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## How 9W could develop

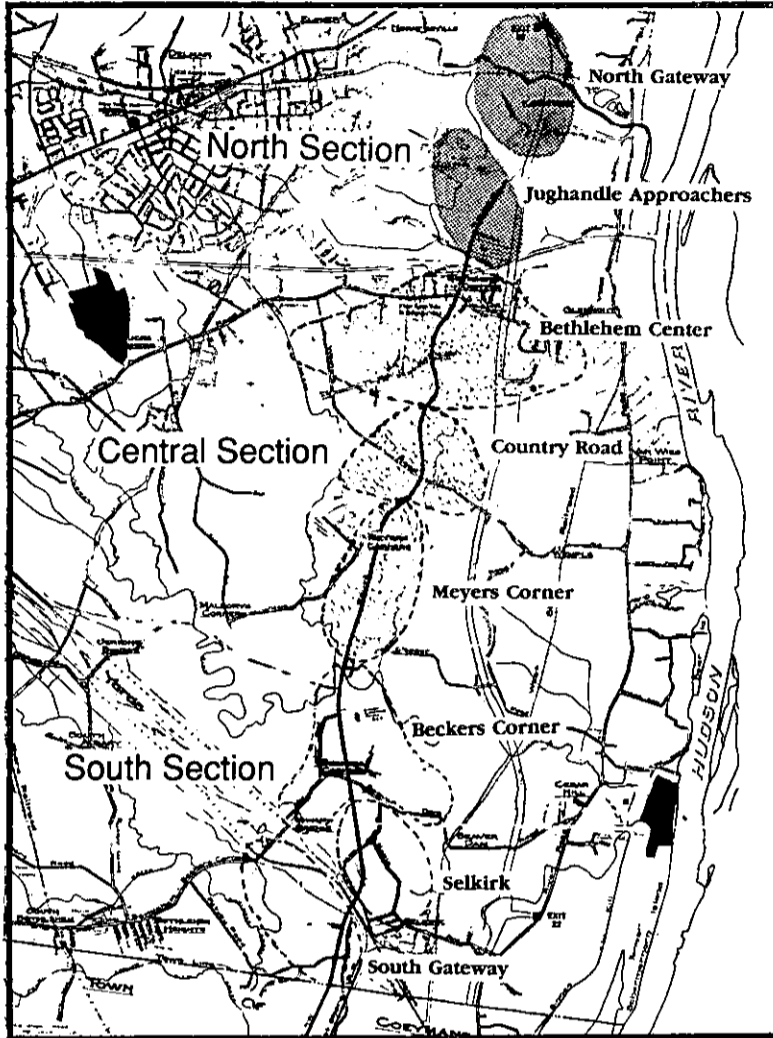
By Theresa Bobear

A scenario for Rt. 9W that encourages retail and commercial development in the north, residences in the central section and offices and industry in the southern section would have the least negative impact, according to a consultant's report presented Tuesday.

The second report on the Rt. 9W corridor study was presented to the Bethlehem Planning Board last Tuesday night by Peter Hart of Buckhurst Fish Hutton Katz Inc., a New York City-based planning and urban design firm. The report contained a preliminary list of goals and objectives for the Rt. 9W corridor, as well as three alternative land use scenarios for consideration by the town.

A public meeting and workshop on the development goals and objectives will be held Thursday, Dec. 15, at Bethlehem Town Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. "The purpose of this meeting will be to solicit feedback from the public concerning the consultant's development of goals and objectives for the corridor and preliminary land use alternatives," said Jeff Lipnicky, town planner. "I would encourage anyone with interest in the future of the Rt. 9W corridor to attend this important meeting. Public input is vital to the development of a workable plan for the area."

Alternative "A," which calls for the development of retail and commercial facilities in the north Rt. 9W corridor-section, residences in the central section, and offices and industry in the south section, was described in the report as the



The least disruptive scenario for development of the Rt. 9W corridor calls for retail and commercial facilities in the north section, residential land use in the central section, and offices and industry in the south section.

Spotlight map

"most compatible with existing and potential land uses."

The second development scenario, alternative "B," would focus offices and industry in the north section, retail and commercial facilities in the central section and residences in the south section.

Alternative "C" would focus residential development in the north, offices and industry in the central section, and retail and commercial facilities in the south.

According to information provided by Jacquemart Associates Inc., transportation planners and engineers, alternative "B" would generate 54 percent more traffic than alternative "A," and alternative "C" would generate about double the traffic of "A."

In addition, the report stated that alternative "A" would put rush hour traffic to offices and industry in the off-peak direction, and would develop the largest

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## Building plans in Voorheesville

District to 'cluster' grades

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Plans to "cluster" grades at both the elementary and high schools, plus other program-related construction work, were approved in concept by the Voorheesville Central Board of Education Saturday.

But board members were at odds over timing of the bond issue that will include this work and some \$5.4 million in asbestos removal, with the majority preferring to wait until final cost figures are in before sending the proposition to the voters.

At last month's meeting, the board set a limit of \$8.9 million for the 20-year bond issue package it will likely submit for voter approval in the spring. The board agreed to include approximately \$5.4 million in the bond for asbestos removal and the correction of fire safety code violations, but deferred decisions on other work.

At the special meeting Saturday, Superintendent Louise Gonan outlined a program plan for both of the district's school buildings, but did not have cost figures to

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## School report cards graded

Just more paperwork?

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Local school districts are receiving their annual report cards this month — but school administrators have differing views of the usefulness of the state Board of Regents-mandated Comprehensive Assessment Report.

The report annually reviews a school district's student achievements on statewide tests, and was started four years ago as a way of holding schools and administrators accountable for the amount students learn. While it received a great deal of interest in the early years, interest in the results

appears to have waned. And some administrators are questioning whether the emphasis on standardized testing makes sense.

"I question how useful this is to the general public as far as drawing conclusions," said Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Superintendent William Schwartz.

Tests used in the Comprehensive Assessment Report (CAR) include PEP tests and Regents examinations. Results from standardized tests, such as the Stanford Achievement Tests, are also included. The report is supposed

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Children of all ages are getting ready for Christmas. Left: John Pelletier thinks the holidays are a piece of cake at the Christmas party hosted by Selkirk Fire Department no. 1. Above, Voorheesville Girl Scouts ring in the Christmas season at their Christmas party. At right, three wise men take a break from rehearsals at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church to play a little basketball. Left to right: Mike Cartwright, Scott Willi and Adam Roberts. On the cover: Ashlie and Samantha Bogardus of Glenmont get their visit with Santa on tape at Five Star Video in Glenmont.

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# BC board upholds kindergarten busing

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Sticking by an earlier decision, the Bethlehem Central Board of Education decided not to reconsider its plan to bus some kindergartners to Clarksville despite requests to do so from concerned parents.

A group of approximately 100 parents formed in September to oppose the busing plan, which calls for kindergartners from the Glenmont and Hamagrael elementary schools' attendance areas to be bused to Clarksville during the 1989-90 and 1990-91 school years. The kindergartners are being moved to alleviate space problems at both schools while the district pursues a bond issue to build additional classrooms. The parents group opposed the issue based on safety and the length of the ride.

Several parents made a final plea to the board members at their meeting Wednesday to reconsider the June decision and consider the

use of relocatable classrooms at the home schools to keep the kindergartners at their neighborhood school.

Ross Prinzo, a Glenmont parent, asked the board members to put themselves in his place. He said it was 12 miles from his driveway to the Clarksville school and that it was "4,800 miles over the course of the year. That's a trip to the west coast and back, where the trip to the Glenmont school is 600 miles or a trip to Cape Cod and back." He said he felt the increased distance would increase the chance for an accident.

"I have fear, I know it's emotional... that's too far... I will worry every day my son is on the bus," Prinzo said.

Another concerned father, Jim Turner, said the Delaware Turnpike was not "one of the better roads" in the school district because of the hilly nature of the

road and the 55 m.p.h. speed limit. "My kid is not going on that bus, you can count on it," he added.

Bruce Gyory said "the margin of correctness of (the board's) decision is the width of the shoulder of (Delaware Turnpike) on the worst day school stays open... I hope our doubts do not become our reality." He also said that the parents of the kindergarten students should give support to the proposed bond issue.

The board that made the decision in June did not include present board members William Collins and Lynne Lenhardt. Since the Clarksville option had been approved by a 4-3 vote, the concerned parents were hoping to sway the board members who had been involved in the decision and wanted to know where Collins and Lenhardt stood on the issue.

Both Collins and Lenhardt supported the earlier decision. "I do not believe a more viable

alternative has been suggested," Collins said. He said he was not in favor of the district getting more relocatable classrooms.

"I do not believe any new facts were presented to compel the board to revoke... I would not favor overturning the decision," Collins said.

"I fully support the decisions that were made, I also feel it's very important to consider the other taxpayers... it's hard to justify the expenditure (for relocatables), when you have space in the district," said Lenhardt, who served on the facilities committee prior to her election to the board. She also pointed out the district has an "excellent" busing record.

Board members Velma Cousins, Marjory O'Brien and Pamela Williams also voiced support for the decision. Cousins said the plan was "workable" and the board was "concerned for the well being of children."

Although Williams said she had preferred the option of a kindergarten center at the high school, she gave her support of the decision. "I wish there was a better way," she added.

"We suffer with all of you... we do care about your kids," O'Brien said.

Board member Bernard Harvith said he "would be willing to reconsider (the issue)," but would not pursue it because of "a sense that's not the way to go." He said he supported the option of sending the grade five students to the middle school and the grade eight students to the high school.

Board President Sheila Fuller said the busing decision was made "in good faith" and noted a time when she had to put her children on a bus to travel Rt. 9W to the Bethlehem Pre-School. "I guarantee you your children will not be as upset as you are."

# Survey to guide education future

By Sal Prividera Jr.

The Bethlehem Central School District has turned to the community and its staff members to help define the direction it will take education in the future.

The district is in the process of developing a statement on the future direction of Bethlehem's educational program, said Superintendent Leslie Loomis.

"(The statement is) meant to ensure that the curriculum and instruction prepare students for the 21st century in an optimal manner," Loomis said.

A survey providing information about the school district, the community and some thoughts from the district on education and the world that future graduates will face, is included with the latest edition of *BC Highlights*. The survey includes an invitation for parents and community members to give the district their thoughts on the future of education at Bethlehem Central. Open group interviews will be held at all the district's schools through February to give com-

munity members an opportunity to give their views.

The group interviews will be based on eight questions included in the survey. They include:

- What are the major strengths of the educational program at BC?
- In which areas of educational program do you see the greatest need for improvement?
- What areas of our educational program do we need to emphasize to prepare students for the 21st century.

Loomis "urged" members of the community to participate in any one of the group interviews. He said the program statement development process will be a broad-based participatory process.

"It will determine the central thrust of our efforts in the future."

He said the district faculty and community members are "two major sources" of information. Group interviews of faculty members will also be conducted.

There will be an "emphasis on faculty because they are profes-

sionals, who are educated themselves to provide students the very best preparation. We will be very careful to gather teacher thinking with regard to areas they think should be emphasized... at the same time, parents and community members are well educated, committed to quality education and very involved in education as it occurs in the district. We plan to seek their viewpoints about what they feel will contribute to the best program possible for today's and tomorrow's students," Loomis said.

The group interviews will be held on: Thursday, Dec. 15, at Clarksville; Tuesday, Jan. 3, at Hamagrael; Thursday, Jan. 5, at the educational services center; Monday, Jan. 9, at Slingerlands; Wednesday, Jan. 11, at Glenmont; Thursday, Jan. 12, at the educational services center; Thursday, Jan. 19, at the middle school; Tuesday, Jan. 24, at the high school; and Monday, Feb. 6, at Elsmere. All of the meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Those not attending a group interview can send written responses to the superintendent, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

The group interviews are the second of five steps the district will take to develop the direction statement, Loomis said. The process began with the development of the survey, which will result in a tentative statement drawn up by a steering committee. Faculty and community members will then have a chance to react to the tentative statement. The final step of the process is a final statement developed by the

steering committee, which will be submitted to the board of education for approval in June, Loomis said.

Implementation of the program statement would begin immediately after its approval, he said.

The process is driven by a two-year board goal to develop a statement to determine the future direction of the school district's curriculum and instruction, he said. Loomis said the goal grew out of the conversation he had with faculty and community members as he began his tenure as superintendent.

# Board reviews building plans

The Bethlehem Central Board of Education will review designs for the \$11.6 million additions and alterations plan at its meeting Wednesday (tonight) at 8 p.m.

Anthony Martino of Stetson-Harza, the district's architectural firm, will present schematic designs to the board for the proposed additions to the Glenmont, Hamagrael and Slingerlands elementary schools, said Superintendent Leslie Loomis. He said the "focus" will be on the additions, but designs for the alterations to all five elementary schools will also be presented and information on the facilities work slated for the middle school and high school.

Loomis said the architect will leave floor plans for the additions and possibly preliminary sketches.

The board is expected to approve the placement of legal advertisements for the bond issue vote date of Feb. 15, which would lock the district into that vote.

The plan approved by the board in November calls for 28 new classrooms in additions at the Glenmont, Slingerlands and Hamagrael schools. Four new gym stations will be built under the plan and the libraries at Glenmont, Hamagrael, Slingerlands and Clarksville will also be expanded. The Slingerlands school will get two of the gym stations to

accommodate moving the cafeteria to the present gym.

Also included in the bond issue is funding for asbestos removal at the Clarksville Elementary School, a new maintenance facility, roofing work at all seven schools and moving the relocatable classrooms from the Glenmont school to the middle school. The athletic fields at the high school and middle school are also slated for improvements.

The schematic design is slated for a board vote at the Wednesday, Jan. 4, board of education meeting.

Sal Prividera Jr.

## Sunday collection announced

In order to speed the delivery of holiday mail, the U.S. Postal service has announced a special collection on Sunday, Dec. 18. The Albany office will make special collections of boxes in high volume locations, such as malls, plazas, hospitals, shopping centers and in front of post offices. Mail should be deposited before noon.

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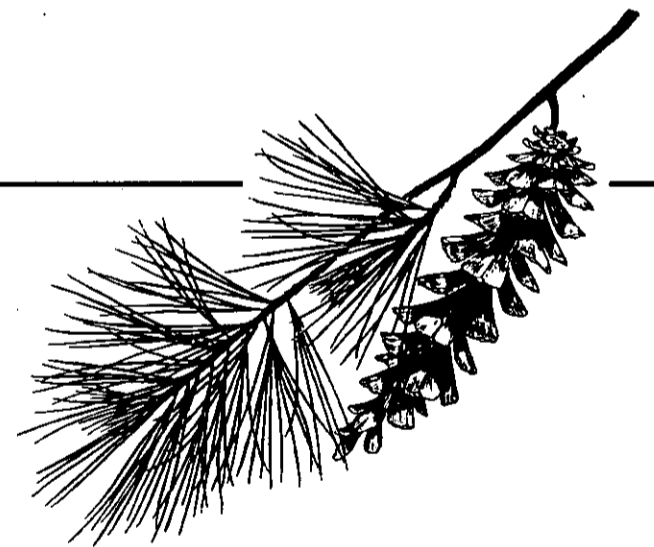
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the qualities of vision and imagination. To merely project the status quo rarely will produce satisfactory results.

Vision, imagination — and reasonable risk — are implicit in the planning for our area's decent future. The debate on the "Bethlehem Village" project dovetails neatly with these observations. Most of the argumentation seems focused on the immediate present, if not on the past. What about the considerations for the Bethlehem area's tomorrows? Who will populate our towns in the 1990s and beyond? What will be their needs and requirements? What will they settle for?

Much is said these days about the "master plan" that is somewhere in the future of the Town of Bethlehem. As was stated in his letter published last week in *The Spotlight*, Supervisor Hendrick believes that consideration of the controversial project should await finalization of the master planning. (There is no publicly disclosed schedule for its completion. Nor is there an announced objective for the plan; is it to preserve the status quo and discourage growth?)

Meanwhile, the town has proceeded with a study of the Rt. 9W corridor. The findings and recommendations growing out of that study have great import for Bethlehem. Yet it's going forward in the absence of that master plan. The county has recently completed a major study of the Krumkill Rd. area, including North Bethlehem and the extension of the Slingerlands Bypass, and development continues in that area. The extension of the Delmar Bypass continues on the basis of the Vollmer Report, again without benefit of a master plan. Why are all these desirable but the Bethlehem Village proposal isn't to be seriously considered without the plan?

Review of all the factors, pro and con, growing out of the Price Chopper-plus idea can be, and should be, timely now.

Responsible officials of the town should seek a broad overview of all the implications. And it would be well to gain a reliable cross-section of residents' sentiment. This process should proceed promptly — but it should be keyed to our tomorrows and not our yesterdays.

Common sense indicates that the open land on New Scotland Rd. at the end of the bypass will eventually be developed for commercial purposes — it is the last logical spot for a shopping area in the Tri Village area. If the town refuses to look at Bethlehem Village because of its size, it seems both fair and responsible that it indicate what size is acceptable now, pending a master plan.

Foresight, vision, imagination — and courage. Without these qualities actively in play, the planning for supermarkets, residential developments, commercial projects, and highways alike will be unsatisfactory and counterproductive in the long run.

A master plan should not be used as an excuse for ostrich-like avoidance of immediate issues. That delay, as such, may be the style in this community is suggested in the editorial that follows.

## A light-bulb question

Q. How many leading lights of the community does it take to screw up planning for a community center?

A. At least ten — one to hold up the bulb, and the others to stand by.

That riddle may hold as good an answer as you're likely to find as to what has happened to the community center project for Bethlehem.

You may recall that it was in the winter of 1987, nearly two years ago now, when the town supervisor delegated to a ten-member committee to determine the need for a community center. Since that time, a public opinion poll drawn last spring endorsed the proposition in principle; the polling was done under the committee's auspices.

Lost somewhere in the jungle of suburban politics, the committee's work has yet to be made public. Nor is there any reliable indication as to when we can look for some fruitful action. Despite the poll's result, is there someone who doesn't want the center, after all?

## The debate in Slingerlands

### Exception taken to 'name submitted' letter

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem is entitled to a newspaper that is not divisive. We are concerned by the editor's decision in the Dec. 7 issue to run the extreme and divisive letter of some unnamed individual as the second letter in the Vox Pop section, highlighting it with a large, bold caption: "What Has Slingerlands Done for Us?" The writer has his/her right to extreme sentiments. However, we question *The Spotlight's* publishing letters from individuals who will not identify themselves. Without a name, the reader is unable to evaluate the writer's convictions.

Regardless of where we live, we are all part of the same community — the Town of Bethlehem. We all pay taxes. We all volunteer our time, services, and/or money to community-oriented projects. We all share the same basic desire — a quality life for ourselves, our families, and our neighbors. We all moved to this town, or decided to remain here, as a matter of choice, because we thought that this was a good — friendly — place to live. We all want what is best for the community although we may honestly disagree with each other about how we define what is best.

Unfortunately, we all face developers who desire to make profits regardless of the cost to their neighbors. No part of town is an island, for all parts are affected by developers that threaten any one neighborhood.

*The Spotlight* owes an apology to all residents of Bethlehem. As a local newspaper, it serves all residents of Bethlehem. And its readers are to be found in every hamlet in the town.

To pit one neighborhood against another does a disservice to all of us, for we are all demeaned in the process. To highlight the meanness in that letter was a disservice not only to those affected but to all residents, for the Town of Bethlehem was cast in a bad light.

Patrice A. Brewer  
Joseph M. Brennan

Slingerlands

### Some would deprive all others of market

Editor, The Spotlight:

An article in the Dec. 7 issue prompts this letter. It states, "The new proposal for a Price Chopper Supermarket will probably be turned down."

It is apparent that a certain group of residents in Slingerlands, and their petitions, deprive the Tri-Village area residents of normal supermarket competition, and, too, the further commercial growth of the community. It is these kinds of people who do not move forward with the times. Surely they must realize that groups such as theirs that do not move forward with progress eventually get trampled upon and are left behind.

Most people in the Tri-Village area seem to feel that we indeed do need a new supermarket such as Price Chopper. Not only would it keep food prices down, but it would create jobs.

If our memory serves, when the bypass was proposed and finally

### Vox Pop

the Delmar section was completed, those citizens who vehemently opposed the bypass coming through their quiet Slingerlands, are now racing down Cherry and Elm Avenues to use the bypass. It is our opinion that they want the whole cake, and want to eat it too.

Wake up, town board, before we are left in the dust! New Scotland Road and its environs (like Delaware Ave.), is a direct route to our area and should be zoned for commercial growth.

Hopefully we will hear from Tri-Village area residents who favor a new supermarket such as Price Chopper, bringing with it the prospects of lower food prices, and too, eventually lower taxes.

