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## School asbestos bill comes due

#### Voorheesville to put work in contingency budget

By Sal Prividera Jr.

One way or the other, axpayers in the Voorheesville Central School District will be paying for correction of nearly \$2.7 million worth of asbestos hazards and fire code violations starting this year.

In what could be described as a case of "pay me now or pay me later" the Voorheesville Central School Board last week declared the code and asbestos work 'contingent," which means that if the April bond issue fails it will still be included in the district's

included in the budget, the impact on next year's tax rate would be "dramatic," in the words of one board member.

The action was taken after the board learned from its consultant that asbestos at the junior-senior high school is considered an immediate hazard, although tests conducted at the school show that air levels are currently acceptable under federal standards.

By declaring the work a contingency or necessary item, the district can put the funding in

1989-90 budget. And if the work is the contingency budget and it will remain in regardless of community approval of the annual operating budget. A contingency budget is not subject to voter approval and is defined by state law as the minimum amount of funding a district needs to operate, including state mandates and expenditures to ensure health and safety.

> The items declared to be contingent are removal of asbestos from the high school except in the cafeteria and auditorium at a cost of \$1,656,000; bypassing all buried hot water piping to avoid

emergency asbestos flooring removal if a pipe fails, \$773,000; all fire inspection code compliance items from the 1987-88 inspection of both schools, \$224,000; and handicapped ramp and handrails for the high school, \$37,900. The total cost is \$2,690,900.

Superintendent Louise Gonan said the asbestos removal was declared a contingency because of the condition classifications of the asbestos in the district's building under the mandated

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## RCS bond issue fails for second time

By Sal Prividera Jr.

For the second time in four months, residents of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District have soundly rejected a bond issue that would have added elementary classrooms and a new ibrary and gymnasium at the high school.

Last October, voters defeated a ingle proposal for a \$9.5 million 20-year bond issue. On Wednesday, voters had to decide on three proposals, but there was no difference in the outcome. The additions to the Becker and

Coeymans elementary schools were defeated by 169 votes, 922-1091, while the other two propositions for a high school library addition and high school gym addition were defeated by -even larger margins.

The elementary school additions work would have cost the district \$7,968,000. The library addition, which fell by 328 votes, 831-1159, would have cost \$945,000, while the gym addition, defeated by 613 votes, 690-1303, would have cost \$587,000.

"Legally, there's nothing much

we can do. . . we can't put (the proposals) up until at least a year from the first vote," Superintendent William Schwartz. "As far as I'm concerned, we will be back again. The need is there. . just because people voted no, it doesn't mean that we don't still need the additions.

Schwartz said, "if what people are telling me is true" the tax issue caused the defeat. The district estimated the cost of the total \$9.5 million package would have been \$60 in the first year in all four towns served by the

district, Bethlehem, New Scotland, Coeymans and New Baltimore.

Board President Mark Sengenberger agreed that the economic factor played a role in the defeat. He said the voters "simply did not want taxes raised" and the vote was a "backlash from the (Albany County) civic center, fee increases and the new (Ravena) firehouse.

"The voters will find it was a short-sighted decision," Sengen-berger said, adding that the project costs will rise. The

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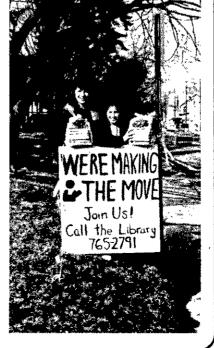




## Moving in

Making the move to the new Voorheesville Public library became a community-wide event over the weekend involving students of all ages who in receive instructions from Librarian Nancy Hoffman and Principal John Tobiassen, above; and adult volunteers, left. Below, Voorheesville Mayor Ed Clark pitches in, while Holli Shufelt and Stacey Ascone stop with their loads by a sign asking for more help. The new library will open Feb. 13. Lyn Stapf





## **Bridge** delays: whose fault?

By Mark Stuart

Although the death of a renowned Selkirk environmentalist was not the result of a delay in emergency response time due to the closure of the Jericho Bridge, the tragedy has reopened the question of who is responsible for the delays in repairing the bridge.

Five days after the Jan. 21 fire at took the life of Dr. Robert Rienow, Michael Fahey of South Bethlehem held a press conference on the steps of the Albany County Office Building in Albany to attack the policies of County Executive

#### Did closed bridge make a difference in fire?

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James Coyne and the Albany County Legislature for ignoring the Jericho Bridge problem for three years.

"I'm here to appeal to what's left of Jim Coyne's conscience,' Fahey said as he spoke to the media, which has displayed a renewed interest in Fahey's crusade since the fire.

Fahey used the media opportunity to appeal to county residents for support, saying "maybe your neighborhood is the one to be ignored next (by the county).

The prime objective of Fahey's press conference was to show how the county, specifically Coyne's office, has avoided the issue by placing blame on Conrail for not making an offer to repair the bridge. However, Coyne has repeated his contention that the delay in repairing the bridge is due to Conrail's unwillingness to agree on a shared repair cost figure. He also was highly critical. of Fahey and Republican critics of the county's progress. "From day one, no one but Jim Coyne and Jim Coyne alone (has pushed this)" he said.

The discrepancy in accounts revolves around the question of how much Conrail's share of the repair costs will be, and whether the railroad is willing to increase its share if initial cost estimates prove to be wrong. What both sides appear to agree on is that Conrail is responsible under state law for repairing the framework of the bridge, while the county is responsible for the deck.

At Friday's press conference, Fahey produced two letters from Conrail, one dated Sept. 18, 1987, and addressed to Assemblyman

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## Did closed bridge make a difference?

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Did it make a difference?

Last week's fatal fire in Feura Bush has prompted a debate about whether a closed Jericho Bridge cost a man his life and hampered attempts to douse the

Michael Fahey, who has spearheaded the effort to get the bridge repaired and reopened after three years, went on the attack again after a Jan. 21 fire that killed Dr. Robert Rienow at his Rarick Rd. residence. The attack aimed at Albany County Executive James J. Coyne has prompted an investigation into the response of local fire companies to the scene. Results of the investigation conducted by the county Fire Advisory Board are expected by the end of the week, said Mark Reuss, of Coyne's office.

Firefighters on the scene said in their opinion an open Jericho Bridge would have made no difference in the attempts to save Rienow's life, but might have made a significant difference in efforts to control the blaze.

Selkirk First Assistant Chief Dick Hummel said Monday that in his opinion Rienow was "dead before they pulled him out. . . the smoke was unbelievable." The first truck was on the scene in "four to five minutes," he said. The first men on the scene pulled Rienow out and tried to revive

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him, but "there was nothing they. could do for him.

Craig Apple, third assistant chief of Selkirk Department number three, was the first to arrive on the scene. "The bridge had nothing to do with saving his life," he said.

Apple, who arrived at the scene from home and did not have breathing gear, made two attempts to find Rienow and remove him from the home. Before being overcome by smoke, Apple directed another firefighter with breathing apparatus to Rienow.

Apple, a volunteer fireman for three years and a county corrections officer, was given a citation of appreciation from Coyne and Sheriff George Infante last week for his heroic deed.

Apple said the building was fully involved when he arrived and that he was "scared to death" when he entered the house. He said he was proud about the citation, "but it was too bad I couldn't have gotten there quicker and got him out.'

Rural Rarick Rd. is located in the southwest corner of Bethlehem, near the hamlet of Feura Bush but in the Selkirk Fire District. The closest fire units are housed at the Selkirk Fire Company number three in South Bethlehem, but the Bethlehem Ambulance Squad, which covers the same district, was housed that day in

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Glenmont. The ambulance and backup units from the Glenmont fire house. Selkirk number one, had to travel a longer route by way of Rt. 32 and Rt. 102 because the Jericho Bridge is closed.

Selkirk Fire Commissioner Charles Fritts said hours after the blaze was extinguished that an open Jericho Bridge would have reduced the response time for the Glenmont units. The quicker response time coupled with the use of a hydrant on the north side of the bridge could have saved more of the home, he said.

The first units from South Bethlehem were on the scene within minutes, but Hummel said the additional 2,000 gallons of water carried on the two Glenmont-stationed pumpers would have made a difference if they could have arrived sooner. He said the first attack on the fire is the most important to stop its spread. 'Ten to 15 minutes makes a difference," he said.

Reuss, citing several water sources including a hydrant at Conrail headquarters, on the south side of the bridge, and a nearby pond, contended the department had "more than enough water" to battle the blaze. Reuss also said the department could have used the two lagoons at the Albany water filtration plant, where he claimed fire departments "have been known to cut the locks" to gain water access.

Fritts said the hydrant at Conrail was used to refill fire trucks as was a hydrant near General Electric Plastics, on the north side of the bridge. He said the filtration plant was only used once for a fire last year and that while the city did not have a problem with its use, it is not a standard operating procedure.

Hummel said portable pumps were put into the nearby pond once it was found in the dark and holes were cut through the ice. "It took time...once it was set up, we had plenty of water," he said.

Reuss said, "according to the fire departments we've talked to the bridge would not have made the difference in saving a life. . . the question is could more of the building been saved." He added the investigation would be "all-encompassing."

Reuss said that because the bridge was posted with an eightton limit the question of the fire trucks using the bridge was "a moot point." However, according to County Engineer Paul Cooney the proposed design limit for the bridge when it is repaired would be 20 tons, enough to accommodate fire trucks.

Fritts said the Selkirk Fire Department did an excellent job and if the bridge was "replaced the way it should be there would be no problem."

## Who's dragging their feet?

(From page 1)

John Faso, and the other dated April 4, 1988, and addressed to county Public Works Commissioner Richard Rapp, stating that the railroad agreed to repair the framework of the bridge at a cost of \$793,000.

The September 1987 letter to Faso from Conrail's Selkirk Yard General Manager R. L. Downing states: "Conrail has not disclaimed maintenance responsibility for the bridge. Our representatives have acknowledged that Section 93 of the New York State Railroad Law which obligates the railroad to maintain the framework of a highway bridge is applicable.'

"We stand ready to cooperate in any way possible with Albany County to accomplish that purpose," the letter continued.

"These are lies, lies that very well may have cost a man his life," Fahey said said of Coyne's position that Conrail is holding up the repairs. "He (Coyne) is the one

who will have to live with this."

However, Coyne said Monday that the \$793,000 figure is Conrail's estimate, and there is no guarantee that the cost will not be more. That statement conflicts with the April 1988 Conrail letter. to Rapp, which say that the \$793,000 figure is the county's

Coyne's version is supported by Albany County Engineer Paul Cooney, who said Monday the \$793,000 estimate was made by a consulting firm hired by Conrail. Cooney said the firm arrived at that number by inspecting only the framework of the bridge (the visible understructure). The county agreed that the \$793,000 was a good ballpark figure for the framework, Cooney said, but when the lawyers became involved in drafting a written agreement, differences arose.

Cooney said the problem arose out of who would pay for the supports under the roadway decking. The supports are currently said, and can only be properly inspected and assessed for replacement by tearing up the decking and inspecting it visually. The first figure was a rough estimate from a consulting firm.. . it was not a detailed inspection and the cost (to Conrail) may be double what they are offering now," Cooney said. He added that since the decking is useless,

hidden by the decking, Cooney

Asked about the discrepancy in accounts Monday, sa ... Conrail spokesman made this statement: Conrail will meet its legal obligations." The spokesman said negotiations with the county are 'ongoing.'

Conrail can tear away the

roadway and inspect the supports.

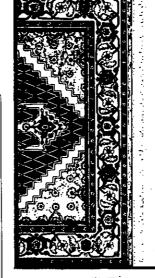
"We call them every day," Coyne said.

Since the closure of the Jericho Bridge, Fahey has taken on a oneman crusade to convince the county, the Town of Bethlehem and Conrail to repair the bridge. The bridge was closed in 1986 after a section of the deck fell.

Fahey spoke at a November legislative budget hearing to ask for funds to repair the bridge. He said then his next step is to organize a community action suit against the county. "The community is just a phone call away from a legal battle," he said.

When asked if he has the support of his South Bethlehem neighbors, Fahey said none of his neighbors has actively taken part in his campaign, but "none of them have called up to complain."

Amidst all of the bad blood in this situation, Coyne said he is appreciative of Bethlehem Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick, who "has been very cooperative."



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## BTR to scale down plans

By Mark Stuart

A March 8 date has been set for a meeting between the developers of the proposed Bethlehem Village and the Bethlehem Town Board to-discuss a revised, scaled-down version of the controversial 140acre commercial and residential development.

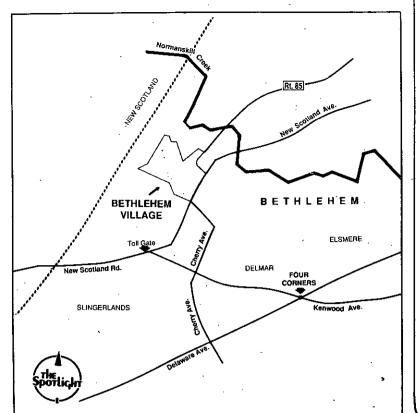
"The alternatives which we are investigating would primarily encompass down-scaling both the commercial and residential portions of our proposed development,' said Bruce Preston, project developer for BTR Realty, in a Jan. 18 letter to Bethlehem Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick. "We feel these alternatives can be thoroughly analyzed within the next six to eight weeks."

"While we feel our original proposal outlined a well thoughtout, high-quality project that would be a great asset to the town of Bethlehem, we cannot disregard the concern which you have expressed over the size of the project," Preston's letter stated.

In response to Preston's letter, Hendrick released a prepared statement that read, "Certainly this reflects a good faith effort on their part and I do appreciate their apparent responsiveness. It is impossible to evaluate how their new proposal will be received, but it is appropriate that they be given the opportunity to be heard.'

Included in the plan was a Price Chopper supermarket, something that many residents have said they feel is needed in the Tri-Village area.

Due to a discrepancy in communications between the



BTR Realty's 140-acre Bethlehem Village Project in scale comparison with the surrounding roadways and hamlets.

Corporation, the original commercial square footage figures published by The Spotlight after the Nov. 2 meeting were incorrect. The corrected figures listed above were provided in the first BTR Realty proposal sent to the Bethlehem Town Board.

That proposal was never discussed with the board because Preston asked for postponements due to scheduling conflicts. BTR

media and the Price Chopper Realty is seeking a zoning change for the 140-acre development from a Residential A to a Planned Development District. The first step in that process is to present the proposal to the town board for its referral to the planning board and any other county or state agency it feel is required. The town board would serve as lead agency for State Environmental Quality Review Act processes.

## ew area study proposed

By Mark Stuart

Four months after delivering a highway study of the Krumkill Rd. region, Albany County is now proposing that a "generic" environmental impact statement be made of the area.

But while Bethlehem officials welcome the proposal, they are not sure how it will fit in with the town's master planning process, or which projects it will affect.

Albany County Engineer Paul Cooney made the announcement last week, saying that the new study will be necessary to evaluate the environmental impact of development in the Krumkill Rd. area in comparison to the highway study, which not only evaluated the current conditions of roadways in the area, but also made recommendations for new highway improvement projects.

Several major developments are in the planning stages in the area, which encompases North Bethlehem, eastern New Scotland and southern Guilderland. Cooney said the study is a result of the highway study recommendations as well as the development proposals. He explained that development sparks traffic increases which in turn require highway improvements and studies, which in turn requires an environmental study for both roadway and development impact.

Currently, the county is involved in a similar GEIS, or generic environmental impact statement, near the Albany County Airport. That study, which is estimated to cost approximately \$300,000, will take about a year to complete, according to Cooney.

The Krumkill region study will be similar to the airport project in both time of completion and cost. Initial funding would come from New Scotland, Bethlehem and Guilderland. That money will eventually be recovered "buying into" developers generic impact statement findings at a certain cost per home, Cooney Since the information compiled in the generic statement would just be repeated in a draft environmental impact statement, or DEIS, new builders in the study area will be able to save time and perhaps money by buying the information from the generic statement, Cooney said.

"Ultimately, the cost is recovered by the lead agency," Cooney said. No lead agency has been named for the Krumkill GEIS yet, but Cooney said the state Department of Environmental Conservation and the county are the two main candidates.

The goals for a DEIS and a GEIS are the same, Cooney said, except that a GEIS is a regional study and a DEIS is a smaller undertaking. Both are processes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, or SEQRA.

As is the case with most largescale studies, some sort of moratorium will be needed. 'Under the study, all (projects) that require a SEQRA and have begun theirs will not be affected. However, those which require a SEQRA and haven't filed yet, will in a sense have a moratorium," Cooney explained.

It is not clear at this point exactly what area the Krumkill Rd. region GEIS would include, or whether it would affect the proposed BTR/Price Chopper project on New Scotland Rd., which does include an extension of the Slingerlands Bypass, a

recommendation of the county highway study. Currently, all three towns are involved in an effort to alleviate traffic congestion and improve decaying road conditions in the Krumkill Rd. area. Cooney said that the town or county would not be charged for GEIS information in lieu of road construction costs.

Currently, the town of Guilderland is moving ahead with its Southern Bypass highway project which will run from Dr. Shaw Rd. to Schoolhouse Rd. in Bethlehem. The DEIS for the Southern Bypass has already been completed by Guilderland. The Southern Bypass is designed to divert some commuter traffic off of Rt. 20 and the Crossgates Mall congestion to a parallel southern roadway.

Bethlehem Commissioner of Public Works Bruce Secor said he is encouraged by the county's initiative in trying to resolve regional problems. "The fact that we are getting together is encouraging; looking at the issues of development and roads from a regional approach makes a lot of sense.

Secor said he spoke with Town Planner Jeff Lipnicky and that they both agreed that such a study could effectively facilitate the town's Master Plan process. "I spoke with Jeff about this the other day and we agree that the more information available, the better.

