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Airport lobbying goes to Washington

Coyne pushes Lockheed plan

By Patricia Dumas

County Executive James J. Coyne this week is trying to convince the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) that the federal government in the long run would profit from privatization of the Albany County Airport.

Meeting with federal officials in Washington, Coyne plans to try to convince them that a percentage of the \$30 million which British American/Lockheed is offering as a first lease payment for the airport can be used to replace federal tax dollars invested in the airport.

So began another week of high-stakes airport poker — weeks in which first one airport bidder and then the other have seemed to have the upper hand. Because the negotiations take place behind closed doors, only the players know what cards they really hold. But both sides are clearly

attempting to put their best face cards forward.

Two weeks ago the Capital District Transportation Authority appeared to hold the winning hand, having gained the support of a powerful county official. But last week it was time for a counter thrust from British American/Lockheed and their ally, the county executive.

Coyne outlined the plan to FAA officials prior to Thanksgiving Day, he said in an interview Monday, and made arrangements to meet with the officials to go over the details. (He and County Attorney William J. Conboy II were scheduled to meet Tuesday with the FAA officials).

"Up till now there was an unanswered question — how the federal government would have an incentive to approve privatization, or any type of transfer, of the airport," Coyne said.

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Wreath making begins



Michele Hoffman, left, leads a wreath making workshop sponsored by the Shaker Heritage Society on Saturday. Carol Abue, center, and Collen Mulkerne try their hand at wreath making as the holiday season begins.
Joe Futia

Signing opens doors for hearing impaired

By Joy Healy



Gloria Francis

Children are great mimics. And no truer statement could be spoken about Kelli Joe Connolly's ability to read lips and understand her world, even at age seven. After countless trips to local hospitals and special agencies, her parents, Pat and Carol Connolly, had confirmed what they had suspected for five years: Kelli was, at the very least, hearing impaired.

As a second grader at West Albany, Kelli had been able to keep up with her hearing classmates, but "was walking on water" as far as her grades were concerned. With confirmation she had suffered hearing loss, she was then placed in a special BOCES program designed to meet the educational and emotional needs for children who live in our area. "However, we never let her be labeled handicapped, because we did not want that label to follow her into adulthood," her mother said.

Kelli, 15, is now a sophomore at Colonie, taking all the courses her peers do. The main difference between Kelli and her classmates is she has an interpreter who at-

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Project Team builds optimistic approach

By Sal Prividera Jr.

When Gary Flannagan asked 25 parents at Lisha Kill School recently to give him what they thought were the causes of substance abuse, the group came up with a list of 48 items, including peer pressure, low self-esteem, poor grades, escape, depression and boredom.

He then told the parents about a list of causes he had discovered during the training he had just completed for Project Team. The list of 35 causes of substance abuse, which was compiled by "experts in the field," closely paralleled the group's list.

"This says to me you guys are on the money," Flannagan said.

At community meetings at Lisha Kill and other South Colonie schools, parents were clearly aware of the dangers of substance abuse and understood its causes. They were there to find out what they could do about it.

Flannagan's exercise accomplished its goal of showing people they had knowledge about substance abuse and therefore could help solve the problem.

By drawing people into the team, parents, administrators, and teachers in the district are becoming enthusiastic and energized over the new substance abuse

prevention program they have brought to the district.

Five "teams" from four district schools spent eight days away from home to receive Project Team training. The training is designed to develop action plans, which involve the entire community in planning and implementing substance abuse prevention programs.

The district received training for teams from the high school, Sand Creek, Lisha Kill, and Roessville under a training grant from the U. S. Department of Education's Drug Free Schools and Communities Program, said Assistant Superintendent Joseph Prenoveau. The district purchased a training spot for a second team from the high school because of its large student population. The actual training sites were in New Jersey and Massachusetts and the training was conducted under the auspices of the Northeast Regional Training Center, one of five centers nationally that administer the grants.