Joe and Claire Loux

Delmar

### Support is expressed for Supervisor Hendrick

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning (BCRP) would like to commend Supervisor Hendrick for his position on the proposed Price Chopper/BTR complex as stated in last week's *Spotlight*.

For the past two years, BCRP has advocated a commitment to a comprehensive plan for our town. Thanks to the 1989 budget allocation, this important work will soon begin. We strongly support Mr. Hendrick's statement that "It would be inappropriate to proceed with a project of this size without having an overall plan in place."

By publicly stating his position, Mr. Hendrick reaffirms the town's commitment to "well planned and carefully controlled growth." He also provides the strong leadership we need at a time when highly controversial issues threaten "to seriously divide" our citizenry.

*VOX POP* is *The Spotlight's* public forum. We print all letters from readers on matters of local interest. Writers are encouraged to keep their letters as brief as possible, and letters will be edited for good taste, fairness and accuracy, as well as for length. No letter will be substantially changed or cut without consultation between the editor and the writer.

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## Helping dreams come true

It was a quiet musicale on a late-August evening, but the occasion turned into one of those once-in-a-lifetime events for a 17-year-old Delmar girl.

As a direct result of what happened there, Gabrielle Robinson is studying this year at the renowned Walnut Hill School for the Arts in Natick, Mass., with additional opportunities and vistas opening up apace.

And tomorrow (Thursday) night, Gabrielle's parents, Wayne and Francesca Robinson, together with Dr. Richard and Mary Balsam of Albany (formerly of Glenmont), will be present when she plays with the New England Conservatory of Music youth orchestra in its first seasonal concert, to be held in Jordan Hall at the conservatory.

It was at the Balsams' residence where Gabrielle first met Benjamin Zander, director of orchestral studies, at the New England Conservatory. He was present that evening to open a lecture series arranged by the Balsams on Gustav Mahler's symphonies.

In informal conversations, he learned of Gabrielle's proficiency on the violin, an instrument she has been studying for the past eight years. He urged her to play for him. She demurred that her violin was at home, miles away. Mr. Zander's polite insistence, however, resulted in a hurried trip to retrieve the violin — and then Gabrielle played.

And did she ever play! Close to a half-dozen selections, among them Khachaturian concerto, a Brahms sonata, and a Beethoven sonata.

Amid the applause, Mr. Zander promised to do his best to obtain for Gabrielle a music scholarship that would gain for her the further instruction suitable to her senior year in high school. Within a fortnight, he was as good as his promise: a \$10,000 award enabling her to take up her studies at the Walnut Hill School, which has ties to the conservatory.

Gabrielle now has been there for three months, meanwhile studying also with Mary Lou Speaker-Churchill, principal second violinist with the Boston Symphony. And, of course, gaining a chair in the violin section of the conservatory youth orchestra.

Gabrielle began her violin studies at the age of nine when



Gabrielle Robinson

she was a pupil in the Elsmere school, under the encouraging tutelage of the music teacher there, Mary Blanchard. For some years she also had private instruction with the late Lois Lyman of Schenectady. In recent summers, she studied at Tanglewood for two months and at the Meadowmount School for Strings, an affiliate of the Juilliard school, near Westport on Lake Champlain. In both those opportunities she was aided by a foundation, the Renaissance Musical Arts, founded by Dr. and Mrs. Balsam for the purpose of assisting talented young people to obtain advanced instruction.

For five years, Gabrielle played in the Empire State Youth Orchestra. Recently, she was the first-place winner in the Stefan award competition sponsored by the Schenectady League of the Arts.

The violin, as it happens, was not Gabrielle's first love in the area of musical performance. From the age of four, she played under the instruction of Anne Louise Rizzuto, a Delmar pianist and teacher.

And there's music traditionally elsewhere in the Robinson home. Her brother Paul is an accomplished trumpet player, but gave up serious study of the instrument in favor of economics at the University of Rochester, where he is a senior.

Their parents, too, have diversified interests: Wayne Robinson is a science teacher at the Bethlehem middle school, and Francesca Robinson is happily known by family and friends as an outstanding gourmet chef.

## When politics 'interfaces'

Harry Garry is an operator of Hillcrest Farms, a Holstein 'dairy' in East Berne. This is an elaboration on a recent Point of View column on the dairy farmers' dilemma.

By Harry Garry

An interesting sign of our times is the fact that politics seems to interface every aspect of our lives. Agriculture is no exception. During the past century, the exodus from the farms has been so great that the latest available census figures and projections show that farmers now comprise only about 1.6 percent of our population. Because politics is the science of numbers and concentration of power — attaining and holding on to power by pleasing the most people, we still in agriculture find ourselves in a very disheartening position as we approach the end of the 20th century.

Scant attention is paid to this fraction of the population and its problems. Our primary problem of the moment seems to be staying in business — a very significant achievement, comparable to walking the legendary tightrope above the chasm of bankruptcy. The alternative often seems to be selling out and hoping the assets will settle all the existing debt load.

### New York lost about 4,500 dairy farmers in only the past three years, tightening the milk supply

In essence, every farmer is an entrepreneur. For generations, he has learned to take the bit in his teeth as he daily contends with adverse weather, crop losses, machinery breakdowns, little or no help, and insolvency. Bitterly, he is learning to accept another reality in his daily life — politics.

About three years ago, the Northeast dairy farmer began to sublimate his differences of opinion with his fellow producers. We banded together for the common purpose of bargaining with powerful milk dealers and processors for a fair price for milk sold for fluid consumption so we could pay the taxes, help, insurance, and feed and machinery dealers without going deeper into an unpayable debt. This regional banding together is known as RCMA (Regional Cooperative Marketing Agency).

Somehow, in spite of strong dealer resentment, bribes, coercion, and discrimination, it survived its first trying years. This is a major accomplishment, for although over-order pricing is a fact in most other milk markets, in our market the combination of strong dealer opposition and the split between independent producers and cooperative members effectively prevented anything like RCMA before.

New York is still the third largest milk-producing state in the nation. Because of the importance of a readily available nearby source of high-quality milk for the state's highly concentrated consumer markets (and to protect

### Point of View

the dairy farmer's right to freely market his product) our Legislature passed the Dairy Farmer's Bill of Rights earlier this year by the overwhelming margin of 55-2 in the Senate and 109-26 in the heavily downstate-oriented Assembly. It is patterned after the Federal Agricultural Fair Practices Act and seeks to balance the scales more evenly when individual farmers and cooperatives attempt to bargain with powerful dealer and processor interests. Dairy farmers had finally recognized that they no longer could watch the government-controlled price received for their product continue to decrease because of some nationwide surplus production, while cost of production increases. Paradoxically, meanwhile, these decreases in price have not been passed on to the consumer, who, in many cases, is paying more for dairy products.

Although Governor Cuomo did not evince much interest as it threaded its way through the legislative mill, after it reached his desk he saw fit to veto it citing "defects" in the law.

On one side, it was supported by RCMA, the State Farm Bureau, the State Grange, the Council of Northeast Cooperatives, and a majority of independent dairy farmers. In opposition, were New Jersey and New York City milk dealers, Attorney General Robert Abrams, and Mayor Koch. Opponents incorrectly argued that it would decrease competition and increase milk prices, yet the Governor's Agriculture Commissioner has stated, "I don't believe it will increase prices. . . . I firmly think the bill won't affect the prices." I was one of the many farmers who wrote and called the Governor, protesting his veto. His spokesmen have indicated he has instructed his aides to work with the Legislature and "any other interested parties" in designing a new bill that would satisfy his objections to the one he vetoed.

In 1985 we had about 17,500 dairy farmers in New York. In 1988, about 13,000 are left, with the attrition rate accelerating, exacerbating an already tight supply/demand situation. Dealers scrambling to get more milk will cause a sharp increase in consumer prices when a heavy trucking charge must be added to milk imported from other states. Governor Cuomo supports workers everywhere to attain fair wages and working conditions through their unions. But his veto is penalizing our dairy farmers for their cooperative attempt to survive through gaining input into the price of milk paid at the farm.

If you, the consumer, wish to have an adequate supply of milk available in the future at reasonable prices, now is the time to contact legislators and the Governor on behalf of RCMA. As you already know, politics is the name of the game today.

And remember: Food is not produced in supermarkets. The farm is still its source!

CONSTANT READER

## Keeping up with chic

Like the letters on restroom doors, there are two rather new publications that you may have seen around. The publications are called "M" and "W." Both, as it happens (though probably not really by happenstance) are put out by Fairchild Publications, which in turn is owned by Capital Cities/ABC, an entertainment outfit if ever there was one.

This column can save you money, by warning you away from the thought of purchasing either of these publications. "M," at \$3 for each monthly issue, sells at \$18 a year. "W" is only \$2.50, but it comes out every other week, so the yearly subscription is \$30.

"M" is strictly a yuppie periodical, aimed primarily at men, the kind who cross their ankles when posing for a picture. I

did find one article of passing interest: the editors' idea of "100 things that haven't been ruined." A rather small fraction of these are familiar: cornflakes, potatoes, the *National Geographic*, Ticonderoga No. 2 pencils, racing at Saratoga, Pepperidge Farm cookies, Monopoly, the American Express green card, McNeil-Lehrer, the Taconic Parkway, savings bonds, the William Tell Overture with fireworks.

But listen to these "unruined" items that may not seem quite so recognizable to most of us: Macaroons at the Century Club, Saturday lunch at La Grenouille, the Morgan sports car, London theaters, Easter Island, Big Sur, Patagonia, Umbria, the Swiss franc, Tarawya Inn at Kyoto, Lloyd's of London, the Frick,

Shropshire, summers at Glyndebourne. (In fact, a good two-thirds of the 100 are centered abroad.)

Here's an interesting upspoiled person: Queen Elizabeth II, "unruffled and monarchical," in contrast to some of the "tacky and tasteless" members of the royal family. Could that mean, for example, a couple of the princesses?

### They haven't ruined cornflakes, Monopoly, or potatoes — yet

And then one very debatable still-good item: The United States telephone system (in comparison with the rest of the world). How many of us would agree that our phones are as good as they were in 1980?

Then "M" contributed a short list of "spoiled" things, including baseball hats, commercial tomatoes, Honolulu, Brown University,

politics, the Hamptons, Nepal (too many hippies), television news, afternoon newspapers, the Super Bowl, the postal service, Broadway theater, Nantucket town, Adirondack lakes, Denver, the Olympics, and the Pledge of Allegiance. Not much to quarrel with on most of those, wouldn't you say?

As for "W" it would go on my list of "unspoiled" things, because there never has been anything in it worth spoiling. "W" is published in newspaper-size pages, on a coated paper stock that perhaps comes closest to putting you in mind of the old-time roto sections of the Sunday papers. I counted 72 pages in this

particular issue, divided into eight sections. Almost all of the contents are devoted to fashion and the people who wear the right clothing at resorts, clubs, and parties. The final section of this issue was called "Scene," and the legend on the full-page photo of a sweet young thing in a weird get-up reads this way: "Neo chic . . . It's the survival of the chicest that counts."

Unfortunately, "W" doesn't appear on very many newsstands, so you will have a little difficulty in seeking out a copy. But after this thrilling review, perhaps you'd want to subscribe.

### Words for the week

**Demur:** Objection, protest, qualm. Hesitation, usually based on doubt of the acceptability of something offered or proposed.

**Adverse:** Hostile; acting against or in a contrary direction; unfavorable. It often is confused with *averse*, another adjective, which means disinclined; having an active feeling of repugnance or distaste.

# Your Opinion Matters

(From Page 4)

reconsider your negative characterization of the Slingerlands Homeowners Association's opposition to this project. In a Nov. 30 editorial, you described our efforts as "guilty of overkill" and appearing "to exaggerate the size of the shopping center portion of the . . . proposal."

Your only justification for these comments came in the following sentence: "By lumping the number of square feet devoted to office space with the square feet devoted to retail space, and then comparing that number with such shopping centers as Northway Mall, they create an impression that this proposal is even bigger than it is."

The comparison to Northway

## Vox Pop

Mall was first made at the public meeting held in Slingerlands on Nov. 10. It was correctly pointed out that it is difficult for the average person to grasp the dimensions of a project of this size merely by reading the square-foot areas. It seemed reasonable to try to get some sense of the overall size of the commercial portion of the development.

In particular, we had learned from Ron Schleicht, vice president of real estate operations for Price Chopper, that the developer intended to use approximately 90,000 square feet of the "transitional commercial zone"

for office space, the remainder to be utilized for additional retail space. When combined with the primary retail sections, this meant that 80 percent of the 488,500-square-foot commercial development was intended for retail use. Under that circumstance, the most reasonable comparison seemed to be with other area shopping centers. Can anyone suggest a more reasonable analogy? Remember that, in order to make the comparison meaningful, the project must be compared with something familiar to most residents.

On consulting the *Capital District Business Review's* survey of the area's 25 largest shopping centers, we found that the commercial portion of the BTR project compared closest to Northway Mall (listed at 500,000 square feet). We did not try to suggest that the proposed project would be exclusively retail, but it seemed fair to convey some idea of the size of the total commercial development.

Lewis Golub of Price Chopper criticized the comparison of this project with an enclosed mall,

such as Northway Mall. We should point out that there is no open-air shopping center in the Capital District which even comes close to the size of this project. Even if one omits the entire 175,000 square feet of transitional office/retail space, the remaining retail section, at 313,500 square feet, would be larger than every other open-air shopping center.

In two editorials (Nov. 16 and 30), you stressed the importance of differentiating between office and retail portions of the development. The fact that the office portion is only 20 percent of the commercial development seems to us to make this distinction less critical. Nevertheless, a letter to the editor published on Nov. 23 pointed out that: "Even if one excludes the 90,000 square feet of office space, the retail portion of development would still be more than two and one-half times the size of Delaware Plaza shopping center (listed at 152,000 square feet)." Despite the emphasis you have placed on distinguishing between the office and retail sections of this project, you failed to notice when that distinction had been made within your own pages.

In your coverage of the developer's public meeting (*Spot-*

*light*, Nov. 9), your headlines announced, "It's big" and "Supermarket only the beginning." In a sense, that is all we are trying to say. We are very concerned that the developers are underestimating the size and impact of this project, for example, by calling it a "neighborhood strip center." We have found it necessary to speak out strongly in order to provide a more accurate picture of the scope of the project. As a result of our efforts, as well as the efforts of other organizations and neighborhood associations and, indeed, the extensive coverage provided by *The Spotlight*, many Bethlehem residents have come to understand the magnitude of what has, in fact, been proposed.

John Sarris  
Corresponding Secretary,  
Slingerlands  
Homeowners Association

## Rubbing salt in wounds at Voorheesville

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

May I congratulate the Village of Voorheesville on its spanking new, state-of-the-art salt shed.

However, an important part of *The Spotlight's* article ("Let It Snow," Dec. 7) is missing.

What is going to happen to the ruined land where the salt pile used to stand? This concerns those of us who have had to live next to the old salt which had no shed for years and years while the town procrastinated over the building of the new shed. During that time no village official would have dared agree with the Voorheesville Avenue residents who were aghast over the irreversible damage to their trees and the erosion of their driveways.

I'm glad that measures are being taken to prevent leaching of the soil beneath the new shed, but what about the previously damaged property? It now stands desolate — an eyesore useful only as a free parking lot for nearby residents. When is Voorheesville going to learn to clean up the dirt it leaves behind?

Karen Levi-Lausa  
Voorheesville

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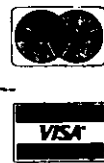
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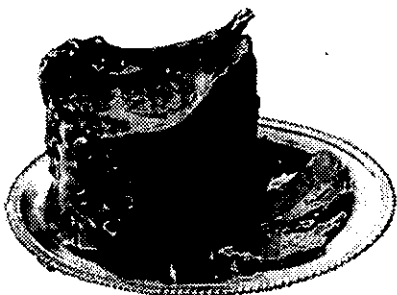
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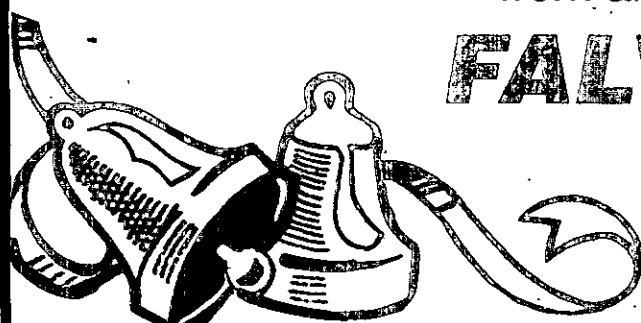
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# DOT plans bypass lights

Plans to install traffic signals at the intersection of Elm Ave. and the Delmar Bypass have been presented to the Town of Bethlehem by the state Department of Transportation, according to Bethlehem Commissioner of Public Works Bruce Secor.

Secor said he expects the state to go to bid on the project early next year and expects the project to be completed by late summer.

Additionally, the DOT will install a traffic signal at the intersection of Murray Ave. and the Delmar Bypass and install street lighting along the median at the intersection. The intersection, which now requires a two-step procedure for making left turns, has been identified as causing numerous accidents. Left turn arrows will be installed at both Elm Ave. and Murray Ave., and will also be considered later for the signal at Elsmere Ave. on the bypass, Secor said.

The Elm Ave. plans include a

bicycle path with push buttons for the signals. Secor said the bicycle path will be clearly marked along the roadway.

The Elm Ave. signal is an important part of the plans for a Capital District Transportation Authority park and ride lot. The park and ride lot will be located on the southwest corner of the bypass and Elm Ave. and is expected to be completed late next year.

The new signal is also an important part of the plan to extend the bypass through to Van Dyke Rd. The developer of the Adams Station development has completed his part of the extension, and the remaining portion has been designed by the town, Secor said. It will be constructed by the town Highway

Department. "We hope to get it open to traffic next year, but I don't know if we'll make that," he said.

Secor said he has been pushing DOT to deal with traffic and safety problems on state roads in the town before they become dangerous. The town has already talked to state officials about a traffic signal for Van Dyke Rd. at Delaware Ave., at the high school, in anticipation of the completion of the bypass extension.

"If you keep making enough phone calls, they're going to listen to you. DOT's not a problem (with the town of Bethlehem)," Secor commented. He added that he has been told that the plans will not be affected by state budget cutbacks.

## Student musicians win scholarships

The Bethlehem Music Association has awarded \$150 scholarships to five students for participation in the All-State Performing Groups. The students were selected by audition from around the state in the spring. The musicians perform at the New York State School Music Association's Winter Convention at Kiamesha Lake, N.Y.

Area students selected were: Meg Bragle and John Esmond, All-State String Orchestra; Gwen Jones and Mary Ann Loegering, All-State Orchestra, and Eric Brown, All-State Band.

## Woodford graduates

Laurie Jane Woodford of Glenmont recently graduated from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy. She received a master's degree in business administration in management.

# Elm Ave. plan aired

A pre-preliminary presentation on Klersy Building Corporation's proposed Forest Run subdivision of 106 single-family units off Elm Ave. was presented to the Bethlehem Planning Board last Tuesday.

According to Paul Hite, a land surveyor representing the developer, the 56-acre parcel is zoned AA-Residential. Hite said all but two of the lots would be a minimum of 15,000 square feet. According to Hite, drainage for the development will require installation of a retention or detention system. Ken Ringler, chairman of the planning board, instructed Hite to submit an application to the board.

The board also approved a 30-day extension on the draft environmental impact statement submitted by the Carriage Hill Development Corp. for the proposed 123-lot Carriage Hill subdivision off Jericho Road.

The next meeting of the Bethlehem Planning board will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at Bethlehem Town Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

## Albany man charged for trespass

Bethlehem police arrested a 21-year-old Albany man for trespassing after he was caught inside the Albany Medical Center offices on Delaware Ave. early Sunday morning.

The man was observed inside the building by officers, police said. Police said the man was also seen going toward a ladder near an open skylight in the roof.

## Cocktail dress show featured at benefit

The premiere presentation of holiday cocktail dresses by a Slingerlands designer will be featured at a benefit of the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression.

The benefit, sponsored by the Capital District Alliance for the Mentally Ill High Tea Project Inc., will be on Thursday, Dec. 29, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sign of the Tree Restaurant at the Empire State Plaza.

Meryl Ruckterstuhl of Designer Creations will show her first collection of holiday cocktail dresses at the benefit. Benita Zahn of Channel 13 is honorary chairman and commentator, and Harriet Comfort is general chairman of the benefit. Modeling will be done by Louise Boyka Studio of Stage Arts.

The National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression is a two-year-old foundation that funds and encourages funding for biomedical research into the causes, treatment and cures for severe, disabling mental illness.

Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar begin at 5:30 p.m., with the fashion show and door prizes at 6:30 p.m. Reservations, \$20, can be made before Dec. 23, by calling 447-5868.

## Christmas trees stolen

Six blue spruce Christmas trees were stolen from Bob's Produce on Delaware Ave. during the overnight hours Saturday, Bethlehem police said. Police said the trees were taken from the store parking area by two persons in a pickup truck.

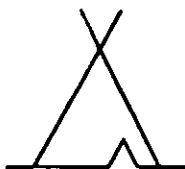
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# Rt. 9W's future

(From Page 1)

section with the least intensive use. Further, "Alternative 'A,' by concentrating the least (traffic) generators on in the most difficult section of the roadway, at this point implies the least (roadway) improvements," the reported stated.

Hart explained that each scenario represented only a general thrust for development in the three corridor sections and not absolutes. He said there would be some mixture of uses.

Hart said community input would be needed before progressing to the final portion of the study. "Planning is an expression of the values of the community," he said.

"We are looking at community-level uses, not regional-level uses," said Hart. "We're not looking at Wolf Road for the Rt. 9W corridor."

Hart said the report was not intended to dictate anything to the community but, rather, to frame decisions the community will have to make. "What is the general thrust that we are going to be taking into the next step?" Hart asked.

According to Hart, the final step in the study will be to formulate a final plan and an action agenda.

The consultants observed that the diverse roles Rt. 9W serves — a commuter route, a truck route, a residential neighborhood, a commercial corridor, an industrial center, a gateway to neighboring communities and a natural landscape — are conflicting. Therefore, a general goal formulated by the consultants was to "provide for diverse community-level land uses and activities in a well-functioning environment."

As overall objectives, the consultants suggested that the town "correct dysfunctions in the existing transportation network, provide a traffic and transportation network to serve future land uses and regional needs, encourage land uses which are appropriate to the character of the roadway, provide for attractive transitions

between major land uses to avoid future conflicts, and preserve the principal natural and historic features of the roadway."

The consultants divided the corridor into three main sections and subsections, and suggested goals and objectives for each area.

The north section, with some 300 potential development acres, was divided into three areas: the north gateway, running from the Albany border to the New York State Thruway bridge; the jughandle and approaches, including the interchange between the Delmar Bypass (Rt. 32) and Rt. 9W and its approaches, and Bethlehem Center, which extends from the Glenmont Post Office to the Calvary Cemetery.

The central section, with some 850 potential development acres, was divided into the country road area, extending from the Calvary Cemetery to Dowerskill, and Meyers Corners, running from Dowerskill to the Vloemen Kill bridge.

The south section, with some 250 acres yet to be developed, was divided into three areas: Beckers Corners, extending from the Vloemen Kill to wetlands just south of Beaver Dam Road; Selkirk, extending from south of Beaver Dam Road to the Conrail railroad cut, and the south gateway, running to the southern border of Bethlehem.

Area-specific goals were suggested by the consultants as follows:

- North gateway — create an attractive sense of transition from one community to another and provide for land uses which complement the area's prominent location near the New York State Thruway access and the state's capital.

- Jughandle and approaches — reduce existing traffic conflict and provide for future traffic needs, and provide for land uses appropriate to a major traffic interchange.

- Bethlehem Center — create an attractive and focused community center, and improve circulation at Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Road for present and future development.

- Country road — maintain the intimate quality of the roadway and adjacent land uses, control the traffic impact of future development in the area and reduce existing roadway deficiencies.

- Meyers Corners — maintain open, rural quality of the landscape in future development and maintain roadway capacity.

- Beckers Corners — provide for transitional land uses between the roadway functions and adjacent residential communities, and accommodate truck traffic.

- Selkirk — reduce hierarchical conflicts in roadway network.

- South gateway — create attractive sense of entry into the community from the south and transition from one community to another.



Glenmont Kindergartener Megan Fish participates in the "half-time shoot-out" sponsored by the Bethlehem Booster Club during the Bethlehem Boys Varsity game. Larry Hackman jumps for the rebound. R.H. Davis

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# BFI collects another independent hauler

By Theresa Bobear

Don Wright Rubbish Removal in Glenmont, which handles most of the residential pickups in Delmar, Elsmere, Glenmont and Selkirk, was sold last Thursday to Browning and Ferris Industries (BFI), according to Don Wright. Wright, the company's former owner and president, said the new owner will continue to serve the town's residents.

Wright said all of the company's

personnel, including the office staff members, will continue working as employees of BFI. "The administration will be what they call BFI Albany," said Wright. "That's in Latham."

"With the new recycling, it is going to take more than a small contractor to handle it," said Wright. "As of February we're going into mandatory recycling, and I was aware of that."

Wright said the new owner, the

world's second largest waste firm, has the technology and equipment needed to deal with recycling. "You're going to see more recycling than you've ever seen in your life. This is just the tip of the iceberg."

"They're bringing in all new equipment to service the town," Wright said. "So, the orange trucks are turning to blue." Wright said the new owners have already ordered new containers for recycling.

After leaving the firm at the end of the month, Wright said he will concentrate on managing his real estate property and helping his daughter raise thoroughbreds on her farm in New Salem.

Don Wright Rubbish Removal was established as a spinoff of Robert Wright Disposal about 22 years ago, according to Don Wright.

Robert Wright Disposal Inc. is still operating as an independent business without any affiliation to Don Wright Rubbish Removal or Browning and Ferris Industries.

# Price Chopper meeting delayed by developer

Official discussion of the BTR/Price Chopper proposal for a major development on New Scotland Rd., which already ranks as one of the most controversial proposals in Bethlehem's history, won't take place until next month.

Supervisor Robert Hendrick had planned to present the plan to the Town Board at its meeting tonight, but said Tuesday he has withdrawn it from the agenda at the request of the developers. It will probably be on the agenda for the Jan. 11 meeting, he said.

Ron Schleicht, Price Chopper's vice president for real estate operations, said Monday he was surprised that the plan was on Wednesday's agenda, because plans of this size usually undergo an extensive staff review before they are aired publicly. He said he and representatives of BTR Development had other commitments that evening.

However, there are other reasons the developers would want a delay. Unless it is modified substantially, the plan for a shopping center, office buildings and a residential development is likely to go no further than the town board.

The plan was presented to the town Thursday, according to Hendrick. He said a quick reading indicates no substantial change from the plan that was presented at a community meeting Nov. 2. Hendrick and other town board members have already said they think a proposal of that size should not be considered until after the town's proposed master plan is completed, perhaps two years from now.

Under the circumstances, Hendrick said Friday, he sees no point in delaying discussion of the plan for the sort of detailed staff analysis that is usually given to new projects.

The proposal by BTR Development of Baltimore calls for 313,500 square feet of retail space, including a Price Chopper supermarket, on land between New Scotland Rd. and an extension of the Slingerlands Bypass. On the west side of the bypass extension would be four office buildings with some retail space, totaling 175,000 square feet, and a residential section with 275 town houses.

BTR Development is proposing to extend the bypass from its present end point at the Blue Cross building to LeGrange Rd., where it would curve east and meet the Cherry Ave. Extension. The developers have said the extension would cost them \$2.5 million, and that altogether some \$6 million in site development costs would be required, exclusive of buildings.



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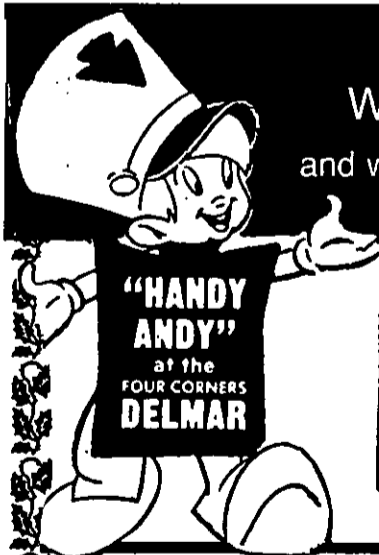


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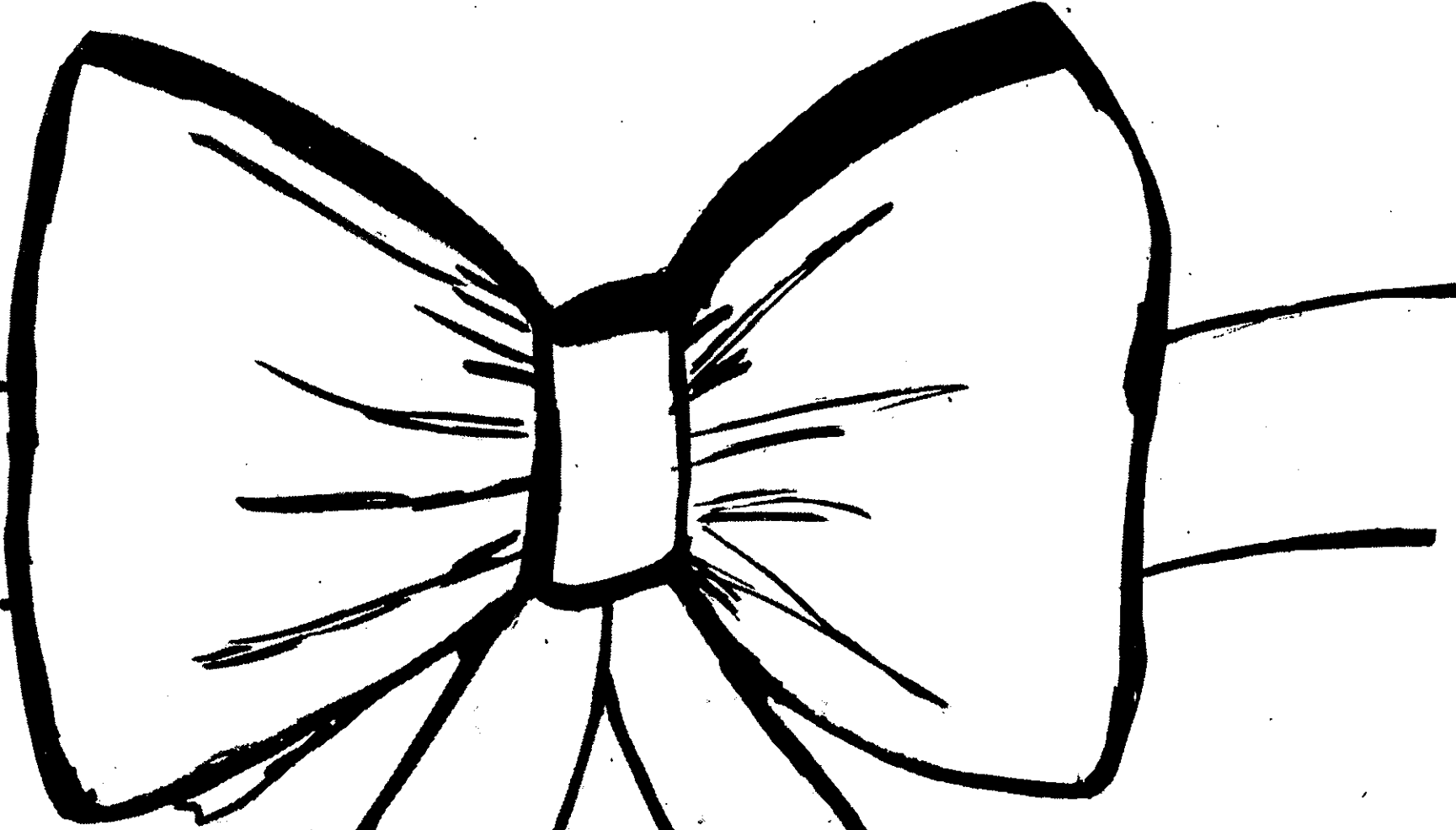
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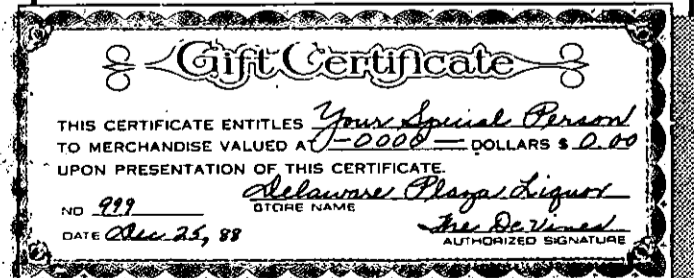
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## Clifton Park man arrested for burglary

Daniel Joseph Burke, 21, of Clifton Park was arrested Dec. 1 on a felony third-degree burglary charge and a pretty larceny charge, Bethlehem police said. Police said the arrest was made following an investigation of the Sept. 23 burglary at Murph's Pub on Rt. 144.

An undetermined amount of cash and \$200 worth of liquor was taken during the break-in, police said.



## Topping the tree

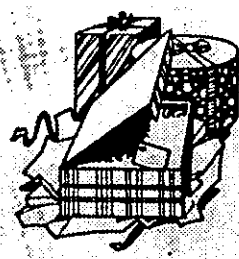
A star is born. Matt Denton of the Haslam Tree Service sets the star atop the town's Christmas tree in front of Bethlehem Town Hall. The tree service donated the use of its cherry picker for the tree decoration.  
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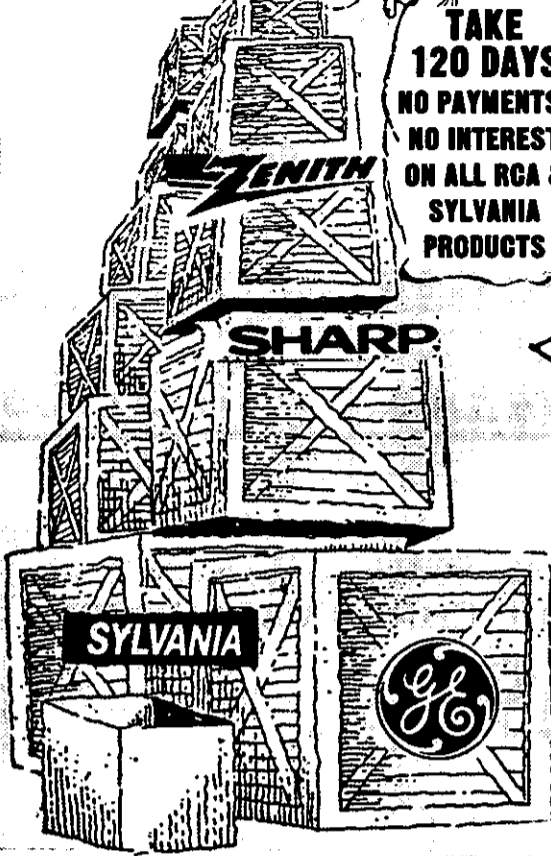


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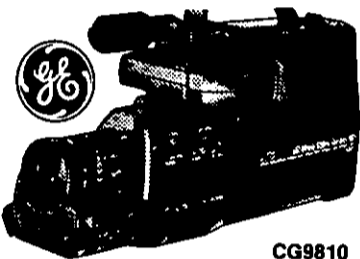
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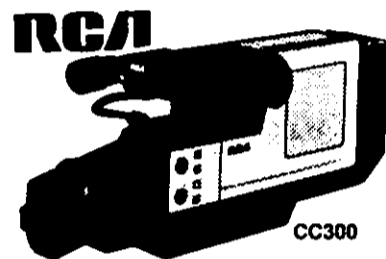
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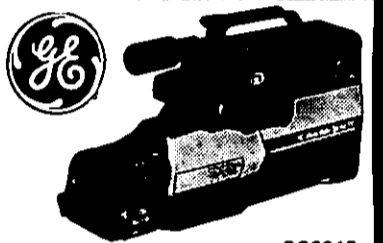
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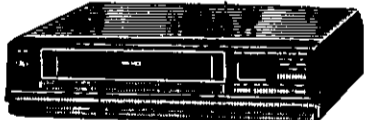


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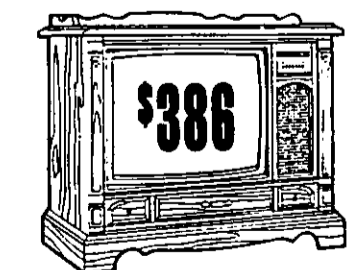
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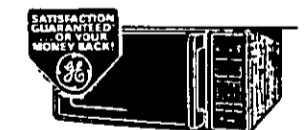


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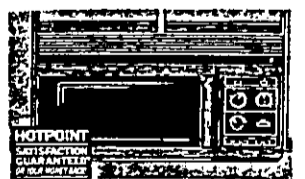
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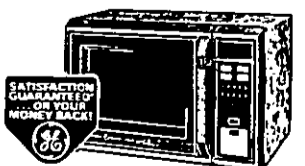
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# BCHS curriculum changed

The Bethlehem Central Board of Education approved several high school curriculum changes for the 1989-90 school year Wednesday night.

Occupational education courses in computerized accounting, personal business management and interior design were dropped from the curriculum since the courses were not meeting student needs and had small enrollments.

Other courses deleted from the high school curriculum include printmaking because of a lack of student interest and advanced economics due to a lack of students being able to take the course because of Regents Action Plan requirements.

The production systems course was replaced by a building construction course and the transportation systems course was replaced by metals technology.

An occupational science course offering job related and physical science learning was adopted. Also added to the curriculum were basic home and auto repair, child psychology and advanced photography courses.

The proposal for a lab requirement for the earth science course, which was rejected by the

## Icy roads contribute to fatal crash

Sister Jean Fitzmaurice, 60, of the Sisters of Mercy in Albany was killed in a one-car crash Sunday morning, when her car went off the road and struck two trees, Bethlehem police said.

Police said the crash occurred on Rt. 9W near Beacon Rd and that she was travelling too fast for road conditions. Police said she lost control of her car and went off the road and struck two trees before the car came to rest on a lawn.

She was pronounced dead at the Albany Medical Center.

curriculum committee, was tabled pending a further report in January.

In other business, the board:

- Received the annual fire inspection report on its buildings from Town Building Inspector John Flanigan. Flanigan told the board the only violations were "minor housekeeping things" such as storage, artwork hanging in the corridors of the schools and unmarked chlorine bottles. Flani-

gan said the district staff had marked all the chlorine bottles following the inspection and had corrected the other items he found.

- Received a recommendation from J. Briggs McAndrews, assistant superintendent, for purchasing an administrative computer system for the district with a 5-year lease-purchase plan rather than in the upcoming bond issue.

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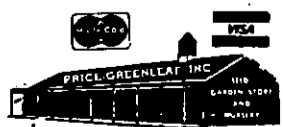
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# THE SPOTLIGHT CALENDAR

## BETHLEHEM

WINTER CONCERT II, Bethlehem Central Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

BOU MEETING, Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited meeting at Bethlehem Town Hall, all welcome, 4 p.m. Information, 439-6885.

GLENMONT HOMEMAKERS, Christmas party at Selkirk Firehouse, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3080.

RED MEN, second Wednesday, St. Stephen's Church, Esmere, 7:30 p.m.

SECOND MILER'S LUNCHEON MEETING, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-6003.

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS, meetings second Wednesdays, Delmar Firehouse, Adams Pl., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM ELKS AUXILIARY, meets at lodge, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill, second Wednesday of month.

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH, Bible study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Esmere. Information, 439-7864.

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

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.

## NEW SCOTLAND

WINTER CONCERT, senior high school chorus of the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2936.

NEW SCOTLAND ELKS LODGE, meets second and fourth Wednesdays, 22 South Main St., Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS, every Wednesday, New Scotland Town Hall, New Scotland. Information, Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

## ALBANY

RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS, Capital District Association, Quality Inn, Everett Rd., \$5, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-3920.

AIDS LECTURE, "Update on the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome," presented by Dr. James Veazey, Albany College of Pharmacy, Room 110, 106 New Scotland Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 445-5366.

"ETHICS IN PROFESSIONS," presented by the state Education Department and Board of Regents, Desmond Americana Inn, Wolf Rd., 9 a.m. Information, 474-1201.

"WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY," holiday reception, with speaker Vesna Gjaja, sponsored by the Women's Business Development Center, University Club, 5-8 p.m. Information, 283-8444.

CRAFT SHOW, featuring dry flower wreaths, jewelry, and stained glass, Albany City Hall, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

VOLUNTEER ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION, Capital District, meeting, Albany Marriott, Wolf Rd., Colonie, with speaker, Liz Fris, noon. Information, 463-4411.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING, hosted by the College of St. Rose, meet at St. Joseph's Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., 6-10 p.m. Information, 454-5250.

## CAPITAL DISTRICT

SCHENECTADY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY, meeting of photo essay group, featuring Frank Wylie, First United Methodist Church, Lafayette and State Sts., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

OPEN HOUSE, for prospective students of Russell Sage College, Kellas Formal Lounge, Russell Sage Campus, Troy, 4-6 p.m. Information, 270-2264.

