pro lineman for the Indianapolis Colts. That's quite an entourage on the gridiron, but can carry their weight on the fairway as well as they do on the fifty?

That remains to be seen when the Tim Sherwin Celebrity-Key Bank Pro-Am golf tournament to benefit Cystic Fibrosis gets underway next month.

Rounding out the field of scheduled players will be the 1987 Heisman Trophy runner-up

Don McPherson of Syracuse University, Bob Terpening, general manager of the Indianapolis Colts, Jeff Hayes, punter for the Washington Redskins, and Rich Kotite, offensive line coach for the New York Jets.

Just the thought of these players putting their weight into a drive brings to mind the popular beer commercial where hefty ex-baseball slugger Greg Luzinski drives a golf ball to China.

The weekend will begin with a pre-tournament party at O'Flaherty's Loudon House in Loudonville on June 12 from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$35 per person and include beer and wine, hors d'oeuvres and grounds privileges for the tournament on the following day.

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## Eagles top Dutchmen

By John Bellizzi III

Last week's continual downpours caused four of Bethlehem Central's scheduled varsity baseball games to be cancelled, but they did little to dampen the team's spirits, and their winning streak continued with a victory over Guilderland.

The score of last Monday's game against the Dutchmen was 8-6 in the Eagles' favor. Mike Hodge was the starting pitcher, hurling for the first six innings, with Sean Lynch in relief.

Pete Coccozza went three for five with three singles, and Hodge backed his pitching performance at the plate with a double and a triple in four times at bat. John Reagan singled to add to the Eagles' scoring effort.

Hodge scored the tying run in the seventh inning on a close play at the plate, coming home on a passed ball after hitting his triple. Chris Pratt and Kyle Snyder scored on Coccozza's single to give the Eagles the victory.

BC's games against Shaker, Linton, Burnt Hills and Coopers-town were cancelled due to weather. This week, the Eagles were scheduled to face Burnt Hills on Monday and Shaker on Tuesday.

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# RCS's week highlighted by 3 big meets

By Curt VanDerzee

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Boys' Track Team had a very busy week as they placed fourth in the Albany County Meet on Tuesday, and then won their twenty-fifth consecutive dual meet Thursday, as they blew away Cohoes 94-29. On Saturday the boys placed thirteenth in a field of 50 at the prestigious William F. Eddy Jr. Track Meet at Union College, the highest finish ever in that meet for Ravena.

On Tuesday, the Indians placed fourth in the Albany County Meet, finishing behind Class A

## Track

powerhouses CBA, Colonie and Albany High. Mike Frazetta, who won his second consecutive high jump title, and Tim Baranska, in the 110-meter high hurdles, both came away with firsts. Baranska also took second in the intermediate hurdles and in doing so had the second best time in all of Section II this year and broke his own school record.

Two other school records were

broken on the day. Scott Hughes broke one by taking second in the 400-meter run and the two-mile relay team of Frazetta, Bob Misuraca, Hughes and Baranska, which also took second, set a record.

Bob O'Neil placed second in the long jump for the Indians.

On Thursday, the Indians crushed an overmatched Cohoes team 94-29, in the pouring rain. The win raised the Indians' record to 4-0 in the Council and 6-0 overall.

On Saturday, the Indians travelled to Union College to participate in the Eddy Meet, in which 50 of the top schools from around the state competed. Frazetta took second in the high jump with a jump of 6'2". He just barely missed 6'4" which was the winning jump. Hughes took fourth in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:58.4. The Indians also got a sixth place finish from their 4x200 relay team of Hughes, Art Burnette, Frazetta and Baranska. This was the first time that the Indians had ever participated in

this event and were the only team from the Capital District to qualify for the finals. Coach Gorham was very pleased with the effort of Bob O'Neil who took eighth place in the long jump with his best jump of the year.

This week the Indians have the

## Birds split a pair

By Darrin G. Duncan

The Voorheesville Boys' Tennis Team went 1-1 last week to give them an overall record of 11-2 and a league record of 9-2.

They dropped their rematch with Albany Academy 6-1. Chris Stevens lost 6-0, 6-0 as he was manhandled by Academy's Greenwood. Dave Mistretta lost a tough match to Quinby 6-2, 5-7, 6-1. Dave Larabee also lost 6-1, 6-4. Tom Kurkjian gave the team its only point by winning 6-4, 7-5. Ken Andriano played an excellent

### Downs wins college athletic award

Margot A. Downs of Delmar, a student at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, was recently presented with an athletic award for the college's winter sports season.

A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Downs was awarded varsity numerals in ice hockey. She is a member of the college class of 1991.

Coed Councils at Cohoes on Tuesday. On Thursday the boys will attempt to complete their third consecutive undefeated season when Albany Academy comes to town. On Saturday they travel to Queensbury for Sectionals.

## Tennis

match but fell short of victory 6-4, 6-7, 7-5. Quinby-Greenwood proved dominant in doubles by defeating Mistretta-Kurkjian 6-0, 6-0, and Stevens-Larabee lost 8-6.

The Birds came back to beat Schalmont 4-3. Stevens won 6-2, 6-2 in the first position. Mistretta lost 6-2, 6-3, and Kurkjian won 6-2, 6-3. Matt Bates won easily 6-1, 6-0 while Matt Hladun and Steve Smith were beaten 6-0, 6-2.

The netmen will be looking forward to this Thursday when they will find out their position in sectional play

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# Bethlehem netmen salvage stormy week

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

After tallying a win against Scotia on Tuesday and losing to Guilderland on Wednesday, the Bethlehem Boys' Varsity Tennis Team came up just about even this week.

The Eagles met Scotia on Tuesday after being rained-out on the last Monday, and defeated them 7-2. Senior Brian Saleans swept his second-seeded opponent, 6-0, 6-0. Mark Woodruff not only broke his losing streak, but in the process defeated his number three opponent B. Bardinal 6-3, 6-2. Also, Mark Petherbridge defeated his number four opponent J. Ruber 6-2, 6-3, Mike Chung over J. Halter 6-2, 6-1, David Pierce over D. Taff 6-2, 6-1 in the number six singles position, Sam Ernst and Jeff Ellenbogen over Grabree and Straus 6-1, 6-1, and Rick Eirhorn and Paco Thornberry over Keegan and Lockwood 6-2, 6-0. Eirhorn and Thornberry have had a real roller coaster season where the wins have been sweet and the losses very unexpected.

This match was a sweet one.

After notching this convincing win, the Eagles were quickly disheartened by Guilderland 6-3. Despite the loss, Bethlehem's dynamic-duo doubles team of Ellenbogen and Ernst helped bring the Eagles to victory by crashing their opponents 6-2, 6-4. Junior Neil Breslin fought back hard to beat VanNess who is seeded number two in the Suburban Council (singles) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4. He notched this impressive win in just under three hours with the help of Coach Suzanne Schaefer's pep talks.

The Suburban Council tournament was moved to Saturday due to rain. Seniors Eric Lee and Brian Saleans have come together as a doubles team and have advanced to the semi-finals.

On Monday, the Eagles continued the Suburban Council tournament. Bethlehem meets Mohanasen on Tuesday and Troy on Wednesday (away), and will begin team sectionals on Thursday and Friday.



## Courts of appeal

Hoping for better weather, Bethlehem Tennis Association members Douglas and Charlotte Maeder and Nancy Boucher discuss plans for the their Spring Tournament at the Elm Avenue Park. The tournament will be June 3 through June 5 and June 11 and June 12 at the park. The events are open to all town and school district residents as well as association

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### Tri-Village Little League

Standings as of May 23, 1988

Majors

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McDnlds	5 2	Verardi	2 4
Strwood	4 2	Spotlight	1 6

Juniors

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Man Han	4 ½	Klersy	1 ½
Fan Sams	4 1	Messina	1 ½
St Farm	3 ½	Main Sq	1 5
Pratt	4 2	Stewrts	0 6

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National	W	L	American	W	L
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Concord	4	1	Frm Fam	4	2
VFW	4	2	Vail	2	4
Hoogys	3	3	Hnd And	1	4
Pr Grnlf	2	3	Roberts	1	5
Buenau's	1	5			

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# Blackbirds victorious

By Matt Hladun

Although the baseball season for the Voorheesville Blackbirds is coming to a close, they are playing as well as they were at the beginning of the season.

The Birds had one game on their schedule last week against Cohoes. They played well en route to a 5-2 victory.

The Blackbirds were able to get the key hits when they needed them most, such as John Traudt's two-run home run to lead the 'Birds.

John Lawrence, who was on the mound for the Blackbirds, pitched very well.

The Blackbirds are 9-8 overall, and 5-6 in the Colonial Council. They are most likely to finish in fourth or fifth place in the league, with five games remaining. Coach Reinisch hopes that the 'Birds perform well this week because it will either put them up or down in the standings. He is also looking for a possible sectional bid.

# BC feels end of season heat

By Sarah Scott

The bad weather has caused havoc to the Bethlehem Softball Team's schedule for the past week. The Eagles were scheduled to play four games, but only two were played. The first was last Monday at Burnt Hills. BC lost 9-8.

Coach Kelly Keller said: "Nothing went well the whole game. The whole team was tired. The entire team did not have an 'on' day."

The two pitchers, Cheryl Lovelace and Kristi Burkart, only had one strikeout during the game. The defense also had a difficult day, making seven errors. Offensively, the team also had troubles. There were only four hits the entire game. Burkart led the team with a triple. Sharon Keens, Michelle Lorette, and Lisa Rivenburg each had one single.

Bethlehem had better luck when they played Saratoga. Although BC was behind after five innings, they pulled ahead to win 12-7. The game had to be played regardless of the rain and all of the other cancellations in order to finish the regular season before sectionals. Because the field was so wet, both teams

committed many errors. Kim Dale pitched the entire game and gave up only two walks. Keller said: "Kim Dale did a great job under the conditions. She is very even, and handled a situation that other pitchers probably couldn't have handled."

Offensively, BC scored its runs from walks and errors made by Saratoga. Again there were only four hits. Rivenburg, Amy Koski, Julie Francis, and Keens each had

a single. Rivenburg, Koski and Keens have been a strong asset to the team offensively in the past weeks.

Bethlehem will finish its regular season this week. On Tuesday, BC will play Niskayuna at home, and on Wednesday, BC will play Burnt Hills at home. The team has a great deal at stake entering these two games. BC is ranked second in the Suburban Council with a 9-4 record. Columbia is first (10-2), Shen-

dehova is third (8-4), and Burnt Hills and Niskayuna are tied for fourth place (8-5). Bethlehem will not know until the conclusion of Wednesday's game whether it will have a place in sectionals. If Bethlehem makes it to sectionals, they will play the first round this Friday (May 27). The semi-finals are on June 1, and the finals are June 3. Although much of the team's immediate future is still unknown, they are optimistic and "hope to pull it off".

# Rain spoils Babe Ruth games

Rain interrupted the Babe Ruth schedule last week, but the league was able to play five of the seven games with some rescheduling.

Monday night G.E. Selkirk rode an eight-run second inning to an 11-3 victory over Ted Danz. Matt Ahern had three hits for G.E. while David Meles of Ted Danz had a double.

On Tuesday night Owens-Corning came from behind scoring two runs in the fifth and three in the sixth to squeeze by Starwood 10-9. Shaun Keneston scored the winning run on a wild pitch. Andrew Black had four singles for Starwood.

On Friday night G.E. Selkirk won its second game of the week downing Davies 10-5. Kevin

Kaparatus had a home run and a single for the winners while Mike Pratt had two singles for Davies.

The two games scheduled for Saturday were rained out. Owens Corning and Houghtalings Market were scoreless after 2 innings before the rain forced a halt to the game. The second game between Tend Danz and National Savings never got started. Both games will be rescheduled and played either the first or second Sunday in June.

On Sunday the two games rained out earlier in the week played. In the first game Davies broke a four game losing streak by nipping National Savings 10-9. William Spenner was the winning pitcher, Dan Goeldner had a two-

base hit for National Savings.

In the second game Houghtalings Market beat Starwood 14-4. Chris Siciliano of Houghtalings went four for five and Mike Hoefs of Starwood went two for three.

## Bethlehem Babe Ruth

Standings as of May 22, 1988

	W	L	W	L
Htlings	3	1	Nat Sav	2 2
O Corn	3	1	Davies	1 4
Danz	3	2	Strwood	1 4
GE	3	2		

# Saba, Ross lead BC

By Randi Fraiman

The Lady Eagles track team did not have a very good week as a couple of meets were rained out and the meet they did compete in they lost.

On Tuesday, Bethlehem lost to Burnt Hills 97-72 and Niskayuna 96-72 in a double dual meet. Despite the loss, there were several outstanding performances. Kathy Saba won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:22.2, Kelley Ross placed first in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet 6", her personal best. Sascha Mayer placed a strong second in the 100-meter dash.

## Swimmer wins letter

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# Lady Indians disprove skeptics

By Curt VanDerzee

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Softball Team continued their winning ways last week. They won both of their games and moved to within a game of first place in the Colonial Council. That's not bad considering the fact that the Indians have only two seniors in their starting lineup and they were picked to finish no higher than sixth.

On Monday, Lansingburgh came into town with a 12-0 record hoping to clinch the league title. But instead they left town with

their first loss, clinging to a one game lead.

The Indians, who won 11-7, were led by their big guns Cherie Prior and Athena Caswell. Prior had two singles, a double and three RBIs. Caswell chipped in with a couple of singles and three RBIs.

Hope Ackert got the win to raise her record to 13-3 and the team's to 14-3.

On Tuesday, the girls, as they have done all year, came through in the clutch to pull out a tough 8-7 victory. Mechanicsville jumped

out to a quick 5-0 lead after two innings and led 7-4 at the end of five and a half innings. In the sixth the Indians picked up two runs on a clutch two-out single by Kathie Desrouchers, to move within one run at 7-6.

Then, in the bottom of the seventh with two outs, Martie Arnold singled. She advanced to second on a passed ball and scored when Caswell reached second off of a fielding error in centerfield.

That tied the score at 7-7. After a single by Lisa Holsapple to put runners on first and third, the Indians got the winning run on an error by the shortstop.

The win raised the Indians record to 11-2 in the Council and 15-3 overall.

The Indians have only one regular season game left before they begin sectional play. They will travel to Watervliet on Tuesday.

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# Blistering Birds!

## Harriers' future looks bright

By Matt Hladun

Although the Voorheesville Girls' Varsity Track Team is young, they are breaking records left and right.

At recent meets, Rachel Martin ran a 2:17.4 in the 800-meter run, Carey Donahue sprinted to a 28.2 in the 200-meter dash. Nicole Solomos, only an eighth grader, finished the 100-meter dash in 13.6 seconds and triple jumped 30 feet 7 1/2".

All of these performances broke school records, except for Solomos' 100-meter dash, which tied a mark set by Fran Spreer in 1983.

Stephanie Brown is in pursuit of breaking a record set by herself in the 1500-meter run of 5:27.

Kim Sullivan is also trying to break her own 400-meter hurdle mark of 76.7. She has come close to breaking this record several times this season.

Another rising star on the track team is Cortney Langford. Langford, who is only in seventh grade, has impressed coaches Brian Dollard and Chris Cashin on many occasions. She has competed in the 400- and 800-meter runs, the 100-meter hurdles, the high jump, and the triple jump.

Although the season is winding down, the track team's outlook for next year looks very good. They will have Donahue, Solomos, Brown, Sullivan, and Langford all back next spring.

## Pair shine in Eddy meet

By Matt Hladun

Saturday, two track stars from Voorheesville competed in the prestigious William F. Eddy Memorial Track Meet. Rachel Martin competed in the 800-meter run, and Dan Jackson competed in the discus throw.

Martin turned herself up for the Colonial Council Championships and the Class CC Championships by taking second place in 800-meter at the Eddy Meet. Her time of 2:17.4 was bested only by Saratoga star Sherrie Goddard, who clocked a time of 2:12.4.

Martin's time was also the second fastest in Section II so far this season.

Meanwhile, Jackson tossed the discus a distance of 148'9", far from his personal best, but good enough to take fourth at the Eddy Meet.

Jackson is undefeated in discus competition at dual meets this year and recently took the gold medal at the Albany County Meet, where he also took third in the shot put. He was the only field athlete to finish first in one event, and in the top three of another.

Both Martin and Jackson have hopes of continuing this season to the State qualifier June 3, and advancing on to the New York State Championship Meet at Baldwinsville June 10.

## BC awards night June 2

The Bethlehem Central Athletic Association's 43rd Varsity Award Night and Picnic will be at the Bethlehem Town Park, Thursday, June 2, from 3 to 8 p.m.

The event is open to all varsity award winners, members of the junior varsity and freshmen

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Charles B. Fritts  
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(May 25, 1988)

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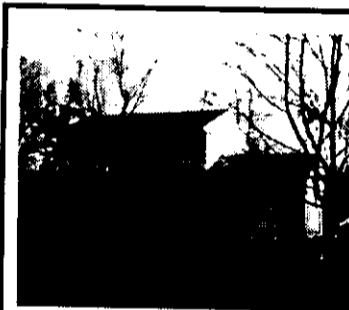
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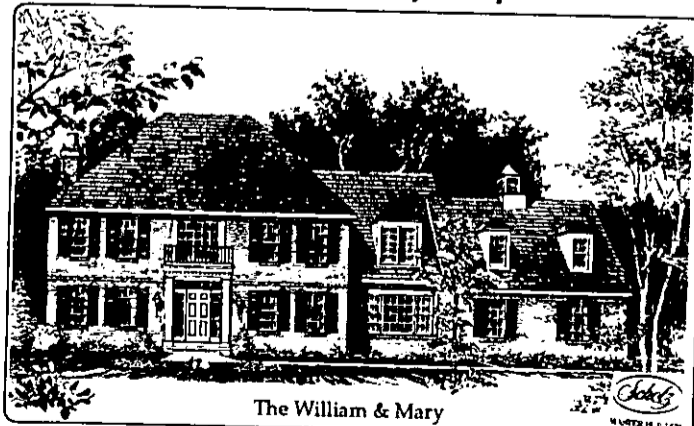


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# Obituaries

## Ralph Young

Ralph Young, 94, a long time Delmar resident, died Wednesday in the Guilderland Center Nursing Home.

He was born in Carlisle, N.Y., and was a Delmar resident for 70 years before moving to the nursing home in 1987.

He was a graduate of the Albany College of Pharmacy and a professor at the college for 10 years. He then became a self-employed building contractor, retiring in 1978.

He was an Army veteran of World War I and a member of the Delmar Reformed Church for over 50 years.

He is survived by his wife, Zuera D. Young; three sons, Dr. Owen W. Young of Kenmore, N.Y., and Richmond C. Young and Wilson D. Young, both of Delmar; and nine grandchildren.

Burial was in the Cobleskill Rural Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad.

## Mabel Turner

Mabel C. Jones Turner, 84, of Delmar died Wednesday, May 15, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after a brief illness.

She was born in Feura Bush and was a Delmar resident for over 40 years. She was a retired keypunch operator for the D & H Railroad.

She was a member of the Delmar Reformed Church.

She is survived by two sisters, Bertha Gerard of Albany and Jeannette Secor of Delmar; two brothers, Peter W. Jones of Delmar and Leonard L. Jones of Galway; and many nieces and nephews.

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

Contributions may be made to the Endowment Fund of the Delmar Reformed Church.

## Helen Hoffman

Helen M. Hoffman, 82, of Delmar died Tuesday, May 17, in St. Peter's Hospital after a brief illness.

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

She was a member of the Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary since 1937 and a Sunday school teacher at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Delmar.

She is survived by one daughter, Susan Manning of Clifton Park; one son, Alan C. Hoffman of Delmar; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad.

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## Gwendolen Wehrle

Gwendolen Tibbits Adams Wehrle, 93, formerly of Delmar, dies May 17 at the Eden Park Nursing Home in Albany after a long illness.

A homemaker, she was born in Delmar and was the wife of the late Earl C. Adams, and Carl L. Wehrle. She was the mother of Mrs. Eva Woods of Columbia, Md. and Mrs. Betty Pelton of Delmar; grandmother of C. Paul Woods, Jr. of Washington, D.C. and Mrs. Carla Pelton Jackson of Chattanooga, Tenn.

She was buried at the Bethlehem Cemetery.

## Anna Franchini

Anna Franchini, 57, of Voorheesville died Sunday, May 15, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after a long illness.

She was born in Albany and was employed as a clerk by the New York State Public Service Department since 1983.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville and the Italian-American Community Center in Albany.

She is survived by her husband, Lawrence Franchini; five sons, Marino Franchini, Michael Franchini, John Franchini, Paul Franchini and James Franchini; one daughter, Nancy Cozzy; a sister, Mary Raciti; and eight grandchildren.

Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont. Arrangements were made by the Lasak and Gigliotti Funeral Home, Albany.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Albany.

## Jack Smith

Jack Smith, 50, of Orlando, Fla., a former Voorheesville resident and creator of the "Sniff 'n' Snuff" cartoon series, died Thursday, May 19, at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady.

He was born in Albany and graduated from Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville. He enlisted in the Navy in 1955 and while in the service created the cartoon series "Sniff 'n' Snuff".

He attended Pratt Institute in New York City, the Junior College of Albany and received an associates degree from Valencia Community College in Orlando.

He was employed for many years by Walt Disney World in Florida in the Audio-Anamatics Department.

He is survived by his father, John F. Smith of Clarksville; his mother, Helen K. Wormer of Altamont; two brothers, Nicholas Smith of Voorheesville and William G. Smith of Duanesburg; and a sister, Ellen V. Boyer of Altamont.

Private services will be held at the Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans.

## Raymond B. Lee Sr.

Raymond B. Lee Sr. of Feura Bush died May 16 at Albany Medical Center Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Albany, he moved to Feura Bush in 1965 and was a long-haul truck driver for Montgomery-Wards for 36 years before retiring in 1987. He was a member of the Teamsters Local 294 for 45 years.

He is survived by his wife, Amelia Collen Lee; his children, Catherine A. Lee, Mary P. Lee, Charlene Breedon, Marilyn L. Chase, Raymond B. Lee Jr. and



At the Bethlehem Public Library's gala celebration of its 75th anniversary May 14, Mrs. Eleanor Clarke, president of the Friends of the Library, presents a plaque honoring Progress Club members of 1913 who started the library to Mrs. Eunice Spindler, president of the Progress Club.



Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl accepts an award for 38 years of service as a library trustee from William Seymour, vice president of the Library's board of trustees.



## FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glastetter

Date	Department or Unit	Reason for Call
May 12	Voorheesville Ambulance	Unknown Illness
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
May 13	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
May 13	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 13	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual Aid
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
May 13	Onesquethaw Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 13	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 14	Delmar Ambulance	Standby
May 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
May 14	Voorheesville Ambulance	Respiratory Distress
May 15	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 15	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
May 15	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 16	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Personal Injury
May 16	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal Injury
May 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
May 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Respiratory Distress
May 17	Voorheesville Ambulance	Unknown Illness
May 18	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
May 18	Slingerlands Rescue Squad	Rescue Call
May 18	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Auto Accident
May 18	Delmar Fire Dept.	Heart Attack

Michael R. Lee, all of Feura Bush; brothers Willard V. Lee and Brewer F. Lee, both of Albany, Joseph E. Lee of Colonie, Alfred T. Lee of Millersville, Md. and two grandchildren.

Burial was at the Memory's Garden Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Clarksville Community Church or the Onesquethaw Rescue Squad in Clarksville.

## Talent showcased

Scott Apicelli of Delmar, a senior percussionist at the Berklee College of Music in Boston, was recently featured in "Percussion Unlimited," a concert of contemporary percussion ensemble compositions.

He is majoring in music production and engineering.

Newly elected officers of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Delmar Fire Department are: Jill Junco, president; Paula Rice, vice president; Maureen Wright, recording secretary; Sandi Williams, corresponding secretary, and Pat Carazza, treasurer.

The Town of Bethlehem Fire Officers elected their new officers for the year. They are: Charles Wiekum, president; Bill Eck, vice president, and Tory Morrill, secretary/treasurer.

News items for Fire Fighters Corner may be submitted by calling Isabel Glastetter at 439-2627.

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# Teen Night returns

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Teens will have a place of their own to hang out on Friday nights again this summer when "Teen Night" at Del Lanes begins this Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The program is being offered again this year because of the success of last year's program, which averaged 100 teens each Friday night, said Ken Ringler of Del Lanes. The "teens only" night is co-sponsored by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (BOU) and Del Lanes. Also involved in the project are the Bethlehem Central High School Chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving and the Leadership Club of the Bethlehem Middle School.