Prenoveau, who is the district's team coordinator and a member of the Lisha Kill team, said under the grant South Colonie will also get three years of technical support. That support is provided by members of teams from other school

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Citizens speak their minds at budget hearing

By Patricia Dumas

Citizen comment at the evening hearing on County Executive James J. Coyne's proposed 1990 budget ranged from a farmer's admonition you don't buy a tractor when you can't afford it to a proposal for some type of regional authority to manage the airport, the seaport, and land transportation routes.

There were 15 speakers last week in the legislative chambers at the county court house. For two and a half hours the public offered criticism, counsel, and concern about the county's future and the way its business is run. Spectators sitting in the back of the room and standing against the walls applauded from time to time.

The budget they had been asked to comment on is before the legislature's finance committee and is slated for adoption by Dec. 21. But it already is being revised by budget technicians because

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Coyne's budget proposal is balanced by counting on revenues from an anticipated lease/sale arrangement of the county airport — an arrangement not yet authorized and mired in confusion over whether or not the revenue use would be legal.

Speakers at the hearing expressed confusion over use of the revenues as a means of balancing the county budget.

Their questions over the effect of Coyne's budget on the county tax rate went unanswered, though, as Legislature Chairman Charles Cahill reminded the speakers they were there to state their views, not to question legislators.

A common thread ran through those citizen views — they want to be better informed and they want

more opportunity to serve on citizen committees.

John Doroski of South Colonie suggested that the county should "stop spending money until they can get the budgets straightened out. Don't teach your children that the government owes them a living, stop giving handouts and offer citizens the opportunity for referendums."

Mitchell Goldstein of Latham said a good business man would not accept the county budget form. He suggested a citizen board of review should be organized to look over future budgets.

Cecilia Gandhi, representing the Shaker Ridge Vly Road Neighborhood Association in Colonie near the airport repeated that association's earlier-voiced position that the county should retain ownership of the airport and hire a management firm to run it.

"We deeply resent the arrogant disregard of responsible financial

planning which this (airport sale revenue) item represents. It is gambling at its worst because it is gambling not only with the public's money but with the public's trust," Gandhi said.

James Stewart, president of the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce, said the proposed budget "reflects the inevitable negative fallout on local government of declining state revenues and increasing state mandates."

But, he said, "Immediate revenue needs cannot be allowed to derive decisions about the economic well-being of the county and the region."

The regional Chamber of Commerce supports transfer of the airport to the Capital District Transportation Committee.

Robert Westcott from Rensselaerville said a regional authority is the only way to properly manage the airport. He favors the CDTA as the agency to operate it now but

suggested "down the line the county should look for successor agencies and expand management to include development of the port of Albany and of highways.

"Bring in people with expertise," Westcott said.

Doris Davis from Delmar suggested that copies of the budget should be in libraries and town halls so the people could look it over before the annual budget hearing.

That would give citizens more of a chance to look at the line items, she said but "just looking at that massive text would not provide answers."

Davis and others suggested citizens would be helped if the county budget contained more narrative to explain the line items.

Harry Garry of Hillcrest Farms, a family-operated Holstein dairy in East Berne told the legislators they must cut the budget enough to prevent an increase in property taxes.

"This is not the time to burden farmers with a heavy tax load," Garry said. "You've been riding high on the hog for years. There must be ways you can cut down. I can't tell you exactly how to do it, but I know that I have an old tractor on my farm that's riding on only two gears but I wouldn't dare to look for another one at today's costs."

Susan McDonald from Bethlehem displayed a colorful chart of statistics on how county spending has grown. She called for a top to bottom review of county expenses, a one or two year freeze on county spending, and a citizen review board.

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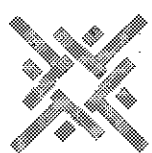
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Project Team

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districts who already have successful programs.