Lipnicky was unavailable for comment on Monday. Assistant Town Planner Melanie Schmidt said she doesn't know whether or not the study will expedite the master plan due to its priority on the county agenda. "I expect the study to be low priority on the county's list. Projects like the Albany County Civic Center have a higher priority right now.'

## Return flight

If relatives have noticed that Richard G. Sullivan's head is in the clouds lately, they surely are not surprised. Sullivan, a former Delmar resident and a Bethlehem Central High School graduate, is looking forward to visiting the Delmar area — but not in the usual way.

Sullivan will pilot Delta Airlines' second inaugural flight between Atlanta and Albany tomorrow (Thursday). The 727 captain is expected to arrive at the Albany Airport with his wife Karen and son Ken around 2:30 p.m. His daughter Jacque, who is attending the University of Arizona at Tempe, will not accompanying him.

While Richard Sullivan was born in Poughkeepsie, he spent his childhood in Delmar. Sullivan knew he was destined for higher pursuits by the age of 11, when his older brother, John, took him on his first flight out of the Albany Airport. After earning a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering at Texas A & M University, Sullivan joined the U.S. Air Force. He served as a T38 pilot instructor at Williams Air Force Base in Arizona. During the late 1960s Sullivan joined Delta Airlines and moved

When he heard that Delta Airlines was starting a twice-daily run between Atlanta and Albany, Sullivan bid to fly the inaugural flight and won the right to pilot the second flight, according to his son. Ken Sullivan said his father enjoys visiting friends in the Bethlehem area and staying with his mother, Marie Sullivan of Delmar, during August. "He's really proud of Delmar," said Ken Sullivan.

Richard Sullivan's sister, Peggy Sippel, resides in Voorheesville. Theresa Bobear

Last month Hendrick issued a statement saying he felt that due to its size the proposed project should not be considered by the town until a master plan was completed, some two years from now. Other town board members said they agreed with Hendrick.

'It is not possible to make any observations about the nature and scope of the revised proposal since the communication from BTR Realty does not include specifics," Hendrick said last week. "It is clear, however, that BTR is attempting to respond to the many concerns expressed by the community, myself and other board members regarding the massive nature of their first proposal."

Preston was unavailable for comment on Monday.

BTR Realty must now submitits revised proposal to the town by

Although never officially presented to the board, the project was received with mixed reaction at a Nov. 2 meeting involving executives from BTR Realty and Price Chopper Supermarkets and over 500 town residents. That original plan included an extension of the Slingerlands Bypass to connect with Cherry Ave., a residential development consisting of 275 units, 260,500 square feet of retail space, 95,000 feet of transitional commercial space and 80,000 feet of office space. The cost of extending the bypass was set at roughly \$2.5 million. The pre-construction base costs of the project was listed as upwards of \$6 million.



## Matters of Opinion

## A taxing effort

How much of a virus is . afflicting residents of our area Editorials as they face the obligation to vote on bond issues that would improve the ability of schools to serve their students adequately?

in the Voorheesville district.

Can it prove to be catching? Residents of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district voted to reject (for a second time) the bond-issue proposal last week. In another fortnight, voters in the Bethlehem Central district will have to make their own decision; in April, the same will be true

The RCS rejection was despite reasonable efforts by the school board to meet known objections. The residue of skepticism about the nature of the proposals matched the basic antipathy to a higher tax rate.

Those same ingredients must be assumed to exist in the other districts as well. The bonding proposals there will succeed or fail, presumably, largely on the strength of the case that the schools' officials can make for the need to spend millions of new dollars. (In this week's Point of View column, the case for the Bethlehem Central plan is stated by the superintendent.

... The Spotlight editorially supported the RCS proposal. In future issues, we will analyze and comment on the proposals in the other districts. Meanwhile, two questions arise that seem paramount in the decision-making:

Are the nay-savers in the RCS district fully prepared to live with the long-term result of their rejection of the plans to serve tomorrow's students effectively?

Will the voters in Bethlehem Central and Voorheesville districts be prepared to live with the impact that a negative vote would mean?

These are crucial questions for not only this winter but a great many tomorrows.

#### A needless hazard

Could an intact, usable Jericho Bridge have made it possible for firefighters and rescue crews to have saved some parts of Robert Rienow's home and possibly saved his life?

While it appears that lifesaving efforts would have been too late - in this case - the full answer as to how much the absence of the bridge hindered firefighting efforts may never be known. But just as the first wisps of smoke can reveal a blaze, so the whiff of suspicion lingers.

To the extent that this is possible, the bitter feeling of regret is tinged with the acrid stench of culpability. All those persons, both in official position and in quasi-public agencies, who have filibustered on funding the long-overdue repairs to the bridge must share in whatever responsibility exists in this case.

Even more important, however, is the necessity to hold their noses to the mess and require action instead of excuses. So long as the present dangerous situation is allowed to prevail, the peril remains that other innocent persons will needlessly, improperly be put in jeopardy.

### So let it snow

If one of those popularity polls could be taken among dwellers in this area, the voting result very likely would show a 50-50 split in two diverging points of view.

In one group there would be all those individuals who are happy to have open roads (and largely salt-free), fewer hazards and delays in driving and other means of transport, safer walking, less shoveling — as well as whatever additional benefits there may be in a snowless winter.

The other group would include, certainly, winter sports enthusiasts who are easily depressed by each glance out of the window. Their ranks have been swelled within recent weeks by the environmentalists, gardeners, and others prone to fret about the prospects for crops, lawns, ornamental plantings, etc., next summer, The outlook for a parched landscape is, indeed, a worrisome thing.

Thursday's traditional time for the groundhog to emerge, and either see his shadow or not, presumably will give a clue as to what's ahead in the remaining seven weeks of official winter. But shadow or no, it's probably pretty safe to forecast that the Winter of '89 will, in the end, gather in its due share of snowfall. Then skiers and gardeners alike will smile, and all the rest of us will take comfort in our temporary respite.

## Some words of caution on BC's bond issue

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Central Board of Education recommends voter approval of a \$11.6 million bond issue to provide an additional 28 elementary level classrooms, roofing repairs, maintenance and asbestos removal.

A positive vote for 28 additional classrooms at a cost of \$7.5 million to eliminate overcrowding at the elementary level is indicated. Unfortunately, the community's frustration has focused on the overcrowding and redistricting issues, limiting the discussion on the other items in the bond issue.

These items raise issues that I believe are equally important: the rapidly escalating costs of education, teacher salary negotiations now underway, and the timing of the bond issue vote immediately before the annual budget vote. Ignoring these issues will simply increase the frustration that. many of us feel when we realize that we have no direct way of signaling our dissatisfaction. It would be unfortunate if this bond issue were to be used as that signal.

In 1985, the voters approved a \$4.6 million bond issue. Prior to vote we were told that Bethlehem schools had no asbestos problem. We now find, some three years later, that \$640,000 must be spent for asbestos removal. It should not be left to the discretion of administrators, the board of education and subsequent voter approval to eliminate such health hazards. A responsible governmental health and safety agency should evaluate the asbestos problem, identify the risks and order as needed the removal of any asbestos hazards in our

An additional \$3.5 million in the \$11.6 million bond issue is for roofing repair, boiler replacement and other maintenance items. When voters approved the bond issue three years ago for roofing repairs, modernization and general maintenance the Times-Union reported in an interview with a Bethlehem school administrator that "the \$4.6 million repairs should make the buildings useful for at least an additional 20

Needed maintenance and other repairs are being routinely deferred for inclusion in bond issues instead of inclusion as an annual budget item. The school budgets have been kept artificially lower over the past five to 10 years because roofing, boiler replacement and other maintenance

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items were not scheduled on a planned basis. Significant budgetary increases can be expected in the next year or two, reflecting repayment with interest of the borrowed money, the usual annual budget increase and an unknown but inevitable increase for funding a new teachers salary contract.

Based on 1987-1988 enrollment, the average annual per-pupil cost of financing the \$11.6 million bond issue, including interest, will average over the next 20 years about \$300 per year. This is an affordable cost. Our debt service, based on per pupil cost, will increase from one of the lowest in the suburban council to one of the highest.

The present annual per-pupil expenditure of \$5,430 in 1987-1988 to educate a Bethlehem student can be expected to increase to \$6,000 or more per year. This \$6,000 per pupil expenditure includes the 250 half-Bethlehem kindergarten students.

The questionable local school district state aid formula penalizes some districts and benefits others. The state aid formula transfers cost of education to the property tax base in the local community. One or two large commercial facilities in a small district can put the school district into a "wealthy" category.

The Bethlehem Central School District receives, percentage wise, the least amount of state aid compared to other suburban conference schools. Bethlehem receives 19 percent, Burnt Hills 50 percent, Guilderland 35 percent and South Colonie 59 percent.

Bethlehem taxpayers pay more than their fair share for education in New York State by receiving less state aid than the other suburban council schools. Older residents who have been retired. for several years have seen their income decline 75 percent to 100 percent, yet receive no relief on a property tax until they approach a poverty level.

The following summarizes for selected years Bethlehem Central's

total school budget, per pupil expenditures and the consumer

Source: New York State Education Department and Capital Area School Development Association.

The 89 percent increase in our school budget from 1977 to 1988 was less than the 96 percent increase in the rate of inflation for the same period. During that period, however, we have experienced an 11 percent decline in enrollment.

The comparison of per-pupil expenditures for this same period shows a 124 percent increase compared to 96 percent for inflation. A more recent (1986-1988) cost comparison of school budgets show a 17 percent increase compared to the increase in inflation of 7.2 percent. It appears that the salary contracts negotiated in 1986 account for the significant increase over the rate of inflation.

In the 1987-1988 school year over 50 percent of the Bethlehem's 231 full-time teachers made over \$34,900 per year. The negotiated salary increase of 71/2 percent for the current 1988-1989 year brings this to \$37,500 per year. Adding 35 percent fringe benefits shows a total average expenditure per teacher to just over \$50,000 per year for the year ending July 1989. The last negotiated contract (1986-1989) provides for a cumulative teacher salary increase including fringe benefits of about percent compared to a projected increase in the rate of inflation of 13 or 14 percent.

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Future negotiations by the Board of Education should consider limiting any general salary increases to-the level of inflation. Contracting for shorter time frame would be beneficial for all parties. Exceptional teachers or teachers in short supply should receive premium pay or merit pay well above the average. Other suburban schools make provision for merit pay and support tuition payments for teachers. This would be beneficial and provide incentives

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**UNCLE DUDLEY** 

## Our future has been writ

Amid all the festivities of the presidential inauguration, I got to wondering where George Bush would fit into a historical perspective. He was described over and over as the nation's 41st President in a 200-year span - in addition to being the first "George" since the very first one.

Watching the ceremony itself and the numerous replays of various snatches of the more impressive and quotable portions, and then reading about it in The Times, I thought that it was a very good event not only of pageantry but as a timely reminder of the continuity of a stable government and all its institutions. The President's address itself I thought was above average — perhaps an A-minus or better. He struck the right note on a lot of topics, and rightly refrained from succumbing to the temptation of overshooting; there was a reassuring lack of clarion calls in the "bear any burden" mode. (On the other hand, within a week we began to hear that his fierce assault on the drug problem would be mostly verbal education rather than enforcement. To my mind, that just won't do.)

But speaking of continuity of. governments, there's also a continuity of our people.

George Bush was born'during the presidential term to which Warren G. Harding had been elected. Alive at that time were no fewer than 12 future Presidents of the United States, including himself.

When John F. Kennedy was born, there were even more Presidentsto-be alive.

Insofar as the presidency is often accepted as a kind of national biography or profile, much of the history of the past six or seven decades had been written in the character, ambition, and goals of men who were beginning to take their places in "the mainstream" when President Bush was born. Our destiny had taken over, long before we knew

#### The 51st President is alive and well — somewhere!

We tend to think of our on-going history in terms of couplets short bursts of developments. But truly our history (and our future) is written in much longer stanzas, or perhaps as cantos.

So now in the first days of the 41st President, the 51st is somewhere in the United States, along with the 42nd and all those in between. When Mr. Bush was born, Harry .Truman was a haberdasher, Dwight Eisenhower was a second lieutenant without a future, schoolyard kids were chasing Richard Nixon home to his hardworking ma, and Ronald Reagan was trying to find the cash to put himself through college.

And that youngster who poured your coffee in the diner just the

That was no freak of timeliness. other day — why, she may be the 48th. Who knows? In fact, you may be harboring a future President in your own home (so please be respectful!)

> As Mr. Bush came in, Ronald Reagan became our fourth living ex-President (joining Nixon, Carter and Ford). That may not seem extraordinary, but to have as many as four former Chief Executives on hand is quite rare in the nation's past.

I believe that it has happened only three times in prior years, and each occasion was quite brief. According to the way I figure it, there were four former Presidents for about a year in 1825-26 (Adams, Jefferson, Madison, and Monroe). In 1845, Jackson, J.Q. Adams, Van Buren, and Tyler were all alive for a short period after President Polk was inaugurated. Then in 1861, the all-time indoor record was established: Van Buren and Tyler were still alive, as were three of their successors, Fillmore, Pierce, and Buchanan. (If I miscalculate, I stand ready for correction.)

In later times, assassinations and other untimely deaths conspired to minimize the likelihood of having on hand a number of elder statesmen. For 20 years. Herbert Hoover was the only living former President, as one example. So Mr. Bush possesses an unusual opportunity to seek advice from men who have been there before. We wish him (and them) well:

CONSTANT READER

## Stones, cholesterol and fun

Your scanner has been reading constantly, but due to circumstances not completely beyond my control, I've fallen a bit behind in timing of some special mentions. I need to put some recent January issues behind me before they're just too outdated - trashed among so many other good intentions of the new year. Even so, you probably can find all of these in your library yet, though perhaps missing from the magazine rack at home.

Many of the readers of this column are familiar with Modern Maturity, which circulates mainly (if not exclusively) to members of AARP, which in itself very precisely defines the readership. I've not happened to note the arrival of the February-March issue yet, so it's presumably okay to look back at the issue dated December-January. Some of the contents each time come under the general heading of pablum, but this is interspersed with some quite good reading matter. I liked particularly one called "Rendezvous with the Old Men of Callanish" and one by an M.D. on "Coronary Combat.

The "old men" turned out to be some 48 tall stones "leaning into the wind across a bleak headland that overlooks a small bay opening out into the North Atlantic on the coast of Lewis, remotest of Scotland's Outer Hebrides." The author, a restless traveler named Virginia Barton, romances the stones and the island's people to a fare-thee-well, and it's all quite flavorful. "My trysting hour with the Old Men was after the evening meal.

That's when sheep ran along the avenues chased by their keepers, and boys played hide-and-seek in the long dusk that lingered till midnight .... I have found a place that reaches further back in time than I can imagine, where the hands of the builders are still warm on their artless work of art." And,

'Some locals think it's hard to count the stones sometimes always a different number. Others say that if you visit them in the fog, you're sure to see them moving around."

In the other article, Dr. Kenneth H. Cooper has some very sobering advise, including comment on "the three vices": Don't take up drinking as part of your preventive health program, some publicity that limited alcohol consumption may be of use; don't smoke; limit your daily caffeine intake. Much other cogent information and data, as

The Jan. 30 issue of The New Republic includes a sprightly article, "Tropical Chic," written by Peter Swire, a Washington lawyer who's a Menands native. "Saving the rain forests from their saviors" is the theme of his thought-provoking piece. Noting that it's become highly popular to speak about and raise funds on behalf of the Brazilian forests (with benefits by the Grateful Dead, Kermit the Frog, and Peter Max, etc.), the writer comments that "There is one problem with all of this. Backers of the rain forest movement are mostly in the U.S. or other modern industrialized countries. The rain forests are not. They're mostly in developing countries, which face other, more pressing issues such as feeding their growing populations. . . . The problem of global warming can seem abstract and distant to political leaders struggling with crises of debt, hunger, population

The article considers numerous aspects of the matter, including the challenge to Congress to resist "faddish rain forest proposals," and the best moves for the Bush administration, including "starting to see forest preservation as integrally tied to the debt crisis. Recommended reading to help your perception of this popular

growth, and urbanization.

Esquire for January features the annual "Dubious Achievement Award," and those in this issue (for 1988) come across to me as rather flat in comparison with the sharply satirical (and funny) remarks of past years. A main aspect of the humor frequently is the captions: "Burning the candelabra at both ends" on an item about Liberace; "Why go to all that trouble and expense just to look like Kirk Douglas?" (about Michael Jackson's facial surgery). I liked this one, labeled "The Art of the Deal": One week after New York magazine editor Ed Kosner was introduced as a ringside celebrity at the Tyson-Spinks fight at Trump Plaza, New York mentioned Donald Trump's name 79 times.'

Elsewhere in that issue of Esquire (which now is a Hearstowned magazine after half a century as an outspoken inde-

## Supporting BC's bond issue

The author of this week's Point of View is the superintendent of the Bethlehem Central School District.

By Leslie Loomis

When I began as superinten- Point of View dent of the Bethlehem Central-School District in July, 1987, one

major charge was clear: conduct a planning process that would result in adequate future classroom space for our increasing student enrollment. On Feb. 15 the district brings a bond issue to the voters which does exactly that. Countless community and staff members have contributed their expertise to development of the bond issue, and Board of Education members were unanimous in the decisions they made. BC's \$11.6 million bond issue will provide funding for additions to the Glenmont, Hamagrael, and Slingerlands schools and for other capital improvements.

The driving force behind the bond issue is our student population. Within the next decade student numbers will rise by 17.5 percent. Currently, the district's five elementary schools are overflowing, with classroom space sorely lacking for music, art, special education, and gifted and talented programs. In attempting to serve small groups of students for remediation and special education, teachers are literally holding some classes in corridors and closets.