## ENTERTAINMENT

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL," presented by the Nebraska Theatre Caravan, Proctor's Theater, 432 State St., Schenectady, \$18, \$15, \$11 and under 18 prices, 7 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

## EXHIBITS

VICTORIAN HOLIDAY TREE DISPLAY, through Jan. 6, Executive Chamber, State Capitol, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 474-5987.

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## BETHLEHEM

LA LECHE LEAGUE, offers information and support for breastfeeders, Delmar. Information, 439-9660.

HOLIDAY PARTY, featuring door prizes and entertainment, Stone Ends restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, \$6 at door, 5-7 p.m. Information, 439-0512.

SLINGERLANDS WINTER CONCERT, Slingerlands Elementary School, Union Ave., Slingerlands, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3158.

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS, meet every Thursday at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

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

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP, sponsored by Project Hope and Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, meets Thursdays, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2445.

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, Esmere, 4-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-7880.

AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEONS, for members, guests and applicants for membership, Sidewheeler Restaurant, Albany Motor Inn, third Thursday, noon.

FOOD STAMP FORM AID, third Thursday of odd-numbered months, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 9:15 a.m.-noon. Appointments required, 439-4955.

## NEW SCOTLAND

VOORHEESVILLE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING, library, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-2936.

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

NEW SCOTLAND KWANIS CLUB, Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85, 7 p.m.

## ALBANY

CRAFT SHOW, featuring dry flower wreaths, jewelry, and stained glass, Albany City Hall, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION, Capital District Chapter, St. Paul Episcopal Church, Hackett Blvd., 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

WORKSHOP, "Changes in the New York State Income Tax," sponsored by the Institute for Taxation, Accounting and Management Services of State University at Albany. Information, 442-5133.

MEETING, 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.

## CAPITAL DISTRICT

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, of the Capital District, Schenectady City Hall, Jay Street, Schenectady, 3 p.m. Information, 458-2161.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE, presented by Leonard Hospital's Automotive Safety Program, Leonard Hospital, 6:15-9:30 p.m. Information, 233-0797.

WOMEN'S PRESS CLUB, meeting, featuring Richard Nilson Phillip, American Inn, Albany-Shaker Rd., Colonie, 11:30 p.m. Information, 436-8477.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION . . .

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

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

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

BETHLEHEM BOARD OF EDUCATION, meets first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

RAVENA-COEYMANS-SELKIRK BOARD OF EDUCATION, meets the first and third Mondays of each month at 8 p.m. at the board offices, Thatcher St., Selkirk.

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

BETHLEHEM LANDFILL, open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday,

closed Sundays and holidays. Resident permit required; permits available at town hall, Elm Ave. Park office and town garage, Elm Ave. East.

NEW SCOTLAND LANDFILL, open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays only. Resident permit required, permits available at town hall.

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

PROJECT HOPE, preventive program for adolescents and their families, satellite offices for Bethlehem-Coeymans; 767-2445.

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

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

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, hours for youths interested in part-time work, Bethlehem Town Hall, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information, 439-2238.

BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY, open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, 1-5 p.m., 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9314.

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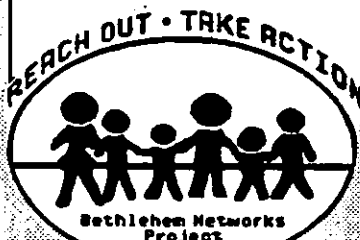
Quest is a program developed by The Quest National Center, a nonprofit educational organization founded in 1975, dedicated to assisting young people (ages 11 to 21) in four overlapping areas: developing leadership potential, promoting and encouraging healthy lifestyles, enriching the quality of family life and enhancing personal development skills for effective living.

Quest addresses the needs of young people through a variety of programs geared to specific age groups. The Skills for Adolescence program, a positive prevention program for grades one through eight, teaches skills in decision making, communication, and dealing effectively with peer pressure in order to say "no" to drugs and alcohol. The program is a joint effort of Quest and Lions Clubs International and was developed in cooperation with the National PTA, the National Middle School Association, the National Federation of Parents for Drug-Free Youth, and the Center for Early Adolescence at the University of North Carolina.

In Bethlehem, we have 21 middle school teachers, the middle school principal and assistant principal, and two community parents certified to teach the Skills for Adolescence Program. This required attendance in an intensive 25-hour workshop which was supported by the Bethlehem Central School District and Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited.

Some middle school teachers have already implemented the Quest Program in their individual subject areas. Last spring, a 10-hour Quest Skills for Adolescence Parent Seminar was offered for parents of students entering middle school in Bethlehem. More than 56 parents responded, with more than 30 of those able to attend one or more seminars. The responses to the Quest Seminar were very favorable. The school district is committed to working to provide additional parent classes, as well as implementing the program in the middle school.

If you would like to know more about the Quest Skills for Adolescence Program and the Quest Parent Seminars, you may call Dr. J. Briggs McAndrews at the Educational Services Center (439-4921) or Linda Sinirc (439-7051).



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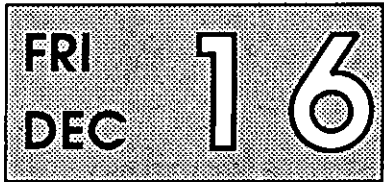
LA LECHE LEAGUE, meeting, Bellewood Room, Woman's Health Care Plus, 2093 Western Ave., 10-11 a.m. Information, 452-3455.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

SLIDE TALK, "Turn of the Century Photographs in Historical and Social Context," includes discussion of urbanization, immigration, transportation and family life at turn of century, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

ANDY ROTH, one man rock band, Half Moon Cafe, 154 Madison Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 436-0329.

DEBBIE REYNOLDS, singer, with Harve Presnell, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083.



**BETHLEHEM**

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

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

DUPLICATE BRIDGE, all levels welcome, meets every third Friday, St. Stephen's Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5772.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS, United Pentecostal Church, Rt. 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

**ALBANY**

"DANCING IN THE WOODS," benefit for the Child Cancer Program at Children's Hospital, Albany Medical Center, 9 p.m. Information, 426-4195.

VOORHEESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BAND AND CHORUS, Concourse, South Gallery, noon. Information, 474-0559.

HOLIDAY CONCERT, presented by Mendelssohn Club, Chancellor's Hall, 8 p.m. Information, 482-2142.

CRAFT SALE, featuring craft and holiday gifts, South Gallery, Empire State Plaza, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 474-0559.

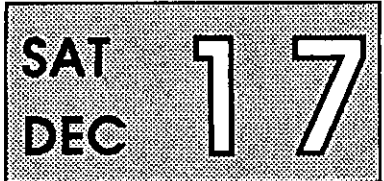
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NOON ORGAN CONCERTS, St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 434-3502.

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

**ENTERTAINMENT**

CYGNUS, piano and vocal jazz, Half Moon Cafe, 154 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 436-0329.



**BETHLEHEM**

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES, Christmas dance, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-10:30 p.m. Information, 438-1227.

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"THE LIVING NATIVITY," featuring outdoor manger scene and live animals, presented by the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 7 p.m. Information, 439-0428.

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES, dance first and third Saturdays, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

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**ALBANY**

"DINO DEN DISCOVERY PROGRAM," featuring hands-on activities for children, State Museum, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

ALBANY PRO MUSICA, chamber choral group, Christmas concert, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 370-5013.

"NUTCRACKER BALLET," performed by Meyers Company dancer, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, 7 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

"POPS AT CHRISTMAS," performed by Capital Philharmonic, Doane Stuart School Chapel, Rt. 9W, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4491.

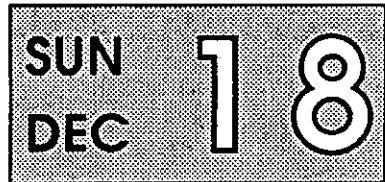
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT, featuring mid-winter carols and customs, presented by Old Songs Inc., St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

COUNTRY DANCING, featuring caller Sue Dupre; music by Fennig's All Stars, presented by Old Songs, Guilderland Elementary School, Rt. 20, Guilderland, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

TERRI ROBE AND MARIE CACCAVO, folk music, Half Moon Cafe, 154 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 436-0329.

**EXHIBITS**

TOY TRAINS, from 1940's and '50's, through Dec. 31, State Museum South Hall, Albany. Information, 474-5877.



**BETHLEHEM**

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY, featuring magician, clown and Santa, sponsored by Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Bethlehem Memorial Post 3185, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9836.

NATIVITY PAGEANT, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-5790.

EGG NOG PARTY, sponsored by the American Legion, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040, Delmar, 3 p.m. Information, 439-6427.



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DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, worship, church school and nursery care, 10:30 a.m.; coffee hour, 11:30 a.m. Family Communion Service first Sundays. For information on youth fellowship, 439-9252.

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, 9:30 a.m., church school, 9:45, youth and adult classes, 11 a.m., nursery care, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-9976.

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH, Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., Sunday service, 11 a.m., 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH, Sunday school, 9 a.m., 3-year-olds through adult, morning worship service, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, evening fellowship, 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-3135.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, Bible Study and Sunday School Classes, 9:15 a.m., Family Worship, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-4328.

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**ALBANY**

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**CAPITAL DISTRICT**

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"NUTCRACKER BALLET," performance by Berkshire Ballet, Palace Theatre, Albany, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Information, 445-5382.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT, featuring mid-winter carols and customs, presented by Old Songs Inc., St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, 3 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

**MON DEC 19**

**BETHLEHEM**

WINTER PROGRAM REGISTRATION, Bethlehem's Parks and Recreation Department, Elm Ave. Park, Delmar, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-4131.

MOTHERS' TIME OUT, Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, nursery care provided, 10-11:30 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

DELMAR KIWANIS, meet Mondays at Sidewheeler 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.

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA, rehearsal Mondays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

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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**NEW SCOTLAND**

VOORHEESVILLE PROGRAM COMMITTEE, meeting, library, Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-2936.

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

**ALBANY**

BAND MUSIC, presented by Raven-Coeymans Selkirk Senior High, Concourse Level, South Mall, Empire State Plaza, 1 p.m. Information, 474-0559.

**CAPITAL DISTRICT**

HOLIDAY CAROLING, presented by the Rensselaer County Council for the Arts and Washington Park Association, meet at Art Center, 189 Second St., Troy, 7 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

RANDY VISCIO, guitarist and singer, Half Moon Cafe, 154 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 436-0329.

**TUE DEC 20**

**BETHLEHEM**

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Bethlehem Town Hall, 455 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY, sponsored by Blanchard Auxiliary, N.A. Blanchard American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York, Unit No. 1040, Elsmere, \$8.50 per person, 6-7 p.m. Information, 439-2786.

MEETING, Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group of Albany, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 452-1631.

**ALBANY**

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS, self-help group for parents whose children have died, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut St., 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-7316.

FATHERS' RIGHTS ASSOCIATION, meeting, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 674-3253.

INFORMATION SESSION, sponsored by the Empire College, State University at Albany, Capital District Regional Center, 845 Central Ave., 5:30 p.m. Information, 485-5964.

**WED DEC 21**

**BETHLEHEM**

HOLIDAY CONCERT, presented by the Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

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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ONESQUETHAW CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR, first and third Wednesdays at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

WINTER CONCERT, senior high school chorus of the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2936.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS, every Wednesday, New Scotland Town Hall, New Scotland. Information, Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

**ALBANY**

CHRISTMAS PARTY, of Albany Scroptimist Club, featuring Stefan Harris, Tom Sawyer Motor Inn, 1444 Western Ave., 6 p.m. Information, 465-0737.

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DEC 24

**BETHLEHEM**

WORSHIP SERVICE, candlelight service, featuring brass ensemble, senior choir, and children's choir, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7 and 9:15 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

SUN  
DEC 25

**BETHLEHEM**

HOLY COMMUNION, worship service, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-4328.

WORSHIP SERVICE, with Rev. Arthur Hagy, 9:30 a.m., Christmas caroling, 5 p.m. First United Methodist Church of Delmar, Information, 439-1887.

TUE  
DEC 27

**BETHLEHEM**

FAIRYTALE FESTIVAL, for children grades K-2, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

WED  
DEC 28

**BETHLEHEM**

STENCILING WITH PAINTSTICKS, for ages 8 and older, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

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Mary (Cheryl Davis) and Joseph (Scott Winterhoff) are visited by the three wise men (Mike Cartwright, Scott Willi and Adam Roberts) in Bethlehem Lutheran Church's live nativity pageant. The pageant, complete with a choir, taped narration and live manger animals will be held this Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m. on the church grounds.

John Delaney

**New community guide published**

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce has released its 1989 *Community Fact Book*, a guide to working, living and doing business in Bethlehem.

The book contains information on the businesses in the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and the role of the chamber of commerce in the community, as

well as community organizations. The guide also serves as a directory to needed services and information on the town government and town services, such as parks and recreation, police, water, highway and education. The free book is available at Bethlehem Town Hall, the Delmar Post Office, the chamber office and various businesses throughout Bethlehem.

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To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the New York event, this year's festivities will be a "Woodstock Revisited" celebration with tie-dye vendors, disc jockey and videos. A special stamp cancellation will be affixed to anything bearing a first-class stamp, and there will be a Carillon Concert from the bell tower in City Hall.

The Heritage Artists will perform "Man of LaMancha" at the Palace Theatre, and horse drawn carriages will be available for rent.

Free parking will be available at the Empire State Plaza, and shuttle busses will tote all revelers between locations free of charge.

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**Churches plan holiday services**


There will be several religious services offered to the public this season. The Bethlehem Lutheran Church will offer two candlelight services set for Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. The services will feature a brass ensemble, church choirs and the Creator's Crusader. Holy Communion will be celebrated at the church on Christmas Day at 10:30 a.m.

The First United Methodist Church of Delmar will celebrate Christmas with a worship service at 9:30 a.m., at the church, 428 Kenwood Ave., in Delmar.

For information call the Lutheran Church at 439-4328, or call the Methodist Church at 439-1887.

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# 'There's no pay, but the benefits are great'

By Theresa Bobear

Volunteers and people who donate food to the area's food pantries often say they get something in return.

"So many times you see a problem and you feel helpless because you don't know what you can do. Well this is something I can do, and I think most of the people in the pantry feel pretty much the same way," said Toni Lasher, chairman of the Venture Churches' food pantry. "There's

no pay, but the benefits are great. You get such a sense of satisfaction from being able to reach out and help people."

The area's four main food pantries are in Selkirk, Voorheesville, Feura Bush and Delmar. Their volunteers, like volunteers at food pantries throughout the area, say they are seeing more need this year than ever before.

With the exception of government surplus food, donations of perishable foods are not accepted

at the area food pantries. Items most needed, according to area pantry coordinators, are canned meats, peanut butter and jelly, soups, pasta sauces, macaroni and cheese, baby food and formula, cereal, crackers, and small containers of tea, coffee and powdered milk. Toilet paper, toothpaste, laundry detergent, soap and diapers are also frequently requested by clients. Cash donations are accepted by all but the Bethlehem Food Pantry, which accepts Grand Union gift certificates.

All area food pantries have a policy of strict confidentiality regarding requests for assistance.

Area food pantry coordinators report increasing their efforts at networking to help individuals establish themselves as independent. Referrals to social services are provided when long-term assistance is required.

Donations of excess from individuals and area pantries, as well as donations to food drives at area churches and businesses, are welcomed by the Albany County Emergency Food Task Force, 340 First St., Albany. Dawn Primeau, coordinator, reports that donations are needed because of a reduction in federal grant funds awarded this year and an increase in the number of clients served by the 32 food pantries in Albany County. "Some pantries are seeing 100 more people per month," she said.

"We have a van to do large pickups if any business wants to do a food drive," said Primeau. Information may be obtained by calling 462-3459.

The Albany County Emergency Food Task Force provides assist-



Karen Pelletier, right, director of Bethlehem Senior Services, and Joyce Becker, program coordinator for Bethlehem Senior Services, welcome donations of non-perishable foods at the Bethlehem Food Pantry. The pantry is located at Bethlehem Town Hall and is one of many town programs run by senior citizen volunteers. Theresa Bobear

ance to most of the food pantries in the county.

## Selkirk

The Venture Churches' food pantry, based at the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem in Selkirk, is run in cooperation with three other area churches — Faith Lutheran, Glenmont Community and South Bethlehem United Methodist churches.

Many individuals and organizations have donated food and time since the pantry was set up by Arlene Jordan about 10 years ago.

"We are here to provide relief for families or individuals who are in temporary distress situations," said Lasher. "We're a stopgap measure, as well as an emergency relief. We try and fill

in the grey areas." Lasher said a three-day supply of food is provided no more than once every month as relief for residents of Glenmont, Feura Bush, Selkirk and South Bethlehem.

Volunteers are needed to receive phone calls and distribute food to families, according to Lasher.

"As you can see we have a lot of empty shelf space," Lasher said. "There's always a greater need during the winter. The minute the weather turns cold and people have to start buying fuel, you'll see an upsurge in the use."

For information call 767-9593 or 767-2243.

## Voorheesville

Volunteer Mary Munyan said the food pantry at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Voorheesville has developed into a community food pantry. "Almost all of the organizations in town donate in some way to the food pantry," she said.

Other churches in the Voorheesville area also support the pantry, which serves residents of the

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Voorheesville Central School District. Munyan said the pantry was established several years ago by Marie Hill and members of church's Human Concerns Committee.

Munyan said about 150 to 175 people receive government surplus food on distribution days.

"We have a very, very generous parish here," said Munyan. "We have almost never asked and not gotten what we needed." In fact, when there has been an overabundance, Munyan said food was given back to the Albany County Emergency Food Task Force.

"It's a good sense of helping people, especially during the holidays when everyone wants to see everyone else have the best holiday possible," said Munyan. "We've been very successful in seeing our people being established as independent, and it's very rewarding."

### Area food pantry coordinators report increasing their efforts at networking to help individuals establish themselves as independent.

Munyan said donations may be dropped at the front of the church. For information call 765-2805 on weekday mornings.

#### Feura Bush

The food pantry at the Onesquethaw Reformed Church in Feura Bush is supported by donations from the members of the Unionville, Clarksville Community and Jerusalem reformed churches.

Elsie Gildersleeve, coordinator, said the pantry was established in August of 1984. "We serve about 45. This is a small pantry," she said. Gildersleeve and about eight other volunteers collect and distribute food.

"Usually during the winter there's a bigger demand," said Gildersleeve. "When you help these people, it makes you appreciate what you have yourself, believe me," she said.

Contributions may be made by calling 768-2611 or 768-2015.

#### Delmar

Mary Martinage is currently the volunteer in charge of organizing the Bethlehem Food Pantry, which is located at Bethlehem Town Hall. The pantry is run by senior citizen volunteers and falls under the

umbrella of Bethlehem Senior Services. "It hasn't cost us anything," said Karen Pelletier, director of Bethlehem Senior Services.

"It's the 105 volunteers who really provide the staff for most of our programs," said Pelletier. "They're really a vital part of the community. We really need them, and they know that."

Since the food pantry was opened in January of 1983, most of the town churches, fire departments and civic organizations have continued to make donations, according to Pelletier. In addition, many businesses and individuals have been supporting the pantry.

The pantry has provided temporary emergency assistance to some 238 individuals during the past year. Pelletier attributed the increase from a total of 96 individuals served during the first two years of operation to better community awareness of

Bethlehem Senior Services, improved networking on a county level and an increased elderly population in the town living below poverty level.

Unexpected medical expenses for people on fixed incomes, late arrival of Social Security checks, an unexpected job loss and the unannounced departure of a family's main bread winner were mentioned as events that might lead to a request for assistance.

"This provides just a temporary emergency supply of food and support until social services are acquired," said Joyce Becker, program coordinator for Bethlehem Senior Services.

Becker said the town recently received a shipment of government surplus dry food commodities. She said the next distribution date for perishable government surplus food, including cheese and butter, will not be held until after Jan. 1.

According to Pelletier, use of the food pantry is greater during the holidays and the heating season. "For families with small children, it's when school starts



## Santa's secret shoppers

"Santa's Secret Shop" is open, and Billy Northrup, a student at A.W. Becker Elementary School, is busy selecting gifts. Helping him, left to right, are Roseanne Levy and Donna Crisafulli.

Cheryl Clary

because they have so many other expenses," Pelletier said.

In addition to canned meats and toiletries, donations of low-salt, clear soups, bran cereals and ginger ale are needed for senior citizens served by the pantry volunteers.

For information call 439-4955.

Pelletier said the Bethlehem Food Pantry volunteers work in cooperation with other service providers, including volunteers at the Church of Saint Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, to prevent the duplication of services. The Delmar church's Peace and Justice Commission members collect food for distribution by members of the Saint Vincent DePaul Society to needy parishioners in town, according to Connie O'Neill, a volunteer.