The district had hoped to get teams from all eight schools trained, Prenoveau said. However, the grant only funded four schools. An additional grant to train teams from the other schools will be sought.

Training

The eight-day workshop consisted of training in many areas of substance abuse prevention including problem solving skills, communication techniques and the psychosocial aspects of drug use, according to Prenoveau. Each of the five teams was trained in October.

"There was a lot of individualized instruction, said Flannagan.

Other training included program planning, substance abuse prevention, curriculum development and assessments of problems in the schools and community. Training was also conducted on the identification and referral of high risk students.

The focus is on prevention because of a low success rate for rehabilitation efforts. Flannagan said a large percentage of those who went through a residential drug rehabilitation program were back on the same drug in less than 60 days.

Team members spent long days in workshops, starting early in the morning and ending late at night. Prenoveau said, "We worked all day, but it was fun sharing with each other." He added that the trainers told the team members it was "a serious topic, but don't take yourselves too seriously."

Each of the teams was exposed to a number of community programs addressing the causes of substance abuse. Each team developed two action plans to impact the causes of substance abuse in

the community, which were presented in community meetings.

Community meetings

Since the success of Project Team hinges on getting the community interested and involved in the decision-making process and implementation of the action plans, each team held an open meeting for the community. Exercises similar to the one conducted by Flannagan were presented at each meeting and also at the board of education meeting last Tuesday.

The Lisha Kill meeting ran nearly two hours and covered a broad overview of Project Team.

Following a brainstorming session, Flannagan went on to detail the groups two action plans, which target the causes of low self-esteem for both students and staff. He then asked the group to brainstorm and develop a list of problems in the community they would like to see addressed.

Community members asked for a support group for children of divorce, ending unsupervised parties where alcohol and drugs could be used, developing more peer support groups and clubs for children. Several other problems were mentioned by the group including the lack of parent volunteerism, lack of field trips and lack of parent-school communication.

"We are very enthusiastic and have high expectations... we hope you will share with us," Flannagan said. "I am optimistic we can really make a difference."

The community meetings staged by the other teams were also well attended, according to district officials.

Action plans

The action plans are a starting point for each of the teams to address problems with in their respective schools.

"We went down thinking we would talk a lot about drugs... we found out you don't need to focus

on drugs, you have to focus on the causes," said Sand Creek Principal Michael Norelli, who is a member of his school's team.

He said, "If you shoot one arrow the chances of hitting a bullseye are slim... the same thing if you have one program to attack all of these causes... you've got to shoot a lot of arrows."

The Lisha Kill team selected the problem of low self-esteem in both students and staff. To address the problems the group will establish a "Let's be Friends Club" for students and a "Secret Pals Club" for teachers with the hope of improving both group's self-esteem. The members of the team are Joseph Shepard, school principal; Richard Capullo, parent; Marilyn Morwry, teacher; Peggy Melanson, teacher; Janice Marciniak, school psychologist; Flannagan and Prenoveau.

The two high school teams developed four plans including a plan targeting improved student self-esteem through the "Outward Bound" program, which builds trust between a student and an adult. Principal Ted Gilkey said the team will also conduct activities on parenting skills and decision making. Another plan will work on improving the school climate by keying on staff recognition.

The other team developed plans to help students with special needs by providing alternatives to detention periods, such as community meetings where they could discuss their problems Gilkey said. The fourth plan will also address school climate by attempting to foster a sense of community within the building, he said. The high school team is comprised of Sherrie Harbula, parent; teachers Donna Martin, Jim Farnan, Dave Marhafer, Joe Botta, Pat O'Brien and Teri Fay; counselors Terry McGrogan and Tina Manalio; and Gilkey.

The Roessleville team also targeted improving student self-esteem by using a personification of the school's mascot "Dyno-rhino."