This is not a bond issue to benefit elementary students alone; the vote will affect every Bethlehem Central student, grades kindergarten through 12. Capacities of the middle school and the high school will just barely handle the peak student enrollment during the 1990s. Without the additional classrooms, the district would have to consider juggling fifth- and eighth-graders between levels, much as kindergarteners have moved from year to year. Even then the K-12 population will not fit in existing buildings. Class sizes would grow and programs would be curtailed.

#### Much-needed capital improvements can remedy many health and safety concerns

In making the decision to expand three elementary schools and balance their sizes, the Board of Education chose the most economical construction alternative, affirmed the present grade-level configurations, and continued the neighborhood school concept. Seventy percent of the bond issue is targeted toward the elementary school additions and alterations. Thirty-one additional classrooms, four additional gym stations, and an enlarged auditorium and cafeteria will yield the space necessary to adequately provide for the projected student population. Interior alterations to all five elementary schools will create comparable facilities for all K-5 students. With a successful bond issue, once again BC will have separate music and art/Challenge rooms, as well as a special-education classroom in each school and enlarged libraries.

District voters, in passing the bond issue, will provide muchneeded capital improvements, many of which address health and safety concerns. As a result of the roofing replacement, asbestos removal, and athletic fields renovation, the physical plant will be in excellent shape.

In working with the district's architect, Stetson-Harza, the board has planned for high-quality work without frills. The construction will be durable; the budget for the project is accurate. Through the process of developing enrollment projections and determining the scope of the proposed construction, we have taken special care: the district is building to meet the established need, but not overbuilding. One point deserves special emphasis: This high-quality, nofrills approach is responsive to student needs, yet equally responsible in the use of tax monies.

Under the phase-in process adopted by the Board of Education, the district would make the first interest payment on the 20-year bonds during year one, with the first principal payment occurring during year two. In contemplating the 20-year average increase of \$5.94 in Bethlehem and \$8.49 in New Scotland per thousand of assessed valuation, voters should keep another fact in mind. Bethlehem Central's true-value tax rate is the third lowest of the 11 districts in the Suburban Council. BC residents receive an outstanding return on every dollar invested in education.

The bond issue referendum represents a big day for BC. Like you, two factors attracted me here: the quality of the community and the quality of the schools. We can wait no longer for this bond issue. Your vote on Feb. 15 will shape the future of Bethlehem Central education and the future of our community.

pendent), I read "The Verdict on Arthur Liman," a quite revealing piece about the top-drawer corporate lawyer whose clientele in 1987 included the Senate committee inquiring into Iran-Contra. I liked this blurb about him, too: "He has intellectual integrity, ethical bearing, and a public spirit — so how come he's such a good lawyer?'

Followers of Doonesbury are enough aware of the recent spoof in that comic (?) strip of Sports Illustrated's annual swimsuit issue, which always comes out (and quickly disappears) early in February. Taking a hint from the best-selling competition, two other magazines in the sports arena, Inside Sports and Sport (monthlies) now come out in January with their own swimsuit displays. Doonesbury's running gag on the subject undoubtedly is a bit overdone (and in Garry Trudeau's usual level of taste), but he's latched on to a small figment (no pun!) of national psychology once more.

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## Matters of Opinion

## More on the BC bond issue

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for professional growth, partic Vox Pop ularly for our younger teachers. The future negotiated contracts reduction of expenditures because should be affordable and equitable. The overall needs of the students and of taxpavers, as well as the teachers, must be considered.

In the last few years Bethlehem school budgets have increased at a rate greater than the increase in the rate of inflation, largely due to significant salary increases. Needed maintenance items have not been included in annual budgets on a planned basis. As a result, we can expect rapidly increasing costs in the next few years.

We have seen declining voter turnout at annual school board elections with increasing voter apathy. A defeat of an annual school budget has little effect in

of the reversion to a statemandated austerity budget.

The electorate has greater leverage with respect to voting for a bond issue and may indirectly send a signal as to dissatisfaction that cannot otherwise be expressed through the annual budget vote. A positive vote for the bond issue immediately before the annual budget vote and before a teachers contract is negotiated may send a signal to the board that the community is supportive of all board actions and the "sky is the limit." On the other hand, a negative vote would delay needed classroom expansion for our elementary level students.

When the total bond issue package includes more than the needed additional classrooms, the vote is not a clear-cut choice.

Sherwood Davies .

Delmar

The writer, a retired director of the state Health Department's Bureau of Radiology Control, is a former candidate for the Bethlehem Central Board of Education who has written on such subjects as state aid to education. Ed.

#### Concern about future of schools expressed

Editor, The Spotlight:

If one attends a Bethlehem Central school board meeting, one becomes impressed with the complexity of running a school

ashestos, for example, were not parts of the suburban child's experience when we went to school. Amongst these immediate concerns it is easy to lose sight of the real mission of a school district. It is to prepare our most precious resource, our children, for their future careers and lives. The responsibility is significant, but is reflected in the experience of each individual child. Maybe it is best appreciated at the level of an individual family.

When we moved to the Capital District six years ago, finding a community with a first-rate school system was our foremost concern. We were anxious -to provide our daughters, aged five and three, with an excellent education right from the start. Our oldest daughter, Laura, is now a fifth-grader and her sister, Claire, a third-grader. My husband and I are sure that the fine district in today's world. Drugs or education that our daughters are

receiving will provide them with an excellent foundation for their futures. However, over the past six years, we have recognized the negative impact that increases in enrollment have had on our schools. We have been very impressed with the many creative ways BC principals and teachers have met the challenges presented by the lack of adequate classroom space. In spite of their efforts. many fine educational programs have been compromised.

As our three-year-old daughter, Janna, approaches school age, we have some serious concerns about her future education. She will not be able to attend kindergarten at our neighborhood school the way her sisters did. Indications are that BC enrollment will continue to increase. If nothing is done, more compromises in the quality of our daughters' educations can be expected. The Bethlehem Central Board of Education has presented us with a responsible plan to maintain our district schools, both educationally and physically. Bethlehem's continued commitment to providing a firstrate education directly depends upon the passage of the proposed \$11.6 million bond issue. Please take the time to invest in the future of Bethlehem's children.

Joanne Del Vecchio Hamagrael PTA President Delmar

#### More support voiced for BC bond issue

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing to express the support of the Bethlehem Central 😘 Middle School PTA for the district bond issue.

As parents of middle-school students, most of us.do not have' children who will enjoy the proposed new and improved facilities in the elementary schools. Our support for the issue is based instead on our belief that: first, the plan for expenditures from the bond issue is sensible and rational and will help assure a quality educational environment throughout the district; second, adequate facilities are essential to maintaining the quality education which has attracted many people to town and served as a major factor in our property values; and third, we recognize that public

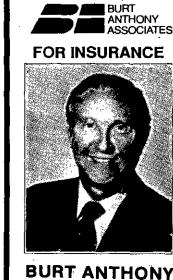
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education is a cornerstone of our American way of life and that the quality of life in the community is directly related to the quality of that education.

Bethlehem is in the throes of a Catch 22. On the one hand the town enjoys a school district with an excellent reputation which, along with other factors, makes Bethlehem a most desirable place to live. On the other hand the attractiveness of the town has led to tremendous population growth and many related changes, perhaps not always well planned, which can threaten some of our town's assets including our quality schools.

By the end of the next decade there will be an additional 670 students in the district, a growth of 17.5 percent. The district's facilities are already strained; a visit to any of the grade schools would convince anyone of this. Yet this growth need not threaten the quality of our schools.

On Feb. 15, town residents will vote on the Bethlehem Central School District bond issue. A "Yes" vote will provide \$11.6 million for construction of 31 new elementary classrooms and other renovations needed to assure an environment in which to provide the quality education parents, students and all town residents have come to expect.

**BCHS** production

Editor, The Spotlight,

draws her applause

I had the delightful experience

of being a member of the audience

of "A Mid Summer Night's Dream" at Bethlehem Central

High School last month. The

students and teachers involved

deserved all the applause, apprecia-

tion, and acknowledgements that

they received. The time and

energy devoted to this production

and the number of students and

teachers involved is impressive.

The teachers and students need

the applause as well as the

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Rob Lillis President Bethlehem Central Middle School PTA

James Yeara (director) and Nicholas Nealon (technical director) especially deserve thanks for the long hours of guidance and expertise they devoted in addition to regular teaching. Think of the students who wrote the program credits and the technical guild insert, both of which demonstrated creative writing skills that captured delightful qualities of those in the production; the rehearsing from September through the final performance; the students who made the sets and put together and guided the sound and lights (and were taking it all down with a bit of sadness at 12:30 at night after the last performance); the time spent on improvisation, giving the play something fresh in each production; six productions; students who came to watch their friends (and saw Shakespeare); parents who contributed support in countless ways, and students and teachers our current population of 26,000, in after-school seminars to

discuss the play. This was a fine educational experience — it included so many dedicated, supportive, and interested people, some devoting a few hours, some months and many hours. But to everyone who spent. time being part of it and especially to Mr. Yeara an Mr. Nealon and the students, thanks for allowing us to be a small part of something really exciting. Congratulations and best wishes on your tour.

Mary L. Jack

Elsmere

Thanks to firemen

Editor, The Spotlight:

and ambulance crew

I wish to thank very much the

members of the Selkirk Fire

Department, Bethlehem Am-

bulance, and all the other many

individuals who came to render

assistance to Hollyhock Hollow

Farm and my late uncle, Robert

A very special thank-you to

Craig Apple, third assistant chief.

I appreciate so much the very fact

that he and all the other firemen

Shirley Boughton

and volunteers were there.

Delmar

## Delmar Village impact

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recent letters in this column have focussed on the shopping center proposed by BTR/Price Chopper. There is another development, however, which will also have tremendous impact on our town. "Delmar Village," is like "Bethlehem Village," is proposed to contain a segment of highway which will link the Delmar Bypass with New Scotland Road via Van Dyke Road and Fisher Boulevard.

From testimony and documents submitted by the developers (and available in the reference section of the library), we learn this project of 232 apartments and 56 single-family homes will have the following impacts on our town:

- It will add over 750 people to a 3 percent increase.
- It will add approximately 130 school-age children.
- It will cost the town over \$65,000 and may result in a tax increase.
- It will ad over 2,000 car trips per day to our roads.
- Approximately 50 percent of this traffic will travel on Orchard Street, a road used extensively by hundreds of town residents for bicycling, jogging, and walking.
- The proposed highway system will funnel commuters from outlying towns through Bethlehem. (The bypass system was originally intended to bypass Bethlehem.)
- It will alter or destroy 72 acres of mature and successional forest and displace many species of wildlife.

The following facts also should be known:

- Right now, the library is used to capacity on weekends and its 90 parking spaces are inadequate. Expansion has been discussed.
- Right now, the size of the town park pool complex is below state standards and the tennis courts are used to capacity.
- Right now, the police department would like to hire more officers. The Delmar and Slingerlands fire departments are recruiting for additional volunteers.

on an \$11.6 million bond issue for more elementary school classrooms.

Furthermore, the town board has allocated \$125,000 toward a master plan and the process has already begun. This is a large subdivision containing a major highway and should be considered in the context of a master plan.

The "Delmar Village" project is currently under SEQRA (State Environmental Quality Review Act) review by the town board. Public hearings will be held on Feb. 15 and 16 at Town Hall. The public may address their concerns in writing to Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick at Bethlehem Town Hall until Feb. 26. In addition Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible

 Right now, we will be voting Planning will hold a special informational meeting to discuss the impacts of this project on Monday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. in the board room of the library.

> We urge all residents to attend our informational meeting and the public hearing, and to write to Supervisor Hendrick. Under SEQRA Law, all questions must be answered, all appropriate concerns addressed. This project will put a major highway through prime woodlands in a beautiful part of town. We must speak out now to help protect and preserve our disappearing resources and keep Bethlehem special!

> > Roberta Ponemon

Slingerlands

#### Words for the week

Culpability: Blameworthiness; the state of being culpable; that is, meriting condemnation or blame.

Antipathy: Distaste; a settled dislike; it suggests repugnance, a desire to avoid or reject.





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## Matters of Opinion

## Why Slingerlands doesn't want development

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Slingerlands Homeowners Association would like to respond to several issues which have been raised in these pages in recent weeks. Our opposition to the BTR Realty commercial/residential development has been directed toward the proposed project and has focused on fundamental issues regarding the effects that this complex would have on our community. We have described in earlier correspondence and reports the negative impact this project would have on traffic, environmental quality, town services, and the residential character of our community. The association has, from the outset, scrupulously avoided divisive tactics. We have never directed our criticism toward residents of the town with differing opinions. We have also never suggested that this complex be located in another part of town

#### Vox Pop

or adopted any other "not in my back yard but yours" position.

Officers of the association have met with many Bethlehem residents in the last few weeks, and it is clear that the issue of commercial encroachment into residential areas is one that concerns many people in all parts of the town. The association would oppose the location of this project in any other area of the town if that area were zoned residential and if there were significant opposition from the residents of the area.

The issue with the most wideranging implications is the precedent that would be set by rezoning for commercial use an area which is presently zoned

residential A and AA, the most raised in recent weeks is the restrictive residential zoning. The section of New Scotland Road in question is not a mixed commercial/residential area destined for more commercial growth any more than is the area around Verstandig's Florist, Bennett's Sporting Goods, and the gas stations on the corner of Elm and Delaware Avenues. All the land encompassed by the BTR proposal is residentially zoned and most of the parcel was, in fact, upgraded to residential AA in 1976. The few small businesses nearby have been business locations for over 40 years and have been grandfathered in. These parcels would revert to residential use if they were not used for commercial purposes for more than one year. The beautiful forested areas on both sides of New Scotland Road are prime residential locations well suited for the kind of quality development seen in Surrey Mall, Colonial Acres, and Deerfield.

Another issue which has been

supposed tax advantage of bringing a major, new development into town. While this advantage seems axiomatic to most people, it is common knowledge among experts in the field that such projects are inevitably expensive to the municipalities in which they are located. This has been dramatically illustrated by recent events in the Town of Guilderland. That town attempted to implement an impact fee on new developments to compensate for additional town services made necessary by these developments but not covered by the additional tax revenues they generate. However, the legality of this impact fee is being questioned in the courts. This week we are submitting to the town a 15-page analysis which identifies significant flaws in the financial impact statement contained in BTR's proposal. The net effect of the BTR development could easily be an increased tax burden on the residents of Bethlehem.

While many residents agree that it is not in the best interest of our town to approve the construction of the major shopping complex proposed by BTR Realty, some have suggested that town residents should support a scaleddown version of this project. In the lengthy proposal submitted to the town by BTR, the developer indicated that this complex is designed as a four-phase development. It is a common tactic of developers who are unable to secure approval for a major development to propose their project one piece at a time. This is a likely scenario in this case. At a Dec. 15 meeting of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee, the developer stated that it initially considered approaching this project on a piecemeal basis, but decided to present the proposal in its complete form. While we appreciate the candor, the developer has indicated in various meetings and published remarks that it is not interested in building a small supermarket center. If a scaleddown proposal were put forth at this time, the developer would merely be reverting to the piecemeal tactic they initially considered.

It would be very difficult to allow BTR to build a shopping center on this site and then prevent further expansion of the project. If a shopping center of any-size were built on New Scotland Road, the adjacent land now zoned residential AA would become very unattractive for





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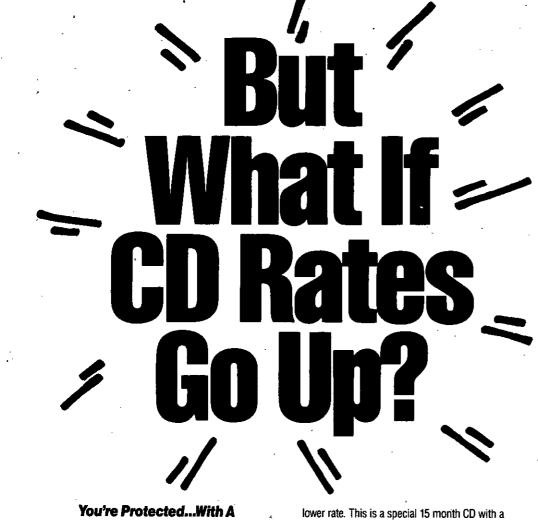


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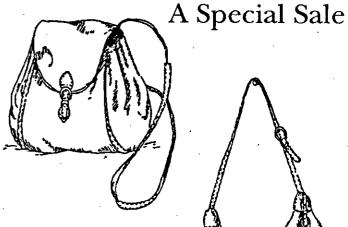
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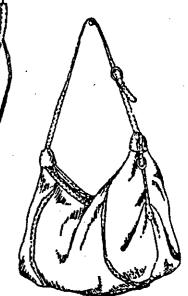
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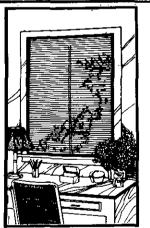
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future single-family home development. The developer could then reasonably argue that the most appropriate use of this land would be for townhouse development. buffered by a transitional commercial zone. It is likely that the final development would look exactly like the one now being proposed.

In fact, the final development could be even more extensive. BTR's proposal indicates that 'the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the proposed zoning" is 770,000 square feet of commercial development (p.5, environmental assessment form submitted by BTR) — compared to the 435,500 square feet currently proposed. At a Nov. 2 public meeting, the developer stated that this project 'lends itself to future development' (Spotlight, 11/9/88). BTR's proposal makes it clear that this "future development" could almost double the commercial portion of the project.

A shopping center on New Scotland Road would also invite commercial development of the large tracts of underdeveloped land near this project. As stated in BTR's proposal, even the developer envisions this complex as the "hub" of wider commercial development in the area. The fact that commercial encroachment in Delmar has been restrained to Delaware Avenue is not a valid analogy. The areas adjacent to the commercial sections of Delaware Avenue are heavily populated. Despite this fact, several proposals have been put forth over the past few years to rezone or obtain variances for commercial use of residentially zoned property on and near Delaware Avenue. Only the intensive efforts of the residents of these areas prevented this from happening. It would be much more difficult to prevent commercial encroachment into the undeveloped land surrounding New Scotland Road. The presence of a shopping center would decidedly stamp this area as a commercial zone.