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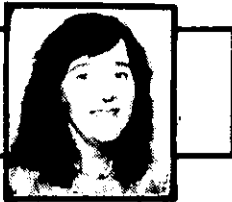
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# News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

Cheryl Clary

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## Churches collecting food

The Venture Churches of Bethlehem are again asking to help your neighbors this holiday season with a very basic human need — food. Stocks are running low in all canned and paper goods as well as several necessities that are not able to be purchased with government food stamps. Donations of these items or money or time to help organize and distribute to the needy this year may be the greatest gift that can be given. Contact your local church or Toni Lasher at 767-9593.

## Job Corps seeks board members

The Glenmont Job Corps is seeking area individuals to serve on their Community Relations Advisory Board. This group helps inform the public of Corps developments and to keep the center informed of area concerns. Contact Carol Wright at 767-9371 for information. Meetings are held once each month with a luncheon at the center in Glenmont.

## DAR chapter holds Yuletide Tea

The Annual Christmas Yuletide Tea of the Hannakrois Chapter of NSDAR was held Dec. 3 at the

Bethlehem Historical Society Schoolhouse Museum in Cedar Hill. Co-hostesses were members of the Tawasentha Chapter of NSDAR.

The DAR Good Citizen Awards were given to Denise Guthrie, a senior at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School and daughter of Barbara Guthrie of West Coxsackie, and to Kristina M. Dallas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dallas of Albany and a senior at Albany High School.

Each girl received a \$50 savings bond for her contribution to patriotism and civic service. The RCS Junior High Select Chorus performed under the direction of Kenneth Tyrrell.

## Entertainment books for sale

Faith Lutheran Church of Glenmont is selling those terrific "Entertainment 88" Coupon Books as part of a fundraising effort. There are discounts on a varied

selection of restaurants, theater and entertainment events. Call Linda Macholz at 439-7123 or Chloe Leunig at 439-2183 for information.

## Students honored

Students of the month for November at RCS Senior High are Mary Baker and Anthony Nunziato.

Baker, a senior, is a member of the photography club, the principal's advisory committee, the steering committee and the yearbook committee. Baker enjoys photography and dancing. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Baker of Feura Bush.

Nunziato, a senior, is a member of the varsity football, basketball and track teams, the principal's advisory committee, the key club and the student council. He serves a senior class treasurer. Nunziato enjoys bowling and golfing. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nunziato of Ravena.

## Parents' group meets

The RCS Special Education Parents Support Group will be meeting Wednesday (tonight), December 14 at 7 p.m. at the RCS Board of Education Building on Thatcher Street in Selkirk.

Guest speaker Pat Sparto of EPIC will address the group on acquiring special skills as parents. All parents of handicapped children from preschoolers to 21 years old are invited to attend and share concerns. Call Sally Foronda at 756-6365 or Cathy Sutton at 756-8246 for information.

## White Christmas collects again

Again this year the students of the A.W. Becker Elementary School will be donating the gift of food to the needy as the annual White Christmas Fund gets started this week. Started several years ago to relieve the pressure of buying gifts for the teachers,

gifts of food stuffs now goes to the truly needy this holiday season.

Also again this year, collection of clothing and toys for several area families in need will enable families to share in the abundance of this special season. Principal Al Keating has the clothing sizes of seven families and the ages of their children for donations of new toys. Any area resident may contribute by contacting the school or dropping off a wrapped toy during regular school hours. For information call the Becker School at 767-2511.

## Elks still want hides

The Bethlehem Elks are still accepting the contributions of deer hides to be used at veterans hospitals throughout the state. The disabled vets use the leather in various craft projects. Contact Ken Parker at the lodge to make contributions.



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# Report card

(From page 1)

to be a gauge of how well a school district is teaching its students in comparison to similar districts.

Schwartz said his district "did very well in most areas." However, he is not enamored with the usefulness of the report. He said the report "mechanizes and standardizes . . . that's not what education is all about. . . it doesn't test what kids are taught." He said most of the tests "like the PEP test. . . don't really test what we're teaching. Students are measured by whether they fall below a state reference point. What does that really tell you?"

"I don't think (the report) makes any statement of the quality of education," Schwartz said. He added he "resents the fact that it puts school districts in a position to compare to one another. . . that's nonsense" because of the built-in error due to differing school district sizes and numbers of students taking the tests.

The CAR results can play a part in the normal review process for district courses, but Schwartz said again the tests do not test material for a specific course except for Regents examinations.

"We have to ask is the purpose of education to ensure students pass (a Regents examination) or teach something about the desire to learn. . . is the purpose to test or prompt an overall disposition for learning? I think the latter is the larger part of what education should be about."

"I think it serves a useful purpose as long as it's not over-emphasized," said J. Briggs McAndrews, Bethlehem Central's assistant superintendent. He said the district's results were "quite strong" this year as in past years.

McAndrews said the report was useful for program evaluation. The district looks for areas where scores "are less than what they should be" and also areas where the scores are high in an effort to evaluate the program, he said.

The scores on the reports have prompted some changes in programs in the past at Bethlehem. A Regents science course was

reevaluated after a year when the scores were not as high as the district expected, McAndrews said. After analyzing the test, McAndrews said portions of the course were found to require more class time.

Bethlehem is studying the number of tests it requires the students to take. The lower sixth grade Pupil Evaluation Program (PEP) reading test score was caused by a "lackadaisical attitude on the part of students toward this test, which was scheduled late in the testing sequence, McAndrews said. He said "it tells a lot about how much testing we do. . . do we really need that much testing?"

### RCS results

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District's 1987-88 CAR report was presented last week by Schwartz. Results for the Pupil Evaluation Program tests are based on the percentage achieving scores high than the state reference point (SRP).

Students scoring above the reference point "indicates the number of pupils making normal progress in developing the basic skill of reading comprehension, mathematics and writing," according to the state-published report. Students scoring below the reference point are provided with remedial services.

RCS third grade students' scores on the reading and math PEP tests improved from the 1986-87 report. District-wide, 91 percent of the 153 third grade students achieved scores higher than the state reference point (SRP) on the reading PEP, an improvement of seven percent from last year. The math PEP results improved by two percent from last year with 99 percent of the students surpassing the reference point.

The district scores on the grade five PEP writing test improved by nine percent over last year with 98 percent of the 148 students testing scoring above the SRP.

The district did not improve its sixth grade test scores. On the reading test, 83 percent of the 163 students tested surpassed the

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reference point, a decrease from the 85 percent of the 168 students who passed last year. The percentage of students scoring above the SRP on the math test decreased to 90 percent, from last year's 96 percent.

All of the students eligible to graduate in 1988 received diplomas according to the report.

### BC results

Bethlehem Central's CAR was presented Wednesday by McAndrews. The 1987-88 report showed 97 percent of the grade three students surpassed the SRP on both the reading and math PEPs. The reading score was a slight improvement over last year's 96 percent and the math

The results on the writing PEP test, taken by grade five students, remained the same as last year with 95 percent of the students scoring over the SRP.

The grade six scores, which were studied by the district, decreased in both reading and math. The number of BC students achieving higher than the reference point decreased by three percent to 89 percent. The state reference point was surpassed by 95 percent of the grade six students, a two percent drop from 1986-87.

The CAR also showed 98 percent of the Class of 1988 graduated from Bethlehem Central High School.

### Safety tips offered for heating season

The Albany area chapter of the American Red Cross offers home safety suggestions for the upcoming heating season. Following these suggestions will prevent house fires and save lives.

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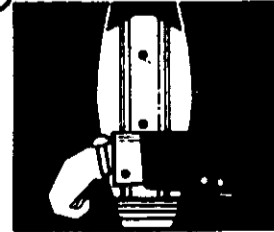
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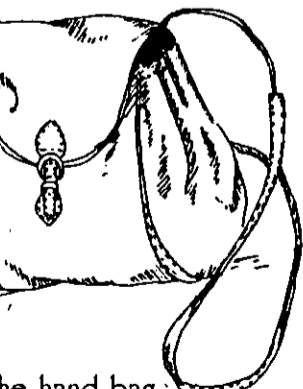
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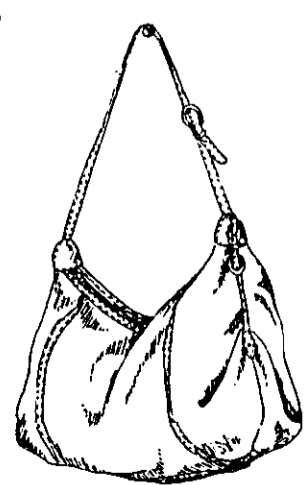
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# ATV use threatens park

By Cathi Anne M. Cameron

Pat Grovenger of Voorheesville loves to walk in the woods of New Scotland Town Park, just off Swift Rd. But Grovenger says her peaceful walks — and the existence of the whole park — are being threatened.

In a letter to the New Scotland Town Board, Grovenger detailed her enjoyment of the park, and the damage that is being done to it by All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) and their operators.

"I don't want to cause any trouble," Grovenger said in an interview Saturday. "I just spoke up because no one else will." Grovenger really started to notice the damage to the trails and other park areas this summer. "When I moved here, the park was a mess. Then they cleaned it up so nicely, and now they are destroying it," she said.

Fran Hunt, a Glenmont native who regularly walks in the park with Grovenger, agrees. "You can hardly follow the trails anymore.

#### Facts on scholarships

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There's a patch that runs in back of Salem Hills that has been reduced to just mud now. You can see the damage, especially after a rain. They ride the ATVs over the tennis courts, and all over the trails. There are three sunken railroad ties that are supposed to prevent them from getting there, and they've been ripped right out of the ground."

Hunt is also concerned for the safety of Grovenger, a victim of scarlet fever who has been almost completely deaf for 30 years. "Pat was down there one night, and she was nearly run over because she can't hear them. And that's not her fault — they are not supposed to be on there," Hunt said.

Both are concerned about the partying that goes on in the park. "They have destroyed the lights," said Hunt. "If you go down there, you'll see. There are no sockets and no gloves left on them." He added that last weekend, Grovenger got \$7.35 in deposits from beer

bottles she collected during her walk in the park. At five cents a bottle, she had found 147 bottles.

"We are definitely going to try to solve the problem," said Town Supervisor Herbert Reilly, who said he recently received an additional complaint. Reilly noted that while one sign has been stolen, the park is posted with "No Unauthorized Vehicles in the Town Park" signs for good reason. The town is considering measures including impounding the vehicles and fines to deal with the illegal ATV use.

"I don't think you can catch them outright, but you can follow the tracks — sometimes right back to their residence," Reilly said. "We posted against it because we don't want anyone — riders or pedestrians — hurt."

Reilly is also concerned about the possibility of lawsuits against the town should anyone be injured, and said that action will be taken quickly.

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# Unionville water prospects discussed

Unionville's water problems will be explored in another meeting tonight, with the options now including self help and rejuvenated wells.

The meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. at New Scotland Town Hall will be the second informational meeting on the hamlet's water situation. The meeting will include the formation of a "fast track" committee.

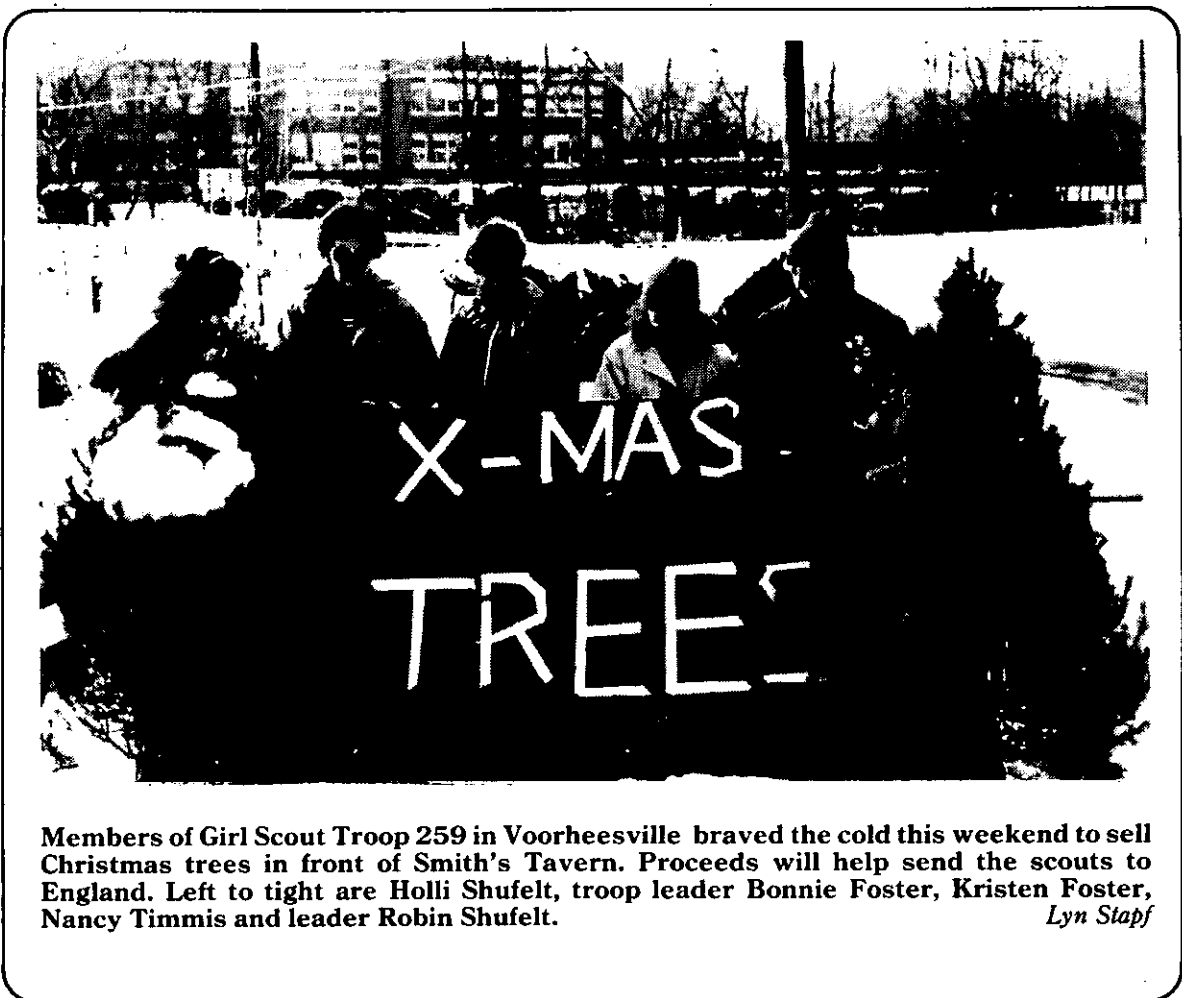
As explained by Edward White, a Self-help Program representative from the state Department of State, the committee would be comprised of four community members of differing backgrounds who would oversee the set-up and execution of a self-help program for the hamlet.

The program, first introduced to area residents at a special meeting on Nov. 15, would save money by using the town's own resources, coupled with the drive and varied experience of the fast-track committee to establish and build a water district for Unionville.

However, Supervisor Herbert

Reilly, who has been compiling information on the issue since the last meeting, is skeptical about the district's prospects. "As it stands, with the number of families who turned up at the meeting, I don't know if I have enough interested homes to create a district," he said. Reilly explained that by law, at least half of the homes in the area would need to consent in order to establish a water district. That number was not present at the last meeting.

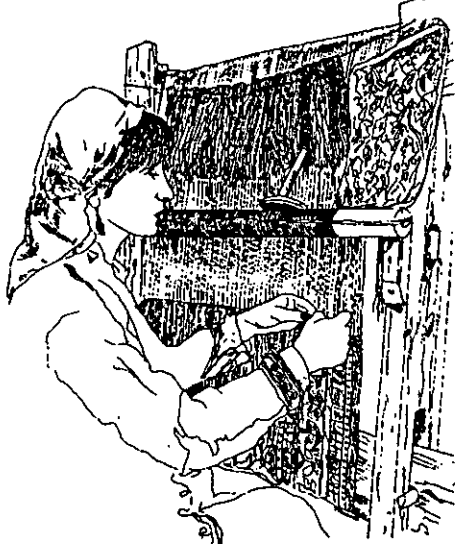
Because it may become necessary to offer an alternative to the creation of a district, Reilly has asked that hydrologist Chris Catania also address the meeting. Catania is the operator of Aqua-Freed, a company that claims success at rejuvenating non-productive or dry wells. Reilly said a water district would be the most reliable way to guarantee a water supply to Unionville residents and that he doesn't claim any knowledge of Aqua-Freed's process, but he does feel he is obligated to let the residents hear Catania and make their own decisions.



Members of Girl Scout Troop 259 in Voorheesville braved the cold this weekend to sell Christmas trees in front of Smith's Tavern. Proceeds will help send the scouts to England. Left to right are Holli Shufelt, troop leader Bonnie Foster, Kristen Foster, Nancy Timmis and leader Robin Shufelt.

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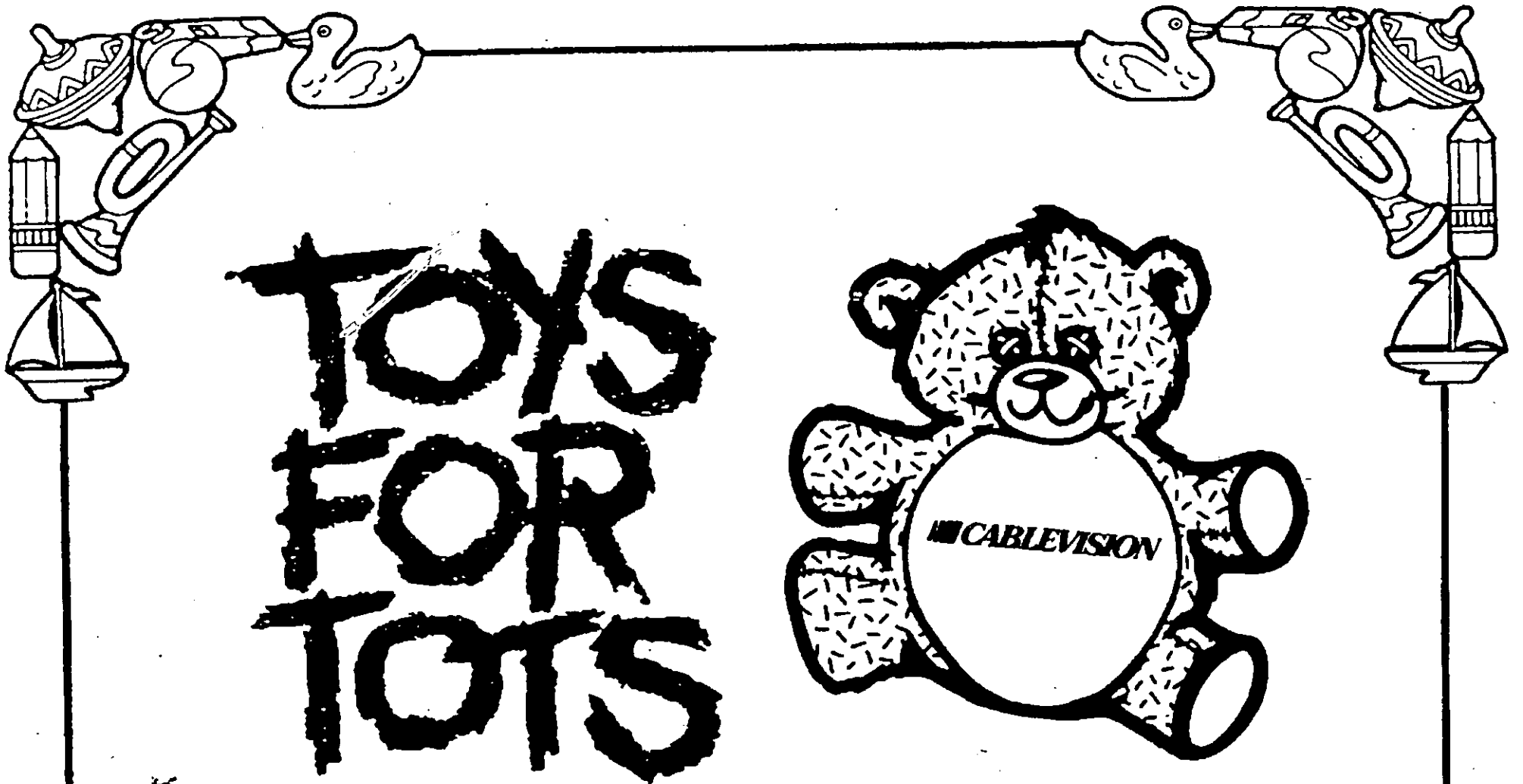
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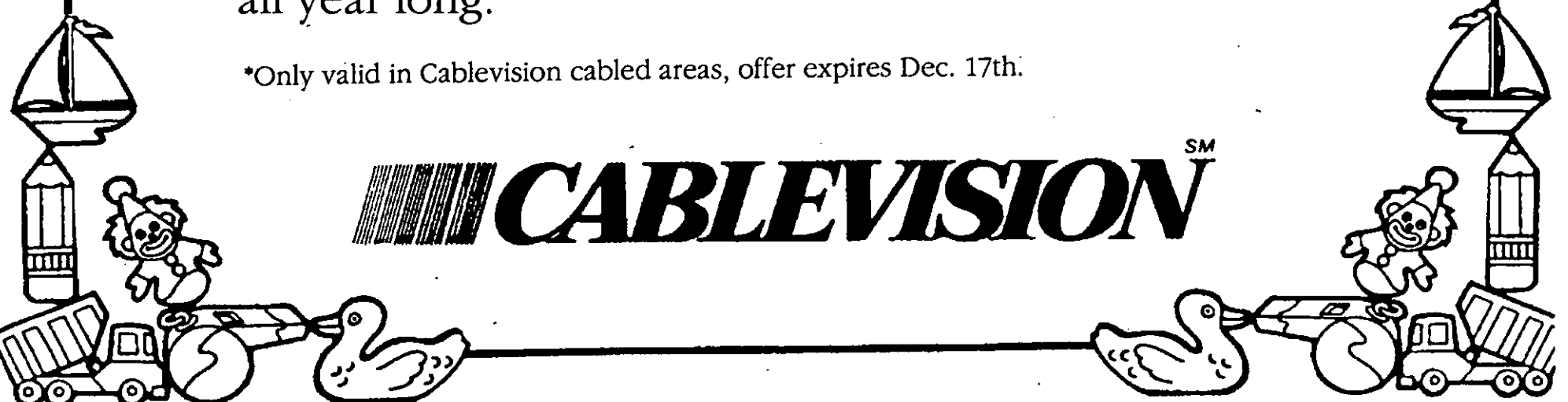
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# Voorheesville News Notes

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## Santa to visit children

Santa Claus will ring in the Christmas season with his arrival in Voorheesville this week. A holiday party, sponsored by the Village of Voorheesville and the Voorheesville Fire Department and Auxiliary, will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18, from 3 until 4 p.m., at the firehouse on School Rd. Santa will hear the wish lists of good girls and boys. Mischievous the Clown will add a bit of magic to the afternoon. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

## Students present concert

Members of the junior high school music groups will present a winter concert on Wednesday, Dec. 21, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The junior high chorus, under the direction of Margaret Dorgan, and the junior high school band, directed by Lydia Tobler, will perform at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School.