Kiwanians help out



Members of the Latham Kiwanis Club Kevin Smith, left, Spencer Peckham, Len Zanghi and Bob Farrelly help Sarah Hillicoss, center, up a ramp they built to make her home wheelchair-accessible. Materials for the ramp were donated by 84 Lumber.

a combination dinosaur and rhinoceros, to lead a student recognition program, Prenoveau said. The team's second plan is aimed at improving communication and interaction among the adults in the building, he said. The team members are parents Pat Cebula and Richard Fish; teachers Barbara Perriman and Sandra Weckter; social worker Kathy Mullany and Principal James Karbowski.

The Sand Creek team targeted improving self-esteem for both students and staff. The team plans to use the "building bridges" concept to bring together the different groups in the school, Prenoveau said. Technical assistance from the Regional Center will be used for the program, he said. The Sand Creek team is made up of teachers Joan Godlewski and Doug Gottwald, parent Sandra Zostant, Colonic Police Officer Brian Casey, school psychologist Penny Manly, and Norelli.

Community involvement

Community involvement is "crucial to the success of the program," said Prenoveau. "We only have the kids for part of the day, unless we have family, community involvement, we've missed one of the crucial supports kids need."

The district teams have reached out to the community through the public meetings and have issued a call to anyone interested in a weekend training session in January. The weekend Project Team training session will be at the Saga-

more on the weekend of Jan. 5. Training will be provided for 48 staff members from the schools with teams and 12 community representatives. Sign-up sheets were handed out at all the community meetings and the last school board meeting.

Prenoveau said the teams will keep a log of community members interested in helping out because there is "no way any team can carry on a multitude of programs" without help. Community members will be asked to help run programs and take part in planning and decision making, he said.

Anyone interested in helping can call one of the building principals, he said.

Gauging success

Prenoveau said it will be difficult to gauge the success of the program because it is "not a top-down program." A measure of success for him will be whether the first set of plans is implemented and a second set is generated. Another indicator will be the plans from the weekend workshop.

He said if members of the South Colonie teams are invited to demonstrate their programs for other school districts that will also be a measure of success.

"We can measure success in the change of attitudes of some kids," he said those results will come from a survey conducted by the regional center after the program has been in place for one year.

Things looking up for Project Team

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Project Team should fare much better in South Colonie during the 1990s than it did in the mid-70s due to changes in attitude and approach, according to a district principal, who was involved in the project in 1974-75.

Sand Creek Middle School Principal Michael Norelli was among the first in his school district to receive Project Team training, when a group of teachers took the eight-day substance abuse training during the 1974-75 school year.

Although much of the skill training is the same, Norelli said one of the important differences is in the focus of the program, which is now community based. When he took the training the first time the focus was school based, he said.

"If we want to attack the causes of drug abuse, we have to mobilize all groups in the community," he said.

One of the other key differences is the support the school district has given to the project, he said. Norelli was a teacher the first time he took the training and the district team at that time did not have a representative of the administration. In 1989, every team had a building principal and the district coordinator is Assistant Superintendent Joseph Prenoveau. Superintendent Thomas Brown has given his full support to the project and has talked with each team about its plans.

"One of the things we found out was people did not know what we experienced and thus didn't know why we wanted to change things that existed," Norelli said. He said the 1975 team's expectations were unrealistic and others in the district did not see changes as needed.

The program is now seeking community in-

volvement as well as attempting to involve most of the district personnel, which the principal sees as an improvement. "I think unconsciously we forget that in order for people to support change, they have to be part of the decision that change is needed."

Project Team has also been improved since the 1970s to increase its viability, Norelli said. The key additions to the present program are the expansion training to include 65 additional people and the variety of technical assistance available for three years, he said. The assistance allows the district to get help solving problems and learn from the successes of other programs. "Basically before we invented our own programs starting from scratch," he said.

Norelli said the Colonie area had many programs already in existence between town-run programs and Albany County referral programs. "The goal is to get everybody working in the same direction, connected together."

Norelli, a former health educator, is "excited" about the program and its focus on prevention in the early grades. "When they get to the high school, it's difficult to change behaviors."