"Teen night" is an alternative for those looking for something to do on a Friday night instead of alcohol parties. "The important message to kids is, 'here is something to do,'" said Holly Billings of BOU.

Live bands and disc jockeys will provide the music from 7:30 to 11 p.m. every Friday until July 29, and there will be reduced price bowling, movies, pool and snack bar for the teens, Ringler said.

A summer-long battle of the bands will be held with a \$300 prize provided by BOU for the winner, which will be chosen by voting this year, he said. The first band, Technical Difficulties, will play Friday, said Billings. Interested bands should contact Billings or Stacy Carson and Jacqui Steadman at the high school as some dates are still available.

Ringler and Billings both invited input into teen night activities from teens. "We'd like them to feel its their thing," Billings said.



Gail Mealy

## Mealy-Quinn

Carroll Mealy of Albany has announced the engagement of his daughter, Gail Anne, to Brian Dalmer Quinn, son of Dr. and Mrs. Brian Quinn of Delmar.

The bride-to-be is an officer of Irving Bank Corporation in New York City. She graduated from the Emma Willard School and Mount Holyoke College.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and St. Lawrence University, is a vice president and senior treaty underwriter of Constitution Reinsurance Corporation in New York City.

A September wedding is planned.

## Sheridan-Murphy

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Sheridan of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Maire, to Carl Henry Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murphy of Syracuse.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and she is employed by Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland in Syracuse.

Her fiancé is a chef at the Bellevue Country Club in Syracuse. An Oct. 15 wedding is planned.

## Grosvenor-Fatovich

Judith Moll Grosvenor of Slingerlands and John Grosvenor of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenny, to Peter Alexander Fatovich Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fatovich of Crestwood and South Kingston, R.I.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of The Albany Academy for Girls and Smith College, and she received her master's degree from Teachers College at Columbia University. She is employed by Time, Inc., of New York City as a writer and producer for *Sports Illustrated*.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Archbishop Stepinac High School and St. Michael's College, is an account executive at VCA Electronics, an independent television production company in New York City.

An October wedding in Waitsfield, Vt., is planned.

## Chamberlin-Grosvenor

Mr. and Mrs. R. Guy Chamberlin of Loudonville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Page Bancroft, to John Hosmer Grosvenor Jr., son of Judith M. Grosvenor of Slingerlands and John H. Grosvenor of Troy.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of The Albany Academy for Girls and the University of Vermont. She is a portfolio accountant with the Boston Company.

Her fiancé is a graduate of The Albany Academy, Bowdoin College and is currently a candidate for his master's degree in business administration at the Boston University School of Management. He is also a vice president with Bay Bank.

An August wedding is planned.

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## BIRTHS



### Albany Medical Center

Boy, Christopher Allen, to Cheryl Ann and Bruce Bently, Slingerlands, Feb. 24.

Boy, Christian Bonneson, to Linda and Rene LaBier, Voorheesville, March 19.

Girl, Jennifer Lee, to Donna B. and Gregory Lewis, Selkirk, March 21.

Girl, Katherine Marie, to Maureen and Craig Roberts, Selkirk, March 22.

Girl, Stephanie Stanton, to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sloane, Delmar, March 22.

Boy, Ryan James, to Dee and Jim Banagan, Delmar, March 22.

Girl, Alyssa Elise, to Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boynton, Delmar, March 24.

Boy, Kevin Michael, to Janet and Michael Cassidy, Delmar, March 27.

Boy, Michael Glenn, to Beth and Mark Scher, Slingerlands, March 27.

Boy, Adam Joseph, to Lisa and William Wood, Voorheesville, March 30.

Boy, Tyler Wells, to Cynthia and Robin Ashley, Slingerlands, March 31.

Boy, Thomas Anthony, to Madeline and Robert Catalano, Delmar, April 2.

### Massachusetts

Girl, Katheryn Mason, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew G. Waugh, Beverly, Mass., March 5. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Waugh of Delmar.

### Mt. Kisco Hospital

Boy, Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Plunkett, Westchester County. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ahlstrom of Delmar.

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## Community Corner

### Happy Memorial Day!

The Memorial Day Weekend means parades and fun family outings. The American Legion will sponsor a parade through Delmar starting on Elsmere Ave. at 11 a.m. There will also be parade in Voorheesville beginning at the elementary school at 10 a.m.

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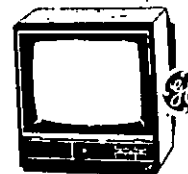
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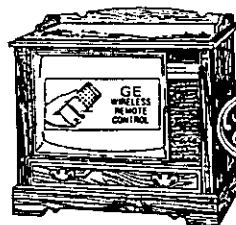
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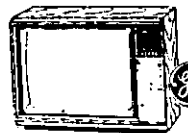
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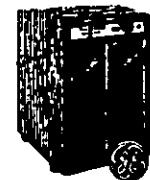


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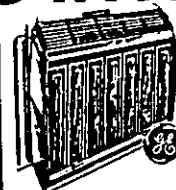
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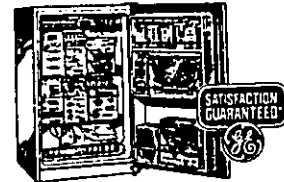
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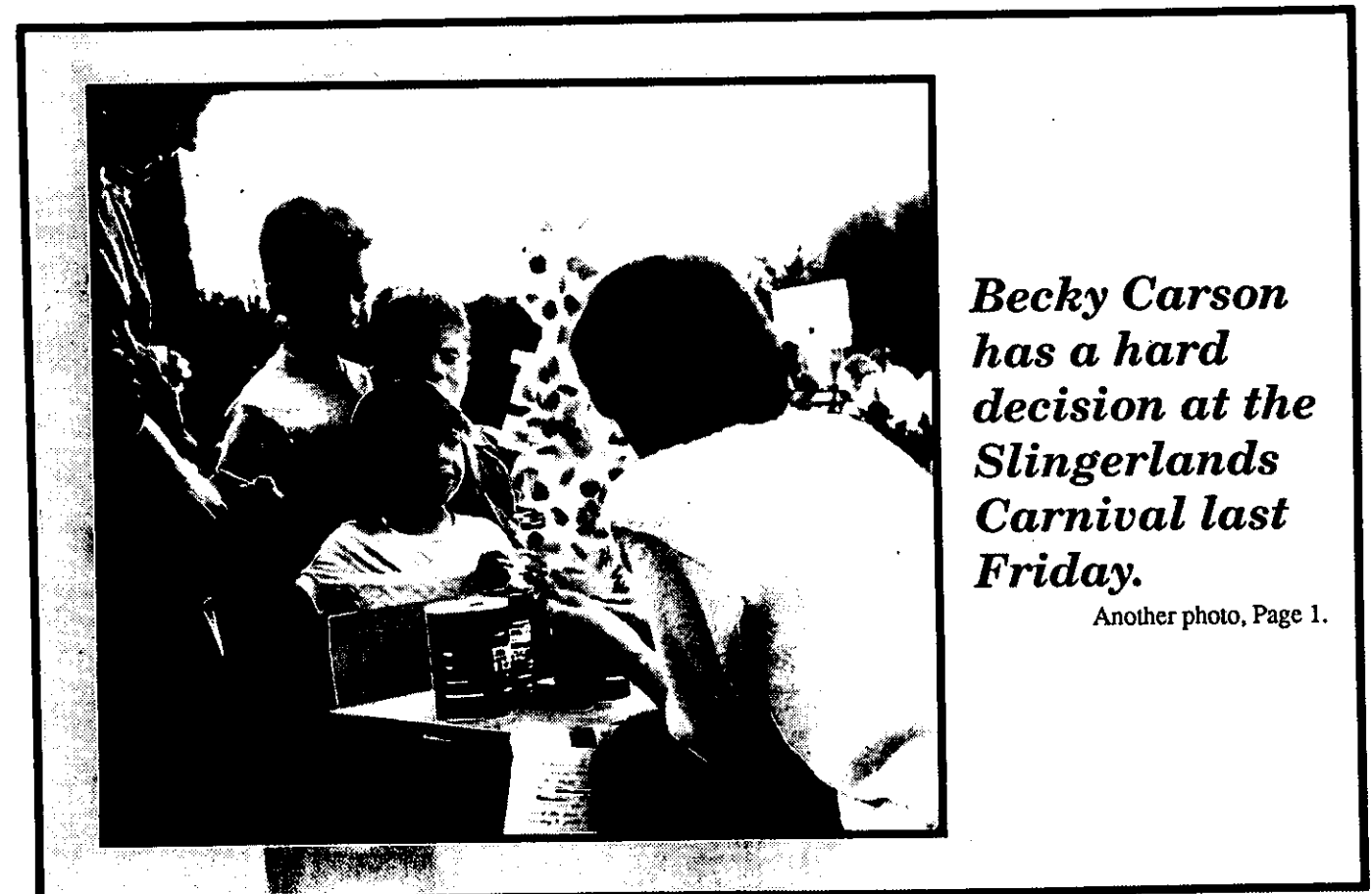
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## BC options include moving grade levels

By Mark Stuart

Construction of classrooms in the Bethlehem Central school district appears necessary and the enrollment and facilities committee detailed options to the school board Wednesday to find space for student needs.

Three major sections were listed in the report given to the school board: new construction options, short-term options — that drew the most comment from the audience — and "no-build" options.

Facilities and enrollment were identified as the major issue this year by Superintendent Leslie Loomis after the problem grew for several years. A February report by the facilities and enrollment task forces found that enrollment is projected at 1,800 in the elementary schools next year, 115 students more than this year's 1,685. The enrollment trend is projected to continue to climb in BC schools, moving on to the middle school and the high school.

### Move, build or add on?

Enrollment and facilities options as prepared by the Bethlehem Central Enrollment and Facilities Committee.

#### New construction options

Elementary additions  
New elementary school  
Middle school addition  
New middle school

#### Short-term options

Place kindergarten center at high school  
Move some kindergarten sections to Clarksville  
Move the fifth grade to the middle school

#### No-build options

Maintain present grade levels of K-5, 6-8 and 9-12  
Place kindergarten center at the high school with grade levels of 1-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with kindergarten  
Move the fifth grade to the middle school with grade levels of K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.  
Move the fifth grade to the middle school and the eighth grade to the high school for grade levels of K-4, 5-7 and 8-12.

More than fifty people were on hand as the committee presented its report at Wednesday's school board meeting after a six-month

study addressing space problems within the school district.

The BC school board will review the study and make a

decision by the end of June, Loomis said.

The report detailed options only, and did not recommend any

specific option. No cost estimates were given in order for the board to make its judgment based on educational need, and not monetary limitations.

The existing capacity in the schools is not adequate, even with grade level changes, the report concluded, and there are aspects of current elementary buildings that require improvement. Elementary space shortages are compounded by uneven growth in the district and crowding in the lower grades is only bearable on a short-term basis. However, the middle and high schools appear adequate for peak enrollment.

#### New construction options

Options for new construction include additions to the middle school and some elementary schools, or building a new elementary or middle school. The report said the high school property would be a prime area for any new building because of the size of the property.

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The Slingerlands Elementary School's annual carnival drew a crowd of participants and spectators Friday. Observing from a convenient perch were, from left, Rebecca Grimwood, who attends Bethlehem Central

High School, and Slingerlands students Devin McRae, Mark Barrett and Keith Timmerman. On the cover: Becky Carson, 4, decides which lollipop she wants at one of the carnival's games. *Spotlight*

## Board approves Larned deal

By Patricia Mitchell

The New Scotland Town Board Monday night approved a plan that would end its two-year-old litigation against a gravel mine on the former Tall Timbers Country Club.

Under the proposal, miners William M. Larned and Sons will pay the town \$150,000 to be used towards the start of a new water district and would allow the town access to the mine site for a water source for a water district that would serve the nearby Orchard Park area. The state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) would oversee new tests to insure that the mine would not damage existing or potential groundwater supplies.

Supervisor Herbert Reilly said

### New Scotland

at Monday's meeting that the proposal still has to be approved by miners William M. Larned and Sons and the mine will still have to gain approval from the planning board.

The audience on hand at the town hall overflowed from the meeting room. Members of Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, Inc., a citizens group opposed to the mine and intervenors in the lawsuit, voiced strong opinions against it and some members stormed out of the room before the town board voted on

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## State to test Selkirk air

By Mark Stuart

Officials from the state Department of Environmental Conservation have set a tentative schedule for conducting atmospheric and stack tests at the General Electric plant in Selkirk, where the company has been operating a hazardous waste incinerator since 1983.

The decision to begin testing was sparked by the growing concern among area residents over airborne emissions and odors from area industries and because GE Inc. has applied for final renewal of a permit to burn, store and bury hazardous wastes at its Selkirk site. The current permits expire in July.

At a meeting Thursday between Department of Environmental Conservation officials, GE representative Michael Joyce and neighborhood residents, plans were discussed to conduct tests of the GE incinerator stack and of ambient conditions in the Selkirk area, which recognizes a new concern over other existing industries in the area contributing to the air quality problem. Joyce said GE will work with the residents, agrees to the additional testing and will pick up some of the costs involved.

Two types of tests, ambient sampling and stack tests, are scheduled to begin this summer. Currently, the scope of the testing

is being prepared by an independent lab, GE and the DEC. Members of the neighborhood citizens action committee will review those plans at a June 6 meeting. After that meeting, the independent lab will submit a report on testing protocol, or priorities and procedure, to the DEC around July 1. Testing should begin around the first two weeks of September and after four months of analysis by the lab and DEC, results of the testing will be made public in February.

Dudley Moon, spokesman for the Selkirk neighborhood citizens' action group, said his group

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## Village to step in?

By Patricia Mitchell and Sal Prividera Jr.

The village board and a local citizens group met last Tuesday to discuss a proposal that Voorheesville become a party to the lawsuit against the Larned and Sons gravel mine, but no notice was given of the meeting in Open Meetings Law.

A spokesman for Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, the citizens group opposed to the mine, said his organization wants the village board to replace New Scotland and Councilman John

Sgarlata as parties in the lawsuit. The New Scotland Town Board voted Monday night to settle with Larned.

The state's Open Meetings Law requires public notice before a governing board meets, but no notice of the May 17 village board session was given.

The board also discussed "unfinished business" and tabled a discussion on purchasing a postal meter for the village Tuesday night at the village hall, but Mayor Edward Clark said no action was taken.

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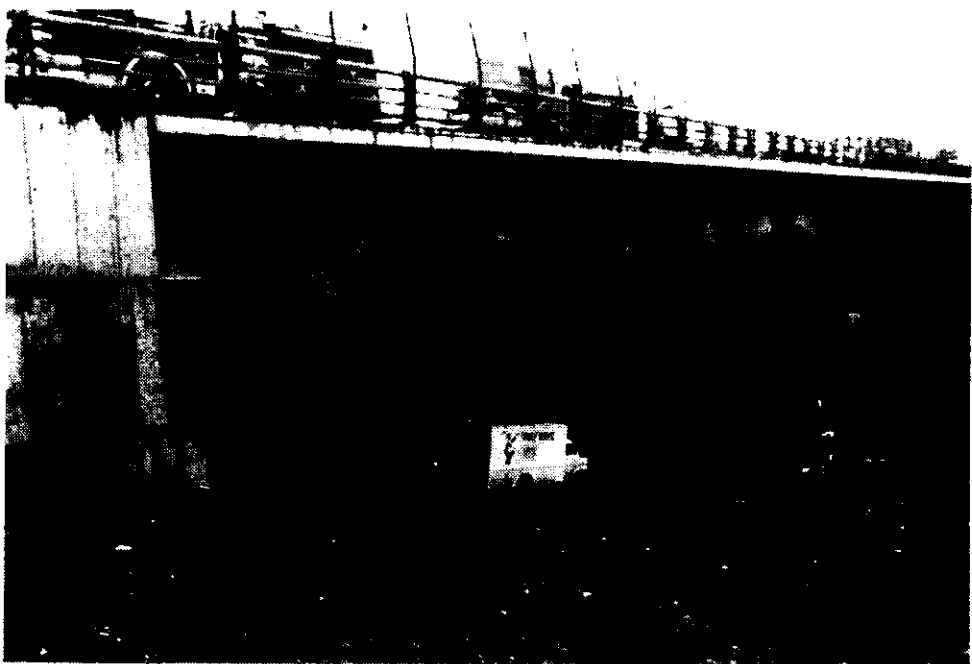
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The Dizzy Izzy's truck, left, driven by Joseph Lev of Loudonville came to rest underneath the Normanskill Bridge last Wednesday, after leaving Rt. 9W. Police have not determined what caused Lev, the owner of Dizzy Izzy's, to



leave the roadway. Right, firefighters from Albany, Selkirk and Slingerlands, Bethlehem police officers and Bethlehem Ambulance crew members carry Lev out of the ravine in a stokes basket. Roy Cooke photos

# Truck lands on precipice

## Accident puzzles police investigators

Joseph M. Lev, 51, of Loudonville was in serious condition on Monday at Albany Medical Center following Wednesday's one-car crash on Rt. 9W, which tied up rush hour traffic.

Bethlehem police have not determined what caused Lev to go off the roadway before the Normanskill Bridge and travel

400 feet down the ravine before coming to rest. Lev, owner of the Dizzy Izzy's retail electronics store, was driving a company van at the time of the accident.

Police said the van went between the guard rails and a rock bank and then rolled on its left side before coming to a stop right side up against a large rock.

Bethlehem Police Lt. Richard Vanderbilt said the guard rails do not block the area "completely," which allowed the truck to go down the hill instead of being stopped.

Lev was either thrown from the vehicle or managed to get out, police said. He was found 30 to 35 feet below the truck.

Units from the Albany, Selkirk and Slingerlands Fire Departments were involved in the rescue operation, Vanderbilt said. Members of the Bethlehem Ambulance Squad treated Lev while he was still in the ravine and members of the Albany Fire Department pulled him out by using a stokes basket and rope, police said.



The final stop for Lev's delivery truck was against a large rock, which stopped it from falling into the Normanskill.

# Memorial Day parades

Memorial Day events have been scheduled for Monday, May 30, in area communities.

The Memorial Day parade in Bethlehem will begin on Elsmere Ave. at 11 a.m. Voorheesville's Memorial Day parade marchers will meet at 10 a.m. at Voorheesville Elementary School. Ceremonies will be held at the end of both marches.

A 3.2-kilometer fun walk, as well as 15- and 3.2-kilometer runs, will begin at noon on Memorial Day at the Voorheesville Area Ambulance building on Voorheesville Ave.

Memorial Day festivities, featuring Skip Parson's Clarinet

Marmalade and Puddin' the Clown, will be held at the Main Square Shoppes, Delmar, from noon until 3 p.m.

The Locust Knoll artisans will open their studios at Rt. 85A and Picard Rd. for a show and sale from May 27 through May 29.

The Voorheesville Public Library will be closed on Saturday, May 28, and Monday, May 30. The Bethlehem Public Library will be closed on Sunday and Monday, May 29 and 30.

Voorheesville and Bethlehem schools will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

## Bethlehem officers on the run again

The Bethlehem Police Department will again participate in the Special Olympics Torch Run from Long Island to Buffalo. Proceeds from the event will be used for the state Special Olympics, said Officer Tim Beebe.

The department expects to be handed the torch June 10 from the Albany County Sheriff's Department at the Town of Coeymans line. Bethlehem officers will carry it 8.3 miles along Rt. 9W, Beebe said. At the city line the torch will be handed to runners from the Albany Police Department and taken to Albany for a ceremony.

Running for the department, in addition to Beebe, are Lt. Frederick Holligan, Lt. Richard Vanderbilt, Officers Steve Demarest, Chris Bowdish, Vince Rinaldi, Bruce Oliver and Jeff Vunck. Dispatchers Scott Anderson and Kathy Cooke will also run.

To donate to the Special Olympics, call 370-4817.

## Elsmere Ladies celebrate 50th

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Elsmere Fire Company celebrated the group's 50th anniversary on May 12.

The group received a congratulatory resolution from Bethlehem Town Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick Jr. and a joint legislative resolution letter from state Senator Howard Nolan and state Assemblyman John Faso. The group also received congratulatory letters from Governor Mario Cuomo, John Faso and George Kaufman, chief of the Elsmere Fire Company.

## Police issue warning to children, parents

The Bethlehem Police Department is warning children not to accept rides from strangers following reports of a man trying to get children to go with him.

"Never get in a vehicle with somebody you don't know," warned Lt. Frederick J. Holligan. "Never, under any circumstances."

"Children should never approach a strange vehicle," he said. He said if someone in a vehicle tries to approach a child, the child should move in the opposite direction. Children should be courteous, he said, since "not everybody is a bad guy, but they should also be cautious and suspicious of strangers."


If a child is approached, he or she should report the incident to their parents and the police, he said.

Both the Bethlehem Central and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School Districts sent out similar warnings to elementary students and their parents in a letter this week.

Holligan suggested parents and children work out a code word, which could be used by a neighbor who has to pick up a child. Use of the code word would let a child know the person is a safe ride sent by their parents. He said often child molesters will tell children a parent has been injured and they were sent to bring them home.

Children in the Bethlehem area can also look for homes displaying the red hand denoting participation in the Helping Hands Program, Holligan said. "If a kid sees that sign, they can go there for assistance," he said.

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## Try, try again

The failed Voorheesville School District budget can best be described, perhaps, as the product of a failure in effective communicating.

The figures and impact of the proposed budget, showing an increase of about 6.5 percent, hardly appear substantial enough to warrant a taxpayer uprising. The district experienced just that in 1987, when an increase of about three times that much was twice defeated before ultimate, grudging approval.

A further increase may be construed by some as the insult after that injury to taxpayers' sensibilities. But in real life, the district is confronted by a variety of expensive mandates and the budget submitted by the school board appeared to be defensible, facing up to hard choices realistically.

In the second go-round on the budget, now set for June 9, a more representative turnout of voters probably will find responsible realism overcoming the complaints of the disaffected. The tiny vote this month made it possible for those disaffected to prevail, by the slim nine-vote margin.

## Get on with it

It's time — past time — for all those involved in the Town of New Scotland's wrangling over the gravel quarrying/water supply issues to equitably resolve the matter.

The town board Monday night formally offered a compromise to Larned and Sons that will allow the company to mine gravel on the Tall Timbers property, provided certain stipulations are met. The most important of those stipulations is that the state Department of Environmental Conservation restudy the aquifer in the area and insure that mining will not affect the water table and the proposed water district that would serve not only the Tall Timbers area but also nearby water-starved areas such as Orchard Park.

The prospect that a sufficient supply of good water can be found for dozens of existing homes and many hundreds of unbuilt homes on undeveloped land areas, as a result of the settlement, provides the most potent argument for an agreement

## May is Seniors Month

Officially, it's called Older American Month, but that seems even clumsier than Seniors Month. Anyway, if the middle-aged and elderly — chronologically, that is — can get one-twelfth of the year for a share of respectful attention, who could ask for anything more?

Advancing years do deserve respect, as they historically have. Wisdom through experience, through sifting out the chaff of life, surely does confer a special rank on those who have lived and learned.

Those who can recall 1935 recognize it as the year of Social Security, at that time a very controversial idea and law that the Supreme Court very nearly struck down.

Now for a bit of arithmetic. By the year 2000, experts project that one in every seven Americans will be age 65 plus. For persons who were born in the depression year of 1935, 2000 is the year when they will reach 65 and begin to realize some of the benefits that presumably will be theirs after decades of paying into the system.

The rate at which our country is graying is shown by the statistic that already the 65-and-over population is more than double what it was in 1950. And the 65-plus people count for nine times the number who were living in the United States at the beginning

### EDITORIAL

How many stay-at-homes must share responsibility for that result?

To forestall this kind of self-defeating frustration, the school board and its professional staff would seem to be well advised to keep residents better informed of the developments that justify the budget at whatever level. Certainly, nothing about the present budget has been kept secret, but the lack of attendance at meetings coupled with the low voter turnout indicates, we feel, more than apathy — usually people stop participating when they decide they can have no impact on the proceedings. Trust must be reestablished, particularly since the district is facing major decisions on asbestos removal and facilities expansions in the very near future.