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#### Vox Pop

Avenue, Orchard Street, Hudson Avenue, upper Kenwood Avenue, and both sides of Route 32, encompass other large tracts of residentially zoned, undeveloped land in the town. Some of these areas are already feeling the pressure from developers for downzoning, particularly for townhouse and apartment uses. We urge residents of these areas to consider the precedent that would be set should residential. land in Slingerlands be rezoned for commercial use. A message would be sent to commercial developers that it is "open season" on Bethlehem's undeveloped areas. A message would also be sent to potential home-buyers that they cannot rely on Bethlehem's existing zoning to protect the residential character of the neighborhood in which they are considering buying a home.

The Slingerlands Homeowners Association appreciates the many constructive comments of town residents who have joined in the dialogue concerning the BTR proposal, both those who concur and those who disagree with our position. For reasons which we find compelling, we continue to oppose the BTR development. At the same time, we are committed to working with our neighbors from all across the town in addressing the many important issues which will affect the quality of life of those who make Bethlehem their home.

> Mark Haskins President

Slingerlands Homeowners Assn.

#### Residents opposed to shopping center plan

Editor, The Spotlight,

We are sending this letter to you to express our concern with the regional shopping complex proposed by BTR Reality Inc. As Bethlehem residents, we are opposed to this project because of the adverse impact that it will have on our community.

We hope that you will oppose this project when it is presented to you for your consideration.

> W. Paul McCarthy Carol. A. McCarthy Laura McCarthy

Bethlehem

#### 'Chicken Little' yarn inspires more ideas

Editor, The Spotlight:

As long as The Spotlight is spinning yarns and telling tales ("The Sky is falling!" Jan. 25), perhaps it could include the one about the emperor. He's the man who paraded through town, promising fine trappings. It turned out that, in the end, it was all a ruse. He had nothing to admire, nothing at all. And most of the people were duped. Perhaps there's a moral in that tale, too.

And then there are the ones about wolves — a wolf in sheep's clothing, a wolf huffing and puffing to blow houses down, and a wolf dressed as a kindly granny and carrying a basket of "goodies" on his arm, to entice.

Perhaps there are some morals to heed in these tales, too.

The Spotlight has made clear its position in the matter of

many of its readers. But its readers have a right to expect that its editorials will analyze the town's news, not its residents, and that editorials will provide food for thought, not a diagnosis and a prescribed treatment of bedtime stories of nursery rhyme 'morality" and mentality.

Nancy Niebuhr

Bethlehem .

#### Reader is critical of an editorial

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a concerned citizen, I was truly offended, and more than a little disappointed, by the meanspirited, derogatory editorial, 'The sky is falling!'

I am proud to know many of the people who contributed great amounts of talent, time, and effort to warn "the king" of the disaster looming over the Town of Bethlehem in the form of the BTR mega proposal. (A wolf in sheep's clothing, to further The Spotlight's children's story theme.) That proposal, as well as other illconceived proposals of recent vintage, posedall the disadvantages mockingly mentioned in the editorial — and more. It is surprising that the local newspaper, which one might hope would search for hard facts, has been so willing to accept, without question or examination, the propaganda fed to it by self-serving developers.

In addition to being inappropriate in tone and insulting to concerned citizens, the editorial was downright inaccurate. Not only was the king warned about the peril, but the warning was heeded - and disaster was averted. The sky did commercial development within not fall precisely because interested the town and is entitled to differ citizens acted to exercise control in opinion and perceptions from over their own destiny and made

their concerns known to a town government which proved to be responsive.

The moral, editorial opinion notwithstanding, is that if we don't stick our head in the sand, but keep a watchful eye, we may see danger far enough ahead to avert it. Outside developers, driven by a profit motive and armed with slick presentations for consumption by the gullible, will not dictate policy to the detriment of a community which is called home by watchful residents willing to sound the alarm.

To infer, as the editorial does. that the peril did not exist because it has (thus far) been averted puts one in mind more of Through the Looking Glass than the Little Red

The Spotlight's attempt, in the following editorial, to "clarify" a previous editorial and at the same time to unfairly accuse Mr. Lipnicky of "misconstruing" what most people would agree were the clear words and intent of that earlier editorial, further demonstrates an alarming downward trend in the quality of recent Spotlight editorials.

The community deserves better. I hope we see editorials in the future which are more fair; less mocking; do not need to be "clarified" and defended; and are constructive, rather than disruptive influences in the community.

Joseph M. Brennan

Slingerlands

One is reminded of the classic letter-to-the editor, which began, 'Dear Sir, you cur . . .'' Most editorial writers (but not all) also subscribe to the maxim that, in the use of whimsy, one man's Mede is another's Persian. -- Ed.



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## Town reviews safety of roadway

By Mark Stuart

A Bethlehem Town Board public hearing last Wednesday to discuss parking regulations along Adams St. became a little more involved than originally expected when residents began to address the overall safety problems within the vicinity of the only railroad crossing in the town.

The hearing was set to discuss erecting No Stopping Or Standing signs on Adams St. between Kenwood Ave. and Hudson Ave.. but was inconspicuously transformed into a discussion of overall safety along the relatively narrow strip of road. Concern over Delaware and Hudson Railroad crossing lights not functioning, the lack of sidewalks, late night parties at auto shops and vehicles kept in violation of the zoning ordinance were also discussed.

Building Inspector John Flanigan showed the board a 4½ minute videotape to illustrate the problem of vehicles parked along the west side of the street and the resulting lack of space for traffic. Currently there is no parking allowed on the west side of the street, but signs Ave. end. Flanigan explained that conditions that exist near the D

cars and delivery vans are frequently parked or stopped along either side of the road, affecting the safe flow of traffic and limiting sight distance for motorists exiting adjacent parking

He added that adequate parking is available at the municipal parking lot next to The Spotlight building or the Peter Harris building on Kenwood Ave.

A major underlying issue is that Hudson Ave. and Adams St. have become a thoroughfare for heavy traffic avoiding the Four Corners intersection.

As a result of that condition, pedestrian safety was addressed. One member of the audience said children who attend the Bethlehem Central Middle School must walk to school along Adams St., which has no sidewalk between Hudson and Kenwood avenues. In addition, Flanigan said, there are no lines indicating the edge of the road. He added that the town plans to paint new lines when the weather

During the meeting several are posted only near the Kenwood other points were raised about said that the crossing lights Estates. The board decision was a sometimes malfunction and that work crews had cut back trees and brush along the tracks but left the dead brush lying around. One woman complained said that employees of a nearby repair shop have parties at night that often spill over into the street. Another resident complained that the fallen debris and piles of dirt along the road have affected neighborhood real estate values.

Although the points raised were not directly related to the issue of the no parking signs, the board patiently entertained the comments.

In other business, the board:

- Unanimously approved a request to name the stretch of County Rt. 55 between Rt. 9W and Rt. 32 Creble Rd. Councilmen Robert Burns and Sue Ann Ritchko met with Selkirk residents who suggested the name for the Creble family, early Dutch settlers in the town.Burns and Ritchko said they had also met with South Bethlehem residents to discuss names for the road, and both groups had voiced their support for naming roads after historic families in the town instead of after trees and flowers.
- Approved a traffic amendment to install stop signs at the intersections of Peel St. and University Drive and Sherbrook

and H Railroad crossing. Flanigan St. and University Drive in Elm result of a Jan. 11 public hearing in which no person spoke for or against the proposed signs.

- In four separate motions, approval was given to go to bid for motor oil, printing of the Bethlehem Report, police uniforms and three new police cars.
- Approved a request to reject a previous bid for water purification chemicals and reopen bids on Feb.

#### Delmar teen arrested at teen drinking party

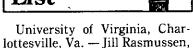
Bethlehem police broke up a teen drinking party on Saturday night and arrested one youth for disorderly conduct.

Police said the drinking party at home on Union Ave. in Slingerlands was attended by 150 to 200 youths. Police said the youths were advised to leave due to the fact alcohol was being consumed by underage teens. The teen who lives at the house told police her mother was in Florida, police said.

The arrest was made when a 16-year-old Delmar youth became argumentative and hostile when officers asked him to leave, police

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## Chamber seminar focuses on choices

By Sal Prividera Jr.

When he is conducting his empowerment workshop in various locations across the nation, William A. Powell says he can help individuals identify choices and improve their ability for achievement.

Powell, who will conduct a seminar sponsored by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce on Feb. 9, said the program was developed because as a counselor he had "often worked with people who felt they did not have choices

"I realized it's not just people in counseling, but also healthy people who are faced with situations (where) they don't find choices as readily," he said. The situations could include staying in a relationship or a job "because they don't feel they have a choice.'

The empowerment seminar is designed to show individuals how to identify their own strengths, weaknesses and potential as well as how to develop productive relationships at work or home. Other goals of the seminar include understanding personal management styles, self-motivation, motivation of others and improving communications techniques.

Powell, who holds a master's degree in counseling and guidance as well as being a certified Neuro-Linguistic Hypnotist, said the seminar accomplishes its goals through helping the individual identify their personal blocks to BC superintendent having choices and how the blocks have accumulated during the person's life. Exercises on mentally letting go of situations creating emotion to "empower us to go forward," and being effective in "forced relationships (such as with co-workers)," are also part of the seminar, Powell said.

"When people leave, they feel armed and dangerous," Powell said.

Effective communication, based on the MLP communication process, is an important part of Powell's seminar. He said he conducts exercises in deep structure communication, a communication form requiring the persons involved in the communica-



William A. Powell

tion to question what is being said until the true meaning of a statement is derived.

"There's nothing magical in what I do. . . it is not a guru relationship... you are empowered to make choices or understand why you didn't make a choice, Powell said.

Powell has conducted the seminars for two years for a number of organizations such as Xerox and for teachers in the Orlando, Fla. and Washington, D.C., public school systems. He also holds a bachelor's degree in education, a master's in science and has taken additional training including the New York Training Institute for Neuro-Linguistic Programming.

## on education panel

Bethlehem Central Superintendent Leslie Loomis is a member of and significant emotional events, a task force that recently began a study of methods public schools in the state can use to implement educational reform.

> The task force is co-sponsored by the state University at Albany and the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government. The group's purpose is to produce a report offering practical and comprehensive information on how school districts can better meet the educational needs of children.

> Funding for the project was provided by the Danforth Foundation and the Regional Laboratory for Educational Improvement.



Members of Bethlehem Central Middle School's cast of "That's Entertainment" prepare for their opening show on Friday, Feb. 3. The musical will run on Friday and

Saturday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. A free dress rehearsal performance open to senior citizens will be held Thursday, Feb. 2, at John DeLaney 7:30 p.m.

#### Salvation Army will honor Mayor Whalen

Albany's Mayor Thomas Whalen III will be the Community Service Award recipient for his active interest and efforts to benefit area youth and thus families at the Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary Blue Bonnet Fashion Show Luncheon.

The event will take place at the Desmond Americana in Colonie on Saturday, April 1, that will include Cohoes fashions, a silent auction, musical entertainment and courtyard surprises.

Proceeds from the event will go to the Salvation Army Family Services helping those needing food, clothing, housing and counseling year round.

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OPEN HOUSE, Hamagrael Preschool, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, noon-1 p.m. Information, 439-4203.

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN, dinner meeting, Noreen Glacone will conduct "Pound Party," Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Albany, 6 p.m.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB, meeting at Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233, meets at lodge, Rt. 144 Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. first and third Wednesdays.

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

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

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

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP, provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience. Information, 439-4258.

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

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

#### **ALBANY**

LECTURE, \*Today's Changes in the Soviet Union," presented by Erastus Corning III, State Museum, 7:30 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION, of Capital District, meeting, First Presbyterian Church, Willet and State Sts., 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 456-7501.

INCOMETAX ASSISTANCE, through Apr. 15, Saturdays, sponsored by Internal Revenue Service Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, Albany Public Library, 16.1 Washington Ave.; 10 a.m.-2 p.m.Information, 449-3380.

#### CAPITAL DISTRICT

EMPIRE STATE REAL ESTATE ASSOCIA-TION, monthly dinner meeting, featuring speaker Ruth DeRoo, Century House, Rt. 9, Latham, 6 p.m. Information, 384-0455.

PÓETRY READING, Jon Davis will read his poetry, Rensselger Art Gallery, 189 Second St., Troy, 7:30 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

SCHENECTADY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY, print group, featuring Alex Hillis, First Methodist Church, Lafayette and State Sts., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

"SMOKELESS," six-class program to stop smoking, sponsored by Leonard Hospital, 74 New Turnpike Rd., Troy. Information, 233-0797.

#### ENTERTAINMENT

"VOICEOFTHE PRAIRIE," romantic and nostalgic play written by John Olive, through Feb. 5, Capital Repertory Co., 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Information, 462-4534.

THEDA BARA AND THE FRONTIER RABBI, musical comedy, through Feb. 12, Cohoes Music Hall, Remsen St., Troy. Information, 235-7909.

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#### **BETHLEHEM**

PUBLIC FORUM, "Parents, kids and the Law," presented by Bethlehem Op-portunities Unlimited, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-6885.

READ-IN, Glenmont Elementary School, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7-8:30 p.m. Information, 439-7242.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTU-NITIES, program presented by Norrell Temporary Services, Team Personnel inc. and Team Force of Albany, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30-9 p.m. Information,

BETHLEHEM SOCCER CLUB, registration for spring program, open to youths born between 1979 and 1983, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, \$22, 6-9 p.m. Information, 439-

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT, presentation of musical for senior citizens, Bethlehem Central Middle School, Kenwood 'Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2530.

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

KABBALAH CLASS, class in Jewish mysticism, every Thursday, Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Eismere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS, méeting every Thursday. First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7p.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-

SILVER BULLETS SQUARE DANCE CLUB, mainstream class, 7 p.m., workshop, 9 p.m. every Thursday, 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 handl-capped students, Del Lanes, Elsmere, every Thursday, 4-5:30 p.m. Informatlon, 439-7880.

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

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

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

#### **ALBANY**

HANDIVAN WORKSHOP, on plumbing, with instructor John Kohler, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 463-4267.

\*PERSPECTIVES ON PETROLEUM, \* presented by Edward J. Kochhem, Meeting Room D, Concourse level, State Museum, 7 p.m. "SHADOWS," program on Ground Hog Day, Children's Room, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 4 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

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

#### CAPITAL DISTRICT

CAPITAL DISTRICT NÜRSES ASSOCIA TION, "Are RCT's the Answer-Nurses Respond," with panel discussion, Century House, Rt. 9, Latham, 5:30 p.m. Information, 270-5510.

#### BETHLEHEM

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT," musical, presented by Bethlehem Central Middle School, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, \$1 admission, 8 p.m. Information, 439-0345

PRESCHOOL FILMS, for parents and their preschoolers, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. Information. 439-9314.

RECOVERY, INC., self-help for those with chronic nervous symptoms. First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, every Friday, 12:30

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

FLMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT, first Fridays, North Bethlehem fire house, 307 Schoolhouse Rd., 8 p.m.

#### 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 7:30 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

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 EDU-CATION, 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

Rt. 85A, high school. 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 9a.m.-4p.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-

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.

## THE WOUTH METWORK

#### Bethlehem Safe Homes Network

What is the Bethlehem safe homes network?

The Bethlehem Safe Homes Network is a way that adults can join together to help provide a safer environment for their community's children. It does not require a commitment of time or extra effort for already busy families. It is simply a public agreement between us to follow some principles that will provide a genuinely safer community for our young people. These principles are:

- 1. In my home, I will not serve or knowingly allow the use of alcohol by guests under age 21, nor will I knowingly allow the use of illegal drugs by anyone.
- 2. I will provide adult supervision at teenage parties in my home.

Why do we need a Safe Homes Program?

Our young people are faced almost daily with pressure to use alcohol and illegal drugs. As if the amorized advertising of alcohol were not enough, there are endless social messages and pressures to use all kinds of intoxicants. Even those children who choose not to use are frequently forced to socialize with those who are using, if they are to socialize at all.

No responsible and informed adult today can deny that the use of alcohol and illegal drugs pose a real and unacceptable danger for our teens. Yet, as individuals, we frequently feel helpless to protect a "Young Adult" without standing in the way of solving this problem. Voorheesville is also currently instituting a Safe Homes Program.

How will the Safe Homes Network begin?

Over the next few months you will hear more about the Safe Homes Network. Two-part agreements will be distributed through a variety of means, such as school newsletters, other newsletters, from organizations, etc. You should read the agreement carefully, sign it, and send the white copy to the address thereon. The agreement-signing campaign will culminate in a "Safe Homes Week," April 3-9, 1989, with agreements being available at most local houses of worship on April 9. In late April or early May, we will compile a directory of those people signing the agreement and willing to be in the directory. The directory will then be distributed to all whose names are in it.

Please call 439-7740 if you are interested in receiving an agreement form now or if you have any questions.



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#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

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

#### ALBANY

BLOODMOBILE, sponsored by American Red Cross, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd., 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

HOME SHOW '89, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, 5-10 p.m. Information, 783-1333.

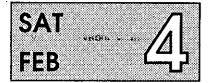
NOON ORGAN CONCERTS, St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge Sts., Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 434-3502.

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

#### **EXHIBITS**

"IMAGINE AFRICA," art and artifacts of West Africa, through March 2, opening reception, Feb. 3, 6-10 p.m., lecture presented by Charles Miller, "The Role of Traditional African Art in Contemporary Liberia," Things of Beauty Art Gallery, 247 Lark St., Al-bany, Information, 449-1233.