Tonight (Wednesday) the high school music groups will perform. Both concerts are free and open to the public.

On Friday, Dec. 16, the high school bands and choruses will travel to the Empire State Plaza for a noontime program. All are welcome.

## Cub Scouts sing

Cub Scouts of Voorheesville Pack 73 and members of their families will sing carols to area shut-ins on Saturday, Dec. 17. The Cub Scouts have also been busy making presents for area residents. Following the caroling, the Cub Scouts will return to the farm of Packmaster Bob Panthen for a bonfire.

Last month the scouts enthusiastically "bowled them over" at the council's bowl-a-thon. The pack members raised more than \$1,800.

## Girl Scouts celebrate

Girl Scouts, Brownies and Daisies from the Voorheesville Neighborhood recently gathered at Voorheesville Elementary School for a Christmas party. The evening of games and refreshments was coordinated by scout leader Diane Suker. The celebration with area senior citizens was cancelled this year because of schedule conflicts. The Girl Scouts hope to meet with the senior citizens group in the spring.

## Girl Scouts say 'thanks'

The Girl Scouts have extended their thanks to area residents for supporting their cookie sale. The cookies will be arriving in January.

## Birthday party planned

Students at St. Matthew's Church will celebrate the real meaning of Christmas on Saturday, Dec. 17. A birthday party for Jesus will begin at 10 a.m. The students will sing carols and decorate the tree with ornaments they've made. Donations of food and money for needy area families will be collected.

## Pot luck dinner announced

On Sunday, Dec. 18, the men's association of St. Matthew's Church will coordinate the greening of the church at 2 p.m. A pot luck supper will follow at 5 p.m. For information call Tom Walter, chairman, at 765-2768.

## Apologies extended

Apologies go out to Todd Van Wormer. Van Wormer's name was omitted from the list of top salesmen in the senior magazine drive held during the fall. He was among the top 10 seniors who sold more than \$200 in magazines and merchandise.

The seniors report that items purchased will arrive during December or January. If items have not arrived by Feb. 1, purchasers may call Jane Willey at 765-3314.

## Breakfast is served

All are welcome to enjoy breakfast at the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493, Voorheesville Ave., on Sunday, Dec. 18, from 7 a.m. until noon. Admission will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Proceeds will be used for community programs of the Maple Ave. Cultural Society.

## Legion to hold election

The American Legion will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m. The meeting will include elections to fill vacant corporation director positions.

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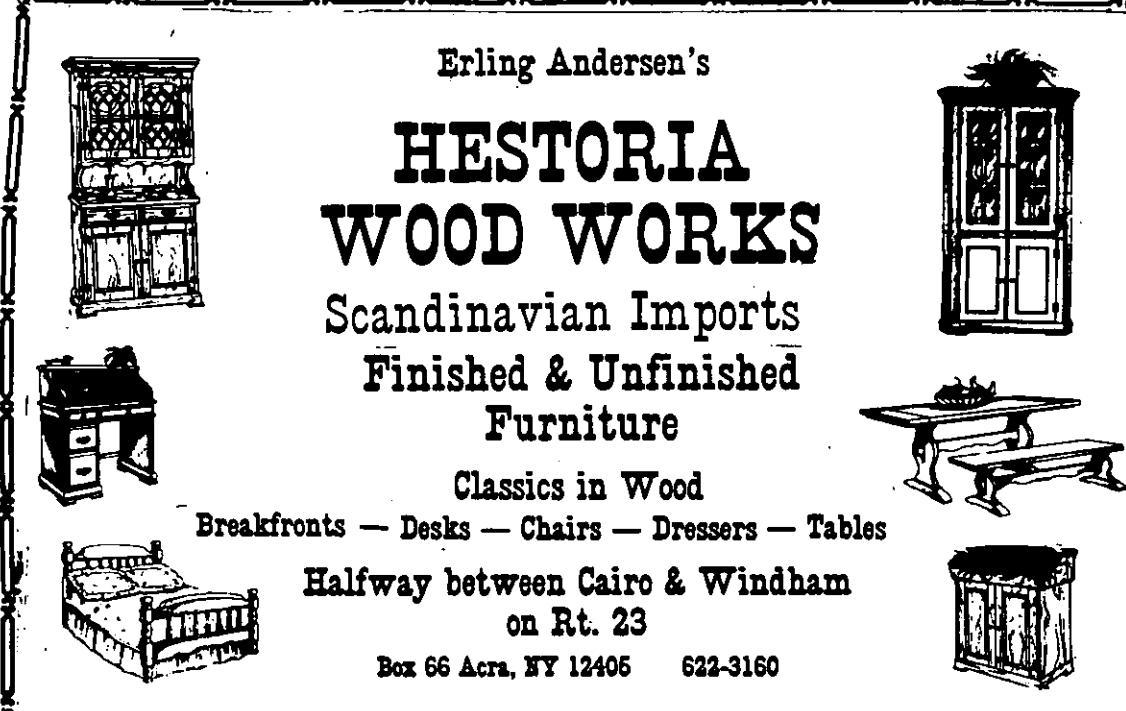
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## Dancing in Nutcracker

Several area ballerinas will be dancing this weekend in the Berkshire Ballet's production of the "Nutcracker Suite". Included in the program will be second graders Beth Tidd and Christian Rymanowski, who will dance the part of clowns; fourth graders Megan Longworth and Charmaine Davis, who will dance the part of

children, and fifth grader Kristen Wilson, who will dance the part of an angel. Tracey Stevens, a junior at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, has been invited to dance with the touring company for this presentation.

The Christmas ballet will be presented at 3 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Palace Theater in Albany.

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# Clarksville water gets more funding

By Cathi Anne M. Cameron  
With more federal money coming in, the Clarksville water district is on even firmer footing than it was at this time last week, according to New Scotland Town Supervisor Herbert Reilly.

Reilly received a phone call Friday from Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) officials in Syracuse saying that the town would be receiving additional funding to create the water district.

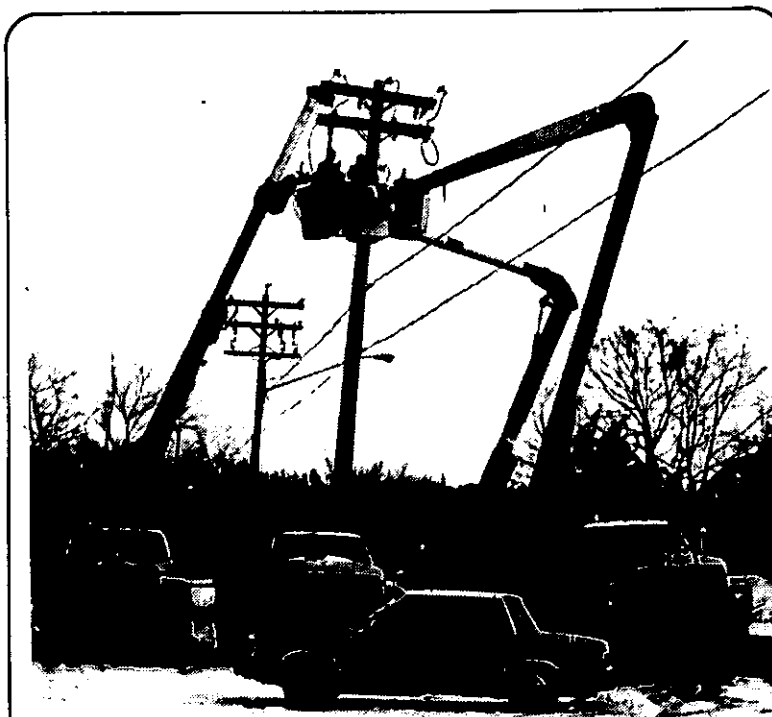
At present, the town has a \$939,800 grant and \$375,700 in low-interest loans from FmHA. The town will now receive an additional \$249,800 grant and \$272,200 in low-interest loans (six and three-eighths percent for 38 years) from the administration.

"That will make the project affordable for consideration by the state Department of Audit and Control," Reilly said. "The average cost per home should be

about \$261 — well within the maximum costs established by Audit and Control." The full cost of the project was quoted as \$2,238,000 at the Dec. 7 town board meeting.

With the funding all set, a public hearing scheduled for Dec. 28, and Audit and Control approval expected, the town can lock in the prices quoted in the building contracts for the water district within the prescribed 45-day period.

Reilly will meet with FmHA between Christmas and the new year to sign the grant and loan contracts. "We're a far cry from where we were this time last year," Reilly said. "When I took office, there was a letter from HUD waiting for me on my desk saying that they wanted out of the Clarksville project. On Jan. 14, there was a letter from FmHA expressing very serious concerns. Now, I can't believe it. We're almost set to go."



## Power outage

Niagara Mohawk trucks lift workers to replace transformers at the entrance to Salem Hills in Voorheesville. The 280-house subdivision was without power for almost 12 hours Sunday.

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# More water actions

By Cathi Anne M. Cameron

Water for Unionville, Clarksville and Orchard Park were three of the subjects up for discussion at last Wednesday's New Scotland Town Board meeting.

A public hearing was scheduled for Clarksville's water district on Dec. 28 at 7:30, and a meeting to create a "fast track" committee and hear other water options for Unionville was scheduled for Dec. 14. The board also gave authorization to hire C.T. Male Associates to draw up plans for a water district in the Orchard Park area. The preliminary Orchard Park study will be expanded, with Bill Simcoe of C.T. Male acting as project head.

In other business, the board:

- Approved a \$270,000 Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) for the construction and repairs of the New Scotland Community Center. The BAN will start on Dec. 13 and be payed over the course of 5 years in equal payments.

- Increased dog licensing fees by \$2 effective Jan. 1 to defray 1989 census costs.

- Discussed the possibility of consolidating the Concerned Citizen's lawsuits on the Larned and Sons mining case into one.

- Passed a motion to build a salt shed for the town garage.

- Discussed the on-going preparation of a site selection committee for the proposed Eleanor Roosevelt Foundation handicapped home.

- Announced that the Wolf Hill Bridge will probably be opened during the week of Dec. 11.

The town board will hold an organizational meeting for committee appointments and other business Jan. 1 at 1 p.m.

## New Scotland seniors meeting at town hall

Due to the construction and renovation of the New Scotland Community Center, the New Scotland Senior Citizens will be meeting at the New Scotland Town Hall until the work is completed. The next meeting is a craft session on Dec. 14. For information contact Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

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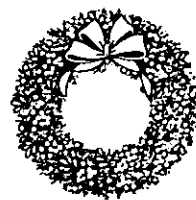
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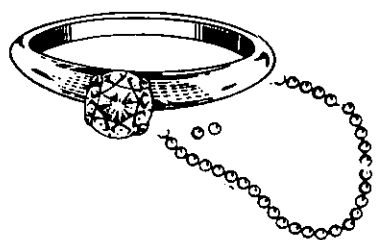
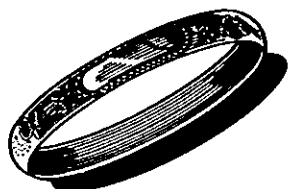
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# Voorheesville approves concepts

(From page 1)

associate with the suggestions. As she made her presentation, Gonan said the program work was done in-house after meetings with high school and elementary administrators. She said she wanted to discuss the plans with teachers before final decisions are made.

The recommendations included grouping grade levels more closely at both schools, moving shared facilities, such as art at the elementary school to the second floor, and grouping together grades seven and eight to accommodate any future decisions on the middle school concept. The proposal did not include a new gym at the elementary school, but did include upgrading to establish a second performance area in the cafeteria.

The lack of cost figures caused the board to approve the proposals "conceptually", but any final action of the bond issue will not be made until the cost of the program-related work has been estimated.

The decision came, with no discussion, after 25-minute executive session prompted by board member John McKenna, when several board members began to disagree about the timeline that should be followed.

A board vote on the bond issue package had been planned for Monday night's regular session, but several board members said they would not vote on the issue until a final cost estimate was provided. The board had been hoping to get the bond issue to the public quickly, so that if approved, asbestos removal work could begin immediately following the close of the 1988-89 school year.

"I have a clear number in my mind," said board member David Teuten prior to the executive session. "I need to be assured that everything (Gonan) described this morning is affordable under that number. . . I am not going to vote blind. I can vote on a large number, but I have to have the details."

McKenna said he felt good about the program work outlined and requested a "best estimate" of the associated cost for Monday's meeting. "That would tell us if we can do all. . . the total is X and X is greater than, equal to or less than 8.9 million dollars, if it turned out to do all of it would cost 9.1 million dollars, I might be well prepared to say it's the best thing to do."

Board President Joseph Fernandez repeatedly voiced his opinion that the board needed more time before a vote on the issue. "It sounds to me that this board has at least a couple more weeks to get more numbers up. For our sakes, I think we need a few more weeks. . . we need hard work done by our architect (Ben Mendel) and a cost estimator, which they can't do in one day," he said.

## Elementary proposal

Gonan said after meetings at the elementary school that it was decided the extended gym, which would have resulted in construction of a new septic system and leach field, was "not a priority at this time."

The elementary proposal calls for the auditorium and gym to remain as they are, but does include refurbishment of the locker rooms and showers, Gonan said. She added the showers at the elementary school do not currently work.

The first floor would house the kindergarten and grade one classrooms.

Other first floor recommendations included providing heat for bathrooms, refurbishment of the faculty room and the creation of a "cafetorium." The cafeteria has a raised platform that would be made to look "more like a stage," Gonan said.

The second floor of the school would be used for grades two, three and four "in clusters, so the

teachers can work together," Gonan said. The recommendation also called for the computer room to be moved from the third floor to the second floor, as well as relocating the art room and library on the second floor. Two learning labs, a teacher workroom and a conference room would be created on the second floor under the plan.

The music rooms and nurses office are slated to remain on the second level.

The science rooms would remain on the third floor, which would also house grades five and six, a resource room, and two BOCES rooms.

All of the bathroom facilities would be renovated under the plan.

Gonan noted all of the moves would be "a couple years down the line when the asbestos removal is done." "I don't know if all of this can be done when it's costed out," Gonan said, adding that priorities would be determined.

Other items that may be done at the elementary school include painting, some lighting, carpeting for the media center, and the installation of an elevator or similar device to ensure handicapped access to all of the building facilities.

## High school proposal

The high school proposal calls for grades seven and eight to be clustered together for the "core subjects" of English, math, science and social studies, Gonan said. She said the district is in the process of "costing out how to dedicate teachers" to only teach those grades. The grades would be at the rear of the building and grade seven would be housed in a new four-classroom addition to be built behind the pool area.

The clustering of grades seven and eight will give the district the

"flexibility" to establish a middle school program at a later time," Fernandez said.

The science suite, which had been discussed at the last meeting, would not be constructed under the plan, but the department will get upgraded equipment.

The proposal calls for grouping together the grade nine through 12 classrooms by subject area and moving the computer room to a larger space with the former computer room being used as a conference room.

A larger library would be created and Gonan said she is investigating the possibility of construction of a "sunspace" out from the library. The sunspace would consist of window walls instead of solid construction. Gonan said she was going to check to see if schools can have that type of construction. Her proposal also called for a sunspace addition to be added to the cafeteria. The addition would allow the high school to eliminate the one split session lunch period and allow the creation of a junior and senior active study hall, she said.

Gonan also raised the possibility of increasing the size of the community-funded Buckley Room to make it a full-size gym station. She said it would still be a "specialized use gym station" as the room was originally planned to be a weight training/wrestling facility.

Also, included in Gonan's proposal were changes to the industrial arts rooms, upgrading the photo lab, and designating a room for the staff of *The Helderbarker* and *The Torch*.

## Asbestos and fire safety work

Asbestos removal will be included in any bond issue the board puts before voters. Proposals for the high school include asbestos removal from the corridors, lobby, classrooms, piping, kitchen, office wing, music area, faculty room, auditorium, cafeteria and swimming pool. The cost of the asbestos removal, which was divided into two projects, is \$1,838,600.

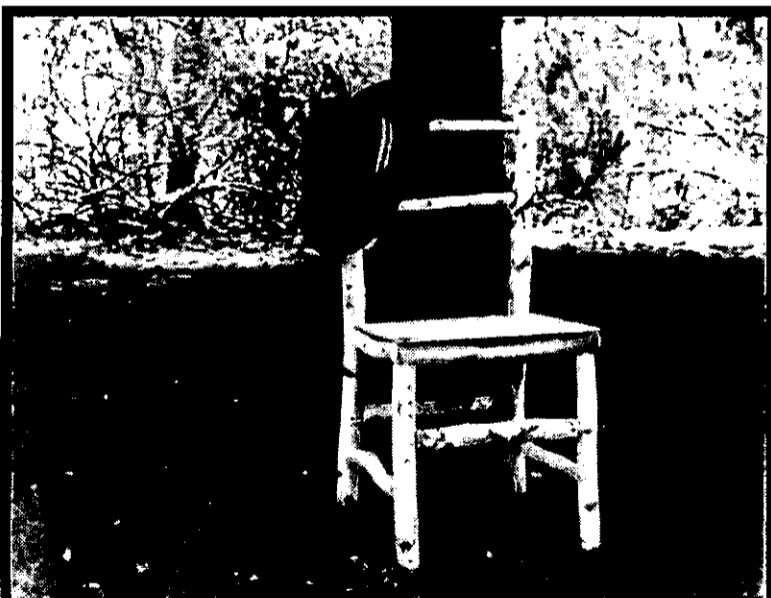
The elementary school project, which was estimated at \$735,800, calls for the removal of asbestos from classrooms, the cafeteria, kitchen, corridors and piping. Removal of floor tiles containing asbestos from the cafeteria was included due to the poor condition of the tile.

The district had several items in its 1987 fire inspection report that were not in compliance with state Education Department and state building codes.

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The firm offers project needs analysis, planning and management, hardware and software evaluation and recommendations, training and troubleshooting to companies of all types and sizes, according to the owners.

Jerry Gioeni was employed for 12 years by the Bell System. Most recently he served as a computer applications development manager for the Bell Atlantic Corporation in Philadelphia. He was presented

with the "President's Hallmark of Excellence" award in 1986 for a computing project.