And just perhaps there'd be practical wisdom in beginning promptly on the preparation of next year's budget, allowing ample time for explanation and argumentation pro and con.

that can end the conflict. The other major reason for a settlement is that New Scotland needs to get on with business. The mining issue cannot be allowed to tie up town government indefinitely.

Unfortunately, the leaders of the opposition to the mine appear to have lost sight of these important concerns. The illegal secret meeting held May 17 between the Voorheesville Village Board and Concerned Citizens of New Scotland, apparently for the purpose of plotting new legal strategies for sabotaging the settlement, is one more unfortunate sign that politics and personal agendas are playing too important a role here.

We support Supervisor Herb Reilly's efforts in finding the path to a reasonable solution. The fact that the settlement includes a guarantee, as far as is humanly possible, that no mining will take place until the valid concerns about the safety of the water table are resolved should not be lost on anybody.

of the 20th century.

We now have some 29 million "older Americans." By 2000, it will be 35 million out of about 245 million. In either instance, it's quite an impressively large group, one that many people think of as a voting bloc.

It's important to remember that we are talking in numerical terms, not those relating to physical or psychological condition. The country is indeed advancing in relative chronological age, but there's little doubt that most older Americans are not only living longer but also living better in the sense of health, activity, and outlook generally. Perhaps they should be known as Younger Older Americans!

And they benefit from the attention and assistance of Bethlehem Senior Citizens, the Sunshine Seniors of South Bethlehem, the "Second Milers," the Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area and other similar organizations. These vital organizations supplement in many useful ways the requirements (and dreams) of their very valuable clientele, and in so doing contribute far more than their share to a meaningful span of later years. They do honor to the prayer of the 71st Psalm.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth."

## Cable deregulation holds consumer hostage

Editor, The Spotlight:

Adams-Russell announced their third rate increase since 1986. Within the last three years my monthly rate will have increased from \$8.95 to \$15.95, or 79 percent. Cable television companies hold the consumer hostage by selecting channels to be provided and the rates to be charged.

Adams-Russell's exclusive franchise to serve Bethlehem residents with no regulatory controls over rates leaves no choice to the consumer but pay up or do without.

This greedy monopolistic approach by cable television companies would put Rockefeller's oil monopoly of the early 1900's to shame.

Federal legislation deregulating cable television has removed local/state oversight concerning rate increases.

Congressman Edward Markey,

### Vox Pop

chairman Telecommunications Subcommittee is currently holding hearings on cable television.

A letter voicing objections to unsupported and excessive rate increases to Congressman Stratton, Senator D'Amato and Senator Moynihan might be helpful.

Hopefully our state and local governmental representatives can make their views known to Congress.

The alternative to either providing oversight of rate increases or having another cable television company in Bethlehem is to see a monthly charge of \$28 within another three years. If only salaries and retirement incomes could rise at this rate!

Sherwood Davies

Delmar

## ChemLawn replies

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recent articles and letters to the editor have perpetuated a campaign of misinformation against the safety of professional lawn care. In particular, the reports by Linda Anne Burtis (*Spotlight*, April 20) have ignored solid scientific, medical and toxicological information about the chemicals used in lawn care.

It's time we stopped telling the anecdotal scare stories about professional lawn care. The public has the right to know facts:

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time of year and the agronomic conditions. The pesticides have been registered by the Environmental Protection Agency and our state's Department of Environmental Conservation, and have passed additional scrutiny by Chemlawn's vice president of health and safety, who is a board-certified toxicologist.

3. It would be rare for any pesticide to be applied more than twice in a year. Those persons who claim adverse health effects consistently after all applications are reacting to 92 percent water and 7 percent fertilizer (a nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium combination).

4. Pesticides used in lawn care (Turn to page 6)

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## Amtrak wants help

This is the month of two full moons, as well as a Friday the 13th. It is the kind of month that allows writing-folk (especially columnists) to turn werewolf and roam at large, eating only their own words for sustenance. An appalling, perilous existence it is. So before reading further, pause and beware. As the Shadow used to remind us, "Who knows what evil lurks...?"

The second full moon of the month, incidentally, is due early next Tuesday morning. So if "the weatherman" gives us a break as he closes out May, perhaps we'll be able to view it for a night or two. Incidentally, I am about to launch a poll to determine the most reliable "weatherman" on our TV channels, some of the radio stations, and of course the "Weather Channel" on cable. It's a contest that I'm not sure anyone will win, though. Perhaps we'd be better off relying on the stars.

Well, I did take a trip this past week — on Amtrak. That's a railroad that has a lot going for it, as well as a few minuses. One of the latter is the unsolved problem of finding a way to make the trains run on time. My six-hour trip turned out to be 10 hours instead, putting me at my hosts' doorstep at 1:30 a.m. On the other hand, what's better among the simple pleasures of the world than rolling along beside the lordly Hudson while the mists rise or the sun sets?

On the return trip, my fellow-passengers and I were treated to one of life's contradictions. As most readers of these lines know only too well, the Department of Transportation of the State of New York moves deliberately and implacably — and presumably with a sense of direction though that's not always easy to discern at any given hour. (Witness "next year" as their timetable for repairing Rt. 140 to drivable condition.)

The department had stationed a friendly young man on that train, distributing questionnaires



for people to fill out. Some were highly personal questions, such as the zip code of the person you'd been visiting, and things of that nature.

But the department added another full page for a mystifying question. It went something like this:

"Assume that New York State is going to spend \$100 million to improve the railroads. How would you advise us to spend it?"

There followed maybe 10 items from which we were to select how to spend a hundred million dollars: cleaning up the stations... making the trains run faster... having more trains... You get the idea.

I advised them all right — at no charge for my time or the quality of my counsel. But I couldn't help but get off the train, after turning in the results of my engineering advisory, thinking that the state Department of Transportation must be in pretty poor shape if it needs passengers' ideas on how to run a railroad.

Incidentally, the passengers in my car had to walk two car lengths inside the train in order to get out at Rensselaer, because Amtrak seemed to have only one person on hand to open a single door. And then we could walk back along the platform (luggage and all) retracing the direction we'd just walked along the aisle. I was sorry that I couldn't add a comment on that to the questionnaire.

CONSTANT READER

## Wear a bathrobe to read this

One of the most comfortable bits of slight reading that it's been my pleasure to find in the past few hundred thousand words is to be found in the May issue of *Smithsonian* magazine.

It's titled, enticingly, "Now is the time for bathrobes, the cloth of sloth." The author (if you can call the writer of a one-page essay an "author") is Barbara Holland, who is otherwise unidentified except as she writes of herself, "I do my best thinking in a bathrobe."

Well, read on, if you can find a copy of *Smithsonian*. It's up to you to envision Barbara's bathrobe while she does her thinking and scribbling. I find it hard to describe her cozy, funny little piece (It's what they used to call a "familiar essay" when you were in third-year English.) without quoting extravagantly from it:

"Everyone says we live in an age of increasing leisure....But we shouldn't sit around in a bathrobe. We should go skiing.

We wouldn't apologize to the meter reader if he caught us in our ski pants, but wearing a bathrobe isn't a proper use of free time. To be decent, American leisure must be vigorous.

"Bathrobes restrict activity. You can't mow the lawn or do aerobics in them — that's their charm and their shame. ...By limiting movement, the bathrobe releases the mind. ...The bathrobe keeps us home, excused from dealing with the world. Feet on the coffee table, we are draft exempt from the battles of business and daily life. ...

"The bathrobe keeps us gentle. It's possible to sulk in a bathrobe, but not to rage. A furious person in a bathrobe would be a joke.

"I've driven people to trains in a bathrobe, but it isn't decent and I always hoped the robe would pass for a coat. I tried to put a coat expression on my face instead of a bathrobe expression. The brisk, dressed expression.

"Bathrobe wearers of the

## Solid waste—issues and ANSWERS

A task force of Bethlehem citizens and public officials have been studying the town's solid waste issues since early this year. Last week the town took the first step in establishing a pilot recycling project. Bruce Secor, Bethlehem's commissioner of public works, prepared the following report with other members of the task force. A subsequent report will focus on the even more difficult decisions that lie ahead.

By Bruce Secor

On Jan. 13, the Bethlehem Town Board acted on a recommendation from Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick to establish a Solid Wastes Task Force. This action was required because of recent events which undermined a long-range plan the Town had previously decided upon.

The Bethlehem Town Board began to focus attention on solid waste issues and options early in the 1980's. In 1981 the town board approved an outline for a scope of services for a town-wide study of solid wastes. A number of experienced consultants were interviewed, and the firm of Standard Engineering of Gunderland was selected to do the study. The report was presented in May of 1982 and concluded that the town should join the ANSWERS program, which looked to be the most environmentally, prudent solution. The ANSWERS project included recycling, waste reduction and a waste to energy system. . . all of which combined to provide a very positive approach to the solid waste problem.

Recently, the town was put on notice by the City of Albany that its contract with ANSWERS would be terminated because of complications, some of which are beyond their control:

1. The ANSWERS Processing Plant on Rapp Road, owned by the City of Albany, was put into operation in December of 1980, but recycling markets for the separated materials and other recycling components have not been readily available and therefore these materials have been landfilled. Other materials received at the plant (such as "white" goods) were having similar difficulties being recycled and ended up in the landfill, using up available space.

2. The boiler which burns the Refuse Derived Fuel produced by the Albany Processing Plant is owned and operated by state Office of General Services and located on Sheridan Avenue in Albany. This boiler was delayed in start-up until May of 1982. Because of this delay, 18-months of waste had to be landfilled, which rapidly depleted available landfill space. The boiler has been in operation now for six years but has never burned the amount of Refuse Derived Fuel it was supposed to (400 plus tons per day versus a planned 600 tons per day). In addition to this, the boiler has been out of service from time to time for maintenance and repairs. This has resulted in all of the excess material also having to be landfilled. The combined effect of this is that the projected 20-plus year life of the Albany landfill has been dramatically shortened.

3. When the ANSWERS project was planned, waste generation estimates had to be used since there were no records for the number of tons of solid waste that were generated in the service area. The actual amount of solid waste being received at the Rapp Road Processing Plant has exceeded these original estimates. All of the excess material has had to be landfilled and has, again, consumed landfill space.

nation, stand tall. Open the door freely and proudly, even to your in-laws, and let them see what you're wearing. ...It is time now for philosophy, for contemplation, for bathrobes. Perhaps even for an afternoon nap."

In its 196 pages, the *Smithsonian* of course has articles of much heavier going, though generally ones written with a conversational touch. Out of nine heavyweight pieces, I liked best a longish description of how the human skin functions: "Besides holding us together, the 'passive rind' performs vital tasks that are just being discovered."

Incidentally, I think that perhaps you'd appreciate the page given over to suggestions for

"additional reading," a usable bibliography of materials about a subject (from this issue) that may have caught your interest.

But another shorter article was the one that caught my particular attention and imagination. It's about a man named James Lovelock, creator of the "Gaia hypothesis," the idea that the living things of Earth create the environmental conditions they need. According to Lovelock, "the Earth is a superorganism in the sense that it regulates itself much as a body 'does to maintain a constant temperature."

Lovelock is often asked to describe people as individual. His replies: "It's perso-

counts. Any biological activation starts with a single organism."

*Smithsonian*, you'd think, must be an ancient, established magazine, dating back to the mid-19th century as its fostering institution is. Wrong. The magazine, now only in its 19th year, created an almost instant reputation and success for itself, and a secure place in the world of ideas and of words on paper.

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## Point of View

4. The City of Albany has made application for an interim landfill expansion on city-owned property adjacent to the existing landfill. This permit has not been approved. In conjunction with this, the city has looked, on a county-wide basis, for alternative long-range landfill sites; but no final site selection has been made.

The rapid depletion of landfill space, along with the economic realities of changes in solid waste disposal regulations, has forced the City of Albany to serve notice to the ANSWERS participating communities that their contracts will be terminated. Mayor Whalen has been holding monthly meetings with the other mayors and town supervisors involved in the ANSWERS project to keep them up to date on the city's attempts to live up to their existing contracts and also to enlist their support for all communities to implement a coordinated waste reduction and recycling program.

In response to the notice by the City of Albany, and because of the need of the Town of Bethlehem to re-implement a recycling program, the supervisor recommended that the town board establish a Solid Wastes Task Force under the guidance of Councilman Dennis Corrigan. This task force has been meeting on the second and forth Tuesday of each month at Town Hall since January. The Task Force has identified nine separate areas for study and formed subcommittee groups for each of these. A time frame was established for preparation of draft reports from each committee; for review and discussion with the entire task force; and a proposed schedule for preparation of a final report. At last week's town board meeting, Mr. Corrigan made an initial presentation to the board for an update of the work which has been accomplished and to provide some initial recommendations.

The first step approved by the town board was the collection and recycling of newspapers on a pilot basis. This will begin on Saturday, June 4, with a kick-off program at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue. This would be the initial phase of the project SORT (Save Our Recyclable Trash). Following the June 4 start-up, private collection firms who operate in the Town of Bethlehem will begin keeping newspapers separate from other trash beginning Monday, June 6, and every Monday thereafter.

The Town of Bethlehem will begin on Wednesday, June 8, and every Wednesday thereafter, to pick up newspapers in addition to the garbage normally picked up Wednesdays.

After the pilot project has had a chance to operate smoothly, newspaper recycling will be expanded town-wide. In the interim, a collection box will be available at Town Hall on Saturday mornings for the use of any town resident who wishes to begin recycling newspapers.

While newspaper recycling is indeed a welcome start, there remain many other possibilities. Additional recycling, waste reduction, all with more difficult solutions. Voluntary compliance may well be reinforced by state mandate.

# MATTERS of Opinion

(From page 4)

are general use pesticides. They can be purchased by anyone without requirement for certification of any kind. However, ChemLawn requires that our specialists receive their state certification for handling pesticides as soon as eligible.

5. Most of the pesticides used in lawn care have been in use for more than 25 years. On the whole, we are living longer and healthier than at any other point in history.

6. No pesticide used in lawn care is recognized as a probable human carcinogen by either the National Toxicology Program of the US Public Health Service or the International Agency for Research in Cancer.

Many studies are cited in the arguments against lawn care. However, the studies do not implicate professional lawn care practices, or the chemicals that are used for home and garden applications. The saying "There

## Vox Pop

are three kinds of lies: lies, damn lies and statistics" certainly holds true in this case.

Furthermore:

On environmental illness and its practitioners (clinical ecologists, or members of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine): The American Medical Association does not recognize environmental illness (EI, or chemical hypersensitivity) as a pathological entity or disease. Its practitioners failed to convince a special medical task force — convened at the request of practicing clinical ecologists — that EI is a recognizable syndrome or that its treatments are effective, or based on anything except a placebo response.

On pesticides and cancer: Dr. Bruce Ames, who invented a test to detect the cancer-causing properties of chemicals, stated recently on ABC's 20/20, "There's a whole movement of people who are committed to the idea that man-made chemicals are causing a lot of cancer. . . I don't think there's much science behind it. In fact, the science is all going the other way."

On irresponsible reporting: On the same 20/20 program, John Stossel said, "I think we in the press — many of us — have been irresponsible about (chemical reporting). We consumer reporters especially often report on a scientist's accusation that this substance causes cancer and make a big scare story out of it without really checking to see how good the research was."

Ms. Burtis had a transcript of this show when she wrote her report "Chemicals on the lawn: is

there a hazard?" She chose to focus on the scare, and not the facts.

Americans value their lawns. At ChemLawn, we care for our environment as we help our customers maintain their landscapes in a responsible manner. We provide a service; we do not manufacture chemicals, nor do we have any economic incentive to overapply chemicals or misuse them. The rhetoric in the campaign against lawn care services has gone far enough.

I hope that in the future, the facts will be given equal weight with the allegations.

Jim Davis

ChemLawn Services Corporation  
Albany

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## Lawn chemicals: more sources for discussion

Editor, The Spotlight:

The article "Chemicals on the Lawn: Is There a Hazard?" by Linda Anne Burtis in your April 20, 1988 issue raised some interesting points regarding lawn care chemical toxicity. This subject needs study and open discussion.

I have a problem accepting the concept that the person receiving "detoxification" was affected by each application by ChemLawn, since each application is made up of totally different chemicals, some of which are simply fertilizer. Nonetheless, I felt the article was thoughtfully done and thought-provoking. An attempt was made to show many facts of a complex issue. The article quoted Elizabeth Whelan, Ph.D., of the American Council on Science and Health. Unfortunately, the list of references that appeared in the April 27, 1988 issue of *The Spotlight* did not include the American Council on Science and Health, a well-rounded, excellent source of information. Readers who are interested at all in this issue should not fail to read "Lawn Care Chemicals: What Consumers Should Know," available for \$2 per copy from the American Council on Science and

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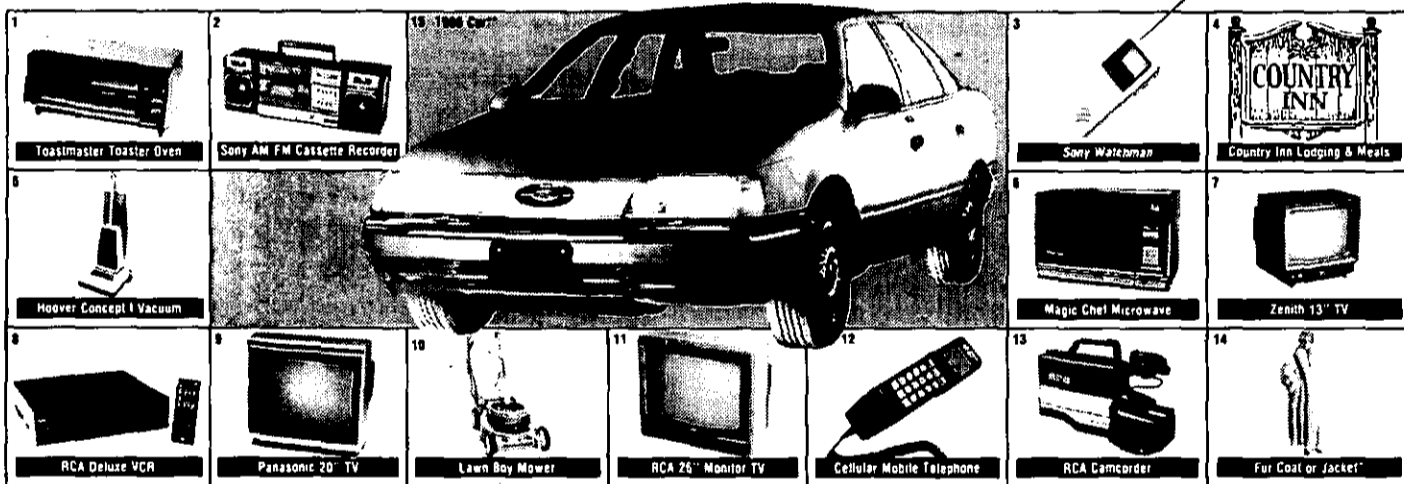
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## Subject of ChemLawn story 'clears the air'

Editor, The Spotlight:

In regard to the April 20 cover story (on lawn care companies and chemicals), I would like to clear the air in reference to the origin of my problem. In my particular instance (and a number of fellow workers), unsealed particle board coupled with virtually no ventilation in my place of former employment caused my present condition.

Allergies to many everyday items including petrochemical products is the result of my immune system dysregulation. The ChemLawn product did not cause the problem but in no way can I tolerate it at this point in time.

I would also like to thank ChemLawn for treating our front lawn even though the contract was cancelled and the April 20 article had run. I would like to know what satisfaction ChemLawn could possibly have by being so negligent.

Chris Jacques

Delmar

Mr. Jacques' name was misspelled in the April 20 article.

appears to put these bicyclists at risk for injuries. This letter can not change anything, but I hope it makes parents and families aware of the risk it puts their children at when just going to play ball and have fun.

Why doesn't the Tri-village Little League buy the corner property that is for sale on Kenwood and Winne Place and make it into an extra parking lot to get the cars off Kenwood Ave? Why doesn't the Tri-village Little League contract with the Solid Rock Church to use their parking lot? Why can't sidewalks be put down the rest of Kenwood Ave.? If all of these ideas are exhausted why aren't games moved to the Town Park on Elm Ave. where there is plenty of parking?

A letter was sent last spring regarding this same issue to Police Chief Paul Currie and his reply was that a traffic control committee was being established and was looking into this issue as well as other community traffic problems. However, another spring is here and the same hazards exist, putting the adults and children of our community in danger.

Deborah Pangburn

Glenmont

## Gunner helped students get their diplomas

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would first like to say good luck and best wishes to Mr. Charles Gunner, on his retirement as principal of Bethlehem Central High School. I left school in my junior year, six years ago. Mr. Gunner took interest in me and helped me get my diploma. Thanks to his help I have graduated.

He has helped others do the same. I sincerely hope the help he has given will not be lost to students who want it when he leaves.

Thanks for all your time and help you have given me.

Karen Haverly

Delmar

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## BC facilities needs presents an opportunity

Editor, The Spotlight:

This is an exciting time for education in Bethlehem. Large voter turnouts, significant yes votes on bond and budget issues and interest in Board elections and meetings are clear indicators of the importance this community places on quality education.

In reviewing options to resolve the increasing shortage of space faced by our schools, the Bethlehem Central Board of Education should keep in mind this community commitment and look at issues significantly greater than simple classroom counts. The board has the opportunity to provide our community with space of quality and room for needed educational improvements and innovations at a cost equal to or less than the simple addition of classrooms.

Two of the options discussed at the last board meeting offer that opportunity.

The first proposal provides for building additional facilities onto the high school, moving eighth grade into the high school and moving fifth grade into the middle school. The second proposal provides for building a new middle school on the high school grounds, converting the current middle school into two or three distinct elementary schools and selling the land currently used for the Glenmont and Elsmere Schools. Both proposals offer the

chance to improve educational opportunities for our youth, can be designed and administered in a fashion which protects and supports the children, preserves the "neighborhood" school as it currently operates in our community and are cost effective.

The addition of space at the high school and relocation of fifth and eighth grades would give us a plan similar to Gunderland. It would give us the opportunity to enlarge and strengthen the middle and high school programs, as well as provide space for needed services at the elementary level. The grouping of fifth graders would allow for the creation of special classes for a variety of academic and developmental needs. Truly exciting programs in art, drama and music would be possible. Foreign language instruction could be given, perhaps allowing for the completion of two Regents sequences by graduation.

The relocation of eighth graders to the high school should eliminate whatever fears parents have concerning the placement of 10-year-olds with 14-year-olds.

The placement of the eighth grade in the high school would permit more rational use of upper grade faculty. Many eighth graders are now taking high school level classes in the middle school. The larger group of high school students would permit the

## Recreation facilities for the younger crowd

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have become overly concerned with the fact that we are greatly limited in recreation in our community. I am most concerned with the 18- to 20-year-old age bracket. Although there are movie theaters and bowling alleys, they tend to become very monotonous. When going to these places, one can be subjected to a wide range of age groups. Not many 18 to 20 year olds want to go out and bowl next to little kids.

Since the law was passed to enforce the 21 drinking age, it deprived the young people 18 to 20 years of their own social setting. In my opinion, bars should admit 18 to 20 year olds and not deny them their right to dance and socialize with their peers. I think we should still conform with the drinking age by stamping their hands to distinguish who is of age to drink and who is not, but not limit the bars completely to people under 21. While I am 21, many of my friends are under that age, and I believe it is unfair to exclude them. In the long run this would give the people from 18 to 20 years of age a supervised atmosphere where they could go during their free time instead of "hanging out" on street corners and causing trouble just for fun and the sake of having something to do.

David J. Hammond

Glenmont

Editor, The Spotlight:

It is obvious that spring is here, which means children and families riding bicycles and the beginning of baseball season. As a resident of Winne Place (off lower Kenwood Ave.), I am concerned about both of these issues. The Tri-village Little League is apparently one of the most active places in town this time of year for children and families and the mode of transportation to this "hot spot" seems to be hazardous not only to the participants in the sport but also to those trying to exit Winne Place. Cars are parked along Kenwood Ave. on both sides leaving visibility to be quit impossible. Often times I see children trying to go across the street to Tom and Jo's Store to get some candy or soda, and even though all children are taught to look both ways, it is difficult for a driver to notice them behind a parked car. The exit off Rt. 32 onto Kenwood Ave. also exacerbates the problem due to its poor visibility when approaching Magee Park.