ED MC CARTAN, "A Fifteen year Retrospective," Albany Center Galleries, Chapel and Monroe Sts., Albany, through March 10. Information, 462-4775.



#### **BETHLEHEM**

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES, dance, with caller Jim Ryans, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-10:30 p.m. Information, 439-0490.

PANCAKE SUPPER, sponsored by Bethlehem Grange, Grange Hall. Rt. 396, 3 p.m. Information, 767-2770.

"THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT," musical, presented by Bethlehem Central Middle School, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, \$1 admission, 8 p.m. Information, 439-0345.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE, St. Thomas Church parking lot, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-5976.

PRESCHOOL FILMS, for parents and their preschoolers, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

PROJECT WILD, workshop for teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

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



Come Home Jesus

Ash Wednesday Worship

> February 8 7 p.m.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church 75 Whitehall Road, Albany (just off Delaware Avenue)

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

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

PANCAKE SUPPER, sponsored by Voorheesville Boy Scout Troop 73, Voorheesville Legion Hall, Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville, 4:30-7:30 p.m.

#### **ALBANY**

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

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE, sponsored by Safety and Health Council, 845 Central Ave., 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Information, 438-2365.

HOME SHOW '89, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, 11 am.-10 p.m. information, 783-1333.

#### **CAPITAL DISTRICT**

SIBLING CLASS, for those who are expecting new brothers or sisters, sponsored by Samaritan Hospital Maternity Department, 2215 Burdett Ave. Troy, 10-11 a.m. Information, 271-

OLD SONGS DANCE WORKSHOP AND COUNTRY DANCE, "English Country Dancing," St. Mark's Community Center, Rt. 146, Guilderland Center, \$3, 3:30-5:30 p.m.; dance, 8-11 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

"NUNSENSE," Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 346-6204.



tion, 439-4936.

COOKIE SALE, sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 806, K-Mart, Glenmont, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 439-4936.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH, Sunday school, 9 a.m., 3 year-olds through adult; morning worship serv-Ice, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided;

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

#### **BETHLEHEM**

COOKIE SALE, sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 212, Grand Union, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Informa-

evening fellowship; 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-3135.

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BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, Bible

study and Sunday school classes, 9:15

a.m., family worship, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH, church

school and worship, nursery provided

during worship, 386 Delaware Ave., 10

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, wor-

ship, Sunday school and nursery care, 10 a.m., followed by a time of fellow-

ship, Retreat House Rd., Glenmont.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA, morn-

ing worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school and Bible class, 10:15 a.m., 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, Information, 465-

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist,

service and Sunday School, 11 a.m.,

child care provided, 555 Delaware

Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-2512.

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FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLE-

HEM, church school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; youth group, 6 p.m., Rt. 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-3406.

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.

GLENMONT REFORMED CHURCH,

worship, 11 a.m., nursery care pro-vided. Information, 436-7710.

CHURCH, Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., Sundayservice, 11 a.m., 10 Rockefeller

Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

Eucharist followed by breakfast, 8 a.m.; Christian education for all ages, 9:30-

10:15 a.m.; Holy Eucharist followed by coffee hour, 10:30 a.m.; nursery care provided, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Poplar and

Elsmere Aves., Delmar, Information,

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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL **BILL SILVERMAN AT 439-6465** 



REGISTRATION



TOWN OF BETHLEHEM SENIOR VAN call 439-5770, 9-11 a m

### **SENIOR CITIZENS** NEWS AND EVENTS **CALENDER**

Town of Bethlehem Transportation Services for the Elderly - 1989 The Senior Van & Senior Bus are staffed by **Community Volunteers** 

RESERVATIONS: 9:00 a.m. - Noon weekdays - 439-5770 HOURS IN SERVICE: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. weekdays INFORMATION/SCHEDULING: Van Information Sheets available in office or by mail. Transports independently living residents of Bethlehemn over the age of 60 within a 20 mile radius of the Town Hall.

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hospital visits with family

**WEEKLY GROCERY SHOPPING** 

Monday's - Residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands and Bethlehem go to Delaware Plaza from 9:30-11:30. Thursday's - Residents of Glenmont, Selkirk, and South Bethlehem go to Glenmont Plaza from 9:00-11:00.

ANCELLATION POLICY: When the school district is closed due to inclement weather, vehicles will not operate.



SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, worship service, youth forum, 10 a.m.; fellowship hour and adult education programs, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. Information, 439-1766.

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.

UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Rd., Delmar. Information, 438-7740.

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING; and snowshoeing, free instruction, Heldeberg Workshop, Picard Rd., Voorheesville, noon-4 p.m. Information, 765-2777.

WINTER FESTIVAL, featuring ice fishing contest and snowshoeing workshop, Thacher State Park, Rt. 157. 6 a.m. Information, 872-1237.

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH, Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., coffee hour following service, nursery care provided. Information, 768-2916.

NEWSALEMREFORMED CHURCH, servlce at 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85 and Rt. 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-7112.

ONESQUETHAW CHURCH, worship, 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., Sunday school.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOT-LAND, adult class, 9:30 a.m.; worship and church school, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85, New Scotland. Information, 439-6454.

UNIONVILLE CHURCH, worship, 9:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, child care provided, Christian education for age three through adult, 11 a.m. Information, 439-5303.



High Frequency Wavelength will present a benefit performance of "The Tremolo of the Loon" on Feb. 5 at the Russell Sage College Albany Campus at 8 p.m. The performance will benefit the Equinox Shelter for Battered Women and the Federation of Child Abuse and Neglect.

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UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m.; choir rehearsal, 5 p.m.; evening service, 6:45 p.m. Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

#### ENTERTAINMENT

JOHN CERNIGLIA, piano and french horn music, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 3 p.m. Information, 458-2080. CAPITOL CHAMBER ARTISTS, jazz performance, Page Hall, 135 Western Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 489-0507

#### **ALBANY**

COIN AND STAMP SHOW, sponsored by Capital District Coin Dealers Association, Pollsh Community Center, Washington Ave. Ext., 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 346-2584.

HOME SHOW '89, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, 5-6 p.m. Information, 783-1333.

WORKSHOP FOR INTERFAITH COUPLES, presented by Scott Fein and Patricia Martinelli, Sundays until March 19, Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., 7-9 p.m. Information, 438-6551.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSISSELF-HELP GROUP, meeting, Chapter Office, 421 New Karner Rd., 1 p.m./ Information, 452-1631.

MENDED HEARTS, organization for people who have undergone heart surgery, Cusack Auditorium, St. Peter's Hospital, 2 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCERS, Sunday evenings, Unitarian Church, 405 Washington Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-0974.

#### **CAPITAL DISTRICT**

BRUNCH, for high school seniors and their parents, sponsored by Capital District Chapter of College of Mount Saint Vincent Alumni Association, Desmond Americana, noon-3 p.m. Information, 445-8173.



#### BETHLEHEM-

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB, general membership meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m.

VALENTINES FOR AUTHORS, for schoolage children, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 4 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING MEETING, Elsmere Elementary School, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

DELMAR KIWANIS, meets Mondays at Sidewheeler Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

AL-ANON GROUP, support group for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Informa-

ALATEEN MEETING, support group for young people whose lives have been affected by another's drinking, Bethlehem Lutheran'Chūrch? Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

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

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

MOTHER'S 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, 430-0020

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM, first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

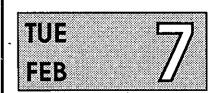
BOARD MEETING, Voorheesville Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-279 1.

VOORHEESVILLE CONTINUING EDUCA-TION, registration, high school foyer, Voorheesville, 7-9 p.m. Information, 765-3314.

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

#### ALBANY

HANDIVAN WORKSHOP, on Electricity, with instructor John Kohler, Albany County Cooperative Extension Office, 230 Green St., 7-9 p.m. Information, 463-4267.



#### BETHLEHEM

SPAGHETTI SUPPER, sponsored by Faith Lutheran and Glenmont Reformed Churches, Glenmont Reformed Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, \$5 per adult, \$2 per child under 12, 4:30-6 p.m. Information, 436-7710.

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DRAMA GROUP, of Delmar Progress Club, featuring program on play reading, 46 Carstead Rd., Singerlands, 7:30

DELMAR ROTARY, meets Tuesdays at Albany Motor Inn. Sidewheeler Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont,6:15 p.m.

BETHLEHEM LODGE 1096 F&AM, first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic

MEDICARE FORM AID, sponsored by AARP, first and third Tuesdays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments required, 439-2160.

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

NEWSCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIA-TION, featuring Robert Parmenter, Voorheesville Town Hall, 8 p.m.

BETHLEHEM SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, first Tuesdays, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 7:30 p.m. Guests Welcome.

#### **ALBANY**

LEGISLATIVE FORUM, of Delmar Prog ress Club, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 10 a.m.-noon.

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

#### **ALBANY**

HANDIVAN WORKSHOP, on tile repairs, with instructor John Kohler, Albany County Cooperative Extension's Office, 230 Green St., 7-9 p.m. Information, 463-4267.

AUDITIONS, for Capitol Hill Choral Society's performance of "Hercules," Philip Schuyler Elementary School. For appointment, 473-5640.

SAFE PLACE, support-group-for family and friends of suicide victims, sponsored by the Samaritans, meets first and third Tuesdays, St. John's Lutheran Church, 160 Central Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-2323.

#### **CAPITAL DISTRICT**

PREGNANCY FITNESS PLUS CLASSES, for expectant mothers, eight weeks, Woman's HealthCare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 6:45-8 p.m. Information, 346-9438.





#### BETHLEHEM

GUIDED HIKE, followed by slide presentation, sponsored by Delmar Prog-ress Club, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 1 p.m. Information, 439-9758.

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 Rockefelier Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

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

RED MEN, second Wednesdays, St, Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. SECOND MILLER'S LUNCHEON MEET-ING, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-6003. DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISIONt second Wei mar Firehouse, Adams Pl., Delmar, 7:30

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

LENTEN SERVICE, Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, noon.

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

NEW SCOTLAND ELKS LODGE, meets second and fourth

### Wednesdays, 22 South Main St., Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

#### **ALBANY**

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 75 Whitehall Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 436-8672.

#### CAPITAL DISTRICT

SCHENECTADY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY, Stide Group, featuring John Undrill and Louie Powell, First Methodist Church, Lafayette and State Sts., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information,

#### . ENTERTAINMENT

"BROADWAY BOUND," Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

SPEAKING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, featuring formal and impromptu speeches, sponsored by Uncle Sam Toastmasters, Hollday Inn, Troy, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-7739.



#### BETHLEHEM

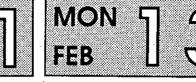
SLIDE PRESENTATION, on Nova Scotia. presented by Bernard Turoff, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-

#### **NEW SCOTLAND**

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#### Dinner announced

An elementary school pot luck supper for first grade students School and their families will be held on Thursday, Feb. 16.

The second grade students shared a meal with guests last night (Tuesday).

#### Sunshine Seniors meet.

The Sunshine Seniors will meet at the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem for a covered dish lunch on Monday, Feb. 6, at noon. The meal will be followed by a 1 p.m. business meeting. All area seniors are welcome.

#### **Board games sought**

The A.W. Becker PTA is ' seeking donations of board games Three Bears. to be used by the elementary students during "indoor recess" on the coldest days of winter.

#### 'Share the Warmth'

Donations of warm garments for the St. Regis Indian Reservation in northern New York are being accepted through Friday, Feb. 3, as part of the "Share The Warmth" clothing drive. Students and families of A.W. Becker Elementary School are joining with members of other Capital

Americans in need of warm clothing.

Donations of clean, undamaged attending A.W. Becker Elementary - clothing suitable for outdoor wear should be accompanied by a donation of 25 cents to cover the cost of shipping. Volunteers are needed to sort the clothing. For, information call Donna Crisafulli at 767-2405.

#### Bear friends honored

To culminate a week of Teddy Bear songs, poems, stories and activities, Mrs. Kordich's prefirst class at Ravena Elementary School held a Teddy Bear picnic, complete with "bear" snacks and Teddy Bear guests. While picnicking, the students were surprised when a knock on the door brought a special delivery letter from the

#### Dinosaurs visit school

During the week of Jan. 6, the kindergarten and pre-first classes at Ravena Elementary School had a visit from Mrs. Emery of the Scotia-Glenville Museum. Emerv shared her knowledge of dinosaurs by showing slides and fossils. The presentation marked the beginning of a two-week unit on dinosaurs.

#### School selected for pilot

Pieter B. Coevmans Elementary District school and church School has been selected by the communities to assist Native state Department of Education to

serve as a pilot in the second phase of a congruence project. The project was designed to provide better coordination of programs intended to improve academic performance for students who need reading remediation.

Louise Nuccio and Joanne Chase, both remedial teachers, will work with classroom teachers in planning and implementing teaching strategies to boost reading skills. As the program develops, it will focus on staff flexibility, a commitment to an integrated reading/language arts program, and a planned approach to sharing information concerning students, according to Nancy Andress, director of special programs and instructional services.

overcrowding in the district school will be "aggravated" by future development, he said. "All they've done is delayed the day of reckoning.

Sengenberger found the "apparent apathy appalling," noting that only 2,021 people, or about 20 percent of the eligible voters, turned out to vote.

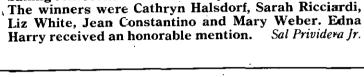
The board will look at some for drinking, driving short-term solutions, including moving the kindergarten classes out of the Ravena Elementary School, he said.

"I don't feel that the voters demonstrated a mandate one way or the other. . . there's no clear message to read into the vote. . . we will be back with another proposal," Sengenberger said.

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## Police arrest four

Bethlehem police arrested four drivers on misdemeanor driving while intoxicated charges in separate incidents this week.

An 18-year-old Ravena man was arrested early Sunday morning for DWI on Re. 9W after he was stopped for a faulty muffler, police said. He was also charged with criminal possession of stolen property, resisting arrest, unlawful possession of marijuana and unlicensed operation, police said.

A 23-year-old Glenmont woman was arrested for DWI on Rt. 9W near Rt. 32 early Saturday morning after she was stopped for failure to keep right, police said. She was charged after she failed pre-screening device and field sobriety tests, police said.

A 20-year-old Massachusetts man was charged with driving while intoxicated early Friday morning after he was stopped for speeding on Delaware Ave., police

Bethlehem police also arrested a 43-year-old Albany man for DWI after he was stopped for failure to keep right on Rt. 85 last Tuesday morning.

#### Board of Appeals cancels

There will be no Bethlehem Board of Appeals meeting Wednesday (tonight). The next regular meeting of the board will be Feb.

#### Sweet Adelines sing valentines

The River Valley chapter of the Sweet Adelines Inc. will deliver singing valentines within the Capital District area from Sunday through Tuesday, Feb. 12 through 14, for a \$25 tax-deductible donation.

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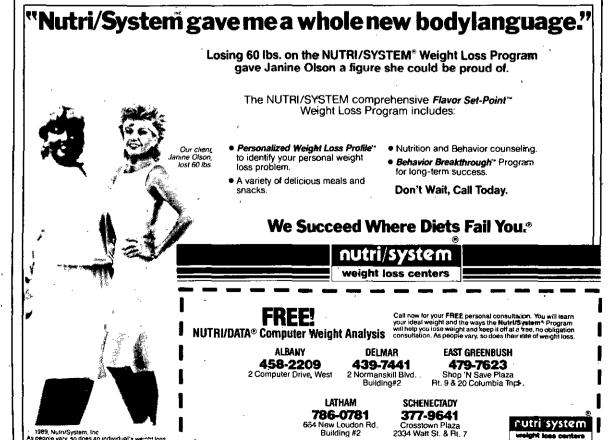
#### IRS offers assistance

The Internal Revenue Service has announced toll-free numbers and office hours for obtaining assistance during the 1989 filing

General information may be obtained by calling 1-800-424-1040, between 8:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. on weekdays, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturdays, and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays. Details regarding forms and publications may be obtained by calling 1-800-424-FORM, between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on weekdays. Recorded tax tapes may be heard by calling 1-800-554-4477.







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## Inspection shows repeat violations

By Sal Prividera Jr.

The Voorheesville Central School District received its annual fire inspection report outlining several violations and offering a reminder of violations from last year's

The inspections, required annually by the State Education Department, were conducted by New Scotland Building Inspector Paul Cantlin and Voorheesville Building Inspector Jerry Gordinier.

The inspectors found the elementary school cafeteria doors do not swing in the path of egress and lack panic hardware, some emergency escape windows are inadequate and exit doors are chained at night. These items also were found to be non-conforming during the 1987-88 school year inspection and will be addressed by the district in its proposed facilities bond issue or by the 1989-90 operating budget.

Other violations at the elementary school include unused ducts between two class rooms that are not closed off, lack of a telephone that can be used by anyone during an emergency, combustible items stored near the boiler room exit. props stored in the stage area, waste flammable liquids stored inside the bus garage and the storage of combustibles at the bus garage in a room that does not have a one-hour fire rating.

Additionally, the district has to provide proof that the windows in the building have the proper glazing, proof that a written procedure for the evacuation of the building is posted and certification that the stage curtains are fire resistant.

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Chained exit doors at night and weekends, lack of proper emergency exits from the courtyard, cafeteria exits in the same smoke zone and the storage of portable bleachers in the gym hallway at the high school were cited by the inspectors for the second time.

Other violations included emergency escape windows that are an inadequate size, a boiler room chase area without a one-hour fire rated door, no exit lights above the pool room exits and no exit signs in the cafeteria.

The district also has to provide the fire department with a list of all hazardous materials in the building and certification the high school windows have the proper glazing and the stage curtains are fire resistant.

The high school pool filter room was also cited for lack of ventilation and drainage systems for the liquid chlorine stored

#### Lenten services scheduled

-On Ash Wednesday, Feb. 8, area churches will hold services to celebrate the beginning of Lent.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 75 Whitehall Rd., Albany, will hold a service at 7 p.m., with the theme. "Come Home to Iesus." During the remaining Wednesday evenings of Lent, St. Matthew's will offer a series of meditations at 7 p.m., followed by Bible study at 8 p.m.

The Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, will hold noon services during Wednesdays of the Lenten season.

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## Asbestos removal

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asbestos management plan. "We don't have an option. . . the state (Education Department) says remove asbestos expeditiously,' she said.

The contingency amount may increase to include fire code compliance violations found during the 1988-89 report given to the Wednesday. (See board last related story.)

All of the contingent work is included in the \$8.9 million 20year bond issue the district will put before voters on a tentative date of April 13. During the meeting, board member Steven Screiber raised the possibility of presenting the bond issue to the public as a number of proposals rather than as a single issue. The board discussed the possibility briefly, but made no decision.

Board member John McKenna called the impact of the contingency items on the taxes associated with a single year's operating budget "dramatic," while Board member David Teuten said the impact would be "unbelievable."

Meanwhile, the district has released its preliminary budget proposal for 1989-90 in the first draft stage. The \$9,493,070 total is an increase from last year's annual operating budget of \$7.6 million. In a departure from recent policy, the preliminary figure was released by the district in a mailing in an effort to increase community involvement in the budget process.

By declaring the asbestos and code items contingent, the board was able to direct its asbestos consultant and architect to let bids for the entire bond issue project and the contingent items, so that the asbestos work could proceed this summer whether the bond issue was successful or not.

If the bond issue fails, removal of asbestos from elementary school classrooms could become a contingency item in the 1990-91 budget. The project is estimated to cost \$589,400.

#### Asbestos removal

The asbestos removal work stems from the state and federally mandated Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), which required all school districts to conduct asbestos testing and develop a management plan for handling any of the carcinogenic material found.

The management plan written by Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI) was unanimously approved by the board and will now be filed with the state Education Department. It calls for the asbestos removal project to begin by July 9, 1989, and be completed by June 30, 1990.

In a letter to the district, Joseph Conroy of PSI told Superintendent "Professional Louise Gonan. Services Industries, Inc. highly recommended that the spray-on (asbestos-containing) surfacing material be removed as soon as funds become available.'

Conroy said the asbestos found at the elementary school was given a response rank of three (significantly damaged friable surfacing asbestos containing material) and that the district had more time to handle the problem because of the low potential for contact, vibration, air erosion and disturbance.

The junior-senior high school was given a response rank of one (damaged or significantly damaged friable thermal system insulation) due to the high potential for contact, air erosion and disturbance. Many of the ceilings in the building have spray on asbestoscontaining surfacing material, which has been damaged by

"It is therefore our opinion that the high school has a higher priority than the elementary · Conroy wrote. This recommendation resulted in the high school work being declared a contingency for this summer.

PSI found 12 areas of the high school to be significantly damaged and 30 areas "damaged with the potential for significant damage,' Conroy said. The company recommended removal of asbestos from all of the areas.

An initial response program was recommended by PSI, calling for air sample testing of the 42 areas; all were found to be below the action level of .1 fibers per cubic centimeter of air set by OSHA. The EPA standard of .01 fibers per cubic centimetér set under AHERA was exceed by 29 of the identified areas, Conroy said. Retesting was conducted after wipe down and vacuuming with all areas being found to be less than the transmission electronic microscopy standard AHERA, Conroy said.

PSI recommended a maintenance program to be conducted until removal can be accomplished, including daily inspections by trained district maintenance personnel and bi-monthly testing.

Gonan said all district custodians have received 14 hours of asbestos training and the head custodian at the elementary school had completed a three-day training course. Since the district's LEA asbestos coordinator, Gene Grasso, is leaving the district and his replacement has not been named, Gonan said she will be assuming that role.

#### Code compliance

Since the 1987-88 fire inspection report was filed with the State Education Department, the district has been operating without a certificate of occupancy from the state.

The report found several violations in both district buildings and due to the expense of correcting the items the district decided to include the work in the bond issue.

In the elementary school, the cafeteria doors were found to swing in rather than in the path of egress, emergency escape windows in portions of the building were found to be inadequate, lack of panic hardware on some exit doors and some exit doors are chained closed on nights and weekends due to the condition of the locks. district was also cited for lack of second means of egress from the auditorium.

The high school was also cited by inspectors due to exit doors being chained closed.

The district has set dates for two information meetings on the proposed bond issue. Meetings will be held Feb. 27 at the elementary school and Mar. 14 at the high school. The work proposed for both buildings will be discussed at both meetings.

#### Grange sponsors pancake supper

A pancake supper, sponsored by the Bethlehem Grange, will be held at the Grange Hall, Rt. 396, on Saturday, Feb. 4, beginning at 3 p.m.

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## Swim program begins

The pool at Clayton A. Bouton unior-Senior High School will be pen for recreational swimming n Feb. 5 and 12, March 5, 12 and 9, and April 2 and 9, from 2 until p.m., according to Richard reyer, swim program director. he pool will be closed during chool vacations and on Easter

The fee per day will be \$1 for dults and 50 cents for students. ach non-swimmer should be ccompanied by an adult. For iformation call 765-3314.

#### Boy Scouts serving dinner

Boy Scouts from Voorheesville roop 73 will hold a pancake apper on Saturday, Feb. 4, from :30 until 7:30 p.m, at the merican Legion Hall on Voorhees-

Tickets for the dinner are \$3 for dults and \$2 for children. ickets are available from all couts or at the door. According to coutmaster Joe Colburn, the inner is the only event sponsored y the scouts to raise funds uring the year. All are invited.

#### **Boy Scouts invited**

On Boy Scout Sunday, Feb. 5, wo village churches will hold pecial services. All Boy Scouts nd Cub Scouts are invited to ear their uniforms and attend ther the 10 a.m. service at the irst United Methodist Church of oorheesville or the 10 a.m. Mass St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

#### Registration opens

Registration for the Voorheesville entral School District's spring ontinuing education program ill be held on Monday and Vednesday, Feb. 6 and 8, from 7 ntil 9 p.m., in the main foyer of layton A. Bouton Junior-Senior igh School. Mail-in registration ill be held between Feb. 6 and 11.

Approximately 30 courses will e offered to residents of the strict and surrounding communies. Included will be courses in uilting, stenciling, tole painting, edlework, floral design, swiming, basketball, exercise, volleyall, smoking withdrawal, sharper nage, keyboarding and dog edience. One-night courses will clude country rag baskets, and mily and personal budgeting. A ne-day Teddybear Workshop ill also be offered. Course fees ry and are due at the time of gistration.

According to Jim Hladun, rogram director, all residents of ne district will soon receive rochures detailing the courses. or information call 765-3314, etween 1 and 4 p.m.

Most courses will begin during ne week of Feb. 13.

#### T-ball program announced

A T-ball league for students in ndergarten through grade 2 will sponsored by the Kiwanis Club New Scotland this spring. The ogram will begin during April.



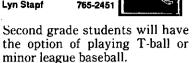
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Registration for T-ball, baseball and softball will be held during the week of Feb. 27 through March 4. Information sheets will be sent home with students during February. For information call Ron White at 765-3639.

#### Library volunteers sought

Even though the Big Move is over, volunteers are still needed to prepare for the grand opening of the Voorheesville School District Public Library on Feb. 13. Anyone interested serving as a volunteer may call the library at 765-2791.

Stewart's Bread and Butter Shop of Voorhees ville is sponsoring a matching funds program for the benefit of the library moving fund. All are invited to make donations through Feb. 12.

#### Library board plans meeting

The monthly meeting of the library board will be held on Monday, Feb. 6, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the new library at Prospect St. and Depot Rd. All are welcome.

#### Church holds family night

Second grade students and others planning to receive First Communion in May are invited to a Mardi Gras family night at St. Matthew's Church on Tuesday, Feb. 7. The evening will include games and desserts. For information call Lyn Stapf at 765-2451.

#### Town historians meet

The New Scotland Historical Association will hold a meeting at the New Scotland Town Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 7, beginning at 8 p.m. Town Historian Robert Parmenter who will present "An Old-time Tour of New Scotland." All are welcome.

#### SPIRIT sponsors dance

Special People Involved Rebuild Interest Together (SPIRIT) will sponsor a Valentine's Dance on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 8 p.m. until midnight, at the high school. Music will be provided by John

All adults, as well as students in grades 7 through 12, are welcome. Admission will be \$5.

#### Nursery school meeting set

The Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will offer information to parents of fouryear-old children at the church social hall on Monday, Feb. 6, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Applications for the upcoming year are due by Feb. 13, when a lottery will be held to determine next year's class. For information call Sue Vanderwarker at 861-6457.

#### Seniors offered tax aid

The American Association of Retired Persons will provide tax preparation assistance to senior citizens at Voorheesville Village Hall on Mondays, March 13, 20 and 27, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. For an appointment, call the village office at 765-2692.

#### Guidance meetings announced

Parents of eighth grade students at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School have been invited to meet with members of the school's guidance department on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 3 p.m. and on Thursday, Feb. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

During the meetings, parents will be introduced to options for their children's high school program. For information call 765-3314.

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#### Winter festival announced

The John Boyd Thacher State Park will hold its winter festival on Sunday, Feb. 5, beginning at 6 a.m. with an ice fishing contest at the Thompson's lake Campsite.

Other activities will include

horse-drawn sleigh rides at 10:30 a.m., cross-country ski lessons and tours, a snowshoeing workshop, sculpting contests, hayrides and exhibits.

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## Heldervale residents voice concerns

By Cathi Anne M. Cameron

Residents of the Heldervale and Mason Lane area turned out in force last Tuesday night to tell the New Scotland Planning Board board that the perception that "a majority of the families in our neighborhood are not concerned about Heldervale IV" was definitely "incorrect."

. According to a letter the residents presented the board, "The owners of Heldervale IV property have every right to develop this land so long as the impact of the development does not infringe on the rights of others. Several key issues brought up by citizens concerning this subdivision have not, in our opinion, been adequately addressed by the town planning board.'

The issues concerning the area residents are drainage, traffic and the proposed use of Transvap sewer systems in the 17 houses

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Representing the developer, Ken Johnson of Standard Engineering later said that he thought his presentation to the board "generally went pretty Johnson explained that while he did not know all of the background behind the water systems in the area, he felt 'positive" about what response he would receive from the Department of Health on the transvap systems, and that once that was resolved, there would be no further problems. "Most of the people there were there about drainage and other problems,' Johnson said. "They weren't opposed to the subdivision itself." Johnson also noted that "we are putting in grinder pump systems,

in case Bethlehem or New Scotland will let us tie into their sewer system. But so far they've said no.

"If they are putting in sewer that would make up Heldervale hookups, that's the proof right there that they know the transvaps aren't going to work,' said Jean Llope, a longtime resident of the area.

> "I've been through everything in the 45 years I've lived here. Llope said. "When we moved here, there was still a one-room schoolhouse. We didn't even have school buses. I've had to pay for a sewer district. I even had to pay to have my whole basement dug up, at my expense, to have the sewer hooked up. No provisions have been made for the run-off, the stench when those systems go flooie. That already happened to us here seven years ago. We were forced to put in grinder systems, and then they tell Liviano (the developer) he can put intransvaps?"

Llope told the board that she "would not recommend to my worst enemy to buy that property," and told the developer, seated in the audience, trying to do you a favor."Llope said that she thought that the board was "slightly more receptive to the residents" views than they had been, and that 'perhaps we can be encouraged.'

Jay Bloomfield, a Westover Rd. resident, was not as encouraged. "The planning board doesn't seem to look at these things in a town-wide perspective, with views on how this will be several years down the line," said Bloomfield, one of four responsible for the letter and 52 signature petition presented to the board.

Bloomfield did not levy all the blame on the town of New Scotland. "We are at the whims of two towns. It doesn't make much sense. Bethlehem is considering all of the units involved in the Price Chopper development, but it

won't include 17 more houses?"

Bloomfield also voiced concern over what he sees as the unconcerned decisions of the Albany County Department of Health, to whom the planning board sends many items for review. "They seem to be beyond the voters' and the planning board's reach," Bloomfield said.

Bloomfield said that "they should continue to push for the (sewer) district. My major concern is saddling land owners with waste water management because the system continues to flood and fail. Once you have a system in, it is very hard to change it." He added that, "I am disheartened. I'm almost resigned to it being approved.

Planning Board Chairman Robert Hampston made it clear to the full house that "the health department has no authority to require a central system in this case, and the developer has been required to put in dry sewers for future development.

In other matters, the planning board:

- Unanimously approved a site plan doubling the size of the Camp Pinnacle dining room to a capacity of 360.
- Reviewed a site plan by architect Jim Holtz for FJE Enterprises Home Center to be located on the former Mayfair Drive-In site. The existing storage building will be torn down after construction. Owner Frank Mesiti requested that the board approve a change for the existing building to be moved to 200 feet to obtain Bethlehem water, explaining that Bethlehem has said it would provide the hook-up if the town recommended the footage. The board requested final contours and drainage plans be sent to C.T. Male, the town's planning consultant, for review before final approval.

 Reviewed à request by John Divine on behalf of Norman and Donna Lynn Warrells seeking a change of occupancy but continuation of retail business for the former Cape Cod Fence Company site. The Warrells plan to operate a craft and sewing goods store on the site. The board specified that the site plan approval would be contingent on driveway cuts parking, and landscaping plans. Divine said the seller would remove all swimming pools, fill, grade and clean the property before the closing date at the end of February. Building Inspector Paul Cantlin will review the site plan. "Tell your client we are delighted you are making improvements," Hampston added.

 Discussed a subdivision proposal by James Coffin for Rt. 85, entering New Salem. The board requested a long form report under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) before any further consideration.

• Reviewed the response of developer Robert Mitchell to an Environmental Assessment Form for his proposed subdivision on Pinnacle Hill Rd. The board will not take furtheraction until water, sewer and drainage information had been reviewed by C.T. Male.

#### Financial planner speaks at library

The Tri-Village Welcome Wagon will present Glenn Garver, financial planning specialist, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, on Monday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m.

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"There is a tremendous need or them. People psychologically have a negative attitude, so we will just have to educate them.'

Supervisor Herbert Reilly was peaking about homes for the nentally retarded and developnentally disabled, and the ducation he hopes to provide New Scotland residents via his newly appointed Site Selection

The Committee, which held its rst meeting last Wednesday ight, includes John Breeze of lingerlands, Ed Lukomski of oorheesville, Nancy Phelan of larksville and Dorothy Sacco of oorheesville.

"I just thought it was something could do for my community,' aid Nancy Phelan. "And since we re in the community, we have an dea of sale signs and locations. If ve can come to the board nformed, and talk to the eighbors in the localities, we can nake things much more digestible or the community.

Phelan added that the committee ad talked about how quickly a proposed site on East Rd. had een rejected by the community. The last time the state came in nd said 'here it is, you have 40 lays to tell us why not.' We want he opportunity to make them see why' instead.'

Ed Lukomski, executive director the Association for Retarded hildren (ARC) in Albany thought nat the meeting was "Very ositive. New Scotland is the only rea that I know of that doesn't ave a residential program in the ounty. Altamont, Guilderland, avena, Albany, Bethlehem all ave programs. Bethlehem I nink has five or six. New cotland is the only one that Lukomski attributed hat to what he calls "the fear of ie unknown.

"There is no one to talk to in ew Scotland to find out what ood neighbors we make. At town neetings we always invite people, ut rarely does anyone take us up our offer to come and see. It's ne fear of the unknown. Our ommittee's purpose will be to ainstream information, to make available and understandable or the board to make clear

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Lukomski said it will be very diverse as the range of abilities in important to provide enough information so that the existing are as high as people who are 'we welcome these people, but not normal." He also addressed the next to us' sentiment can be property value question. "0 can changed. "There are many say that there are hundreds of studies that say no property studies throughout the country values are affected. Because of that bear out that community our annual funding and state residences have no effect on a inspections, we are often the best property's exchange in the maintained house on the block. marketplace. I would be more Once we move in, people tend to than happy to share any of this forget we are there.

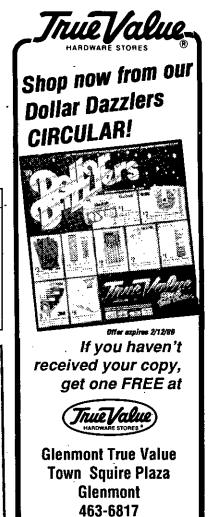
"In a way, it's the people with the NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) syndrome who are the ones additional information. with the handicap," Lukomski

Wednesday night, the committee saw a videotaped presentation from the Oswald D. Heck/Eleanor counties who are residents. We Roosevelt Developmentally Disabled Services Offices titled "Right at Home, Right in the Neighborhood." Ed Solomon, director of program development for the office, who will present a similar program at the Feura Bush Neighborhood Association Wednesday (tonight), explained that New Scotland would be considered for either a community residence program, or an intermediate care facility program.

A community residence provides 24-hour supervised living to its residents, when they are not in a day program — at the center, in a handicapped workshop, or in mainstream employment.

An intermediate care facility provides the same 24-hour care, but with the addition of clinical staff - psychiatrists, occupational and physical therapists, nurses or whatever the group needs. According to Solomon, needs are a very important part of the formula. "Right now we are just saying to the town that we are interested in the area. We have to make sure that we have access to transportation and employment opportunities for our residents. We have 130 municipalities in our six-county region, so while we are interested in New Scotland. it's not the only municipality we are interested in.