Mary Louise Gioeni worked as a research scientist for the Rohm and Haas Company of Philadelphia.

Professional affiliations include the Independent Computer Consultants Association, the Data Processing Management Association, the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The company offers free initial consultations to prospective clients. For information call 439-7684.

## License revoked

The inspection station licence of Lawrence Daniels, formerly of Route 9W and Glenmont Rd., Glenmont, has been revoked following a hearing conducted by the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

The department announced that the inspection station was found to have committed violations of the Vehicle and Traffic and the commissioner's regulations in connection with a failure to properly inspect a vehicle brought to the service station by an automotive facilities inspector conducting a concealed investigation on the station. In addition to the revocation, a \$200 fine was also imposed. The facility did not appeal the revocation to the administrative appeals board.

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## Owens-Corning third quarter up

Owens-Corning Fiberglass recently reported higher earnings for its third quarter.

Net income for the quarter rose to \$51 million, or \$1.21 per share. In the 1987 quarter, the company recorded net income of \$35 million, or 84 cents per share. Consolidated net sales for the 1988 third quarter rose to \$760 million, compared to \$753 million in the same period in 1987.

## Hite earns surveyor license

Charles Allen Hite of Delmar has successfully completed examination requirements for his land surveyor license. He is currently employed by his father, Paul E. Hite, and is planning to open a branch office or separate practice.



## William J. Hall Promoted at Dunn

William J. Hall, vice president and manager of the Albany office of Dunn Geoscience Corporation, has been promoted to the position of chief operating officer.

Hall holds a master's degree and bachelor's degree from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy. He joined the firm in 1978 and is now responsible for the firm's seven offices, located throughout the East and Midwest. In his new position, he will be building a cohesive, integrated network of offices. Prior to joining Dunn, Hall was employed by Gibbs and Hall, Hanson-Rodriguez, and Joseph S. Ward and Associates.

## Jacobsen named alumni lecturer

Susan Jacobsen, a Delmar resident and Director of the Office of Crime Prevention for the New York Criminal Justice Service recently served as alumni lecturer in sociology at Westminster College's annual homecoming celebration.

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## Sweet Keepsakes opens in Glenmont

Teri and Wendy's Sweet Keepsakes on Rt. 9W in Glenmont has opened just in time for the Christmas season.

The gift shop, about a half a mile south of the intersection of Rt. 9W and Feura Bush Rd., opened in November with a variety of handcrafted items.

Owned and operated by Wendy Hayes of Albany and Theresa Conte of Slingerlands, about half of the items offered are handcrafted locally, and include prints, ceramics, fabric frames, quilted items, wreaths, calligraphy, gift baskets, florals, hats, lamps, novelty items and stoneware.

A special Christmas section in the three-room gift shop in the former Dairy Queen building offers wreaths, tree skirts,

## Business

ornaments, wooden items, lamp shades and nativities.

Hayes has displayed at area craft shows and sold items through the former Tudor House Gifts in Delmar, and she makes the fabric frames and photo albums in her new store.

Conte, originally from Long Island, meet Hayes about five years ago as a neighbor when she moved to Delmar.

Sweet Keepsakes is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday until 7 p.m. It will be open until 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Friday through Christmas.



Wendy Hayes (standing) and Theresa Conte in their new gift shop, Sweet Keepsakes, on Rt. 9W in Glenmont. *Spotlight*



### Karen L. Schrader Schrader elected bank vice president

Karen L. Schrader, of East Greenbush, has been elected vice president and manager for the Key Bank Delmar office.

She has been employed by the bank since 1974 and was most recently assistant vice president for the bank's Colonie office.

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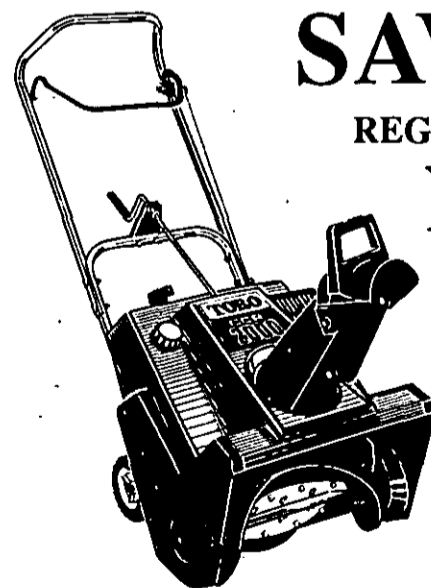
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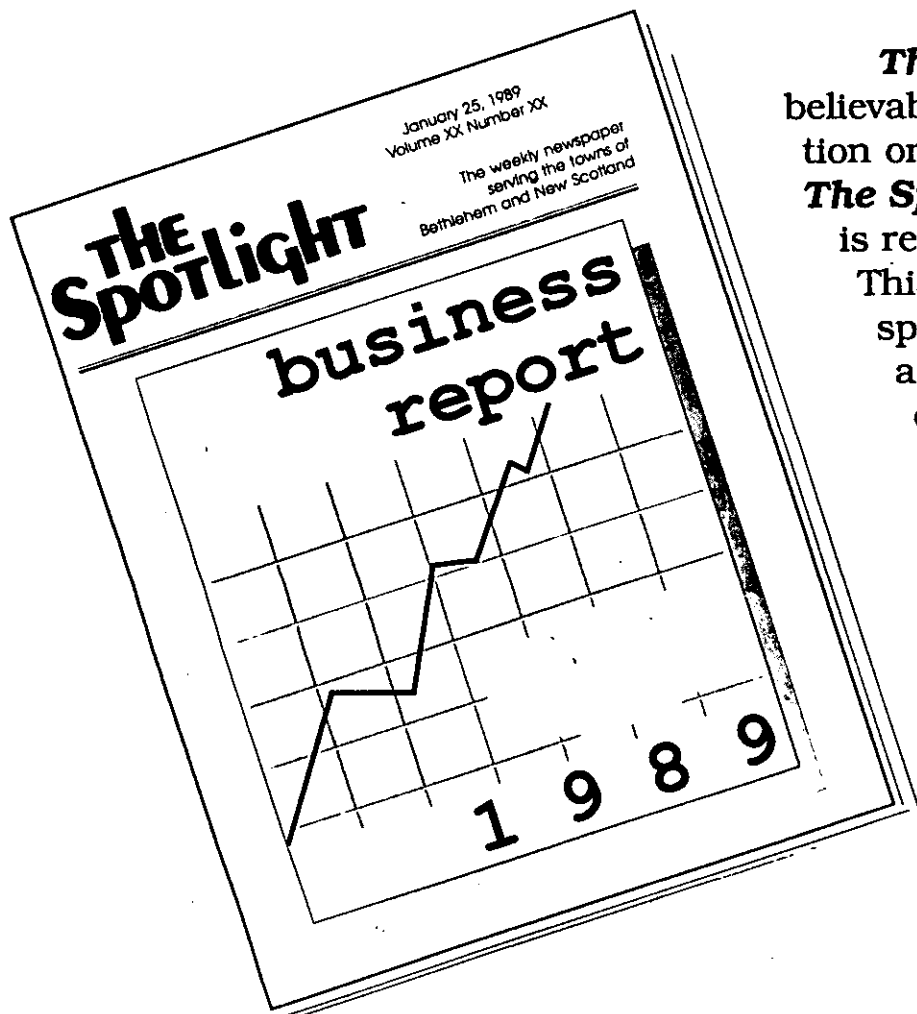
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# Juniors against seniors BC falls to Guilderland

By Bill Dixon

A stubborn losing streak continued last Friday for the Bethlehem boys basketball team as the Eagles fell to Guilderland, which is now the top-ranked team in BC's division.

"It was basically their seniors up against our juniors," said Bethlehem coach Jack Moser, referring to his team's dependence upon varsity newcomers. The seven returning players from Guilderland also gave their team a definite edge over the Eagles in experience.

The first quarter saw Guilderland building a modest 17-11 lead, thanks to a number of defensive lapses by the Eagles. Although BC's aggressive offense can often compensate for mistakes in the back court, the aggressiveness that moves the front line towards

the opposition's basket simply wasn't there during the second quarter. And this, according to Moser, is what made the difference in the game.

"We didn't shoot well," he said. "We didn't get the rebounds we needed. We just dug ourselves into a hole in first half, especially the second quarter."

The half ended with BC behind 43-19, too wide a gap to make up against a team of the caliber of the Dutchmen. But the Eagles fought back, the defense pulled itself together, and the offense enjoyed a significant resurgence. Unfortunately, the comeback was not strong enough to carry through to the fourth quarter. The game ended with a score of 84-68.

"We worked very hard and played very well after the second

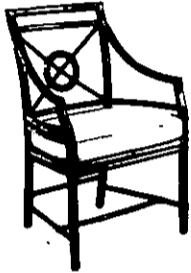
half. We became aggressive and made some very good plays. I was pleased with our performance," said Moser. "But we're always playing from behind, we've always go a hump to get over. You can't always play that way and be effective." Moser went on to say that he felt some drastic improvements with the Eagles' defense would be the next stage in "the continuing revolution in (the) team."

Tuesday, the Eagles, in their second home game of the season, faced Gloversville, a formidable opponent for the Bethlehem, as they were Class B Sectional champions last season and have thus far this year won the prestigious Colonie Tipoff tournament. Moser described the prospect as "challenging." Saturday afternoon Bethlehem will play undefeated Niskayuna.



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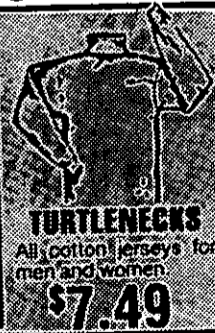
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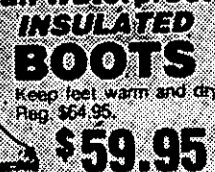
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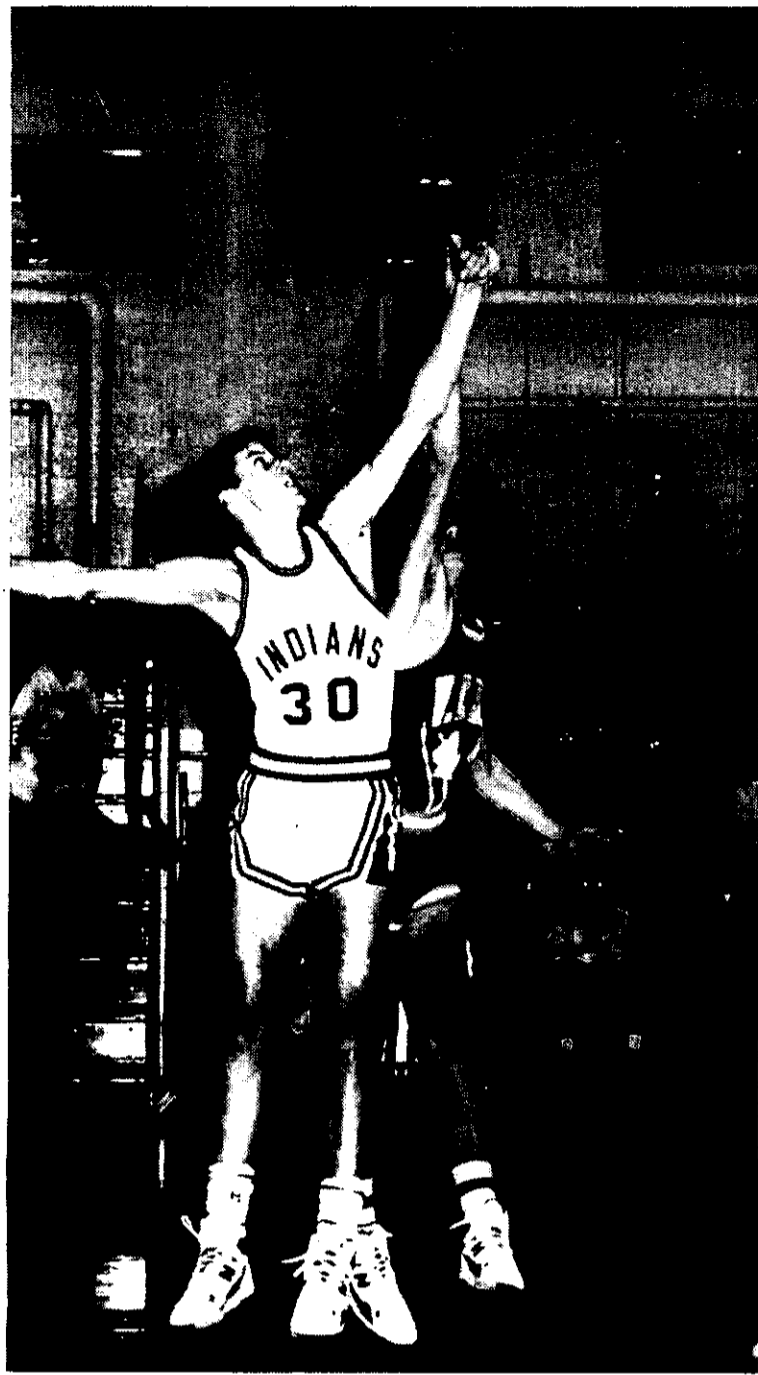
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## Indians flying high

Left: Voorheesville's Craig Lapinski goes for the toss-up against Phil Nicewonger of Ravena. Right: The Indian's Cary Tony goes up for two in last Tuesday's 47-40 defeat of the Blackbirds. Voorheesville will meet Mechanicville's Red Raiders on Friday.

John Delaney

# Birds take Cohoes, defeated by RCS

By Rick Leach

Although the week did not start well for the Voorheesville boys basketball team, it ended on a high note as the Blackbirds rolled to an 81-35 victory over Cohoes. Last Tuesday they were beaten, 47-40, at Ravena. This left their record at 1-2 in league play and 2-3 overall.

The first game of the week was a hard-fought battle against the unbeaten Indians. The hosts were coming off a 40-point victory over Cohoes, while the visitors had just been defeated by Albany Academy by the same margin. However, this game was completely different, as Voorheesville came on strong and played evenly with the Indians in the first half. Ravena started to pull away in the third quarter, but the Blackbirds battled back and closed the margin. The Birds could never regain the lead, however, and the final margin was seven. Guard Ken Andriano paced the visitors with 15 points.

In the Ravena matchup the Blackbirds' major problem was a lack of solid inside play. That was not the case in the Cohoes game, as center Craig Lapinski had 29 points and 16 rebounds, while Derek Moak had 12 points and 11 boards. The Tigers were never in

the game, as Voorheesville jumped off to a 10-0 advantage and never looked back. They led by 35-12 at halftime and 45-18 after the third quarter.

Everyone got into the act, as the bench scored 23 points, led by Kevin Jarvis, who had two three-pointers and eight points.

Voorheesville had a bye last night (Tuesday) but will try to take their momentum into Mechanicville on Friday. The Red Raiders are expected to challenge for the league title and should give the Blackbirds an idea of how far they have come and how far they will go.

## Chamber hosts holiday gathering

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Holiday Gathering at the Stone Ends Restaurant, Rt. 9W in Glenmont, on Thursday, Dec. 15, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Featured will be door prizes, entertainment and a cash bar. The cost is \$6 per person and everyone is invited.

For more information call 439-0512.

## Tawasentha Chapter names winners

Susanne Rissberger of Voorheesville and Eric Joachim of Delmar have been named winners of the Tawasentha Chapter DAR's "Good Citizen Award" for 1988-89.

Recipients are high school seniors chosen by their peers and faculty members on the basis of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. The winners received pins, certificates and \$50 awards at the chapter's Christmas Tea on Dec. 3.

Rissberger, daughter of Barbara Rissberger, and Joachim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Joachim, will be eligible for regional and state awards.

## Thompson selected

Joan Thompson has been selected to be listed in *Who's Who Among Students In American Junior Colleges*. Thompson is currently attending Hudson Valley Community College, where she was selected on the basis of her academic achievement, service to the community, leadership ability and potential for continued success.

## Schrade music released

Linda Schrade of Maine, a former Delmar resident, recently released a children's lullabye tape titled "Sleepytime Serenade." Schrade has also recorded a tape entitled "All Together." The work was released by A Gentle Wind Recording Studios in Albany.

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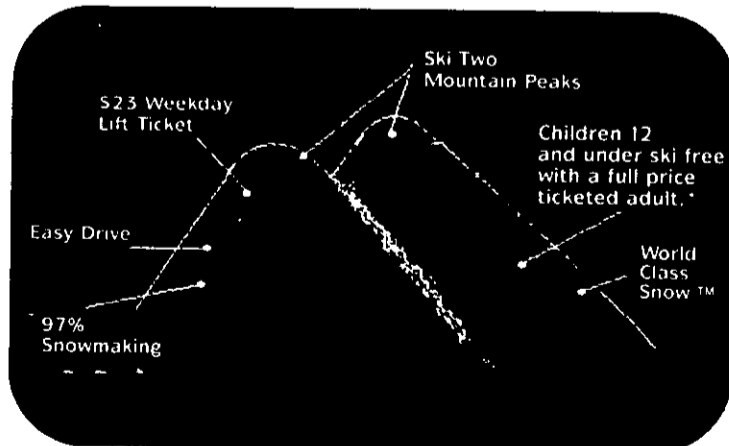
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# Eagle matmen pick up first win

By John Bellizzi III

After meeting with some success last week, head coach Rich Poplaski and the Bethlehem Central wrestling team are eagerly anticipating this week's competition. Last week Bethlehem picked up its first dual meet victory of the season by defeating Shaker on Wednesday. Last weekend the Eagles traveled to central New York to wrestle in the prestigious Clyde Cole Invitational and came away with Mike Leamy and John Gallogly as placemen.

This week the Eagles are looking to continue last week's dual meet success, starting tonight (Wednesday). The BC varsity, 1-1 in dual meets so far, will face Christian Brothers Academy in a non-league dual tonight, and the 1-0 junior varsity will wrestle Columbia, which has no varsity wrestling program this winter. This is the first time BC has ever faced CBA in a dual meet situation, and Poplaski is not sure how solid their entire roster is, but he believes they have at least five experienced athletes who will

be very competitive.

Friday will present a formidable challenge for Bethlehem as the Eagles travel to Niskayuna for a league dual meet. The Silver Warriors, who tied BC in last year's varsity dual, 28-28, have a strong team again this winter, with a large number of returning lettermen. "It's going to be a really competitive battle," Poplaski predicted. "Hopefully our experiences at Oxford last weekend will allow us to rise to a higher level of competition by Friday."

Bethlehem's victory over Shaker last Wednesday was one-sided. The Eagles won by 64-9, picking up their first Suburban Council win of the season. BC moved to 1-1 in the league as seniors Leamy, Gallogly, Eric Brown and Pete Bragaw ran their individual records to 2-0.

After a double forfeit at 91 pounds, BC quickly picked up 18 team points by forfeit in the next three weight classes.

The first varsity match of the meet was at 119 pounds, where Brown blanked his opponent by 15-0 to win by technical fall. Likewise, 126-pounder Pat Leamy picked up his first win of the season with a 15-0 technical fall in the next match.

Mike Leamy took just over a minute to pin his opponent at 132 pounds, and Mark Farina won by technical fall in the third period of his 138-pound bout. Gallogly pinned his adversary 30 seconds into the second period, increasing BC's lead to 48-0.

Bob Rodgers was narrowly outscored in the final period of the 155-pound match to give Shaker

their first victory of the meet. Rodgers escaped in the third period to break a 2-2 tie, but his opponent scored a takedown and two near-fall points before the period ended, decisioning Rodgers, 6-3.

Bragaw recorded his second pin in as many matches late in the first period. Paul Vichot's first victory came in a 10-0 major decision. Senior Todd DeVoe won by fall in the first period of the 215-pound match. At 250 pounds, Joe Emerich was pinned in the third period, resulting in a 64-9 final score.

Mike Leamy at 132 pounds was the only Eagle to make it to the finals, where he was defeated by a wrestler from Walton who placed fifth in the state last year. "Mike has reached the point where he can be expected to reach these levels," said Poplaski. "He has the potential to be a tournament champion this year."

Gallogly took third place at 138 pounds, outpointed in a tough 7-5 semifinal. "John wrestled very well in the wrestlebacks," said Poplaski. "If he had gotten a break earlier, he would have had a good shot in the finals against (Queensbury's Darren) McNaughton."

Poplaski feels his wrestlers gained vital experience at Oxford. "There are lots of kids out there who are physically bigger than our wrestlers in the same weight class, and we have to adjust our wrestling to that," he observed this week. "We also have to be more aggressive. If you're not aggressive, you can't win in a tournament like that."

Anthony Scisci and Rob Lloyd

registered first period pins in exhibition matches last Wednesday at Shaker. Also in exhibition, Don Thomas won by a 3-0 decision.