I am also quite concerned about the children riding to and from the park on their bicycles. As an active bicyclist myself, I find that lower Kenwood Ave. can be a very dangerous road to ride on due to no sidewalks, streetlights or shoulder; all of which end at Mason Rd. I don't know why this is like this, but it



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# MATTERS of Opinion

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Health, 47 Maple Street, Summit, addition of classes currently not offered because minimum class size cannot be secured. This problem is particularly acute in the area of foreign languages. The small amount of additional space to be constructed would consist of specialized classes which would further enlarge the quality of the program.

Construction costs would be minimal because they would involve no core space for assemblies, food service or physical education. Construction would be located at one site and would involve no disruption of current programs. Unlike some of the other options, small children would not be near the site of the construction.

Finally, the relocation of the fifth grades would leave space for expansion of the libraries and support services at existing elementary schools, would leave the "neighborhood" schools intact and would reduce the required redistricting to very little or none. The availability of space for new and expanded programs at the elementary level under this, or

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any of the plans, needs additional research.

The proposal for a new middle school offers most of the advantages of the above proposal. It is, however, more complicated. It provides the enhanced educational opportunities of having larger groups of students from which to develop upper level classes while keeping the schools at their current size. It also would provide enough elementary students at one site to offer some new programs while keeping each unit small and oriented to a particular part of town. By allowing for the sale of commercially valuable property much or all of the construction costs could be recouped.

Any proposal for change can be upsetting. However, the plans outlined above offer us the opportunity to provide an exciting and creative educational environment for our children. Given the necessity to build, they are the most cost effective. The simple addition of classrooms at three of

the elementary schools will not improve education at any level. It ignores the needs and opportunity to improve programs at the middle and high schools and the chance to offer our fifth graders additional services. It involves construction at three scattered sites with resulting increased costs, disruption to students and

neighborhoods and increased danger to small children. Ultimately, it would create three large elementary schools and in so doing, effectively diminish the nurturing and protective neighborhood environment it was designed to prolong.

In reviewing the options available, I urge the board to make

educational programming and our goals for the 21st Century the starting point. You have a unique opportunity to make our school system truly exciting.

Lawrence R. Faulkner

Delmar

Lawrence Faulkner was a candidate in the recent Bethlehem Central school board election.

## Action urged on planning

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have just returned from a sobering meeting of the Bethlehem Board of Education where the pressures of an expanding school population are generating serious problems involving complex educational and financial decisions. Thus, it was heartening to read the statement by Supervisor Hendrick (*Spotlight*, May 18) regarding the forward direction being set by the Town Board in regard to a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Bethlehem. Mr. Hendrick is to be commended on his leadership in establishing a commitment and clear objectives to achieve this Comprehensive Plan.

Our school district is now paying a heavy price — in every sense of the word — for a patchwork approach to the problems of growth and the end is not yet in sight. A new proposal before the Planning Board for the Cedar Ridge subdivision in Slingerlands will generate approximately 254 school-age children. This is the equivalent of almost another elementary school from only one subdivision! And there are many other large projects yet to come before the Planning Board.

According to the Enrollment and Facilities Committee Report

of May 18, classroom crowding at the elementary level is bearable only "in the short term" and "construction of additional classroom space appears necessary." The school district is in a crisis situation right now, due in part to rapid growth and development. Will our library be next? What about fire and police services?

We urge Supervisor Hendrick to place a high priority on his recommended interim measures "to strengthen our zoning and subdivision regulations." It is essential that such measures be in place before further high density development deepens the already complicated problems faced by the Board of Education.

Sylvia L. Ponemon

Bethlehem Citizens

for Responsible Planning

### Thanks for publicity

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you for publicizing our car wash in *The Spotlight* last week. It was extremely successful. The Girl Scouts and leaders of Bethlehem appreciate your support.

Liz Ferraro

Neighborhood Chairman  
Girl Scouts of Bethlehem

Editor, The Spotlight:

In recent weeks, several events related to planning in the Town of Bethlehem are worth noting: first and most important is the discussion at the May 11 Town Board meeting regarding a comprehensive planning strategy. While some of us would encourage a faster pace, all in all, we should be encouraged that a meeting of the minds on the subject resulted in a common opinion that the Town Planner should continue his effort to present specific recommendations on comprehensive planning for the Town Board's consideration.

Supervisor Hendrick's letter in the May 18 *Spotlight* succinctly describes the board's intent and additionally describes the planner's effort to "strengthen our existing ordinance to ensure that our comprehensive plan is not undermined by development which may occur between now and when the comprehensive plan is in place." The result of the board's discussion is very positive movement toward a long range plan — which admittedly will take some time to develop — and near term changes in the zoning ordinance to better control development until the plan is in place. Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning (BCRP) is supportive of the board's direction to move toward development of a comprehensive plan.

While we honestly believe that Bethlehem town planning is at the dawn of a new age, on Tuesday, May 17, a majority of the Planning Board — not including its chairman and one board member — showed that it is not yet ready to be awakened. In a lengthy discussion of a scope for a draft environmental impact statement for the Cedar Ridge project, the majority of the board chose to reject recommendations of its consultant and Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning which would have improved the draft scope.

The majority's concept of a scope of study was unexplainably far different than the Town Board's scope issued for the adjacent, and in many ways similar, Delmar Village project. Attempts by the chairman, counsel and the town planner to explain the logic of specifying the assessment of many important environmental factors were rebuffed by the majority. The purpose of an EIS is to provide information so the board can make an informed decision. To prejudge and worse yet, make light, of many potential impacts such as impacts on visual resources, recreational resources, endangered species, and incremental impacts on major neighborhood intersections is inexcusable and unprofessional and demonstrates a poor understanding of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR). While many of the rejected items would have improved the prospect of a more complete

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# MATTERS of Opinion

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impact statement, the majority voted to issue a vague and less than complete scope. One underlying reason offered by board members was that they felt it would cost the developer too much to prepare these standard evaluations. It's time that developers realize that there is a cost of doing business in Bethlehem and that cost includes adequate analysis and project design to protect the values of Bethlehem neighborhoods and citizens.

We are hopeful that the Town Board's recently expressed philosophy on planning and development will eventually be acknowledged by the May 17 majority of the Planning Board. Mr. Hendrick's commitment to a planning task force is excellent, as is his intention to involve the chairman of the Planning Board and members of the community, but he must not let the May 17 majority of the Planning Board thwart the town's planning goals by doing anything less than a

## Vox Pop

thorough review of all of the projects that come before it.

John Smolinsky  
Bethlehem Citizens  
for Responsible Planning

## Some answers on Rt. 9W safety

Editor, The Spotlight:

In response to Mr. Silber's letter in the May 11 issue of the *Spotlight*:

I cannot answer all your questions but I suggest that maybe you should contact the building to answer some. I do know that the PIA building is on the original Rt. 9W.

In regards to Farm Family Insurance, there were studies done and requirements had to be met before approval could have been given.

The speed limit has been reduced in the last few years from 55 m.p.h. to 45 m.p.h. If the people don't pay attention to 45 m.p.h. what makes you think they will obey a limit lower than that? The police cannot be there 24 hours a day.

There may not be a speed limit reduction or flashing light by the Glenmont Grade School but there is a sign warning people of the school. The children at Glenmont are not allowed to walk. The Becker School a few miles down the road also does not have warning lights and the speed limit there is 55 m.p.h. These children also are not allowed to walk.

In regards to no police protection at the school craft fair. Has the school administrator or fair chairman tried to see if they could have assistance from the department? The department might possibly put up signs for *No Parking* on the south side of Rt. 9W or help with traffic. To do this they would need advance notice in order to have more manpower available. If Farm Family had been contacted permission may have been given for fair goers to park in their parking lot. The first step is to keep people informed and ask for their assistance.

There are signs for the post office in plain sight for people to view. No amount of signs or speed limits are going to do one bit of good until we take responsibility for our own actions and pay attention to what we are doing. Use common sense, be cautious, and cautious when driving.

Five days after the accident on Rt. 9W at the site of the accident, permission was given by the owner for a group to sell flowers to passing motorists. What is more likely to cause an accident — something that has been there

for quite some time, that you pass day after day, or something out of the norm that would distract the driver and cause him or her to stop quickly or make a sudden turn?

Isabel Glasletter

Glenmont

## Library celebration a great success

Editor, The Spotlight:

The special supplement to the May 11 issue of *The Spotlight* was excellent and an important document for the continuing history of the Bethlehem Public Library. The Board of Trustees and the staff of the Library wish to extend their thanks to Tom McPheeters and to Chris Fiato for their work, and to the members of the community who wrote personal statements for the supplement.

The Library celebrated its 75th anniversary Saturday, May 14. The building was beautifully transformed and decorated with masses of flowers and trees contributed by *Verstandig's*. The Glenmont Job Corps, under the direction of Joseph Vanelli, prepared the food which was attractively presented and served by several Job Corps members. There was lovely music by the Capitol Chamber Artists through the courtesy of GE Plastics, Selkirk. It was all a great success.

The gala, planned by the Anniversary Planning Committee composed of community volunteers and staff members, was made possible by the generous donations of many area businesses and individuals. The brief program honored Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl for his 38 years of service as a Library trustee, the members of the Progress Club of 1913 for starting the Library, and the designers, needleworkers and quilters who produced the magnificent quilted wall hanging. Special

guests were Mrs. Barbara Rau, former Library director who served for 20 years, and state Sen. Howard Nolan, who presented a legislative resolution honoring the 75 years of service to the community.

We would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank everyone who helped to make the evening so enjoyable. As we celebrate the 75th anniversary, we are grateful for and proud of this sort of successful cooperative community effort, which is the essence of the Bethlehem Public Library.

Barbara P. Mladinov  
Director  
Bethlehem Public Library

## Bike Day got great cooperation, weather

Editor, The Spotlight:

The annual "Rodeo Bike Day" on Saturday, May 14, attracted nearly 200 cyclists for a day of safety training, fun and prizes at Bethlehem Town Hall's parking area.

There were many volunteers who joined in making this event a great success, as well as prize contributions, and the Town of Bethlehem is also grateful for the cheerful assistance and contributions of: Delmar Kiwanis Club; Delmar Lions Club; Blanchard Post, American Legion; Elks Lodge; Bethlehem Reserve Police; Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau; Bethlehem Town Clerk Carolyn Lyons; Bethlehem Highway Department, Marty Cross; Bethlehem Senior Citizens, Inc.; Eagles Nest Bike Shop; McDonalds of Delmar, Joyce McCann; K-Mart, Glenmont; Owens-Corning Fiberglas and the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department, Dave Austin.

Thanks again for making it a great day on a good-weather day, too!

Neal Moylan  
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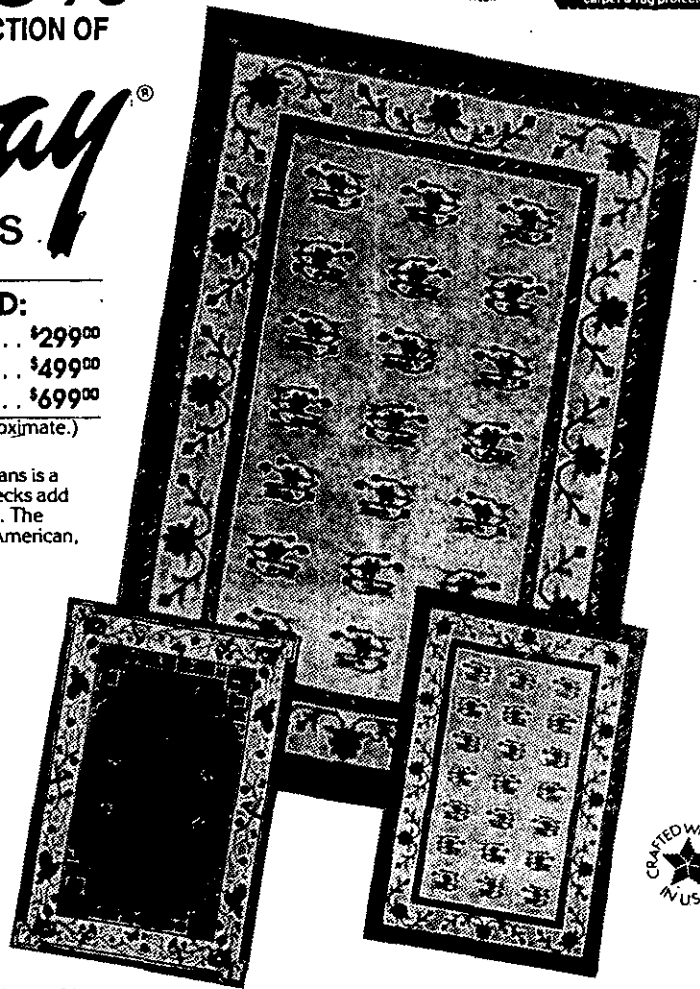
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# BC's options

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The location of any new building would depend upon the population density and proposed residential developments, Loomis said. The school board has considered the Bethlehem Planning Board's decisions in its redistricting decisions in the past.

A new elementary school would mean less disruption but does not deal with deficiencies in other schools. A new middle school could mean two elementary schools would be sold and it is the most expensive construction option. Both options mean that redistricting is necessary.

Elementary additions, if made, would be to the Hamagrael, Glenmont and Slingerlands schools. The committee's report noted that the benefits of such a move would be lower construction expense, a continued sense of "neighborhood" identification between the students and the benefit of using existing administrations at the schools instead of creating a new system at a new school.

If additions were made to the elementary and middle schools, board member Charles Reeves suggested selling either the Elsmere or Glenmont schools because of their high commercial value and diminishing safety factors in the heavy traffic areas, and use the money for new building construction as well as adding onto the existing facilities.

## Short term options

The short-term options drew the most comments from the audience. Designated for implementation during the 1989-90 and 1990-91 school years while long term options are brought into effect, the plan offered three alternatives. First, the kindergarten classes would be moved to the high school; second, some

kindergarten classes would be held at the Clarksville Elementary School; and the fifth grade would be moved to the middle school.

The issue of whether to move the fifth grade up to the middle school from the elementary evoked strong response from the audience. Several who spoke were against moving the fifth grade up to the middle school, and many said instead they felt it would be better to move the kindergarten to high school.

The report cited several reasons against moving the fifth grade to the middle school, including problems with transportation and additional administration and guidance staffing. Comments from the audience raised questions about a fifth grader's ability to cope with making the adjustment to being with the older students.

William Faulkner of Delmar said he felt that a fifth grader would be going through a difficult growth period, both academically and emotionally, and he urged the board to use caution in moving the fifth grade to the middle school.

A mother said she was concerned about the pressures put on a fifth grader in the middle school to go to parties, have a girlfriend or boyfriend and the adjustment to the different grading procedure.

Another woman said she would like to see the kindergarten moved to the high school because those children aren't as deeply "entrenched" in the school system, and that such a move wouldn't be as disruptive.

Dennis Frank, a member of the Hamagrael PTA, said the proposal to move the kindergarten to the high school drew a lot of support from the Hamagrael PTA.

## No-build options

Under the "no-build" options, several alternatives involved the moving around of certain grades, much like the short-term options. They are:

- The current grade structures of K-5, 6-8 and 9-12.
- Place a kindergarten center at the high school with grade structures of 1-5, 6-8, and 9-12 with kindergarten.
- Move the fifth grade to the middle school with grade structures of K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.

• Move the fifth grade to the middle school and the eighth grade to the high school; the grade pattern would be K-4, 5-7 and 8-12.

The first three options were recognized as not feasible because they will eventually require some construction.

The Guilderland Central School District now uses with success school levels of K-4, 5-7 and 8-12, said facilities and enrollment spokesman Rich Young. He said under future Regents' planning programs, it may be required for eighth grade students to take high school level courses, making that option a more preferable one.

Faulkner said BC may be able to draw students from the eighth grade into specialized courses, such as Latin, and maintain student numbers in those classes and prevent course cancellation due to lack of enrollment if that grade moved to the high school.

Furthermore, the last option would only be adequate on a short term basis, through 1994 at the latest, and would serve only as an interim strategy.

The report also noted other considerations, including redistricting — which was not a stand alone option, and was a necessary part of any course of action — and relocatable classrooms at Glenmont, which would offer good classrooms, and would take into mind other options for their use.

## Mosquito spraying program ends

The Bethlehem Town Board unanimously passed a resolution to discontinue the town's mosquito spraying program at the April 27 meeting.

Town Highway Superintendent Marty Cross, who requested the program closing, cited the cost and complexity of state Environmental Conservation Department regulations, pending restrictive legislation by the New York State Legislature and the unavailability of liability insurance covering handling accidents and pollution.

In a letter to the town board Cross said, "New regulations would make this program too labor intensive and cost prohibitive for the Town of Bethlehem to undertake at this time. One lawsuit, whether unfounded or not, would more than offset any of the positive aspects of this program."



Patricia Thorpe of the Bethlehem Central School District's facilities and enrollment committee delivers an overview of the space limitation options within the district to residents and the school board at a meeting last Wednesday. *Mark Stuart*

## Area farmers' market opens

A farmers' market will be held each Tuesday through October at St. Vincent DePaul's Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany. The market will be open from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

A special market will be held at the Delmar United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 28, from 9 a.m. until noon. For information call 765-2331.

## Swim program registration set

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will conduct an in-person registration

for the summer tiny tot swim, learn to swim, stroke improvement and diving programs at the Bethlehem Town Hall on Tuesday, May 31, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

For information call the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department office at 439-4131. Registration is limited to Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District residents.

## Garage sale scheduled

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# Scope of impact statement debated

## How much will town demand of Cedar Ridge Developer?

By Theresa Bobear

After considerable debate last Tuesday night, Bethlehem Planning Board members decided on the scope of an environmental impact statement to be prepared by developers of the proposed Cedar Ridge subdivision in Slingerlands. Some 128 single-family lots are proposed for the AA-Residential Fisher Blvd. site.

While the planners approved a four-page proposed scope of the draft environmental impact statement presented at an earlier meeting, the board rejected most of the additional items suggested by area residents, including members of the Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning. The additional proposed scope requirements were formally presented last week by Edward Kleinke, town planning consultant.

"We can worry this process to extremes," said Board Member John LaForte. "The development proposes to build within the

density that the zone now requires."

Board Chairman Kenneth Ringler and Board Member William Johnston objected to the board's decision to eliminate review of the intended type, design and architectural style of the proposed single-family housing at the impact statement stage. LaForte said the market will dictate the style of housing. "If you want to dictate the architectural style, you do it in the deed," said Board Member John Williamson.

With Ringler and Johnston dissenting, the board voted against asking for a review of the proposed development's impact on transportation at the intersection of Orchard St. and Union Ave., and the intersection of Longmeadow Dr./ Van Dyke Rd. and Delaware Ave. The intersections were described as remote.

Proposals to prepare a visual assessment and describe the

recreational value of the Fisher Blvd. and Orchard St. corridors were also rejected by the board, with Ringler and Johnston dissenting. Board Member Marcia Nelson asked for an explanation of the public recreation value of private property. A resident explained that the streets were enjoyed by joggers and walkers.

A proposal to require an alternate density proposal with lots at a minimum of 20,000 square feet was rejected, with Ringler and Johnston dissenting. Lots with a minimum of 20,000 square feet are required in an AAA-Residential zone. The lots of the proposed Cedar Ridge subdivision exceed the town's requirements for the AA-Residential zone.

With Ringler and Johnston dissenting, the board voted against requiring the developers to include an anticipated project schedule with details on road and infrastructure installation. Williamson said construction projects are often not completed by the developer who makes the original proposal.

Proposals to request a list of the site's endangered species, a description of services provided by the Bethlehem Public Library and Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, and a description of projected increases in energy consumption resulting from the project were rejected by all members of the board except Ringler. "I think this is really going too far," LaForte said.

The board members unanimously agreed to require an analysis of existing watershed conditions and a review of "aspects of the environmental setting that may adversely or beneficially affect or be affected by the proposed Delmar Village project."

The board unanimously approved a four-page recommended scope for the draft environmental impact statement.

The developers will be required to provide information regarding the site's geography, topography and acreage, adjoining roadways, site access, zoning, environmental character, adjoining lands, visual character, soil types, agricultural uses, water table, wetland areas and streams, and flora and fauna. The board also requested information about the project, including a

description of anticipated construction and phasing schedules, land use and project benefits, all required project approvals, demographics and economics, solid waste disposal, adverse environmental impacts and mitigating measures, an alternate project density or design, irreversible conversion of resources, and the potential impact on the New Scotland Rd., Orchard St. and Delaware Ave. intersections with Fisher Blvd., as well as the intersection of Orchard St. and Cherry Ave.

When the draft environmental impact statement is filed with the town, the planners may require the developers to provide additional information. Ringler said anyone may inspect documents relating to Cedar Ridge and other development proposals at the Bethlehem Public Library or the Bethlehem Town Hall.

The meeting began with a public hearing on the proposed two-lot subdivision of the AA-zoned Wemple Rd. lands of Anthony and Edith Germano. Jay Jakovic, the owner of adjacent property, asked the board to impose specific conditions regarding the maintenance and insurance of drainage ditches and a commitment to hook up to a town storm sewer if one is installed in the future.

"We'll be discussing it with the engineering department before a decision is made," said Ringler.

The board granted conditional final approval of the two-lot subdivision of lands of Meilak on Beaver Dam Rd. Building Inspector John Flanigan explained that developers do not have building rights until the conditions of the approval are met and the final approval is signed.

With no formal application to consider, the planners entertained discussion of the possible subdivision of lands of Briggs McAndrews at Stratton Place and Maple Terrace. Board Attorney John Mitchell explained that any development of land abutting the paper street connecting the two sections of Stratton Place would have to leave the paper street unencumbered.

Lindsay Boutelle, an engineer representing the property owner, said the \$30,000 to \$40,000 cost of connecting the street would be

difficult to justify for only two lots. Boutelle said the through traffic resulting from the connection might put a burden on the road, which is only 24 feet wide.

Neighboring residents asked board members to carefully review drainage problems in the area before deciding on any formal subdivision proposal.

A formal application for a two or three-lot subdivision with or without a proposed connection of Stratton Place may be presented at a future meeting.

Finally, the board approved a minor lot line revision for the Jessica Park subdivision and extended final plat approval for the three-lot Murray Wood subdivision until June 1.

The next meeting of the Bethlehem Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m.

### Tiny tots group forming

A new tiny tots play group is being started by Clara Simon at 109 Elsmere Ave. in Delmar, featuring Jewish songs, arts and crafts, swimming, trips and more.

The camp will run four mornings a week, from Monday through Thursday, June 27 to July 28. Children ages 3 and 4 will be accepted. There will also be a one-day a week program for two year olds.

For information call Simon at 439-8280.

### Student musicians make the grade

Samuel S. Bossella, Bethlehem Central music supervisor, recently announced result of the district's participation in the New York State School Music Association major organization competition festival.

The high school symphonic and string orchestras, directed by Mrs. Blanchard, earned A ratings at level 6, the most difficult category of competition. The high school wind ensemble, directed by Bozzella, also earned an A rating at level 6. The high school symphonic band, directed by Ms. Ferris, earned an A rating at level 5.

Middle school bands 7 and 8, directed by Mr. Smith, earned A and A ratings at levels 2 and 3.

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# Hudson Ave. variance denied

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals unanimously voted last week to deny Terry Ruppert's request for a variance to allow the storage of landscaping, driveway paving and snow removal equipment at 64 Hudson Ave.

At an earlier meeting, Ruppert said he had contracted to sell the property to a landscaping and snow removal business. The requested variance was a condition of the sale.

Board Member M. Sheila Galvin said she had "a problem with the lack of figures" Ruppert supplied in his application to substantiate his claim of hardship. "I can't find an economic hardship," she said. While Board Member Gary Swan claimed it was a "tough call," he said the owner "could not yield a reasonable return on the property."

Swan was in favor of granting the variance provided a number of conditions, including no repairs on the premises and no storage of fuels, were added to the approval resolution. However, Donald DeAngelis, the board's attorney, pointed out that the board currently has a lawsuit pending over the conditions of its approval for a variance granted to the Petrol Station on Rt. 9W.

Building Inspector John Flanigan and DeAngelis both said the conditions are tough to enforce and convictions are rare.

## Three injured in crash

The Albany County Sheriff's Department is investigating a two-car crash on Rt. 85A Friday, which reportedly sent three people to Albany Medical Center.

Deputies said Wilfred Rapp, 66, of Voorheesville struck the car driven by Richard Lech, 17, of Altamont on Rt. 85A. Rapp and Orvilla Rapp, 62, were reportedly taken to Albany Medical Center, deputies said, and 16-year-old Brian Logan was treated and released for injuries he sustained in the crash.