Solomon also made it clear that the range of abilities of the center's clients were "just as



## Man arrested in bayonet incident

Bethlehem police and Albany County sheriff's deputies have filed multiple charges against a 35-year-old New Scotland man after he allegedly threatened a man with a bayonet Saturday evening at the Auberge-Suisse Restaurant on Rt. 85. A deputy received minor injuries in the

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Bethlehem police arrested an

18-year-old Schenectady man for

stripping an automobile parked in

the municipal parking lot on

The arrest was made after an

officer observed a car bumper

sticking out of a car parked on

Hudson Ave., police said. The

man was also charged with

criminal possession of burglar's

tools, criminal possession of

stolen property and unlawful

possession of marijuana, all

misdemeanor charges, police said.

upon," Reilly said.

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Police arrest man

for stripping car

Adams St. Saturday.

Reilly said he felt that the

John Hoffman was arrested on felony assault charges and misdemeanor charges of fourthdegree criminal possession of a weapon, resisting arrest and menacing, deputies said.

Bethlehem police said Officer Chris Bowdish responding to the scene just past the town line found Hoffman behind the restaurant pacing and allegedly yelling "I'm going to do you." According to police reports, he then drew out a 24-inch bayonet and started walking toward the restaurant. The Bowdish then drew his service revolver and ordered Hoffman to stop and drop his weapon, police said.

Police said Hoffman then turned toward Bowdish with the bayonet raised. The officer then ordered him to stop for a second time and told him he would use force to stop him. Police said Hoffman threw the bayonet to the ground and ran.

He was caught by Bowdish, who was then assisted by a sheriff's deputy and the Bethlehem K-9 unit, police said. While the officers were attempting to restrain Hoffman, he allegedly struck deputy Sgt. Thomas Russo in the face, police said.

Russo was treated for his injuries at St. Peter's Hospital, deputies said.

Hoffman was arraigned in Berne Town Court and remanded to Albany County Jail without bail, deputies said.

Further charges are pending and the investigation into the incident will continue, deputies

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## Voorheesville girls in the thick of it

By Matt Hladun

With just four games left in the season, the Voorheesville girls basketball team find themselves in a tight race for the Colonial Council title. After a much needed victory over Mechanicville last week, the Birds are now in a twoway tie for first place with Lansingburgh, each with a 9-2 league record.

The Blackbirds only game last week was against Mechanicville, who was tied with the Ladybirds at that time.

Voorheesville needed a victory

#### Basketball

hands of Cohoes the week before. Fortunately, the "Cohoes Shocker" did not seem to affect them as they jumped out to a 21-8 first quarter lead, and they never looked back. The Red Raiders were unable to pull any closer than 10 points throughout the game, until there were about three minutes left in the game when they cut the lead to seven. But the Birds aggressive play in after suffering a tough loss at the the closing minutes was enough

to hold on for league win Number 10. The final score: 49-43.

The Blackbirds were led by Tricia Carmody, who had 21 points, 19 rebounds, four blocked shots, and four steals. Carey Donahue added ten points, while Tally Bausback contributed to the board work with 10 rebounds.

Next week will be a toughest week of the season, as the Birds travel to Lansingburgh on Tuesday, in a battle for first place. They close out the week by visiting second-place Watervliet, who beat Voorheesville by three points earlier in the season.

## Kaplan steals the show as Lady Eagles down Nisky

By Justin Cresswell

On the surface, it was the Anita Kaplan Show" for the Bethlehem girls varsity basketball team in their matchup with Niskayuna on Saturday.

The sophomore center poured in a season-high 39 points and snared a game-high 14 rebounds to help her team secure a tie for the Suburban Council's Gold Division title with a 59-47 victory over Niskayuna. The win was BC's 10th in a row, improving their record to 10-1 in the league and 14-1 overall. One more win will give the Eagles the outright

against Shaker on Wednesday, or versus Scotia on Saturday. Both games are at home.

Kaplan's output of 39 was eight more than the 31 BC scored as a team in an early season to Niskayuna, the Eagles lone

Although Kaplan's figures show what appears to be a lopsided team effort in the win, it was the exceptionally steady play of guards Amy Koski (10 assists), Leslie Anderson, and Karyn Mendel that proved indispensable to the Eagles. The three showed division title. They will have the their worth in breaking Niska-

opportunity to clinch either yuna's tough full-court man-toman pressure. Once broken, the trap left Niskayuna spread out. Bethlehem took advantage of this and connected on 56 percent of their field goal attempts.

> Even though Niskayuna never held the lead, they played hard throughout the entire contest. At the beginning of the fourth period, they got as close as 43-39, but the visiting Eagles hit 73 percent (8-11) of their shots in that quarter to turn back Niskayuna. BC Coach Bill Warner said his team's superb conditioning enabled them to rise to the occasion late in the

## RCS spikers still unbeaten

By Josh Curley

After rocking Cohoes in a league game last Wednesday, the RCS girls volleyball team played their best all year at a Plattsburgh Tournament Saturday.

Ravena defeated Cohoes 15-4, 15-3 to run their Colonial Council record to 13-0. The Indians relied

almost exclusively on their nonstarters, who handled the situation with obvious ease. RCS was led offensively by Melissa Skipper, Hope Ackert, Krissy Gottesman and Erika Warnstadt. Gottesman and Warnstadt were the "serving specialists", serving 13 for 13 and 11 for 11 respectively.

Last weekend, Ravena traveled

to the Canadian border to compete among some of the best volleyball schools in the state. The Indians advanced through the first three rounds of the tournament defeating such North Country teams as-Plattsburgh, Saranac and Northeast Clinton.

RCS then met its competition in the semi-finals. Northern Adirondack and Ravena battled it out for nearly an hour and and a half in what Coach Ron Racey termed a "slug-fest". The Indians won the first game 15-11 but then fell to Northern Adirondack 12-15. The deciding game of the best of three matchup was "outstanding" volleyball in Coach Ronald Racey's opinion. Northern Adirondack ended up the victors in the 45minute game, 17-15.

Racey said he felt it was the best the girls had played all season and was pleased to have fared so well against the powerful North Country schools. Again Ackert provided offensive leader-Senior Dawn Dinardi displayed exceptional all-around skills in offense, defense, service and serve receiving. Fatigued, Northern Adirondack fell to Peru in the finals.

This week Ravena will play their last council game of the season against Waterford. On Saturday, the Indians will host the Colonial Council Tournament.

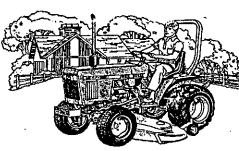
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#### Correction

A photo caption in last week's Bethlehem girls varsity basketball game incorrectly stated that Anita Kaplan had scored her 1,000th career point. Kaplan was correctly identified in the photo but it was Julie Francis who had scored her 1,000th career point during the game as was stated in the corresponding story.

## Birds extend streak to 5

By Kevin Taylor

The Voorheesville wrestling team is finally peaking, but it may be too late. The Blackbirds strung together three more victories last week to extend their season-long winning streak to five matches in

On Tuesday, the Blackbirds traveled to Mechanicville for a league match-up. The Birds dominated early and never looked back en route to a 39-21 victory over the Red Raiders. The Blackbirds lost only three matches in the contest. Winners for the Birds and their weight class were: Josh Vink (98), Tim Reeth (138) and Rick Leach (155) with forfeits. Bob Blanchard (126), Tom Ravida (145) and Chad Hotaling (215) with pins and Chris Dell'Acqua (132) with a decision victory.

Thursday's non-league match against Duanesburg produced some great heroics the Blackbirds. The Birds came out smoking in the beginning with Vink getting a pin in 22 seconds to start the ball rolling for the Blackbirds. Following in Vink's steps the next two Voorheesville wrestlers both pinned their man with ease to increase the Blackbird lead. After a loss by Reeth, Ravida and Leach both picked up forfeits to secure the lead. Then, at 167, came the most exciting dual in the match. Blackbird Paul Novak looked to be on his way to defeat with 20 seconds left in the match, when he scored four quick points to pull out a 6-4 decision,. Hotaling then picked up a forfeit at 215 to round out the Blackbirds scoring. The final score was 39-24.

On Friday, the Birds faced a formidable non-league opponent in Schoharie. Vink's forfeit at 98 put the Blackbirds ahead 12-6. Following that the Birds gave away to forfeit and lost the net two matches to fall into what seemed to be a pretty deep hole. Then the Voorheesville seniors took control with Dell'Acqua getting a pin and Ravida's 11-1 decision gave the Birds a bonus point because Ravida won by more than eight points. After that Leach won a hard-fought 3-1 decision and Novak got a technical fall to bring the Blackbirds back from nowhere. When eighth-grader Trampas Talavera was pinned the Blackbirds fell behind by five points with only one match remaining, the heavyweight class. The only way the Blackbirds could win was

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#### Wrestling

if Chad Hotaling pinned his man. Through two periods it didn't seem Hotaling had what it would take to get the pin, but midway through the final period he came to life as he took advantage of a mistake by the Schoharie wrestler and put him on his back. Less than 10 seconds later he got the pin and the Blackbird bench erupted to congratulate their teammate. Hotaling's pin gave the Blackbirds a 31-30 victory.

With these three victories the Birds are at the .500 mark for the year (7-7-1) and broke that mark in the league with the win at Mechanicville (4-3), which is good enough for third in the Colonial Council.

This week the Blackbirds travel to Schalmont (second place in the league) on Thursday for their final league match and then go to Mechanicville on Saturday for the Colonial Council Tournament, which the Blackbirds should fare well in.

#### Woman charged for drug possession

Bethlehem police arrested a 19year-old Glenmont woman on misdemeanor unlawful possession of marijuana charges Saturday

Police said the woman was observed throwing several items out of her car near the Petrol station on Rt. 9W. The items were recovered and found to be a small bag containing marijuana and a package of rolling papers, police



Bethlehem's Chrissy Mann placed first in Saturday's all-around competition.

## BC gymnasts led by Mann

By Kevin Schoonover

In their last home meet this season, Bethlehem hosted Guilderland and Scotia for BC's best showing yet with a record high for this year of 96.2 total team score. In the end, BC lost to Guilderland but beat Scotia.

, BC was lead by Chrissy Mann. Chrissy

placed first on the bars, first on the vault, third on the floor, second on the beam, and first in the all-around. Amy Shafer placed first on floor, fourth on vault, fourth on beam, and third allaround. Maggie Franze placed fourth on beam.

This Saturday BC will face Saratoga and Niskayuna at Niskayuna.

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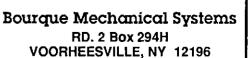
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## BC matmen down Guilderland, Scotia

By John Bellizzi III

BC's varsity wrestling team brought their record back up to .500 last week, improving to 4-4 league (6-6 overall) with Suburban Council dual meet victories over Guilderland and Scotia.

Tonight, Shenendehowa will face the Eagles at BCHS, marking the final dual meet of the 1988-89 season. This evening's dual is not only an opportunity for the Eagles to finish the year with a winning record, but also looks to be the best shot Bethlehem Central has at defeating the Plainsmen in recent years. After the dual meet

campaign is over, Bethlehem's varsity grapplers will be challenged by post-season tournament competition, which begins Saturday with the Suburban Council Invitational Tournament at Colonie, and continues the following weekend with the Class A Sectional Tournament at Niskayuna.

Friday evening the Eagles defeated Guilderland 52-18 at the varsity level. BC team captains Pat Leamy, John Gallogly and Paul Vichot led the team with pins at 126, 145 and 167 pounds. Mike Leamy won by a 10-2 major decision at 132. Pete Bragaw Dutchmen in a key 155-pound to BC. bout, and Eric Brown won a decision at 119. Bethlehem's scoring was bolstered by four

Scotia fell to Bethlehem's varsity 50-27 that same evening. The Tartans won the 91-pound match by decision, but the Eagles took the lead as sophomore Marc Baizman pinned his opponent in the 98-pound bout. Jeremy Hartnett wrestled another key match at 112, tying Scotia standout Mike DiCaprio 2-2. Brown won by a technical fall, and Pat and Mike Leamy both secured pins. Gallogly won his match by default, and the

decisioned Chip Foster of the Tartans forfeited 155, 167 and 177

Several Eagle junior varsity matmen performed admirably at the first annual Bethlehem Central Junior Varsity Wrestling Classic held at BCHS last Saturday. First-year wrestler Anish Shah was the 91-pound champion. After both the regular match and three overtime periods ended in a tie in the 138-pound finals, Darryn Fiske was defeated by a referee's criteria decision, taking second place. Among BC's other place winners were Kevin Schoonover, Kevin Freeman, Mike Roney, Eric Newdom, Mike

Genovese, and Scott Stefanik, who all placed third. The JV Eagles are 8-1 (11-1 overall) going into tonight's final dual meet against Shenendehowa. This Saturday, Bethlehem will finish off the JV season at the highly competitive Amsterdam Tournament, billed by many as the equivalent of Sectional competition at the junior varsity level.

Last Friday, the BC freshman wrestling team continued their successful season with a victory over Ravena, in which the Eagles won all but one bout. The frosh Eagles wind up their season this

## Moser optimistic for Shaker rematch

Last Friday's close and disappointing loss to Niskayuna evened the Bethlehem boys basketball team's record at five wins and five losses in its last 10 games, a promising tally that has BC coach Jack Moser as optimistic

"We're now playing teams closely that earlier in the season just blew us out. We see a lot of improvements." said Moser.

The first time Bethlehem met Nisky this season, the Eagles lost

by 20 points and left the court sorely defeated after being shown up in a home game.

But last week's rematch saw a more competitive game from the orange and black, as they tightened their defense significantly and played the home team even harder offensively. The lead change hands rapidly throughout the first quarter, while the second quarter was slightly more in Bethlehem's favor. At the half, BC led 29-25. The third quarter, however, Niskayuna rallied to narrow the Eagle lead to just two points, a slight lead the Eagles enjoyed until midway through the fourth

It was then that the lead started to seesaw between the two teams even more quickly than before. Though both teams kept their offensive efforts strong, each had set up formidable defensive barriers that served to keep the game's point total fairly low.

By the time the buzzer sounded, Nisky had slipped ahead by three points to end to the game 48-45.

"I was a little disappointed, but

mostly I was pleased with our effort: We just missed some key shots and they didn't. It could have gone either way. It was really anýbody's game." said Moser, who added that although the team had collectively played extremely well, there were outstanding performances from Sean McDermott and John Reagan, both of whom have been steady and consistent contributors to the Eagle's comeback.

Tuesday Bethlehem will face Shaker, a team which Moser notes as having improved considerably since they first defeated BC earlier in the season. Of particuliar concern might be the team's star forward, Cory Anderson. The threat, however, seems to hold little terror for Moser.

"We just have to play our game the way we want to play it and not worry about them. If we do that I think we'll be okay''

Friday BC will take on Scotia, a team with a poor record but with a potential that shouldn't be underestimated, as they drove the Eagles into double overtime earlier in the season.

## RCS bounds against Lansingburgh

By Curt VanDerzee

Last week there seemed to be two different Ravena teams on the basketball court. On Tuesday they looked like they had never played a game of basketball in their lives but then on Friday, they played perhaps their best game of the year. Unfortunately, they lost both of the games to drop their record to 6-7 in the league and 9-7 overall.

On Tuesday, the Indians came: out flat against an underrated and improving Lansingburgh team. With Chuck Snyder hitting from the outside and with 6-10" newcomer Jerome More grabbing rebounds at both ends of the court, the Knights outscored Ravena 21-9 in the second quarter to take a 30-22 halftime lead. Lansingburgh then held on for a 54-50 win, despite the fact that Ravena's Jim Rexford hit five of

New Salem

seven three-pointers in a desperate comeback attempt. Rexford led the Indians with 21 points and Phil Nicewonger added 10.

Going into Friday's game the

Indians were without Jason Tucker and Tony Cary and appeared to be in over their heads. Instead they came out and played some of the best basketball they have played all year. Using a hustling, tenacious defense and a good, if somewhat inconsistent offense, the Indians trailed 13-11 at the end of the first quarter. But in the second quarter V'liet took over and held a commanding 28-17 lead that was capped off by an Andre Cook three-pointer at the buzzer. Instead of dying, like most everybody in Watervliet expected them to do, the Indians came back behind Nicewonger and Tony Johnston, who scored all seven of his points in the third quarter. Ravena outscored V'liet 17-7 in

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the third quarter to narrow the gap to 35-34. The game went back and fourth in the fourth quarter with V'liet taking the lead for good with 1:29 to go on a threepoint play by Tony Fruscio.

Nicewonger led Ravena with 13 points overall. Coach James Gorham said he was very pleased with Johnston who gave "110 percent" the whole game.

This week the Indians will play their last two home games of the year as they take on two of the top three teams in the league. On Tuesday Waterford comes to town and on Friday they will host Schalmont. Coach Gorham will be trying to snap their three-game losing streak and to build some momentum for the sectionals.

## Washburn brothers lead Guilderville

By Zack Kendall

The Guilderville boys swim team's five-meet unbeaten streak may have been broken by Shenendehowa last Thursday in a 29-47 sinking, but they didn't win everything: Shen's Green Machine didn't have a chance against the Washburn brothers.

Gary Washburn dominated the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 23.67 and Dave Washburn took first in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 103.96.

first in the 100-yard breaststroke finished third.

with a time of 109.22; and the victory of the 400-yard freestyle relay team of Washburn, Tyrell, Bowden, and Washburn, in

Joe Tyrell took second in the 100-yard freestyle and third in the 50-yard freestyle. Dave Washburn placed second in the 200-yard freestyle and Seth Rose came in second in the 500-yard freestyle. Bowden took second in the 200-yard individual medley (IM). The 200-yard medley relay The other highlights for team of Seth Rose, Stephan Csiza, Guilderville were Scott Bowden's Matt Kost and Mike Dugan

## Dolfins swim at Canajoharie

Fifteen Delmar Dolfins competed in the Canajoharie Developmental Swim Meet Jan. 21 at Canajoharie High School.