The Clyde Cole Invitational in Oxford, consistently ranks as one of the toughest wrestling tournaments in the state, and Bethlehem and Queensbury, both Section II teams, have consistently been in the tourney in the past. This past weekend Queensbury won the tournament as it did last year, but the Eagles didn't do as well as the second place finish they came away with last year, finishing seventh.

## Forfeits trip Birds

By Kevin Taylor

A major weakness was evident in the Voorheesville wrestling team's opening match on Thursday. The Blackbirds played host to the Cohoes Tigers, who weren't considered to be a problem, but the Blackbirds were forced to give away 30 points in forfeits and lost the dual meet, 42-30.

In the seven matches that were wrestled the Blackbirds won five, but the effort was unable to overcome the deficit. Bob Blanchard (126), Josh Vink (98), and Rick Leach (167) all won with pins for the Blackbirds.

Other winners for Voorheesville were Chris Dell'Acqua with an 8-2 decision at 132 pounds, and Tom Ravida at 145 with a 5-1 decision over the Tigers' best wrestler.

The Blackbirds have another home match this Thursday against a tough Albany Academy team, followed by a tournament on Saturday at Hudson Falls starting at 10:30 a.m. In these two matches the Blackbirds will get back two wrestlers, Pat Magrum and Paul Novak, who the Blackbirds hope will fill two of the five empty weight classes in the lineup.

## Indians continue their winning ways

By Josh Curley

The RCS wrestling team continued their winning ways, staying atop the Colonial Council with a crushing victory over Waterford, 63-10.

"They had a few decent wrestlers," said coach John Vishneowski, but the win was close to what he had expected.

Brian Whitney, Shannon Cowles, Joe Mechanics and Chuck Swaider all won by forfeit at 91, 98, 112 and 132 pounds respectively. Vishneowski felt that Bob Pelletier, who pinned his opponent during the second period, wrestled the strongest match of the day at 105 pounds. Ralph Carhart encountered an aggressive opponent at 119, losing by decision. At 126 Bill Stanton maintained his undefeated status with a pin at 1:49.

Henry Mormile, also undefeated, won his match by 6-3 at 138 pounds. Chris King lost by points at 145 because he lost several pounds to make the weight division. Heavyweights Curt VanDerzee, Jeff Friday, Joe Dillberg and Dan Egan all scored six points for the Indians with pins or technical falls.

Ravena faces Mechanicville this week. The Red Raiders program has suffered a low turnout with little experience this year. On Saturday, the Indians will compete in the Colonie Tournament. Vishneowski expects this tournament will be the "first true test of the season." He hopes to place in the top three of nine participating teams. The strongest competition is expected to come from South Glens Falls, Linton, Amsterdam and Maple Hill.



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## RCS girls almost perfect

By Josh Curley

The Ravena girls volleyball team lost a game for the first time this season last week, but came back to win the match and another.

The Indians outlasted a stubborn Tamarac squad, 15-9, 12-15, 15-11, to remain undefeated. "We didn't play well," said coach Ron Racey. "Tamarac controlled the second game, but we learned a lot from it." Tamarac managed 11 good serves in a row, not permitting Ravena to rotate out of a failing placement of players.

Erika Warnstadt's serves and the play of sophomores Krissy Gottesman and Sara Fink off the bench rescued the situation for RCS in the third game.

The Indians improved to 5-0 overall and 2-0 in the Colonial Council with an easy win over Voorheesville, 15-7, 15-3. Theresa Darlington served 12 for 12 in the games. Jill Gottesman and Hope Ackert had six kills apiece, aided by Dawn Dinardi's 14 assists.

"We played much better as a team; we were back back in the rhythm," commented Racey.

This week Ravena faced Watervliet Monday in a battle of two unbeaten teams, and plays Holy Names today (Wednesday).



# Lady Birds top Ravena, Cohoes

By Matt Hladun

Voorheesville's girls basketball team continued their dominance last week. After victories over Ravena and Cohoes, the girls pushed their record to 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the league.

Last Tuesday at home against Ravena they got off to a slow start and got into early foul trouble. Tricia Carmody picked up three fouls in the first quarter. Coach Nadine Bassler was forced to sit Carmody for most of the first quarter, all of the second, and some of the third.

Kristen Foster filled the center position, but quickly found herself in foul trouble as well. Kim Sullivan and Jen Elliott took over the leadership roles and sparked the Birds to a 10-point halftime lead.

## Basketball

Both teams played evenly in the third quarter, but in the fourth the Ladybirds took command and outscored Ravena, 23-10, in the final quarter.

Carmody, despite foul trouble, finished with 13 points, nine rebounds and four assists. Tally Bausback contributed 12 points, while Foster pulled down nine rebounds and Sullivan had four assists.

Friday against Cohoes fans who saw the game probably realized why Tricia Carmody might be the best player in the Colonial Council. She put on a

show, scoring 26 points, shot 54 percent from the floor, had 19 rebounds, and blocked three shots.

The Ladybirds started slowly, leading by four points in the first quarter. They picked up momentum in the second period, outscoring the Tigers, 16-4. They continued their strong play throughout the second half, and went on to an easy victory, 58-31.

Foster pulled down 18 rebounds and Sullivan dished out six assists while running the fast break.

This week will be the first real test for the 'Birds. After a bye on Tuesday, they must travel to Mechanicville, the team that will probably be vying with Voorheesville for the top position in the league.



Bethlehem's Julie Francis goes for the rebound against two Guilderland opponents in Saturday's varsity game. Eagle's center Anita Kaplan led Bethlehem to a 60-36 victory with 25 points and 22 rebounds.  
Lynn Powell

# Guilderville has small team

By Zack Kendall

Although the Guilderville boys swim team this year is smaller than Coach Larry Dedrick would have liked, the 12 swimmers put up a strong battle in a losing cause against Glens Falls and Bethlehem in their opening meets. Once again, the team is composed of swimmers from Voorheesville, which has a pool but not enough members to compete as a team, and from Guilderland Central, which has swimmers but no pool.

## Swimming

At Glens Falls last Wednesday the score was 87-66. Guilderville took second place in seven of the 10 events, starting with Gary Washburn's second in both the 50 and 100 freestyle. David Washburn took second in the 100 butterfly and the individual medley. Seth Rose was second in the 500, and

the Mergers were second in both relays.

In Friday's meet, Bethlehem, the league's perennial powerhouse, won by 94-64. Guilderville breaststroker Scott Bowden was clocked in 109.90, his personal best. Dave Washburn placed second in the backstroke and the 'fly. Joe Tyrell took second in the 50, Rose was second in the 500 and Stephen Csiza placed fourth in the IM.

# Empire College moves offices

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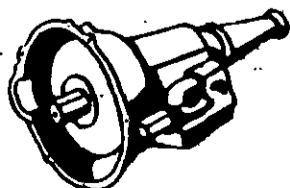
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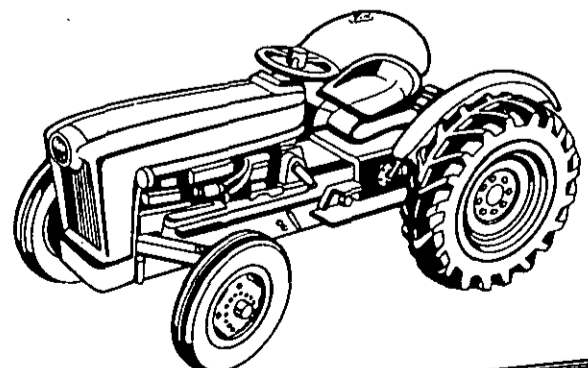
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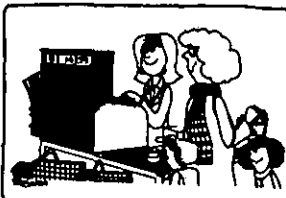
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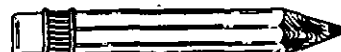
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# Obituaries

## Florence B. Klein

Florence B. Klein, a resident of Voorheesville for more than 26 years, died Dec. 7 in Albany Medical Center. She was 67.

A former billing clerk for the Millbrook Bakery in Colonie, where she worked for 20 years, she had worked part time for the Green Thumb of Five Rivers since 1984.

She was born in Albany and graduated from the Mildred Elley School of Business.

Survivors include her daughters, Susan Blackman of Altamont and Nanette Klein of Naples, Fla.; her sons, John and Jeffrey Klein of New Salem, and James Klein of Guilderland; her sisters, Marion Volk and Ruth Reilly of Albany, and Anne Ebel of Hawaii, and two brothers, John Paeglow Jr. of New Salem and Charles Paeglow of Albany. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Services were held Saturday at St. Lucy Catholic Church in Altamont, with arrangements by the Reilly & Son Funeral Home. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Altamont.

Contributions may be made to the Voorheesville Ambulance Squad.

## Caroline Lang Guy

Caroline Lang Guy, formerly of Delmar, died Nov. 29 in Ontario, Calif. She was the wife of the late Frederick W. Guy, and mother of the late Marolyn Gustafson of East Greenbush.

Born in Pittsburgh in 1892, she was a Delmar resident for 30

years. She was an active member of the Progress Club and a member of the Delmar Reformed Church. She had been a Red Cross Volunteer in World War II.

She is survived by her son, Frederick Guy of California, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier, Calif., on Dec. 2.

## Samuel R. Scher

Samuel R. Scher, a resident of Bethlehem Terrace Apartments in Slingerlands, died last Wednesday in Northwest Regional Hospital in Margate, Fla., where he spent his winters.

He was the proprietor of Scher & Sons Inc., Electrical Contractors in Albany, the business founded by his father in 1924. He retired in 22 years ago.

He was a member of several Albany organizations including the Odd Fellows Lodge, the ELks, and the Independent Benevolent Society.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel; two sons, Paul and Martin of Albany; his daughter, Marilyn, of Latham, and his brother, Jack.

Services were held at the Levine Memorial Chapel, followed by burial in the Independent Benevolent Cemetery in Guilderland. Contributions may be made to Temple Israel in Albany.

## Dorothy Straley Miller

Dorothy Straley Miller, formerly of Delmar, died Dec. 7. She was 84.

She is survived by her daughter, Dorothy Marden of Delmar, her son, Daniel Miller of Manchester, Conn., and her sister,

Thelma Straley of Galeton, Pa. She is also survived by six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Saturday at the Applebee Funeral Home, with burial Monday in Cedar Lawn Cemetery, East Hampton, Long Island.

## State Police offer advice

The New York State Police are making a special effort to ensure the safety of everyone this holiday season with their slogan "Drive 55 and Stay Alive." Their plans call for an aerial speed enforcement, as well as sobriety checkpoints and saturation D.W.I. patrols to supplement State Police patrols.

The police recommend that all people "look out for each other" by extending courtesy on the highways and ensuring that there is a non-drinking driver at all times. The State Police also remind drivers that 55 m.p.h. can be too fast under certain weather conditions and drivers should exercise caution at all times.

## Senior Citizens



Registration is now open for the January 55 Alive driving course, sponsored by the Tri-Village chapter 1598 of the American Association of Retired Persons.

The course will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 3 and 4, from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The course is open to anyone 50 years or older. Individuals who complete the course will be entitled to a 10 percent discount



# Fire Fighters Corner

Isabel Glastetter

Date	Department or Unit	Reason for Call
Dec. 1	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
Dec. 1	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Dec. 2	Delmar Rescue Squad	Unresponsive Patient
Dec. 2	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
Dec. 3	Delmar Rescue Squad	Heart Attack
Dec. 3	Delmar Rescue Squad	Unresponsive Patient
Dec. 4	Bethlehem Ambulance	Respiratory Distress
Dec. 4	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Dec. 5	Elsmere Fire Department	Car Fire
Dec. 6	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Dec. 6	Delmar Rescue Squad	Heart Attack
Dec. 7	Bethlehem Ambulance	Personal Injury
Dec. 7	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
Dec. 7	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto Accident

Top bowlers for the Elsmere Fire Company bowling league for Dec. 4 were: men's high single, Don Glastetter 190; men's high triple, Bill Webb 574, and ladies' high single and triple, Isabel Glastetter 163, 458.

The Delmar Rescue Squad will hold a critical trauma training session on Dec. 18. The course will be offered at 10 a.m. at the Delmar Main Station. All are welcome.

The Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Squad will have their monthly meeting at 8 p.m. on Dec. 15 at the South Bethlehem Firehouse.

on their automobile liability and collision insurance.

To register for \$10 call Joyce Becker of the Senior Services Office at 439-4955, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

A blood pressure clinic is held at Bethlehem Town Hall on the third Tuesday of each month. The next clinic will be held on Dec. 20, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and from 7 to 8 p.m. Senior van transportation is available by calling 439-5770. The clinic is open to all town residents.

The Home Energy Assistance

Program was developed to help individuals 60 and older, as well as people on a fixed or low income. Eligibility guidelines are based on gross income figures for the month the HEAP application is made. If you received assistance last year you will automatically receive an application for this year's program. Applications are mailed by Albany County Department for Aging and Handicapped at various intervals.

A volunteer at the Seniors Services Office will provide assistance in filling out applications to Town of Bethlehem residents 60 years and over. For information call 439-4955, ext.77.

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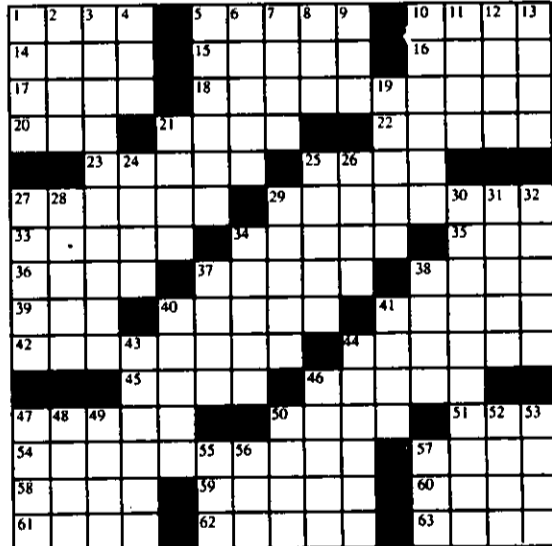
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## Weekly Crossword

"A VISIT FROM SAINT NICHOLAS" By Gerry Frey

### ACROSS

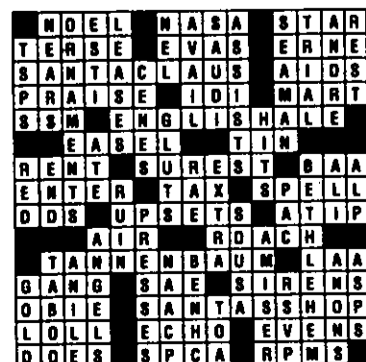
- Feminine pronoun (contraction)
- Little bug
- College house
- Roof edge
- TV's "Hall-Plin"
- Fencing tool
- Shady thought
- "Visions of \_\_\_\_\_"
- Rooster's chick
- Mr. Greco
- Sooties
- Christmas cookie spice
- Whirlpool
- Ammonia (combined form)
- Santa's command (2 wds)
- Dakota Indian
- Walt
- Arab Caliph
- In addition to
- Beer head
- A piece of sponge
- Plural suffix
- Regretful
- Lapland denizens
- "Not a \_\_\_\_\_ was stirring"
- Mixed up New Englander (scrambled)
- City in Indiana
- One of Santa's eight
- Pillar
- Comedian Johnson
- Not even
- "Just settled down for a long \_\_\_\_\_"
- Follows dinner
- Peruvian Indian
- Balder's wife
- Windward
- Missing monster's toeh
- Bad forecast for Santa
- Santa's vehicle



- Literary work
- Follows "EXT": Far out
- Army chow
- Blitz parl
- Black cat
- Entre \_\_\_\_\_
- Foe
- WW II Date
- Tomato jelly
- Jim Ryan
- Chicago field
- 30 \*\*SEE THE VERY LAST CLUE\*\*
- Use the ladder
- Remove soles
- "Don't \_\_\_\_\_, Be Happy!"
- Number between "French Hens" and "Golden

- Rings
- Rice wine
- Last week's bread
- Inadequate
- Variegated chalcidolites
- Unsure (2 wds)
- Construction machine
- Type of dive
- Fork prong
- Finishes
- Ms. Bancroft
- Scottish dread
- Boy Scout's duty
- Hosp. mainstays
- "My Gal" \_\_\_\_\_
- Used to be
- 30 "\_\_\_\_\_ Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ and to all a good night"

### Last Week's Solution



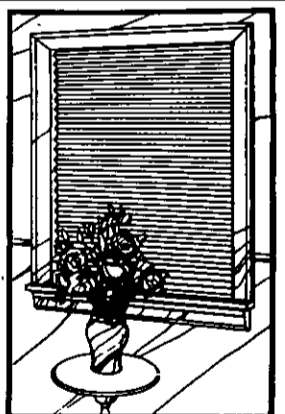
### DOWN

- Adam's son
- Hound's quest
- With 42 across "Not \_\_\_\_\_"
- I told you so!
- True too (2 wds)
- Short break
- Enormous
- George Gerstwin's older brother
- Oldtime org.
- Tables

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## Alumni search is on

In preparation for its 50th reunion on July 15, 1989, the New Paltz State Normal School reunion committee is searching for the names and addresses of approximately 80 classmates. Anyone with information may call 1-914-257-3230.



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## Amy Rudolph wed

Amy Frances Rudolph, daughter of Thomas and Christine Rudolph of Delmar, was married Nov. 5 at St. Thomas Church, Delmar, to Michael Anthony Crisorio, son of John and Alice Crisorio of Albany. Rev. James Daley officiated.

The bride, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School

and the Memorial School of Nursing, is a nurse at St. Peter's Hospital.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Albany High School and is an assistant night manager for Price Chopper Supermarkets.

The couple will reside in Delmar.

## Winter concerts to be held in Voorheesville

The Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, Voorheesville, will present two winter concerts at the school, on Wednesday, Dec. 14, and Wednesday, Dec. 21.

The first concert will consist of performances by the high school chorus and chorale, stage and concert band, and the second will focus on the junior high.

Both performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

## Registration to open for winter programs

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will begin accepting registrations for their winter programs on Monday, Dec. 19, at 4:30 p.m. in the office at the Elm Ave. Park in Delmar.

The programs will include basketball, badminton, springboard diving as well as several exercise programs.

For information call the Parks and Recreation Office at 439-4131.

## Tri-Village Squares hold Christmas dance

The Tri-Village Squares Dance Club will hold a Christmas dance on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 8 to 10:30 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

Caller Jim Ryans will call. All mainstream and class level couples are invited to attend.

For more information call 438-1227.

## Post auxiliary holds Christmas party

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York, Post 1040, is holding its annual Christmas Party, on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 6 p.m. at the post in Elsmere.

The party will feature a roast beef dinner after a cocktail hour. The cost of the dinner is \$8.50 per person. Guests are asked to bring a \$5 grab bag gift, an unwrapped toy, and gifts of canned or dry foods.

For information call 439-2786.



Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Frosti

## Patricia Schrempf married in Delmar

Patricia Schrempf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert G. Schrempf of Delmar, and Raymond L. Frosti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Frosti of East Hampton, Conn., were married on Nov. 12 at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Kathleen Schrempf was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Amanda Frosti, Janet Frosti and Noel Moran. Gregory Frosti served as best man. Ushers were Michael Schrempf, Thomas Schrempf and Steven Bradstreet.

## Budget committee meets

The Voorheesville budget committee will meet on Thursday, Dec. 15, and the program committee on Monday, Dec. 19. Both groups will meet at the library of the Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, from 7 to 9 p.m.

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the State University College at Oneonta. She is employed as an account executive by Matterson Associates Inc. and is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce.

Her fiance is a graduate of the St. Albans School for Boys in Washington, D.C., and Vassar College. He is a securities broker with Advantage Capital in Albany.

A Sept. 30 wedding is planned.

## 'Toys for Tots' collects at Delaware Plaza

Capitol Cablevision and Santa Claus will appear at the Delaware Plaza, in Elsmere, in a campaign for "Toys for Tots," on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event will be televised live from the Delaware Plaza on Channel 31.

For more information call 283-6159.

## Library schedules fairytale festival

The Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, will offer a Fairytale Festival, on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m.

The program is open to children in grades kindergarten to second, and will include games, crafts and stories.

To register or for information call 439-9314.



## Community Corner

### Live Nativity Pageant

The Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar, will present a live nativity pageant on Saturday, Dec. 17, and Sunday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. on the grounds of the church.

The pageant, presented by a cast of 15 people and several live animals, will tell the story of the birth of Jesus Christ. Members of the church's youth group are cast as Mary, Joseph, the wisemen, shepherds and angels.

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