No charges were filed in the incident, deputies said.

## Hadassah celebrates State of Israel

Six capital district Chapters of Hadassah will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the State of Israel at Temple Beth Emeth, Albany, on May 25. The celebration will begin at 7:30 p.m. Call 377-0882 for information.

The Hudson Ave. building had been used for equipment storage by the Bethlehem Central School District maintenance department. A leaky roof forced the district to move its equipment. The board may vote on a formal resolution denying the request at its next meeting, June 1.

In other business, the board:

- Scheduled a public hearing for June 1 at 8:15 p.m. on the application of D and B Realty for a special exception to allow the storage of 18,000 gallons of gasoline, which is 3,000 gallons over the town limit. The Selkirk site, on Rt. 9W near Cottage Lane, would house a Stewart's convenience store and gasoline station.

- Scheduled a public hearing on June 1 at 8:30 p.m. to consider John O'Brien Long's application for a use variance to add a third family dwelling in an A-Residential zone at 413 Delaware Ave.

- Denied the request of the Four M Construction Corp. for two variances to permit construction of a home on a substandard Orchard St. lot. The lot does not meet the town's front yard requirements.

- Granted preliminary approval of a special use exception to Sheryl M. and Harry L. Allen Jr. of 672 Feura Bush Rd. The Allens requested permission to build two

## Delmar, Albany men face DWI charges

The Bethlehem Police Department arrested two people on misdemeanor driving while intoxicated charges in separate incidents last week.

A 41-year-old Delmar man was arrested for driving while intoxicated Wednesday night on Fernbank Ave. after being observed pulling into traffic on Delaware Ave. and cutting off two vehicles, police said. The man failed a pre-screening device test and was charged, police said.

The second arrest was a 36-year-old Albany man, who was stopped Saturday night for failure to keep right, police said. The man was observed by police weaving on the Normanskill Bridge and failing to keep right on Delaware Ave., police said. He was also charged with having a blood alcohol content of more than .10 percent, police said.

kennel runs on their property. The board decided to allow up to four adult dogs on the premises for breeding purposes.

- Granted preliminary approval of the request of Raymond F. Wolfe Jr. for the construction of an addition at 454 Russell Rd., Albany.

- Denied the request of Northeast Savings in the Town Squire Shopping Center to display a 2-by-15 banner outside their building for six months.

- Denied the request of Robert Gold for a variance to permit installation of a hot tub on his Woodstream, Delmar property.

- Granted to Jerald E. Vancik a variance from the maximum lot occupancy and rear yard requirements to permit construction of an addition.

- Held a public hearing on John and Deborah Kaplan's request for a variance from the maximum percentage of lot occupancy to permit construction of an addition at 68 Fairlawn Dr., Selkirk. Neighbors supported the request.

- Held a public hearing to consider Steven and Ilene Leveston's application for lot occupancy variance to permit construction of den and kitchen additions at 127 Westchester Dr., Delmar residence. Neighbors spoke in favor of the proposal.



Panhellenic Association members Nancy Rodgers, left, Phyllis Fletcher and Doris Baker get things ready for the association's garage sale at 65 Lyons Ave. on Saturday, June 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds from the event will be used for college scholarships.

## Bethlehem student vocalists in concert

Choral students at Bethlehem Central High School will present a free spring choral concert tonight (Wednesday) at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The Choraliers and Concert Chorus will sing spirituals, folk songs and selections from "West Side Story." The Sound System Singers will feature saxophonist Tim Hansen presenting Paul Desmond's "Take Five" and

Huey Lewis's "Hip to Be Square." Todd Goodins, Michele Hylan, Nicole Stokes and Eric Joachim will be vocal soloists. The members of the Excelsior String Quartet will perform as guest artists.

## Dancers close season

The Tri-Village Squares will hold their last square dance of the season on June 4, from 8 to 11 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Jim Ryans will be the caller. For information call 438-1227.

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# THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

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.

## WEDNESDAY 25 MAY

**Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxillary**, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

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

**Bloodmobile**, Bethlehem High School, Delmar, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

**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 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.

**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.

**Seafood Program**, "Seafood - A Healthy Choice," taught by Gail Bromley, William Rice Extension Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 7-9 p.m. Registration, 765-3550.

**Teddy Bear's Picnic**, for two to five year olds, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

**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.

**Annual Meeting**, Tawasentha Chapter NSDAR, with remembrance of Revolutionary War patriots, Delmar Reformed Church, 6 p.m. Information, 482-3865.

**Eastern Star**, Onesquethaw Chapter 818, dinner and meeting, Delmar Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-3883.

**Bethlehem High School Concert**, Bethlehem High School, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4921.

**Public Hearing**, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**Choral Concert**, featuring junior and senior high groups, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3314.

## THURSDAY 26 MAY

**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.

**Bethlehem Central Community Organization**, informational night on AIDS, with panel of a nurse, two doctors and a social worker, Bethlehem Central High School, room 46, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5679.

**"Business After Hours" Meeting**, sponsored by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, American Legion Hall, Elsmere, \$3, 5-7 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

## FRIDAY 27 MAY

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

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

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

**Locust Knolls Artisans**, show, junction of Rt. 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

## SATURDAY 28 MAY

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

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

**Bethlehem Public Library**, closed in observance of Memorial Day.

**Farmers Market**, asparagus, rhubarb, plants and baked goods, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 767-9809.

**Locust Knolls Artisans**, show, junction of Rt. 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

## SUNDAY 29 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.

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

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

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

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

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**, Eucharist with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

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

## area arts

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

### THEATRE

"The Nerd," Capital Rep, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through June 12. Tickets, 462-4534.

"Peter Pan," The Egg, Albany, through May 27. Tickets, 443-5222.

"The Fantasticks," Mac-Hyden Theater, Chatham, May 27-June 5. Tickets, 392-9292.

### DANCE

"Incredible Feats," Hallenbeck School of Dance, Albany High School Auditorium, May 26, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, 438-3664.

### MUSIC

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

### FOLK

Aztec Two-Step, Caffe Lena, 45 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, May 27 and 28, 8:30 p.m.

Chuck Rosenberg, songs reflecting experiences during the Vietnam War, Studio Theater, The Egg, Albany, May 28, 8 p.m. Information, 474-5987.

### ART

"Japan the Fad," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through June 28. 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.

ST1 "N.C. Wyeth: The Met Life Murals," State Museum, Albany, through June 5. Information, 474-5877.

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

"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.

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

"The New York State Capitol: A Place in History," 160 photographs and cartoons, State Capitol, State St. Lobby, through May, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 473-0341.

Works of Gallery Artists, Greenhut Galleries, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, through June. Information, 482-1984.

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Locust Knolls Artisans Show and Sale, junction of 85A and Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**MONDAY 30**  
MAY

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

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

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

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.

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Memorial Day Parade, sponsored by the American Legion, Elsmere Ave., Bethlehem Cemetery, Kenwood Ave., Adams Pl., Delaware Ave., and Memorial Park, step-off, 11 a.m. Information, 439-2257.

Memorial Day Parade, starting at Voorheesville Elementary School, 10 a.m.; ceremonies, American Legion Hall; children's races, 11 a.m.; Adult races, noon.

Main Square Shoppes, Memorial Day festivities with Skip Parsons' Clarinet Marmalade and Puddin' the Clown, Main Square Shoppes, Delmar, noon-3 p.m. Information, 439-6437.

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**TUESDAY 31**  
MAY

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

Bethlehem Swimming Programs, registration for Summer Tiny Tot Swim, Learn to Swim and Stroke Improvement and diving program, Bethlehem Town Hall, 6:30-8 p.m. Information, 439-4131.

**WEDNESDAY 1**  
JUNE

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 Wednesdays 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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Aquatic Project WILD, teacher workshop, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

Bloodmobile, Voorheesville United Methodist Church, noon-6 p.m. Information, 765-4788.

**THURSDAY 2**  
JUNE

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

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

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

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.

Wildflower Identification Walk, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 9 a.m. Information, 453-1806.

**FRIDAY 3**  
JUNE

Preschool Films, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 and 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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.

Beatlemania, salute to the Beatles, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**SATURDAY 4**  
JUNE

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

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

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**Great Garage Sale**, sponsored by the Association of Ladies of Charity, 114 Westchester Dr. North, Delmar, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 462-6947.

**Bird Watch**, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

**Newspaper Recycling**, Town of Bethlehem Residents may bring bundled newspapers to town hall, 9 a.m.-noon.

**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.

**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.

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

**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.

**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.

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

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**, Eucharist with breakfast, 8 a.m. Family service, 10 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, coffee hour following service, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

**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.

**Toddler Program**, stories, songs, and treats for the berry season, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

**Newspaper Recycling**, Town of Bethlehem Residents who have regular Monday pickup by private haulers may bundle newspapers separately for recycling pickup.

# AREA EVENTS & OCCASIONS

Events in Nearby Areas

## WEDNESDAY 25 MAY

**Capital District Women's Political Caucus**, meeting with speech by Kathleen Waits, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 283-8416.

**HAVEN**, meetings for adults coping with the death of close friends. HAVEN Office, 1101 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 370-1666.

**Empire State College**, information session, 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 5:30 p.m. Information, 587-2100.

**Council of Community Services**, 61st Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner, Century House, Rt. 9, Latham, 5:30 p.m.

**Chapters of Hadassah**, celebration of the State of Israel's 40th Anniversary, Temple Beth Emeth, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 377-0892.

**River Valley Sweet Adelines**, Guest Night, Glen Worden School, Worden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 384-0473.

**Blood Pressure Screening**, Health Works, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 474-5370.

**Glaucoma and Hypertension Screening**, Community Health Plan, 1201 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Latham, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 783-3110.

**American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists**, second annual conference, Albany Hilton. Information, 462-0318.

## THURSDAY 26 MAY

**Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School Band**, concert, West Capital Park, Albany, noon-1 p.m.

**Visiting Nurse Association of Albany**, open house, Colvin Ave., Albany, 2-7 p.m. Information, 489-2681.

**Noontime Presentation**, "Paris in Japan: The Japanese Encounter with European Painting," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

**Concerned Friends of Hope House**, support group for families of substance abusers, Child's Nursing Home, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

**Historic Albany Foundation**, training for volunteer tour guides, 44 Central Ave., Albany, 6-8 p.m. Information, 463-0622.

**Hearing Endeavor for the Albany Region**, self-help group for persons with hearing disabilities, roundtable discussion, Room K226, Albany Medical Center Hospital, 7 p.m. Information, 445-4535.

## FRIDAY 27 MAY

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

## SUNDAY 5 JUNE

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

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**Sons of the Revolution, annual ladies night meeting, University Club, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 486-2695.**

**Altamont Station Squares, square dance, Guilderland Elementary School, 8-10:30 p.m. Information, 382-0680.**

**Empire State College, information session, 155 Washington Rd., Albany, noon. Information, 447-6746.**

**SATURDAY 28**  
MAY

**3-D Show, multi-media presentation with live performances, New York State Museum, Albany, 1 and 2:30 p.m. Information, 474-5801.**

**Freihofer's Run for Women, with music and activities, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Information, 273-0267.**

**Pine Bush Hike, to look for the Karner Blue Butterfly, meet at Rt. 155 and Old State Rd., Guilderland, 10 a.m. Information, 462-0891.**

**SUNDAY 29**  
MAY

**Championship Mud-Boggin', to benefit the Arthritis Foundation, Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, Rt. 40, 1 p.m. Information, 829-2700.**

**MONDAY 30**  
MAY

**Memorial Day Concert, "George Gershwin Salutes Irving Berlin," State Museum, Albany, 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.**

**TUESDAY 31**  
MAY

**Farmers Market, early crops, Saint Vincent DePaul's Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 765-2874.**

**Environment 88 Public Meeting, with Attorney General Robert Abrams and representatives of 25 environmental organizations, Legislative Office Building, Hearing Room C, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 486-5469.**

**Counseling Lecture, "Psychiatric Problems in the Elderly," Albany Medical Center, 7-8:30 p.m. Information, 445-3137.**

**National Museum of Dance, public opening, South Broadway, Saratoga Springs, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 584-2225.**

**Computer Workshop, "Advanced Lotus Techniques," College of Saint Rose, Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., continues June 1. Information, 454-5102.**

**WEDNESDAY 1**  
JUNE

**Women's Lecture, "The Woman Within: The Importance of a Positive Self-Image," Russell Sage Center for Women's Education, 65 First St., Troy, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 270-2319.**

**Handivan Workshop, on masonry, Albany County Cooperative Extension, 230 Green St., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 463-4267.**

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# Logo, slogan contest starts

The Bethlehem Networks Project announces a town-wide logo and slogan contest to be used in all project-related activities, as well as stickers for business windows, bumper stickers, tee shirts, local publications and more.

The logo, either a design or picture, and the slogan, a phrase or sentence, should convey all or some of: a positive influence network, made up of adults and youths interacting with other youths; Bethlehem as an individual community with unique characteristics; and a promotion of positive alternatives to substance use and abuse.

The contest is open to any student, from kindergarten to 12th grade, who resides in the Town of Bethlehem or attends school in the Bethlehem Central School District. This includes all BC schools, the St. Thomas School, A.W. Becker School, New Scotland residents attending BC schools, and any private school students living in the town.

Entries should be dropped off or mailed to Elizabeth Iseman, ESC, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar 12054, by Monday, June 6. Each submission should include name, home address and phone number, grade and school. There is no limit to the entries. Winners will be notified by Monday, June 13.

An awards ceremony will be on Sunday, June 19, at the Hamagrael School along with the awards ceremony for the Father's Day

Race sponsored by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and Bethlehem Zephyrs.

All winning entries will be displayed at the Bethlehem Town Library during July.

The grand prizes will be \$75 and a book of McDonald's gift certificates for the winning slogan and the winning logo.

Prizes will also be awarded for the best logo and the best slogan at the elementary, middle and high school levels. For first prize,

\$50 will be awarded for each slogan or design at each level, for second prize, \$25 will be awarded, and for third prize, \$15 will be awarded.

Prize money has been donated by BOU, Albany Savings Bank, Owens Corning, American Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Bethlehem Athletic Association, Bethlehem Police Officers Union Local, Town Councilman Sue Ann Ritchko, Price Chopper, Citibank and McDonald's for the gift certificates.

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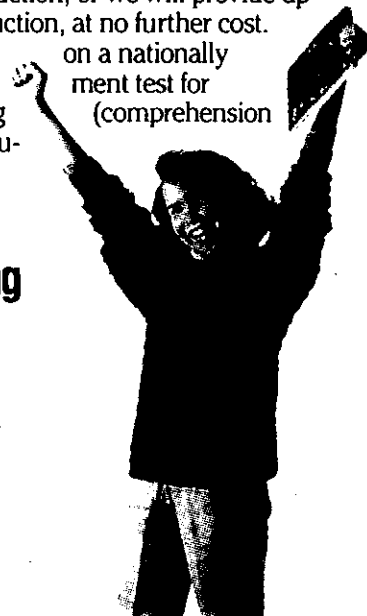


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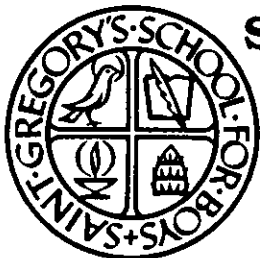
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### Slingerlands PTA elects officers

The Slingerlands Parent Teacher Association recently elected officers for the 1988-89 school year.

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# Shelter for girls opposed by neighbors

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Samaritan Shelters Inc. was granted preliminary approval for its proposed home for female juveniles on Beaver Dam Rd. in Selkirk Wednesday, but the Bethlehem Board of Appeals decision has some Selkirk residents up in arms.

Preliminary approval was granted in a second vote after a motion to deny approval was defeated, 3-4. Board Chairman Charles Fritts cast the deciding vote to defeat the denial and break a deadlocked board. A second motion to grant approval was approved by one vote, 4-3. Also in favor of the use variance in the Residential-A zone were board members Orrin Barr,

## Selkirk

Robert Wiggand and Thomas Scherer.

Samaritan Shelters, already operating a boys home on Rt. 144 in Glenmont, requested a use variance to rehabilitate the former Coon residence as a shelter for up to ten juvenile girls. The "non-secure" home would be used as a residence for youths classified as "PINS", Persons In Need of Supervision. Samaritan is planning to spend \$50,000 on rehabilitation and modification of the property.

A group of residents who opposed the home at the public

hearing and their neighbors have organized to battle the decision, said Terri Lymburner, group spokesperson.

"We're upset about the decision and feel as though the residents were not heard," she said. "Not one of the residents spoke in favor." Some twenty residents attended a meeting Thursday and 25 attended a meeting on Sunday, said Lymburner, who lives 100 feet from the property. A petition, which had 60 signatures as of Monday morning, is being circulated, and letters have been sent to board members to encourage them to change the decision, she said.

"We intend to follow through as far as we can, if it involves lawyers and the supreme court, we'll do it," Lymburner said.

State institutions, such as mental health institutions, are not subject to local zoning ordinances when establishing group homes and do not have to apply for variances under state law. However, the law does not apply to the Samaritan Shelters facility, and the sponsors must go through the regular variance procedure because the house is in a residential zone.

"If this were a state agency we would have no discretion and I think we need it," Fritts said before casting his vote. However, he said the lot size of five and one-half acres also was a factor in his decision.

The proposed facility would house girls up to the age of 16 for up to 27 days, said Samaritan Executive Director Claudia Engelhardt at last month's hearing. She said a staff of two to five

adults would be on the premises at all times, but that the youths would not be locked up. The girls at the home would be ones who had experienced trouble at home, school or with parents or been in an abusive situation, she said.

Barr said he checked with a family court judge, who told him never heard of any problems at similar homes. "The children are not delinquents... not arsonists, not on drugs," he said. "Some of the kids are right from our own community."

Fritts said he also checked with police agencies about the boys home in Glenmont. "They haven't had any major problems," he said.

Board members M. Sheila Galvin, Dominick DeCecco and Gary Swan voted against the variance.

Galvin opposed the home because of the "self-imposed hardship" and said Samaritan had only looked at one other location "seriously." "I have a problem with the amount of (neighborhood) opposition," she said.

"While I think there is need for the facility... I think a more intensive search could be done even within the town in appropriate zones," said DeCecco. He said there were more suitable locations for the home, both in the town and out of the town. Swan said the property owners, Reginald Scott and Thomas Coyle, should have filed for the variance instead of Samaritan Shelters.

Swan said the residents of the area did not move to Bethlehem for anxiety. He said he saw a problem with the New York State Thruway, which is only 500 feet away from the home, increasing the potential for runaways.

"Are we doing the girls a service with a location so close to two excellent modes of transportation?" asked Kathy Searles, also a Beaver Dam Rd. resident. She said the home is not only near the Thruway, but also has railroad tracks behind it.

"We came to the area because it was a rural, residential area with no traffic... that's why we bought a house here," said Lymburner on Saturday. "We assumed since no one spoke in favor it wouldn't pass."

At its Sunday meeting, the citizens group cited three reasons for opposing the variance, Lymbur-

ner said. The town will lose tax revenue when the property is taken off the rolls and will gain no new jobs, she said. The group feels the property owners did not meet the appeals criteria of proving hardship because the owners could not get a reasonable return.

"We don't believe the property is unsalable. It was sold two times in 18 months," she said. "The owner imposed the problem himself," she said.

The third reason the group opposes the variance is that "use allowed by variance must not change the character of the neighborhood and we feel this does," Lymburner said.

Lymburner said the board's decision is "spot zoning" and that the home is different from other facilities in the area, such as the Glenmont Job Corps and the boys home because "no one is near them." "Beaver Dam is strictly residential with neighbors near (Samaritan's) property," she said.

"We don't believe they (Samaritan) looked very hard," Lymburner said. She said a real estate agent in the group was able to find four suitable properties within the Town of Bethlehem that were properly zoned and "we're talking about all of Albany County."

Searles, a member of the group, but speaking for herself, said she is concerned for the safety of her children since the home is not secure. She said placing the not-secure home in a residential area "doesn't make sense."

"We will peacefully and calmly let them (the board) know we don't think they considered what was said," Searles said. "Absolutely no one wanted this."

The board may vote on a formal resolution granting final approval to Samaritan Shelters at its next regular meeting Wednesday, June 1.

## Aquatic WILD workshop offered

An Aquatic Project WILD workshop for teachers will be held on Wednesday, June 1, at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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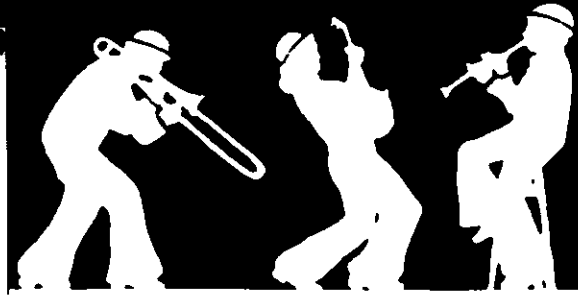
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# RCS plans asbestos testing

By Sal Prividera Jr.

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education dealt with several building and asbestos issues at at last Monday's meeting.

District Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Angelo Rosato was appointed asbestos coordinator, according to Superintendent William Schwartz. Appointment of a coordinator is required of all school districts to oversee mandated asbestos testing and management under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Schwartz said Rosato has received training for his job as coordinator.

Professional Services Industries Inc. was awarded a \$31,853 contract to conduct the mandated inspection of all the district's building for asbestos, Schwartz said. The company will also

conduct air sampling tests for asbestos and prepare a management plan to deal with any asbestos found in the district.

The board also adopted a resolution to indemnify or protect school employees from lawsuits over asbestos, Schwartz said. Simeo Gallo, the district's counsel, recommended that the board pass a resolution to relieve individuals of liability, according to Schwartz.

The board also approved additional funding for the firm of Mendel, Mesick, Cohen, Waite and Hall, which is designing the proposed construction and renovation projects. Schwartz said the extra funds will cover the cost of the district's request for a different high school library design and the CAFE committee's request for an additional teaching station in the gym.

Originally, an addition to the existing library was planned,

Schwartz said. The superintendent said the current plan is calling for a new library to be added on to the building, with the "old" library becoming a classroom. He said the additional funding will pay for plans for both structures.

## Student, teacher win gold stars

A.W. Becker Elementary student Dean Kreplin Jr. won an essay contest award for writing about why his teacher deserves an A-plus.

Kreplin's essay recognizing his teacher David Selover as an "A Teacher" was selected from more than 500 essays entered by Albany County students into a contest sponsored by television channel WXXA and McDonald's restaurant.

Kreplin wrote, "He has changed my whole outlook on school. I have always found school hard and never enjoyed it. With him, and the way he gets involved, you're learning before you know it. He even gives up his lunch hour to help you. No one has to fight with me to do my homework anymore. I even enjoy doing extra projects. He's given me a reason to like school and do my best. This is why he should be awarded an A."

Thursday, Kreplin, Selover and the rest of the fourth grade class were filmed for a 30-second commercial to air on WXXA during "Teacher Celebration Week", from May 23 until May 30. The class will also share Kreplin's prize of dinner at McDonald's.

## Shelter's window hit

An incident of vandalism in Glenmont is under investigation by the Bethlehem police.

Police received a report Saturday of a window being broken at the Samaritan Shelters' home on Rt. 144 in Glenmont. The window was damaged by a single shot from a BB gun, police said. Police said two youths were seen in the area prior to the incident.

# News from Selkirk AND SOUTH BETHLEHEM



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## Child care program opening

The 1988-89 year looks bright for after-school child care in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk area. The After School Activities Program board of directors is seeking qualified staff for positions at A.W. Becker Elementary School and Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School. The independent child care program is not affiliated with the RCS School District.

An assistant director for program planning is needed for 15-20 hours each week. Group leaders/teachers are needed to supervise the children.

To apply for either position, send a resume or letter to the After School Activities Program, Inc., Box 302, Ravena, N.Y. 12143.

## Seniors to visit castle

The Sunshine Senior Citizens of Selkirk will be visiting the Wilson Castle in Proctor, Vt., and the Early American Farm Museum in West Fort Ann, N.Y., on June 21. The group will view a working water wheel, a covered bridge and early farm equipment.

All seniors are invited. For reservations call 439-4560 or 462-0560.