In the 8 and under group, Becky Fay led the way by placing first in the 100-yard individual medley (IM), fourth in the 25-yard breastroke and sixth in the 25-yard butterfly. Representing the boys, James Veazey finished second in the 100-yard IM, third in the 25-yard freestyle, sixth in the 25-vard breastroke, and was awarded time certificates in the 25-yard backstroke and butterfly.

Andrew Loomis also received a "B" time certificate in the 25-yard butterfly and took sixth in the 100-yard IM.

In the 10 and under category, Cailin Brennan was awarded "B" time certificates in the 100yard IM, 50-yard backstroke, 50-yard butterfly and 50-yard freestyle.

Kimberly Lenhardt received a "B" time certificate in the 50-yard freestyle and placed sixth in the 50-yard breastroke. Gregory Teresi finished sixth in the 100-yard IM. Meg Teresi placed fourth in the 100-yard IM and fifth in the 50-yard freestyle in the 11-12 age group.

Representing the 13-14 year old's, Georgia Butt placed second in the 100-yard freestyle and Nina Teresi took fourth in the 100-yard 100-yard breastroke and sixth in both the 200yard IM and the 100-yard freestyle.

The 10 and under boys' free relay team comprised of Steven Corson, Andrew Loomis, Chris McTighe and Gregory Teresi received a sixth place award in the competition. Strong swimming performances were also turned in by Brian Dowling, Larry Fisher and Christian Teresi.

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Bantam Girls — Nicole McKie 131, 295 triple, Amanda Crewell 124, 336 triple.



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Medical Emergency

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The Town of Bethlehem fire officers meeting will be held on Thursday Feb. 2, at 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Ambulance

The top bowlers for the Elsmere Fire Company on Jan. 15 were Bill Webb, 234-599, and Ann Costigan, 203-474.

The New York State Association of Fire Chiefs will offer a two three-hour seminars for emergency services personnel.

The first seminar, "Suburban and Rural Firefighting.— Today and Tomorrow," will be held at the Elsmere Firehouse on Tuesday, Feb. 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. Admission will be \$5 for NYSAFC members and \$10 for non-members. To register call Edward Costigan, assistant chief, at 439-0654. A second seminar, entitled "Hazardous Materials — The Initial Response," will be offered later in the year.

Area residents are being reminded not to leave fireplaces or woodstoves unattended while they are being used.

#### Girl Scouts selling cookies

Jan. 25

Area Girl Scout Troops will be selling Girl Scout Cookies in the Bethlehem area on Sunday, Feb.

Girl Scout Troop 212 will hold a sale at the Grand Union, Delaware Ave., Delmar, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Girl Scout Troop 806 will hold another sale at the K-Mart in

Seven types of cookies will be offered for \$2.50 per box. For Valley Girl Scout Council at 439-4936.

#### Snowshoeing programs offered

The Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, will hold two snowshoeing programs on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Snowshoes may be rented for \$1.50. To register call 453-1806.

#### Veterans benefits hotline established

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Calgon, Composition TG-IO or equal-approximately 15,000 lbs. The materials required under this specification is a true sodum-zinc molecularly dehydrated glassy phosphate which exhibits acceler ated film formation on metal surfaces over that obtained with sodium hexametaphosphate or polyphosphate mixture when used in water treatment to control corrosion. It shall form a more protective film so that superior results are obtained in overcoming corrosion even when used at only one-half the concentration of sodium hex-ametaphosphate. The protective film forming rate shall be at least three (3) times that obtained using sodium polyhosphates or mixtures

a. Composition
The phosphates shall have the following composition and shall be fused into a homogeneous glass by thermal process:

56.4%±0.3% ZnÔ 10.8%±0.3% Na<sub>.</sub>0 32.8% ph Value, 5% Soln 8.0% The material shall have no chlorine demand.

b. <u>Solubility</u> The material shall be soluble in distilled water to extent of at least 20% or more by weight. Feed so-lution of 10% by weight with tap water containing as much as 250 ppm hardness should be stable for 24 hours. Complete dissolution shall be possible in such tap waters within 3 hours at 70°F, with

continuous stirring. c. Appearance
The material shall be glassy in appearance and shall be in crushed form with 100% passing a 10 mesh screen, or in glass platelet form

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1/16" to 1/4" thick with pieces not over 3" x 3" (State form desired). d. Approval

The material shall be approved for use in potable water supplies. e. <u>Packaging</u>

The material shall be packed in multiple water resistant paper bags containing 50 pounds net or in non-returnable steel drums 50 pounds net.

The bidder shall state name of manufacturer of all products to be furnished, all prices F.O.B. NEW SALEM, N.Y. and indicate that the product conforms to all specifications. Further, to qualify, a bidder must indicate that supplies of chemicals listed shall be available locally to meet any emergency needs which may arise.

Bids will be received up to 2:30 p.m. on the 14, day of February 1989, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. J. Robert Hendrick, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bid shall be in a sealed envelope which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and copy of each bid shall be submitted. It is understood and agreed by each bidder that the provisions of sections 103-1 and 103-b of the general Municipal Law shall be a part of any contract entered into pursuant to this Notice to Bidders.

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BY THE ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM CAROLYN LYONS TOWN CLERK Date: January 25, 1989 (February 2, 1988)

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, NY held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY on the 25th day of January, 1989

PRESENT: Mr. Hendrick, Mrs. Ritchko, Mr. Webster, Mr. Corrigan, Mr. Burns.

The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York does hereby amend the Traffic Ordinance adopted on the 17th day of luby 1969 and lest day of July, 1968, and last amended on the 14th day of December, 1988 as follows:

i. Amend ARTICLE I. STOP IN-TERSECTIONS, by adding two new paragraphs (vvv) and (www) to read as follows:

(vvv) The intersection of Peel Street and University Street is hereby designated as a Stop Intersection with a Stop Sign to be erected on Peel Street at its inter-section with University Street.

(www) The intersection of Sher-brook Drive and University Street is hereby designated as a Stop Intersection with a Stop Sign to be erected on Sherbrook Drive at its intersection with University Street. The forcgoing amendment to the Traffic Ordinance w!ll take, effect ten days after publication.

The foregoing amendment to the

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Traffic Ordinance was presented for adoption byMr. Webster was seconded by Mr. Burns and was duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Hendrick, Mrs. Ritchko, Mr. Webster, Mr. Corrigan, Mr. Burns.

Dated: January 25, 1989. (February 2, 1989)

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites bids for the furnishing of production and printing of the newsletter, <u>Bethle-</u> hem Report, three times during the year 1989.

Bids will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on the 14th day of February, 1989, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes ad-dressed to J. Robert Hendrick, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and ad-dress of the bidder and the subject the bid. Original and one copy each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF

THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM CAROLYN M. LYONS TOWN CLERK Dated: January 25, 1989 (February 2, 1989)

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

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that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Motor Oil for the use of said Town during the year 1989 as and when needed. Bids will be received up to 2:00

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#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Police Uniforms for the Town of Bethlehem Police Department.

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and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Origial and one copy of each bid shall be submit-ted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar,

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM CAROLYN M. LYONS TOWN CLERK Dated: January 25, 1989.

#### (February 2,1989)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Three (3) new 1989 4 door, 6 passenger, 8 cyl, 4-BBL Police Vehicles.

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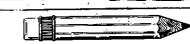
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He was an operating engineer for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 106 for 30 years before retiring in

He was a member of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 of the American Legion

He was a World War II army veteran serving in the 101st Airborne Division and participated in the invasion of Normandy. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

He is survived by four daughters, Joan Murray Smith of Delmar, Marilyn Flores of Albany, Lisa Murray and Shiela Bohl of Glenmont; three sons, John Murray of Burlinton, Vt., Mark Murray of Delmar, and Michael Murray of Glenmont; and six grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

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

#### Herbert Wickham

Herbert G. Wickham, 73, of South Bethlehem died Sunday, Jan. 22, after being stricken at his

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the Security Supply Corp. in South Bethlehem for 25 years.

He was an Army veteran of the Pacific during World War II.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Byer Wickham; a son, Ronald J. Wickham of Ravena; a daughter, Cathleen Hotaling of Slingerlands; and three grandchildren.

Burial will be in the spring at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, South Bethlehem. Arrangements were made by the Applebee Funeral

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Squad.

#### Joyce Dooley

Joyce Dunican Dooley of Selkirk died Wednesday, Jan. 25, in Albany Medical Center after a brief illness. She was 58.

A native of Athol, Mass., she had lived in the Capital District most of her life. For the past 15 years, she had been involved in daycare work for Albany County, and had worked for the Albany County Board of Elections during primary and general elections since 1979.

Survivors include her husband, James Dooley, Sr.; four sons, James Jr. and David, both of Selkirk, and Steven and Thomas. both of Slingerlands; a brother, Rodger Dunican of Westerlo; three sisters, Pearl Goodspeed of. Brimfield, Mass., Nancy Dunican of Schenectady and Helen Staats

### Christopher Mark Oberheim

Christopher Mark Oberheim, 21, the son of Dr. William and Nancy Oberheim of Upper Font Grove Road in Slingerlands, a pre-med major at Colgate University, died in a one-car accident while returning to his campus Thursday.

He would have completed his undergraduate education in June and had made plans to attend medical school following graduation. His academic interests included Biology and English literature. He was an elected member of Beta Beta Beta, the national honor society for Biology students. He was also the recipient of a fellowship in stream ecology during the summer of his junior year, when he studied under. Professor Robert Fuller. His research from that work will be published posthumously this year.

During his freshman year at Colgate he received the academic presidential award for the highest grades in his class.

His athletic interests at college included rugby competition. He was also a downhill skier, a mountain climber, a sky diver, parasailer and

He was a classical musician who studied the piano during high school and performed in public recitals during his college career.

Christopher Oberheim attended Bethlehem Central High School, where he was a national honor society member in his junior and senior year. His athletic achievements include the Eagle Award, given to the most outstanding player on the football team, and a White Letter, awarded to athletes who play three varsity sports. He competed in four varsity sports:



Christopher Oberheim

football, baseball, wrestling and volleyball.

In addition to his parents. Christopher Oberheim is survived by two younger brothers, David and Eric; a younger sister, Nancy Ann, and his grandmother, Mary Boeckler of College Point, N.Y.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Thomas The Apostle Church in Delmar Monday. Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home. Contributions may be made in support of student research to Colgate University, Department of Biology, Hamilton, N.Y., 13346.

#### John T. Pregent

died Tuesday, Jan. 24, at St. Albany County Volunteer Fire-Peter's Hospital after a long

He was employed for 34 years as a switching technician for the New York Telephone Co. in Albany.

Born in Rensselaer, he was a resident of the Albany and Delmar area for most of his life. He was a graduate of St. John's Academy in Rensselaer and served as a staff sergeant in the New York National Guard for ten years from 1954 to 1964.

He was a member of the Marjorie Pregent, both of Delmar.

Elsmere Fire Company A, the El-John T. Pregent, 53, of Delmar smere Wanderers Drill Team, the men's Association, the Hudson Mohawk Volunteer Firemen's Association, the 27th Division Association of the New York National Guard and the New York Telephone Pioneers,

> He was also a member of the St. Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church in Albany.

> He is survived by his wife, Edrie Morris Pregent; a son, John T. Pregent Jr. of Delmar; a daughter, Michelle D. Pregent of Delmar; two sisters, Helen and

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Burial will be in the spring at Betalehem Cemetery, Delmar. Arrangements were made by Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the St. Catherine of Siena Memorial Fund, Albany.

#### Program offers free office skills training

Classes will start Feb. 6 for a free training program for a career involving office skills offered by the Department of Continuing Education of the Adult Learning Center of the Albany City School District.

IBM Personal Computers are used in training programs in such areas as introduction to computers, typing for speed and accuracy, using a variety of business formats, basic and advanced word processing, business English and general office practice.

Applications for this program will be accepted on a continuous basis and eligibility gives special consideration to low income families, the unemployed or unceremployed, veterans, the disabled, minorities, displaced homemakers, ex-offenders and those over 55 years old.

Call 434-5200 for an appointment.

#### BCRP to discuss Delmar Village

An informational meeting to cuss the impact of the prope Delmar Village development will be held Monday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. in the board room of the Bethlehem Public Library.

The meeting will be sponsored by the Bethlehem Citizens For Responsible Planning and is open to the public. Public hearings on Delmar Village will be Feb. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bethlehem Town Ha.l.

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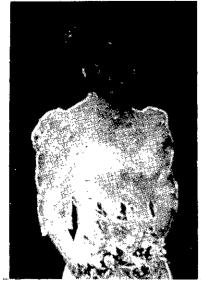
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Mrs. Eric H. Killorin

#### Elizabeth Boynton wed

Elizabeth Gordon Boynton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel A. Boynton of New Scotland, and Eric Hyatt Killorin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl C. Killorin of Andover, Mass., were married Sept. 17 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, North Andover. The Rev. Alexander S. Daley, rector of the church, performed the ceremony.

A reception followed at the Lanam Club in Andover. The couple took a wedding trip to Ireland and England, and are making their home in Andover.

Cornelia (Mrs. Roland A.) Ochsenbein of Maynard, Mass. was her sister's matron of honor. Margaret K. Boynton of Fox Point, Wis., sister-in-law of the bride, and Linda Taylor of Delmar were bridesmaids. Christos Coios of Haverhill, Mass., was best man. Ushers were Lawrence A. Boynton of Fox Point, brother of the bride, and Roland A. Ochsenbein of Maynard.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Boston Conservatory of Music, cum laude. She is an elementary school music teacher in the Andover public school system, and a flutist with the Merrimack Valley Philharmonic

Her husband is a graduate of Andover High School and Merrimack Valley College. He is president of the Hyatt Corporation, publishers of technical newsletters serving the computer industry.

#### Elks Auxiliary plans dance

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge will hold a "Sweetheart Get-Together" on Saturday, Feb. 11. The dance will be held at the lodge, Route 144 and Winne Rd., Selkirk, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Music will be provided by Illusions.

All Elks and their guests are invited. For \$7.50 reservations call 439-2172.



Mrs. Jeffrey Guinn

#### Married in Durham

Barbara Sue Coffin, daughter of Georgia Martin of Durham, N.C., and Jeffrey David Guinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guinn of Delmar, were married on Dec. 17 at the Duke University Chapel in Durham.

Megan Burns was the maid of honor and Marilyn Grazy and Branden Agner were bridesmaids. Jay Guinn, brother of the groom. served as best man, and Randy Dean and Bruce Elestein were ushers.

The bride received her bachelor's degrees in economics and political science from North Carolina State University.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. He received his bachelor's degree from North Carolina State University, where he starred on the scholar-soccer All-American team. He is a professional soccer player for the Albany Capitals, and is currently on a winter tour in Europe.

The couple plans to reside in Guilderland.

#### Churches sponsor spaghetti dinner

The Faith Lutheran and Glenmont Reformed Churches, I Chapel Lane, Glenmont, will sponsor a spaghetti dinner on Tuesday, Feb. 7, beginning at 4:30

Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for children younger than 12 years.

For information call 436-7710.

#### Study in Germany offered to teens

The German Language School of Albany is offering a study program in Germany for students between 15 and 18 years. The program will be held from June 29 through July 25. The cost is \$750 plus air fare. For information call 439-0023 or write to the German Language School, 100 Salisbury Rd., Delmar, N.Y. 12054.



Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett

### Margot Ferrari weds

Margot Elizabeth Ferrari, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Ferrari of Delmar, and Robert William Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bennett of Bayonet Point, Fla., were married on Dec. 30 at St. Peter's Church, Albany. The Rev. Robert Eggenschiller officiated.

Cynthia Ferrari, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lori Ann Egloff, sister of the bridegroom, and Theresa McCoy. Daniel Eisenstadt served as best man, and ushers were James Ferrari

A prayer vigil for peace will be held at the Church of Saint

Thomas the Apostle parking lot

All are welcome. For information

on Saturday, Feb. 4, at noon.

Prayer vigil set

call 439-5976.

and Michael Egloff.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Alfred University. She is an admissions counselor at Alfred.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the the State University of New York College at Fredonia, and Alfred University. He is an assistant director of admissions at Alfred University.

The couple will reside in Hornell.

#### Senior **Citizens**



#### Home Energy **Assistance Program**

The Home Energy Assistance Program was developed to help those on fixed or low incomes. Eligibility guidelines for the program 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.

The Senior Services Office is providing a volunteer to provide assistance to town residents who need to fill out applications. For information call 439-4955, ext. 77.

#### AARP aids with taxes

Volunteers of the American Association of Retired Persons, Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1595, will again offer free tax assistance to senior citizens and shut-ins from Feb. 2 through April 13 at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Tax assistance is offered on \. Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with the exception of March 2. All assistance is by appointment only. A copy of the 1987 tax return will be required for review at the

Appointments can be made by calling 439-4955, ext. 77.

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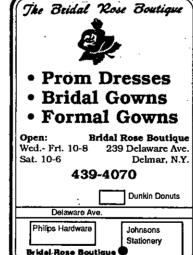


## **Girl Scout Cookie Sales**

Two local Girl Scout Troops will hold cookie sales in Bethlehem, on Sunday, Feb. 5.

Girl Scout Troop 212 will sell cookies at the Grand Union in Delmar, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Girl Scout Troop 806 will sell cookies at K-Mart in Glenmont, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The many varieties of cookies will be sold for \$2.50 a

Proceeds from the sale will help provide funding for scouting activities and programs for girls in the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council. For more information call 439-4936.





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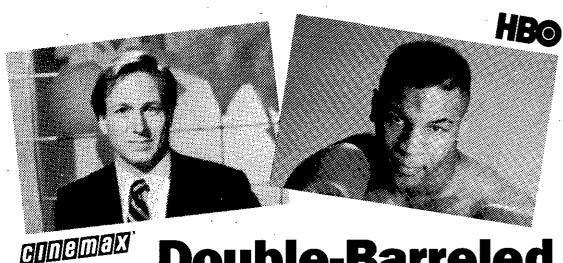
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