## PTA officers elected

Recently elected officers of the A.W. Becker School PTA are: Lorna Milburn and Shirley Kreplin, co-presidents; Arlene Jordan, first vice president; Principal Al Keating, second vice president; Jane Hilson, recording secretary; Mary Rusik, corresponding secretary; Josephine Hargis, treasurer; Cathy Searles, hospitality; Marie McClumpha, publicity, and David Selover, membership.

## Fifth grade graduating

The fifth grade students at A.W. Becker Elementary School will graduate on June 23, at 10 a.m. The students will be dismissed at 1 p.m. following lunch. The class will visit Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts on June 3.

## Rocket club sponsors contest

The A.W. Becker Rocket Club will soon sponsor a contest on the school grounds. All district residents are invited to enter. For

information call Keith Searles at 767-2908.

## Flag burning scheduled

A flag burning ceremony will be held at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Selkirk, on Flag Day, June 12, beginning at 2 p.m.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion posts will assist in the proper disposal of worn or outdated flags.

Worn flags may be deposited before June 12 in collection boxes at the Bethlehem Town Hall, the Bethlehem Public Library and area schools.

## Spring concert tonight

Student musicians at RCS Junior High School will present a spring concert tonight (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m.

Selections will be presented by the seventh and eighth grade chorus, the sixth grade band and select chorus, the junior high jazz ensemble, the sixth grade chorus, and the seventh and eighth grade band.

## Students honored

Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary School has announced students of the month for May. Students being honored include: Devon Davis, Derek Stephens and Kristen Burns, grade two; Kerri Brugermann, Jason Stephens and Karina Case and Stacey Sebert, grade three; Sean Newell, Danielle Blendell, Sarah Chatterton and Lisa Pietropaoli, grade four, and Crystal Callahan, Aleisha Olby, Candace Burgess and Tim VanDorn, grade five.

## Legion members lauded

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post of the American Legion honored two members at the recent past commanders and auxiliary presidents dinner.

George H. Ten Eyck of Delmar received the past American Legion commanders diamond pin for his service as a board of directors member.

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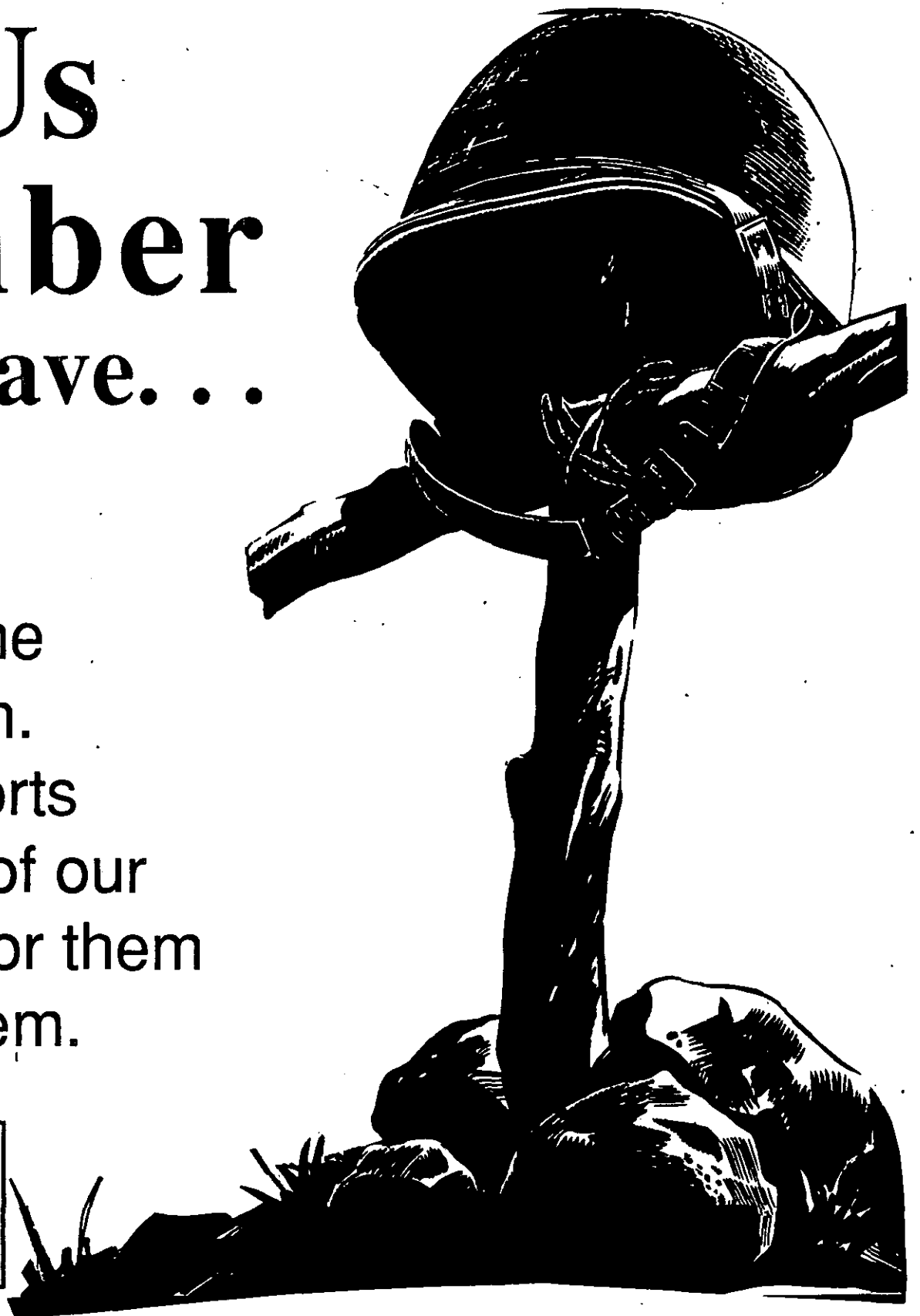
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# June 9 revote scheduled for school district budget

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Voorheesville School District voters will go to the polls on Thursday, June 9, to vote on the \$7.8 million district budget that was defeated May 11.

After discussing reasons for voters' initial rejection of the budget, the board unanimously decided at a special meeting last Tuesday to put the budget up for vote a second time. The proposed spending plan is \$662,244 or nine percent higher than this year's budget and proposals.

"I suggest the same budget," said Board Member David Teuten, echoing his sentiments of last week. "I don't think a message was sent." He said he was "comfortable" with apathy and a large no vote as reasons for the defeat.

"My feeling is this is a good budget," said Board President Mary Van Ryn, adding she would rather put the same budget out than "take the nine vote margin as definitive. I'm not ready to revamp (the budget) without more no votes."

Board Member John McKenna said, "The groups at the outset (referring to the first two meetings for public input at the start of the budget process) stressed communication... and we did less, we didn't do more... people received less information

## Voorheesville

than last year." The board may not have "done something right communicating (to the voters)," Board Member Joseph Fernandez said.

The issue of communication was raised by board members last week as was the issue of apathy. Van Ryn said residents thought the budget would pass and did not vote. Superintendent Louise Gonan said "a number of people did not vote" while in the school building for a concert.

"In terms of history, this is not a small vote," said McKenna, who explained that this year's voter turnout was the fourth highest in the last nine years. While McKenna said the board "shouldn't run to apathy," he supported the idea of a second vote on the same budget because it was "basically a 50-50 vote."

Only one board member, Judith Shearer, was initially against putting the same budget before voters. "I don't think the original was bad, but I don't know if I'm comfortable coming out with the same one."

Several options for getting information to voters prior to the second vote were discussed by the

board including a letter and another budget pamphlet, which could include a "budget at a glance" format or a question and answer format.

The proposed budget includes:

- An increase of \$352,173 for teacher salaries and for the purchase of music and technology equipment.

- An increase of \$72,715 to cover hospital, medical and dental insurance rate hikes.

- An increase of \$40,398 for interest on the public library bond.

- Funding of \$15,000 to \$20,000 for a federally mandated asbestos management plan.

Under the proposed budget, tax rates could be:

- Increased for New Scotland residents by 6.76 percent or \$21.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value to \$344.25 per \$1,000.

- Increased for Guiderland residents by 18.8 percent or \$3.91 per \$1,000 to \$24.70 per \$1,000.

- Increased for Berne residents by 11.37 percent or \$67.77 per \$1,000 to \$663.85 per \$1,000.

The district is expected to receive \$3,005,238 in state aid next year.

Approximately one percent of the tax rates in each town is for the interest on the 10-year \$717,000-bond for the new Voorheesville Public Library, which by state law must be channeled through the school district's budget.

District residents who are 18 years or older and have resided in the district for at least 30 days are eligible to vote at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School on June 9, between 2 to 9:30 p.m. The senior awards night ceremony will be held at the high school on the same evening.

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Richard Leach, left, Voorheesville Central School's health coordinator, was the moderator for a panel discussion sponsored by Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD) on driving while intoxicated, which was part of "The World Thru Different Eyes" program at the high school Thursday. The panel was Ann Metzger, left, a DWI victim, Cheryl F. Coleman, Albany County Assistant District Attorney, Dennis Foley, of the county STOP-DWI program, and Capt. Mark Stevens of the Albany County Sheriff's Department. Sal Prividera Jr.

## Empire Passports now available

The 1988 Empire Passport, which provides unlimited vehicle entrance to most facilities operated by the State Office of Parks, Recreation and Preservation, is now available.

The passport can be purchased for \$25 from any state park office, state Department of Environmental Conservation office and at most state parks. The passport is valid from April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

For information call 474-0456.

## Nature walk planned

An early morning wild flower walk will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Thursday, June 2, at 9 a.m. All are welcome to join the free program. For information call Five Rivers at 453-1806.

## Handivan program wins honors

The Handivan home maintenance and repair education program, won a Mayor's Community Development Merit Award during a recent ceremony at Albany City Hall.

The free workshop and classes are presented by John Kohler. The program is funded by the Federal Community Block Grant Program and the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Albany County. For information call 463-4267.

## Transportation service sought

Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area is applying for a grant, under the Urban mass Transportation Act of 1964, to acquire vehicles for a transportation service for elderly and disabled people in Albany County.

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Private operators interested in program participation may call Ann G. DiSarro at 465-3322.

## State Trooper exam offered

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### Voorheesville plans

#### Memorial Day parade

The Memorial Day Parade in the Village of Voorheesville will step off from the Voorheesville Elementary School parking lot on Monday, May 30, at 10 a.m.

The marchers will proceed down Maple Ave., over Voorheesville Ave. to Main St. According to Ray Jones, commander of the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493, Memorial Day services will be held at the Voorheesville American Legion Hall. Mayor Ed Clark will address the group.

The Voorheesville and New Salem fire companies and ladies auxiliaries will participate in the parade. Also marching will be members of the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, Daisies and Brownies, kindergarten students from Voorheesville Elementary School and the Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, Little League baseball teams sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, officials from the Town of New Scotland and the Village of Voorheesville, and members of other community organizations.

#### Runners follow parade

Area runners are invited to join in the 15- and 3.2-kilometer runs following Voorheesville's Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 30. A 3.2-kilometer fun walk will also be offered.

The races are being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, the Village of Voorheesville, the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493 and the New Scotland Elks Lodge No. 2611. The TAC-sponsored runs will begin at noon at the Voorheesville Area Ambulance ambulance building on Voorheesville Ave., according to Herb Reilly, coordinator of the event.

The first three finishers in each division of the 15- and 3.2-kilometer races will receive trophies. The first 200 finishers in each race will receive a souvenir.

The entry fee is \$4 by mail if paid before May 26 and \$5 on the day of the race.

Children's races, ranging from 220 to 440 yards, will also be held at 11 a.m. on the village green. All children participating in the races will receive ribbons. The children's races are free.

For information call Reilly at 765-2538.

### Locust Knoll sale opens

The Memorial Day weekend will be memorable for craft lovers this year. The Locust Knoll artisans will open their show and sale of primitive and early American craft items on Friday, May 27, at Rt. 85A and Picard Rd. The sale will continue on Saturday, May 28, and close on Sunday, May 30. The show will be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day, and from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday.

Locust Knoll artisans are: Linda O'Connor, quilt maker; Jean Petrie, caner; Linda Hladun, candle maker; Ellen Scofield, teddy bear and porcelain doll maker; Jean Goldstein, grapevine designs, and Bonnie Foster, potter. Guest artists will also be showing jewelry, wood crafts, weaving and folk art. The artists will be available to answer questions about their crafts.

#### Library closes for holiday

The Voorheesville Public Library will be closed on Saturday, May 28, and Monday, May 30, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. The library will reopen on Tuesday, May 31, at 10 a.m.

#### Bloodmobile visits church

A bloodmobile will visit the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville on Wednesday, June 1, from noon until 6 p.m. Anyone over the age of 17 and in good health is invited to donate blood. For information call 765-4788.

#### Students present concert

Students in the Voorheesville Central School District will present a free choral concert tonight (May 25) at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, beginning at 7:30 p.m. All are invited.

#### Boy Scouts enjoy weekend

Boy Scouts from Voorheesville Troop 73 were among the 3,200 scouts participating in the North-O-Ree weekend held recently at Saratoga State Park. The three-day gave John Halligan, Bob Stapf, Brian and Douglas Wuttke, Doug Condon, Tom Machia and Hans Keiserman an opportunity to meet and learn about their brother scouts from the northeast. The boys were accompanied by Joe Colburn, scoutmaster, Ray Ginder, assistant scoutmaster, Mike Jarus and George Wuttke.

#### CPR training completed

Several members of the Voorheesville Central School District

physical education department recently completed an 8-hour cardiopulmonary resuscitation course taught by Terry Luyckx, a member of the high school staff.

Nadine Bassler, Ferne Horne, George Reilly, Dave Cady, Barbara Karl and Reed Schultz were certified after taking practical and written exams.

#### Schools closed Memorial Day

Voorheesville schools will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. The high school, junior high school and elementary school will reopen on Tuesday, May 31.

#### Dinner meeting set

The Onesquethaw Chapter 818 of the Order of the Eastern Star will hold a dinner meeting at the Delmar Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., on Wednesday, May 25, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Dorothy L. Barton, grand matron, will attend.

For information call 439-3883.

#### Search for birds

An afternoon bird walk will be held at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, June 4, at 2 p.m.

During the 90-minute walk, the group will search for the Canada goose, the eastern bluebird and the bobolink. Sturdy walking shoes and outdoor attire are suggested. For information call 453-1806.

#### Blood donations sought

A bloodmobile will be held at the Voorheesville United Methodist Church on Wednesday, June 1, from noon until 6 p.m. For information call 462-7461.

# Town acquires site for Clarksville well

By Patricia Mitchell

The well site for the Clarksville water district has been purchased by New Scotland, according to Supervisor Herbert Reilly.

The acquisition and the letting of the bids this week mean the project is on schedule, Reilly said. Construction is expected to start on July 1.

"I think the people will be happy. We are on schedule," Reilly said.

The land on Rt. 32 was sold by the Howard Wisenburn family to the town for \$55,000 in the Thursday agreement. Reilly said the town has agreements with the

owners of land for the pump site and tank, and will be closing on the sales.

A public hearing will be held on an expected increase in cost for the district on Wednesday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. The cost is now estimated at \$2,025,000, an increase of \$209,500 from the original figure of \$1,815,500. The increase will cover expected cost overruns due to a delay in starting the district. The town board is expecting to borrow the funds from the Farmers Home Administration.

The town board will also hold a special meeting on Friday, June 17, to open the construction bids.

# Board grants 3 variances

The New Scotland Zoning Board of Appeals approved three variance requests at its meeting Friday.

Board Chairman James Sanderson also said the board denied a fourth request in a split vote.

A setback variance requested by Sam Bell to build an addition to his house on Rt. 85, south of Stove Pipe Rd., was approved without conditions, Sanderson said.

A request from Fred and Doris Kirk for a setback variance to build an addition to their house on Rt. 85, near Upper Font Grove Rd., was also approved without conditions, Sanderson said.

The zoning board also approved

a setback variance request without conditions for Joseph Buehler on Delaware Turnpike to build a garage, Sanderson said.

However, a request from Lawrence Bartkus of Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville for a setback variance was not approved because Bartkus did not prove hardship, Sanderson said. The home is not in violation of the zoning ordinance, and Bartkus was requesting to build an addition to his home within eight feet of the property line while the zoning ordinance requires 15 feet. The board voted 2-2 on the request, and therefore did not approve it, Sanderson said.

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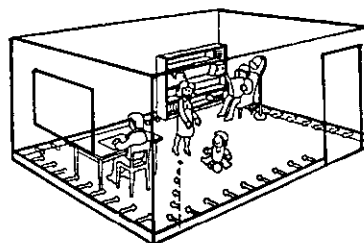
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# Corsi case: should sheriff's duty count?

By Patricia Mitchell

A state Supreme court judge will decide whether time served by Bethlehem Police Sgt. Louis Corsi as a sheriff's deputy can be counted when he applied for a promotional exam last year.

Corsi is attempting to block his decertification from the sergeant's

position he held since December 1987. He had 23 months with the Bethlehem Police Department when he took a civil service exam last June although 36 months were needed to be eligible to take it. He claims he was told time with two other departments would count towards the exam requirement, but the Albany

County Civil Service Commission decided in February to decertify him because he did not have enough time served in Bethlehem.

Corsi's show cause order before state Supreme Court Judge William McDermott Friday is the second lawsuit stemming from his promotion. Officer Cynthia Reed-Kerr brought a suit last month to force the town to explain why she was passed up for promotion to sergeant after placing first on the civil service exam.

State Supreme Court Judge F. Warren Travers decided last week against ruling on Reed-Kerr's suit until Corsi's case is decided.

Corsi placed third on the sergeant's exam last June, Officer

Marvin Koonz second and Reed-Kerr first. They were interviewed by a promotion board, which recommended Corsi be promoted to sergeant by the town board.

At the heart of Corsi's suit against the Town of Bethlehem and the Civil Service Commission is whether deputy sheriffs can be considered police officers in promotional exams. Corsi spent four years in the Albany County Sheriff's Department, part of that time as a sergeant. Corsi also served on the Coeymans police force.

In court last week, it was revealed that the county civil service commission received a letter from the Municipal Service Division of the state Civil Service Department on Feb. 18, indicating

that deputy sheriffs should not be considered police officers in promotional exams under Section 58.1b of the Civil Service Law. That section applies to local government police departments with 150,000 or less in population.

Tom Burch, an attorney for the county, said based on that letter the county decided to decertify Corsi as sergeant. Burch said after appearing in court he thinks that section of the Civil Service Law should be studied to see if it applies.

Jeffrey Honeywell, Corsi's attorney, said after court he doubts that Section 58 applies. All parties involved acted in good faith, he said, but the county civil service commission decision to decertify Corsi was a mistake.

"We think Lou Corsi is a good cop and he should be allowed to continue in his position as sergeant," Honeywell said.

When Corsi wanted to transfer to the Bethlehem Police Department he was told by the county civil service commission that he could bring time served with the sheriff's department but he could not bring his rank as sergeant, Honeywell told McDermott. When he applied to take the sergeant's exam last year, Corsi and Bethlehem Police Chief Paul Currie were both told by the county that the time would count, Honeywell said. He said he believes that ruling was correct.

Honeywell also said in court that Corsi was not notified or asked to comment by the county until he received a letter from the county civil service commission notifying him of its decision to decertify him.

Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said the town has acted in good faith.

Corsi is continuing as sergeant because he received a court order blocking the town from taking any action against him or his position until a decision is handed down from the state Supreme Court.

Bethlehem has advertised for a new sergeant's exam to be given next month.



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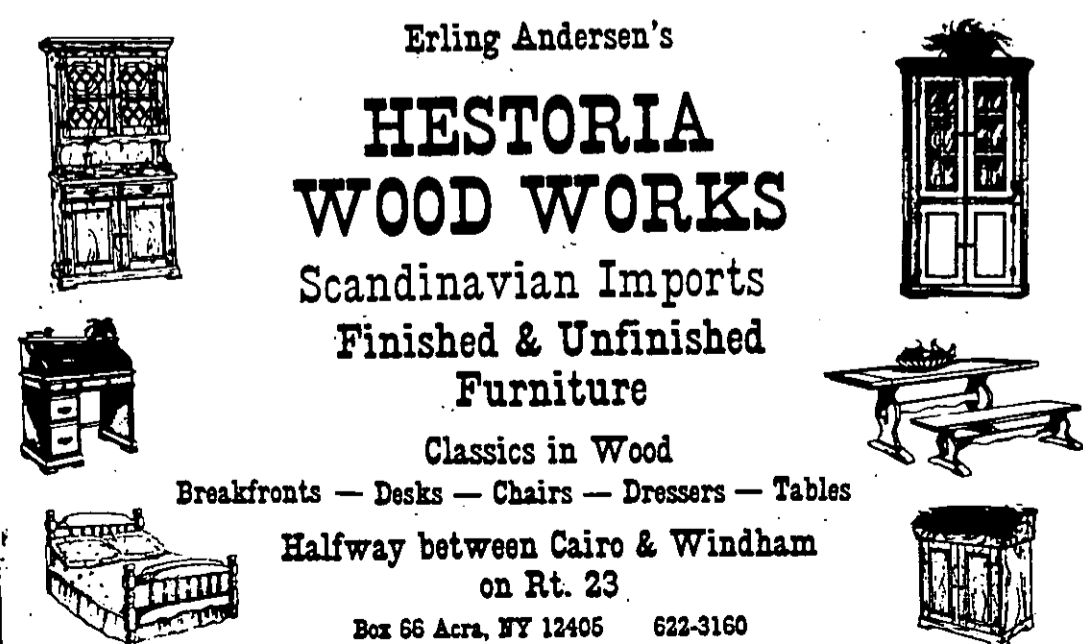
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# Selkirk air tests

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wants to establish a data base from the atmospheric testing for future reference for problems that may arise. He said GE has "always been a good neighbor" but that the community "wants assurances about the air quality."

"I don't want to have to come back in a year because we have a problem; if there is a problem, we want to have a data base (from this study) to work from," Moon said.

"The key is we are becoming more and more of an industrial area."

Several residents have complained about odors, which all three parties agreed may be caused by the high concentration of industrial emissions in the area.

**"The key is we are becoming more and more of an industrial area."**

Specifically, Garry Neighmond of the DEC cited aldehyde emissions from the diesel engines in Conrail's Selkirk yards and formaldehyde emissions at the Owens-Corning plant, which have doubled since the plant opened a second production line in 1987. Neighmond said formaldehyde and other chemical members in the aldehyde family may be contributing to odor problems in the Selkirk area. Aldehydes, he said, are common chemicals found in cigarette smoke, car exhaust, building trade materials and virtually any kind of combustion exhaust.

Other area industries mentioned by Neighmond as possible contributors to the odor problem were Texas Eastern Gas, Blue Circle-Atlantic Cement, Callahan Industries, which operates an asphalt plant, Niagara Mohawk's steam plant on Rt. 144 and traffic exhaust from the Thruway and Rt. 9W.

Texas Eastern had an incident in March when a valve at its Selkirk facility was left open for a half hour, allowing a non-flammable gas to escape, according to Neighmond. About a quart of the gas, which is mixed with propane to give it a smell for detection purposes, escaped and was reported by residents of Schodack, across the Hudson River. No reports were received from residents of Selkirk, however.

"Formaldehyde is ubiquitous, we're going to find it everywhere in Albany County," said Art Fossa of the DEC's Bureau of Toxic Air Sampling.

Rita Cleary, a resident of Selkirk, said she has compiled statistics from area school officials and school records indicating that there is a high amount of asthma cases in the area schools, which she said she attributes to the air quality in the area.

According Albany County Health Commissioner William Grattan, no definitive study concerning the long-term effect of formaldehyde on humans has been made. He said long-term exposure of laboratory animals to high concentrations of formaldehyde caused nose, throat and oral cancer, but pointed out that

ambient levels would never be as concentrated as the experimental levels. He did say short-term exposure to ambient levels of formaldehyde by humans causes irritation in the upper respiratory tract and eyes, and although it can not cause asthma, it can worsen an asthmatic condition.

Dr. Grattan said he was contacted by the DEC last Friday and will study the information compiled so far by the DEC concerning the formaldehyde levels.

"Unlike in the lab, it is hard to say with absolute certainty what the cause for the rise in asthma is, there are a quite a few variables," Dr. Grattan said. He said he plans to compile data from area school health officials and records.

He said five to 10 percent of all children are likely to have at least one or more episode of asthma on the average, and that there have been no reported cases of death caused by asthma.

In order to evaluate the overall ambient air quality of the Selkirk area, the DEC will use a mobile detection unit known as a trace atmospheric gas analyzer, or TAGA. The TAGA will take samples around the Selkirk area at unannounced intervals, according to Fossa.

The TAGA, which is about as big as a CDTA bus, was first used in 1979 to analyze air samples at a

chlorine and propane rail car accident near Buffalo, Fossa said. The TAGA can now measure certain chemicals, such as dioxins, up to the parts per billion and others up to parts per trillion, but cannot analyze formaldehyde because formaldehyde is too light.

In addition to readings by the TAGA, there will be stack tests to analyze the incinerator's ability to maintain a complete burn of hazardous wastes. The incinerator will be "spiked" with special compounds that don't burn easily to measure traces of emissions in the stack. The compound used, according to Fossa, will be carbon tetrachloride, which was once used in fire extinguishers.

Joyce said GE does not burn formaldehyde and that he personally would like to see "overkill" in the study to assure the community's safety. "We live here in the area too," he said.

Joyce said that air quality samples taken since the incinerator began operation in 1983 have actually improved. The last atmospheric tests were conducted in 1981 and 1982, the results of which are available to the public, Joyce said. Furthermore, he said GE would be willing to pay for another air quality test. He said the federal government recently passed an act requiring reports to the public on the emission levels from industrial burning.

Both Dudley and Joyce have said they will take part in forming a citizen's advisory board, which Bethlehem Town Councilwoman Sue Ann Ritchko has said she plans to become a member of. Ritchko, along with Bethlehem Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor, attended Thursday's meeting.

## Store shortchanged

Bethlehem police are investigating the theft of cash from a convenience store cashier at the Town Squire Shopping Center on Rt. 9W last Monday.

Police said the cashier reported that two black males entered the store and paid for an item with a \$20 bill. While one questioned the cashier, the other repeatedly asked for change, police said. Police said \$126.65 was taken in the incident.

## Books for sale

The Unitarian book sale will be on Saturday, June 4, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., at the Delaware Plaza, Delmar.



The newly elected officers of the Bethlehem Progress Club are, from left, seated, Margaret Holmgren, second vice president; Peggy Zimmerman, president and Lois Dillon, first vice president. Standing, Virginia Russom, recording secretary; Nancy Bosworth, corresponding secretary and Jeannette Hall, treasurer. Mark Stuart

## Progress Club installs officers

Delmar Progress Club officers for the 1988-89 year were installed by Mrs. Kenneth Ford, a former president of the club, at the annual meeting May 9.

Mrs. Ford is the current chairman of citizenship division and public affairs department of the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The incoming officers are: Mrs. Joseph F. Zimmerman, president;

Mrs. Edward R. Dillon Jr., first vice president; Mrs. Raymond Russom, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert A. Bosworth, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Jeannette Hall, treasurer, and Mrs. Paul Buehler, assistant treasurer.

Members of the board of directors are Mrs. William P. Blackmore and Mrs. Harry K. Spindler.

Mrs. John E. McLean was elected to the nominating committee.

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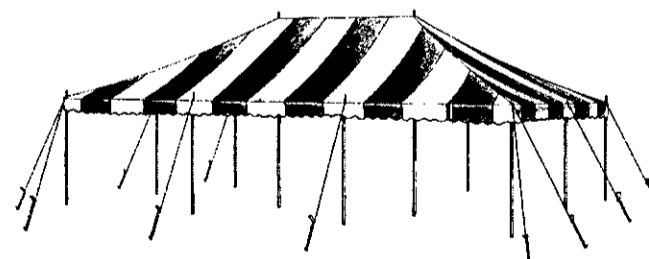
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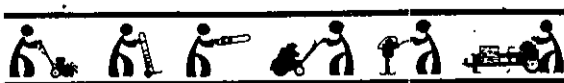
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# Town board approves mine deal

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the proposal. Concerned Citizens is also seeking to remove Town Attorney Fred Riester from the case and to force examinations of witnesses before a state Supreme Court trial they said they will still pursue.

"Your day is coming, Herb," said Karen Magrum, a member of Concerned Citizens, at the end of the meeting.

The 27-acre gravel mine has long been a subject of controversy in the town. The mine east of Rt. 155 near Voorheesville was mined briefly last summer until litigation halted work. The town's zoning ordinance prohibiting mining in the zones where it is located was upheld by the Appellate Division earlier this year, but was sent back to state Supreme Court for a trial on the history of the case. That trial has not been held.

The town board voted 3-1 to accept a proposal that would end the lawsuit, with Republican Councilmen Allyn Moak and Wyman Osterhaut joining Reilly and Councilman John Sgarlata casting the sole negative vote. Reilly and Sgarlata are Democrats.

Sgarlata said he doesn't believe the town can risk a its water resource, and that the decision means that the zoning ordinance will be useless, casting doubt on the town's ability to control its future. New Scotland needs to send a message that it listens to its residents and stands up to developers, he said.

The debate over the gravel mine has been a difficult issue for the town board, Reilly said. After the meeting he said he would have liked never to have dealt with the

issue but he believes agreeing to end the litigation was the best course for the town. He said he is pleased with the parts of the settlement that allow the town control over the mine, including the power to shut it down.

Moak said for the past two years he has listened to rhetoric, truths and half truths, and while it would be nice to see the issue with tunnel vision, he has to decide what is best for the town. He said he voted on his own conscience so he would be able to look at himself in the mirror.

After the meeting, Concerned Citizens Chairman Robert Morrison said his group will go forward with the lawsuit. It is obvious that residents of the town don't want the mine, he said, and that Concerned Citizens' position is strongly supported.

Morrison also charged that Reilly is participating in a coverup by stopping pre-trial examinations of former town officials who have been subpoenaed to testify in the state Supreme Court trial.

"You want to begin calling this New Scotland-gate? I think we should," Morrison said.

Town Democratic Party Chairman Thomas Dolin echoed the charge that a coverup was going on, and he said after the meeting there is an effort by incumbent board members (Reilly, Moak and Osterhaut) to prevent disclosure of what took place. He said no one can explain why the town board is rushing to settle the lawsuit. A committee representative approached Reilly before the meeting to ask him to postpone the vote, and he declined to do so, Dolin said.

Reilly has done "a complete

betrayal" from what the party stood for, Dolin said, and he is "very disturbed at his actions." The party committee will be meeting Sunday, June 5, to discuss Reilly's actions, Dolin said.

"Herb has totally broken from his promise to the citizens," Dolin said.

However, Reilly said no one approached him formally from the Democratic Party. A committee member did suggest last week that the vote be postponed but he also made some suggestions on the proposal.

Reilly also said Morrison and James Eberhardt, another member of Concerned Citizens, met with him about a month ago and claimed they had a "smoking gun" that would destroy the miners case, but they would not identify what it was. Reilly said he is concerned that the pre-trial examinations would hurt the town's case more than help it.

At the meeting, several members of the audience asked that more information be gathered on the potential effects of the mine before the town board votes on the proposal and questioned why the town board was moving ahead with the settlement.

Reilly said after the meeting that he will continue to gather information on the potential effects of the mine and forward the information to DEC.

Members of the Orchard Park Neighborhood Association spoke in favor of settling the lawsuit that would allow them access to the mine site to get public water. Some wells in the neighborhood contain methane, sodium and other pollutants. Association

President Pat Bulgaro said the town board was faced with a very difficult choice. While no one wants the nuisances of the mine, he said his neighbors live with the nuisance of bottled water.

Gary Ellsworth said the association honestly feel their families' lives are in danger.

No one is crazy about trucks driving through the town, said association member Tony Mistretta, but there will be development in the town and gravel trucks will be driving through then.

Meanwhile, the stew of lawsuits surrounding the gravel mine has become thicker as Concerned Citizens have petitioned the state Supreme Court to remove Riester from the case because he is a potential witness and has an apparent conflict of interest, Morrison said. A hearing will be held on June 15. Morrison also said his group is joining with Larned and Sons in other legal actions to hold the pre-trial exams as soon as possible.

However, Riester said being a potential witness is not a conflict of interest, but instead has an impact on his ability to be an advocate for his client. He has a responsibility to be an advocacy and a witness, and he doesn't believe his adversary has a right to demand his withdrawal from the case. Riester said nothing prevents him from representing the town during the settlement of the litigation.

## Student awards Schimanski honored

Lori A. Schimanski of Delmar was honored for her academic achievements at Lehigh University during the university's recent honors convocation.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schimanski of Delmar.

## Area students win law school honors

Two Delmar residents earned honors at the Western New England College School of Law.

Maureen Gross of Delmar, a senior, has been awarded the American Jurisprudence Award for federal civil trial advocacy.

Suzanne Capone of Delmar, also a senior, has been awarded the American Jurisprudence Award for family law. Capone is the daughter of Samuel and Marie Capone of Delmar.

## Break-in attempted.

Bethlehem police are investigating an attempted break-in of a Meadowbrook Dr. home in Delmar after the owner reported the incident Sunday.

Police said someone tried to gain entrance to the home by prying a rear first floor window and a patio door. Damage was done in both areas, police said.

## Slingerlands items go in time capsule

The kindergarten class of Slingerlands Elementary School, the members of the high school class of 2000, will join other kindergarten students of the district in burying a time capsule at the quad section of Bethlehem Central High School in June.

The capsule, donated by Niagara Mohawk, will contain news items of interest including the October snowstorm and the end of the *Knickerbocker News*, as well as lists of current prices, trends, and popular music and toys.

The children are compiling this information under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Helen Salamone. The spot will be marked by a plaque donated by Applebee Funeral Home.

The capsule will be unearthed when the students reach their high school graduation.

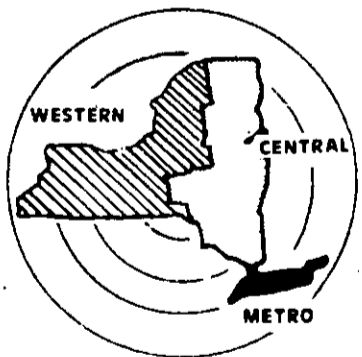
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# Secret meeting Voorheesville honors

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Because a quorum of the five-member village board was present, the session would be considered a meeting under the state's Open Meetings Law, said Robert Freeman, director of the state Committee on Open Government. All meetings have to be preceded by a public notice, including postings and notifying the local media.

When asked why there was no notification of the meeting, Clark said, "We just didn't notify anybody." He said the board was "clearing up odds and ends" and that it was "not a formal meeting." Clark said the board "didn't know about the meeting in time to notify" the media or residents and questioned whether that should prevent the board from meeting.

Concerned Citizens Chairman Robert Morrison said Friday his group did not want the meeting publicized, and that it was premature to announce it. "I don't know where (reports of the meeting) came from," Morrison said.

Clark said a proposal from Concerned Citizens for New Scotland, Inc., that the village consider becoming party to the lawsuit currently bearing the name of his group and the Town of New Scotland against the 27-acre gravel mine on the Tall Timbers Country Club, just east of the village, operated by William M. Larned and Sons, was heard by the board. After a half-hour presentation, the board asked for more information on the suit and its current status, he said.

The town board accepted a proposal Monday night to end its participation in the litigation and to send Larned's request back to the planning board to decide whether to allow the operators to continue mining. Morrison said his group asked the village to join in the suit in any case, but particularly if the town decided to drop out.

If the village joins the suit it would also replace Councilman

John Sgarlata, who recently had his name removed from it due to a potential conflict of interest, Morrison said. Sgarlata was named as a plaintiff in the original suit brought by Concerned Citizens in October, 1986.

Because proposed litigation was discussed, Freeman said some of the meeting could have been conducted in a valid executive, or closed, session. However, a motion must be made in an open session to go into executive session. Freeman said a public notice would still have been needed for the open session.

Clark said the board had to find out the legal implications of the suit, the prospects of costs and find out what the community wants. "All us have to talk to people and see how they feel," he said, adding that the board was "not in a hurry to reach a conclusion."

Morrison noted that his group is not asking the village to bear any costs in the litigation. "It's an excellent idea," Morrison said.

The matter was to be discussed at Tuesday night's regular board meeting.

Also at last Tuesday's meeting, the board looked at the village sidewalks in an effort to determine where to put new ones and discussed the pending solid waste removal program, Clark said.

## Baum elected

Mitchell P. Baum has been elected to serve as a student senator for the 1988-89 year at Messiah College in Harrisburg, Pa.

Baum, a freshman, is the son of Barry and Mary Baum of Delmar.

The following list is the third quarter honor roll for grades seven through nine at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. One asterisk indicates high honor roll. Two asterisks indicate the superintendent's honor roll.

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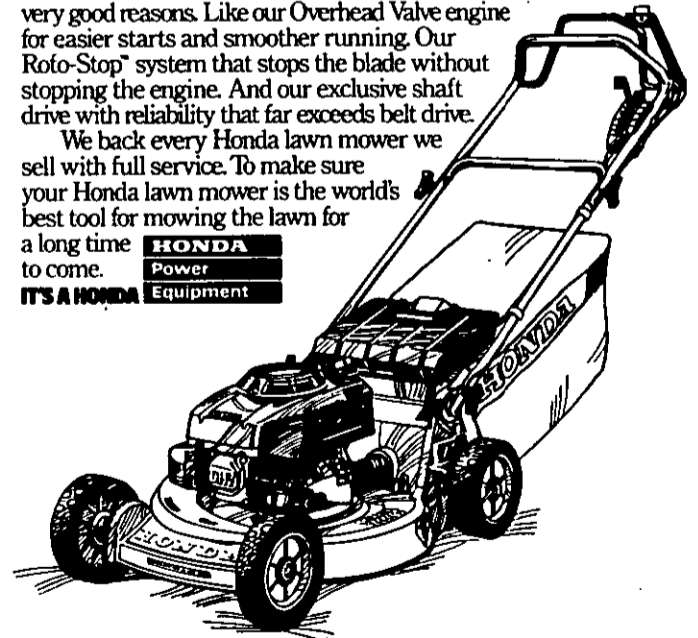
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# GE, McDonalds tied for first in majors

By John Bellizzi III

McDonald's defeated Spotlight and General Electric Plastics last week to increase their record to 5-2 in the Tri-Village Little League major division, tied for first place with G.E. Starwood Fund Raising (4-2) is a close second place.

McDonald's defeated Spotlight in the first major game of the week last Monday. They continued their success on Saturday by shutting out G.E. 1-0 in an exciting contest. Matt Thornton scored the winning run for McDonald's in the first inning, when he drew a walk, advanced to second base on a passed ball, and scored on Scott Hasselbarth's single. Hasselbarth's RBI single and singles by Thornton and Adam Holigan were the only three hits off of G.E.'s Chris Macaluso, who went the distance on the mound, striking out eight and walking five.

Pitchers Hasselbarth and Brian Garver combined for the three-hit shutout. Matt Winterhoff, Jeff Dievendorf and Macaluso had their team's only hits, three singles.

Last Tuesday, G.E. defeated Verardi by a 16-3 margin. Winterhoff backed his pitching performance with a double and a single. John Matagaras and Farbstein both doubled, and Mike Carpenter and Brian Winterhoff had two singles apiece. Singles by Dievendorf, Andrew Kinney and Gary Van Wormer completed General Electric's victory.

Matt D'Ambrosi was Verardi's starting pitcher, relieved in the third by Brad Mattox. Joe Thierry

and Ronnie Hollins went to the mound in the sixth inning to finish the game. Offensively, Thierry's two doubles led the team. Two singles by Jon Gould and a single by Robin Bellizzi were the team's only other hits.

Owens-Corning faced Starwood twice last week. The first time, last Thursday, Owens-Corning was the victor 12-11. Mike Soronen was the winning pitcher. Teammates Chad Mallow, Greg Sack and Tom Leyden singled for Owens-Corning.

Jon Pesnel was Starwood's pitcher. Pesnel aided his own cause with three singles, Jeff Hoefs hit two singles, and Sam Stasko hit two singles and a double. Mike Breslin aided the losing effort with a home run.

When Owens-Corning Fiberglas and Starwood next met Saturday evening, Starwood emerged the victor by a score of 13-2. Sean Brewer was the winning pitcher, and backed his pitching with a triple. Stasko and Pesnel each contributed two singles, Breslin and Hoefs each a double, and Shawn Walmsley a single.

Sack and Bob Keparutis combined on the mound for Owens-Corning. Leyden, Nathan Kosoc, Lonny Winter and Aaron Tannata all had hits for the losing team.

Also on Saturday, Spotlight picked up their first victory 15-5 over Verardi. Scott Lobel went the distance for Spotlight and got the win, striking out seven and allowing only five hits, with singles by Gould, Mattox, Erick Bartoletti and Jason Silber and Mike O'Donnell.

Mattox started pitching for Verardi, giving up six runs on one base hit in three innings. Bartoletti gave up five hits in two innings of relief. George Kansas led Spotlight's offense with three singles, and Josh Willey and David Decker both had hits.

Previously undefeated Main Care of the Intermediate League met its first defeat of the season Sunday at the hands of Farm Family. Main Care is now 6-1.

Manufacturers Hanover tied with Messina and Cahill in the junior league to break the tie for first place between Hanover and Bryant Insurance. Bryant has the lead with a 5-0 record and Manufacturers Hanover is second with Fantastic Sam's trailing in a close third place.



Pitcher Tommy Feller of Buenau's warms up between innings during Tri-Village Little League action last week.

John Bellizzi III

## NFL players scheduled for Normanside benefit tourney

On June 13, the Normanside Country Club in Delmar will be the site of a sporting event that may look more like an NFL summer training camp than a golf tournament.

How's this for starters: Buddy Curry, linebacker for the Atlanta Falcons, Tim Sherwin, tight end for the Indianapolis Colts, Ray Butler, wide receiver for the Seattle Seahawks, and Chris Hinton, all-pro lineman for the Indianapolis Colts. That's quite an entourage on the gridiron, but can carry their weight on the fairway as well as they do on the fifty?

That remains to be seen when the Tim Sherwin Celebrity-Key Bank Pro-Am golf tournament to benefit Cystic Fibrosis gets underway next month.

Rounding out the field of scheduled players will be the 1987 Heisman Trophy runner-up

Don McPherson of Syracuse University, Bob Terpening, general manager of the Indianapolis Colts, Jeff Hayes, punter for the Washington Redskins, and Rich Kotite, offensive line coach for the New York Jets.

Just the thought of these players putting their weight into a drive brings to mind the popular beer commercial where hefty ex-baseball slugger Greg Luzinski drives a golf ball to China.

The weekend will begin with a pre-tournament party at O'Flaherty's Loudon House in Loudonville on June 12 from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$35 per person and include beer and wine, hors d'oeuvres and grounds privileges for the tournament on the following day.

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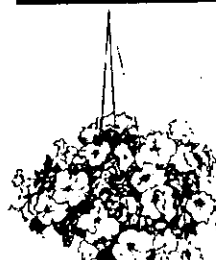
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## Eagles top Dutchmen

By John Bellizzi III

Last week's continual downpours caused four of Bethlehem Central's scheduled varsity baseball games to be cancelled, but they did little to dampen the team's spirits, and their winning streak continued with a victory over Guilderland.

The score of last Monday's game against the Dutchmen was 8-6 in the Eagles' favor. Mike Hodge was the starting pitcher, hurling for the first six innings, with Sean Lynch in relief.

Pete Coccozza went three for five with three singles, and Hodge backed his pitching performance at the plate with a double and a triple in four times at bat. John Reagan singled to add to the Eagles' scoring effort.

Hodge scored the tying run in the seventh inning on a close play at the plate, coming home on a passed ball after hitting his triple. Chris Pratt and Kyle Snyder scored on Coccozza's single to give the Eagles the victory.

BC's games against Shaker, Linton, Burnt Hills and Coopers-town were cancelled due to weather. This week, the Eagles were scheduled to face Burnt Hills on Monday and Shaker on Tuesday.

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# RCS's week highlighted by 3 big meets

By Curt VanDerzee

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Boys' Track Team had a very busy week as they placed fourth in the Albany County Meet on Tuesday, and then won their twenty-fifth consecutive dual meet Thursday, as they blew away Cohoes 94-29. On Saturday the boys placed thirteenth in a field of 50 at the prestigious William F. Eddy Jr. Track Meet at Union College, the highest finish ever in that meet for Ravena.

On Tuesday, the Indians placed fourth in the Albany County Meet, finishing behind Class A

## Track

powerhouses CBA, Colonie and Albany High. Mike Frazetta, who won his second consecutive high jump title, and Tim Baranska, in the 110-meter high hurdles, both came away with firsts. Baranska also took second in the intermediate hurdles and in doing so had the second best time in all of Section II this year and broke his own school record.

Two other school records were

broken on the day. Scott Hughes broke one by taking second in the 400-meter run and the two-mile relay team of Frazetta, Bob Misuraca, Hughes and Baranska, which also took second, set a record.

Bob O'Neil placed second in the long jump for the Indians.

On Thursday, the Indians crushed an overmatched Cohoes team 94-29, in the pouring rain. The win raised the Indians' record to 4-0 in the Council and 6-0 overall.

On Saturday, the Indians travelled to Union College to participate in the Eddy Meet, in which 50 of the top schools from around the state competed. Frazetta took second in the high jump with a jump of 6'2". He just barely missed 6'4" which was the winning jump. Hughes took fourth in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:58.4. The Indians also got a sixth place finish from their 4x200 relay team of Hughes, Art Burnette, Frazetta and Baranska. This was the first time that the Indians had ever participated in

this event and were the only team from the Capital District to qualify for the finals. Coach Gorham was very pleased with the effort of Bob O'Neil who took eighth place in the long jump with his best jump of the year.

This week the Indians have the

Coed Councils at Cohoes on Tuesday. On Thursday the boys will attempt to complete their third consecutive undefeated season when Albany Academy comes to town. On Saturday they travel to Queensbury for Sectionals.

## Birds split a pair

By Darrin G. Duncan

The Voorheesville Boys' Tennis Team went 1-1 last week to give them an overall record of 11-2 and a league record of 9-2.

They dropped their rematch with Albany Academy 6-1. Chris Stevens lost 6-0, 6-0 as he was manhandled by Academy's Greenwood. Dave Mistretta lost a tough match to Quinby 6-2, 5-7, 6-1. Dave Larabee also lost 6-1, 6-4. Tom Kurkjian gave the team its only point by winning 6-4, 7-5. Ken Andriano played an excellent

### Downs wins college athletic award

Margot A. Downs of Delmar, a student at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, was recently presented with an athletic award for the college's winter sports season.

A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Downs was awarded varsity numerals in ice hockey. She is a member of the college class of 1991.

## Tennis

match but fell short of victory 6-4, 6-7, 7-5. Quinby-Greenwood proved dominant in doubles by defeating Mistretta-Kurkjian 6-0, 6-0, and Stevens-Larabee lost 8-6.

The Birds came back to beat Schalmont 4-3. Stevens won 6-2, 6-2 in the first position. Mistretta lost 6-2, 6-3, and Kurkjian won 6-2, 6-3. Matt Bates won easily 6-1, 6-0 while Matt Hladun and Steve Smith were beaten 6-0, 6-2.

The netmen will be looking forward to this Thursday when they will find out their position in sectional play

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# Bethlehem netmen salvage stormy week

By Lisa D'Ambrosi

After tallying a win against Scotia on Tuesday and losing to Guilderland on Wednesday, the Bethlehem Boys' Varsity Tennis Team came up just about even this week.

The Eagles met Scotia on Tuesday after being rained-out on the last Monday, and defeated them 7-2. Senior Brian Saleans swept his second-seeded opponent, 6-0, 6-0. Mark Woodruff not only broke his losing streak, but in the process defeated his number three opponent B. Bardinal 6-3, 6-2. Also, Mark Petherbridge defeated his number four opponent J. Ruber 6-2, 6-3, Mike Chung over J. Halter 6-2, 6-1, David Pierce over D. Taff 6-2, 6-1 in the number six singles position, Sam Ernst and Jeff Ellenbogen over Grabree and Straus 6-1, 6-1, and Rick Eirhorn and Paco Thornberry over Keegan and Lockwood 6-2, 6-0. Eirhorn and Thornberry have had a real roller coaster season where the wins have been sweet and the losses very unexpected.

This match was a sweet one.

After notching this convincing win, the Eagles were quickly disheartened by Guilderland 6-3. Despite the loss, Bethlehem's dynamic-duo doubles team of Ellenbogen and Ernst helped bring the Eagles to victory by crashing their opponents 6-2, 6-4. Junior Neil Breslin fought back hard to beat VanNess who is seeded number two in the Suburban Council (singles) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4. He notched this impressive win in just under three hours with the help of Coach Suzanne Schaefer's pep talks.

The Suburban Council tournament was moved to Saturday due to rain. Seniors Eric Lee and Brian Saleans have come together as a doubles team and have advanced to the semi-finals.

On Monday, the Eagles continued the Suburban Council tournament. Bethlehem meets Mohanasen on Tuesday and Troy on Wednesday (away), and will begin team-sectionals on Thursday and Friday.



## Courts of appeal

Hoping for better weather, Bethlehem Tennis Association members Douglas and Charlotte Maeder and Nancy Boucher discuss plans for the their Spring Tournament at the Elm Avenue Park. The tournament will be June 3 through June 5 and June 11 and June 12 at the park. The events are open to all town and school district residents as well as association

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McDnlds	5 2	Verardi	2 4
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Man Han	4½ ½	Klersy	1½ 3½
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# Blackbirds victorious

By Matt Hladun

Although the baseball season for the Voorheesville Blackbirds is coming to a close, they are playing as well as they were at the beginning of the season.

The Birds had one game on their schedule last week against Cohoes. They played well en route to a 5-2 victory.

The Blackbirds were able to get the key hits when they needed them most, such as John Traudt's two-run home run to lead the 'Birds.

John Lawrence, who was on the mound for the Blackbirds, pitched very well.

The Blackbirds are 9-8 overall, and 5-6 in the Colonial Council. They are most likely to finish in fourth or fifth place in the league, with five games remaining. Coach Reinisch hopes that the 'Birds perform well this week because it will either put them up or down in the standings. He is also looking for a possible sectional bid.

# BC feels end of season heat

By Sarah Scott

The bad weather has caused havoc to the Bethlehem Softball Team's schedule for the past week. The Eagles were scheduled to play four games, but only two were played. The first was last Monday at Burnt Hills. BC lost 9-8.

Coach Kelly Keller said: "Nothing went well the whole game. The whole team was tired. The entire team did not have an 'on' day."

The two pitchers, Cheryl Lovelace and Kristi Burkart, only had one strikeout during the game. The defense also had a difficult day, making seven errors. Offensively, the team also had troubles. There were only four hits the entire game. Burkart led the team with a triple. Sharon Keens, Michelle Lorette, and Lisa Rivenburg each had one single.

Bethlehem had better luck when they played Saratoga. Although BC was behind after five innings, they pulled ahead to win 12-7. The game had to be played regardless of the rain and all of the other cancellations in order to finish the regular season before sectionals. Because the field was so wet, both teams

committed many errors. Kim Dale pitched the entire game and gave up only two walks. Keller said: "Kim Dale did a great job under the conditions. She is very even, and handled a situation that other pitchers probably couldn't have handled."

Offensively, BC scored its runs from walks and errors made by Saratoga. Again there were only four hits. Rivenburg, Amy Koski, Julie Francis, and Keens each had

a single. Rivenburg, Koski and Keens have been a strong asset to the team offensively in the past weeks.

Bethlehem will finish its regular season this week. On Tuesday, BC will play Niskayuna at home, and on Wednesday, BC will play Burnt Hills at home. The team has a great deal at stake entering these two games. BC is ranked second in the Suburban Council with a 9-4 record. Columbia is first (10-2), Shen-

dehova is third (8-4), and Burnt Hills and Niskayuna are tied for fourth place (8-5). Bethlehem will not know until the conclusion of Wednesday's game whether it will have a place in sectionals. If Bethlehem makes it to sectionals, they will play the first round this Friday (May 27). The semi-finals are on June 1, and the finals are June 3. Although much of the team's immediate future is still unknown, they are optimistic and "hope to pull it off".

# Rain spoils Babe Ruth games

Rain interrupted the Babe Ruth schedule last week, but the league was able to play five of the seven games with some rescheduling.

Monday night G.E. Selkirk rode an eight-run second inning to an 11-3 victory over Ted Danz. Matt Ahern had three hits for G.E. while David Meles of Ted Danz had a double.

On Tuesday night Owens-Corning came from behind scoring two runs in the fifth and three in the sixth to squeeze by Starwood 10-9. Shaun Keneston scored the winning run on a wild pitch. Andrew Black had four singles for Starwood.

On Friday night G.E. Selkirk won its second game of the week downing Davies 10-5. Kevin

Kaparus had a home run and a single for the winners while Mike Pratt had two singles for Davies.

The two games scheduled for Saturday were rained out. Owens Corning and Houghtalings Market were scoreless after 2 innings before the rain forced a halt to the game. The second game between Ted Danz and National Savings never got started. Both games will be rescheduled and played either the first or second Sunday in June.

On Sunday the two games rained out earlier in the week played. In the first game Davies broke a four game losing streak by nipping National Savings 10-9. William Spenner was the winning pitcher, Dan Goeldner had a two-

base hit for National Savings.

In the second game Houghtalings Market beat Starwood 14-4. Chris Siciliano of Houghtalings went four for five and Mike Hoefs of Starwood went two for three.

## Bethlehem Babe Ruth

Standings as of May 22, 1988

	W	L	W	L	
Htlings	3	1	Nat Sav	2	2
O Corn	3	1	Davies	1	4
Danz	3	2	Strwood	1	4
GE	3	2			

# Saba, Ross lead BC

By Randi Fraiman

The Lady Eagles track team did not have a very good week as a couple of meets were rained out and the meet they did compete in they lost.

On Tuesday, Bethlehem lost to Burnt Hills 97-72 and Niskayuna 96-72 in a double dual meet. Despite the loss, there were several outstanding performances. Kathy Saba won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:22.2, Kelley Ross placed first in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet 6", her personal best. Sascha Mayer placed a strong second in the 100-meter dash.

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# Lady Indians disprove skeptics

By Curt VanDerzee

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Softball Team continued their winning ways last week. They won both of their games and moved to within a game of first place in the Colonial Council. That's not bad considering the fact that the Indians have only two seniors in their starting lineup and they were picked to finish no higher than sixth.

On Monday, Lansingburgh came into town with a 12-0 record hoping to clinch the league title. But instead they left town with

their first loss, clinging to a one game lead.

The Indians, who won 11-7, were led by their big guns Cherie Prior and Athena Caswell. Prior had two singles, a double and three RBIs. Caswell chipped in with a couple of singles and three RBIs.

Hope Ackert got the win to raise her record to 13-3 and the team's to 14-3.

On Tuesday, the girls, as they have done all year, came through in the clutch to pull out a tough 8-7 victory. Mechanicsville jumped

out to a quick 5-0 lead after two innings and led 7-4 at the end of five and a half innings. In the sixth the Indians picked up two runs on a clutch two-out single by Kathie Desrouchers, to move within one run at 7-6.

Then, in the bottom of the seventh with two outs, Martie Arnold singled. She advanced to second on a passed ball and scored when Caswell reached second off of a fielding error in centerfield.

That tied the score at 7-7. After a single by Lisa Holsapple to put runners on first and third, the Indians got the winning run on an error by the shortstop.

The win raised the Indians record to 11-2 in the Council and 15-3 overall.

The Indians have only one regular season game left before they begin sectional play. They will travel to Watervliet on Tuesday.

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# Blistering Birds!

## Harriers' future looks bright

By Matt Hladun

Although the Voorheesville Girls' Varsity Track Team is young, they are breaking records left and right.

At recent meets, Rachel Martin ran a 2:17.4 in the 800-meter run, Carey Donahue sprinted to a 28.2 in the 200-meter dash. Nicole Solomos, only an eighth grader, finished the 100-meter dash in 13.6 seconds and triple jumped 30 feet 7 1/2".

All of these performances broke school records, except for Solomos' 100-meter dash, which tied a mark set by Fran Spreer in 1983.

Stephanie Brown is in pursuit of breaking a record set by herself in the 1500-meter run of 5:27.

Kim Sullivan is also trying to break her own 400-meter hurdle mark of 76.7. She has come close to breaking this record several times this season.

Another rising star on the track team is Cortney Langford. Langford, who is only in seventh grade, has impressed coaches Brian Dollard and Chris Cashin on many occasions. She has competed in the 400- and 800-meter runs, the 100-meter hurdles, the high jump, and the triple jump.

Although the season is winding down, the track team's outlook for next year looks very good. They will have Donahue, Solomos, Brown, Sullivan, and Langford all back next spring.

## Pair shine in Eddy meet

By Matt Hladun

Saturday, two track stars from Voorheesville competed in the prestigious William F. Eddy Memorial Track Meet. Rachel Martin competed in the 800-meter run, and Dan Jackson competed in the discus throw.

Martin turned herself up for the Colonial Council Championships and the Class CC Championships by taking second place in 800-meter at the Eddy Meet. Her time of 2:17.4 was bested only by Saratoga star Sherrie Goddard, who clocked a time of 2:12.4.

Martin's time was also the second fastest in Section II so far this season.

Meanwhile, Jackson tossed the discus a distance of 148'9", far from his personal best, but good enough to take fourth at the Eddy Meet.

Jackson is undefeated in discus competition at dual meets this year and recently took the gold medal at the Albany County Meet, where he also took third in the shot put. He was the only field athlete to finish first in one event, and in the top three of another.

Both Martin and Jackson have won of continuing this season to the State qualifier June 3, and advancing on to the New York State Championship Meet at Baldwinsville June 10.

# BC awards night June 2

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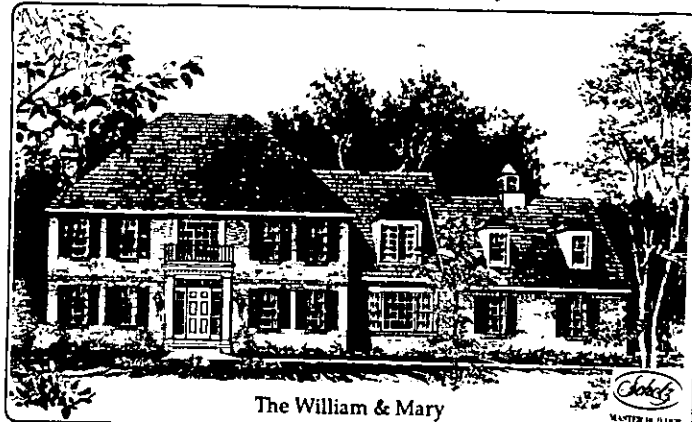
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# Obituaries

## Ralph Young

Ralph Young, 94, a long time Delmar resident, died Wednesday in the Guilderland Center Nursing Home.

He was born in Carlisle, N.Y., and was a Delmar resident for 70 years before moving to the nursing home in 1987.

He was a graduate of the Albany College of Pharmacy and a professor at the college for 10 years. He then became a self-employed building contractor, retiring in 1978.

He was an Army veteran of World War I and a member of the Delmar Reformed Church for over 50 years.

He is survived by his wife, Zuera D. Young; three sons, Dr. Owen W. Young of Kenmore, N.Y., and Richmond C. Young and Wilson D. Young, both of Delmar; and nine grandchildren.

Burial was in the Cobleskill Rural Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad.

## Mabel Turner

Mabel C. Jones Turner, 84, of Delmar died Wednesday, May 15, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after a brief illness.

She was born in Feura Bush and was a Delmar resident for over 40 years. She was a retired keypunch operator for the D & H Railroad.

She was a member of the Delmar Reformed Church.

She is survived by two sisters, Bertha Gerard of Albany and Jeannette Secor of Delmar; two brothers, Peter W. Jones of Delmar and Leonard L. Jones of Galway; and many nieces and nephews.

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

Contributions may be made to the Endowment Fund of the Delmar Reformed Church.

## Helen Hoffman

Helen M. Hoffman, 82, of Delmar died Tuesday, May 17, in St. Peter's Hospital after a brief illness.

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

She was a member of the Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary since 1937 and a Sunday school teacher at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Delmar.

She is survived by one daughter, Susan Manning of Clifton Park; one son, Alan C. Hoffman of Delmar; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad.

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## Gwendolen Wehrle

Gwendolen Tibbits Adams Wehrle, 93, formerly of Delmar, dies May 17 at the Eden Park Nursing Home in Albany after a long illness.

A homemaker, she was born in Delmar and was the wife of the late Earl C. Adams, and Carl L. Wehrle. She was the mother of Mrs. Eva Woods of Columbia, Md. and Mrs. Betty Pelton of Delmar; grandmother of C. Paul Woods, Jr. of Washington, D.C. and Mrs. Carla Pelton Jackson of Chattanooga, Tenn.

She was buried at the Bethlehem Cemetery.

## Anna Franchini

Anna Franchini, 57, of Voorheesville died Sunday, May 15, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after a long illness.

She was born in Albany and was employed as a clerk by the New York State Public Service Department since 1983.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville and the Italian-American Community Center in Albany.

She is survived by her husband, Lawrence Franchini; five sons, Marino Franchini, Michael Franchini, John Franchini, Paul Franchini and James Franchini; one daughter, Nancy Cozzy; a sister, Mary Raciti; and eight grandchildren.

Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont. Arrangements were made by the Lasak and Giglioti Funeral Home, Albany.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Albany.

## Jack Smith

Jack Smith, 50, of Orlando, Fla., a former Voorheesville resident and creator of the "Sniff 'n' Snuff" cartoon series, died Thursday, May 19, at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady.

He was born in Albany and graduated from Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville. He enlisted in the Navy in 1955 and while in the service created the cartoon series "Sniff 'n' Snuff".

He attended Pratt Institute in New York City, the Junior College of Albany and received an associates degree from Valencia Community College in Orlando.

He was employed for many years by Walt Disney World in Florida in the Audio-Anamatics Department.

He is survived by his father, John F. Smith of Clarksville; his mother, Helen K. Wormer of Altamont; two brothers, Nicholas Smith of Voorheesville and William G. Smith of Duanesburg; and a sister, Ellen V. Boyer of Altamont.

Private services will be held at the Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans.

## Raymond B. Lee Sr.

Raymond B. Lee Sr. of Feura Bush died May 16 at Albany Medical Center Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Albany, he moved to Feura Bush in 1965 and was a long-haul truck driver for Montgomery-Wards for 36 years before retiring in 1987. He was a member of the Teamsters Local 294 for 45 years.

He is survived by his wife, Amelia Collen Lee; his children, Catherine A. Lee, Mary P. Lee, Charlene Breedon, Marilyn L. Chase, Raymond B. Lee Jr. and



At the Bethlehem Public Library's gala celebration of its 75th anniversary May 14, Mrs. Eleanor Clarke, president of the Friends of the Library, presents a plaque honoring Progress Club members of 1913 who started the library to Mrs. Eunice Spindler, president of the Progress Club.



Dr. Theodore C. Wenzl accepts an award for 38 years of service as a library trustee from William Seymour, vice president of the Library's board of trustees.



## FIRE FIGHTERS CORNER

Isabel Glastetter

Date	Department or Unit	Reason for Call
May 12	Voorheesville Ambulance	Unknown Illness
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
May 13	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
May 13	Delmar Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 13	Elsmere Fire Dept.	Mutual Aid
May 13	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
May 13	Onesquethaw Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 13	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 14	Delmar Ambulance	Standby
May 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
May 14	Voorheesville Ambulance	Respiratory Distress
May 15	Slingerlands Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
May 15	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
May 15	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
May 16	Onesquethaw Ambulance	Personal Injury
May 16	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal Injury
May 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
May 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Respiratory Distress
May 17	Voorheesville Ambulance	Unknown Illness
May 18	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
May 18	Slingerlands Rescue Squad	Rescue Call
May 18	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Auto Accident
May 18	Delmar Fire Dept.	Heart Attack

Michael R. Lee, all of Feura Bush; brothers Willard V. Lee and Brewer F. Lee, both of Albany, Joseph E. Lee of Colonie, Alfred T. Lee of Millersville, Md. and two grandchildren.

Burial was at the Memory's Garden Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Clarksville Community Church or the Onesquethaw Rescue Squad in Clarksville.

## Talent showcased

Scott Apicelli of Delmar, a senior percussionist at the Berklee College of Music in Boston, was recently featured in "Percussion Unlimited," a concert of contemporary percussion ensemble compositions.

He is majoring in music production and engineering.

Newly elected officers of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Delmar Fire Department are: Jill Junco, president; Paula Rice, vice president; Maureen Wright, recording secretary; Sandi Williams, corresponding secretary, and Pat Carazza, treasurer.

The Town of Bethlehem Fire Officers elected their new officers for the year. They are: Charles Wiekum, president; Bill Eck, vice president, and Tory Morrill, secretary/treasurer.

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# Teen Night returns

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Teens will have a place of their own to hang out on Friday nights again this summer when "Teen Night" at Del Lanes begins this Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The program is being offered again this year because of the success of last year's program, which averaged 100 teens each Friday night, said Ken Ringler of Del Lanes. The "teens only" night is co-sponsored by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (BOU) and Del Lanes. Also involved in the project are the Bethlehem Central High School Chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving and the Leadership Club of the Bethlehem Middle School.

"Teen night" is an alternative for those looking for something to do on a Friday night instead of alcohol parties. "The important message to kids is, 'here is something to do,'" said Holly Billings of BOU.

Live bands and disc jockeys will provide the music from 7:30 to 11 p.m. every Friday until July 29, and there will be reduced price bowling, movies, pool and snack bar for the teens, Ringler said.

A summer-long battle of the bands will be held with a \$300 prize provided by BOU for the winner, which will be chosen by voting this year, he said. The first band, Technical Difficulties, will play Friday, said Billings. Interested bands should contact Billings or Stacy Carson and Jacqui Steadman at the high school as some dates are still available.

Ringler and Billings both invited input into teen night activities from teens. "We'd like them to feel its their thing," Billings said.



Gail Mealy

## Mealy-Quinn

Carroll Mealy of Albany has announced the engagement of his daughter, Gail Anne, to Brian Dalmer Quinn, son of Dr. and Mrs. Brian Quinn of Delmar.

The bride-to-be is an officer of Irving Bank Corporation in New York City. She graduated from the Emma Willard School and Mount Holyoke College.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and St. Lawrence University, is a vice president and senior treaty underwriter of Constitution Reinsurance Corporation in New York City.

A September wedding is planned.

## Sheridan-Murphy

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Sheridan of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Maire, to Carl Henry Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murphy of Syracuse.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and she is employed by Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland in Syracuse.

Her fiancé is a chef at the Bellevue Country Club in Syracuse.

An Oct. 15 wedding is planned.

## Chamberlin-Grosvenor

Mr. and Mrs. R. Guy Chamberlin of Loudonville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Page Bancroft, to John Hosmer Grosvenor Jr., son of Judith M. Grosvenor of Slingerlands and John H. Grosvenor of Troy, R.I.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of The Albany Academy for Girls and the University of Vermont. She is a portfolio accountant with the Boston Company.

Her fiancé is a graduate of The Albany Academy, Bowdoin College and is currently a candidate for his master's degree in business administration at the Boston University School of Management. He is also a vice president with Bay Bank.

An August wedding is planned.

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## Happy 40th Mr. Chairman

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Guess Who?!

## Births



### Albany Medical Center

Boy, Christopher Allen, to Cheryl Ann and Bruce Bently, Slingerlands, Feb. 24.

Boy, Christian Bonneson, to Linda and Rene LaBier, Voorheesville, March 19.

Girl, Jennifer Lee, to Donna B. and Gregory Lewis, Selkirk, March 21.

Girl, Katherine Marie, to Maureen and Craig Roberts, Selkirk, March 22.

Girl, Stephanie Stanton, to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sloane, Delmar, March 22.

Boy, Ryan James, to Dee and Jim Banagan, Delmar, March 22.

Girl, Alyssa Elise, to Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boynton, Delmar, March 24.

Boy, Kevin Michael, to Janet and Michael Cassidy, Delmar, March 27.

Boy, Michael Glenn, to Beth and Mark Scher, Slingerlands, March 27.

Boy, Adam Joseph, to Lisa and William Wood, Voorheesville, March 30.

Boy, Tyler Wells, to Cynthia and Robin Ashley, Slingerlands, March 31.

Boy, Thomas Anthony, to Madeline and Robert Catalano, Delmar, April 2.

### Massachusetts

Girl, Kathryn Mason, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew G. Waugh, Beverly, Mass., March 5. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Waugh of Delmar.

### Mt. Kisco Hospital

Boy, Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Plunkett, Westchester County. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ahlstrom of Delmar.



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## Community Corner

### Happy Memorial Day!

The Memorial Day Weekend means parades and fun family outings. The American Legion will sponsor a parade through Delmar starting on Elsmere Ave. at 11 a.m. There will also be parade in Voorheesville beginning at the elementary school at 10 a.m.

Have a happy and safe holiday weekend, but remember for your own safety, your family's safety and the rest of the community — Don't Drink and Drive.



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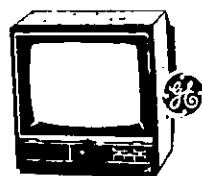
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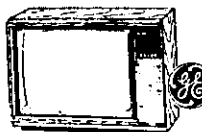
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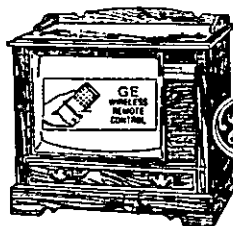


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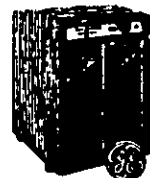
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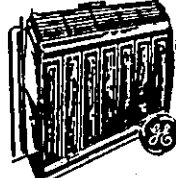
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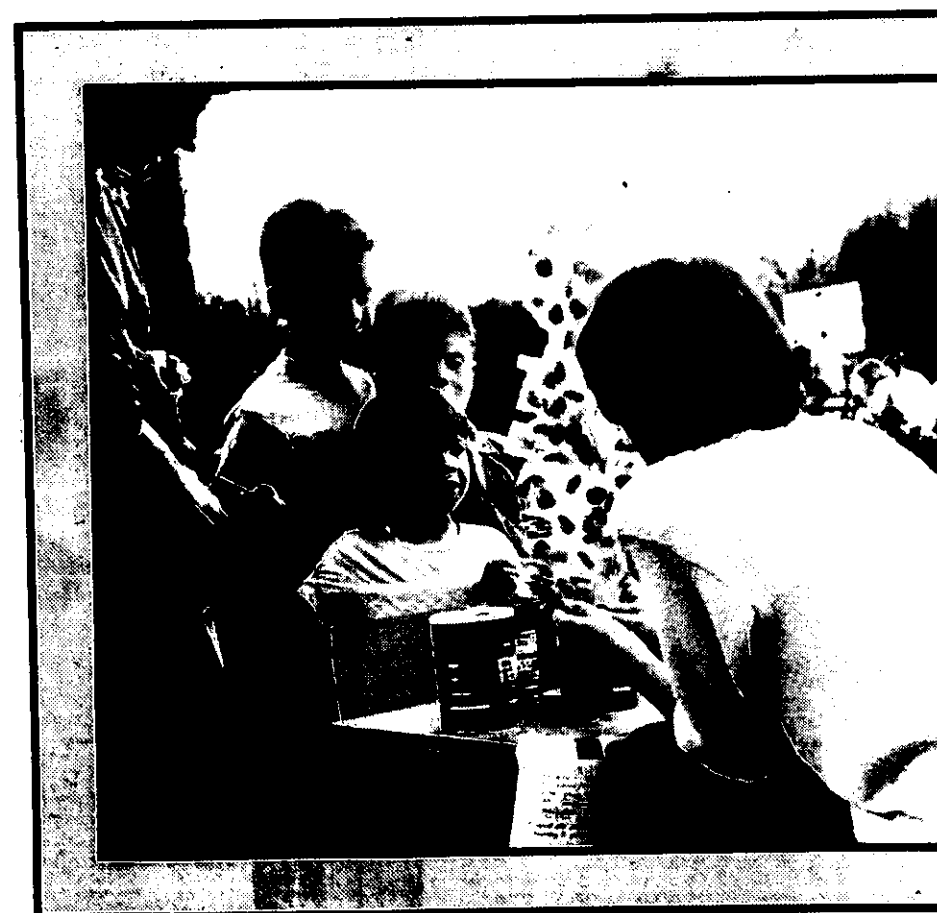
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*Becky Carson  
has a hard  
decision at the  
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