Taking part in the training as a teacher was different for Norelli than taking it as a principal. "As a principal, I went with the notion I had to provide leadership to my team... I learned anybody can be a leader at any time depending on the issue and their experience in that area," he said.

"All of us on the team had valuable input in solving problems... groups solve problems better than individuals."

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Welcome winds of change

It appears that the hour has arrived when all local governments must speak out against the most recent proposal from the majority party.

The Albany County Democrats' most powerful politicians, James Coyne and Harold Joyce, have come forth with the idea of altering the formula for dividing sales tax revenues. The proposal, while it probably would not take effect until 1991, would seriously damage the finances of the towns and cities.

Kenneth J. Ringler, the Supervisor-elect of the Town of Bethlehem, didn't wait to take office before making a strong protest. In a letter to Mr. Joyce, he pointed out the loss to his town and the adverse effect it would cause on the finances and local tax rate.

We all must hope that he and good sense prevail. The consequences of the Coyne-Joyce proposal appear to be dire for all residents. The purpose would be to lessen the impact of the profligacy of the current county administration.

Another effect, more widespread in impact, is that the proposal is just another indication of the bankrupting of the county's books, after all the attempted legerdemain

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has been tried. And this, it may come to pass, could finally spell finis to the taxpayers' trust in the government they have been regularly voting into office. We would include in that the prospect that some of the more marginal legislative districts may be turned Republican, ending the majority party's ability to push through pretty much what it wants.

Albany County "is now in a desperate financial position," in the words of Bethlehem's W. Gordon Morris, the county legislature's minority leader. He was referring to the county's deteriorating bargaining stance in trying to cash in on the fire sale of its largest asset, the airport. The sale (or lease) proposition arises only to find another thumb for the severely leaking dike that is the county's treasury.

But for change to come about in the legislature, we'd need "less passive" leadership by the Albany County Republican Party (if such actually exists). For that development, we can all wait and see.

Take it away, Tom!

Speaking of the airport and its future management, we hereby enter one more suggestion for how to dispose of it advantageously.

The Airport was owned and operated by the City of Albany for more than three decades before the O'Connell/Corning style of management in the city brought about a pinch and a demand for ready cash to finance their other mistakes. The answer then was "Let's sell it to the county."

In contrast to the county's finances, the City of Albany is in fine shape. Mr. Corning

ended his 41-year reign with 14 straight years of deficits. Following him, Mayor Thomas M. Whalen III has given the city six straight years of balanced budgets and annual surpluses. There's a very comfortable cushion in the treasury as a result of his prudent management. The city has come bounding back during his administration.

Why not let the City of Albany recapture its airport and operate it as successfully (and conservatively) as is the proven case with its other enterprises?

The friendliest wave

Is there a more neighborly salute than the one exchanged by two drivers when one has had the courtesy to hold back and permit another to make a difficult turn, edge into a line of traffic, or proceed first at an intersection?

The brief recognition that's accorded this gesture of considerateness often is accompanied by a smile or nod or wink in passing. In

contrast to a "me, first" outlook sometimes encountered on the road and elsewhere, the exchange is a great addition to any day.

And it does seem that the "you, first" attitude and practice is increasing. You probably subscribe to this idea, and know its value. But if you happen to be unconvinced, try an "after you" approach, and see how good it can make you feel!

'Project Team'

The "Project Team" effort undertaken in the South Colonie Schools is a laudable enterprise, and a promising one, as well.

Congratulations are due to officials of the school district for having successfully sought a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education in order to take part in a Drug-Free Schools and Communities program.

Representatives of the schools already are taking part in a project arranged by the Department of Education where instruction is provided in the causes of drug abuse (including alcohol) by young people and in developing programs to counter those causes.

Local teams have returned from those training sessions with ideas for improving a school's atmosphere and to look effectively

at the reasons for drug abuse. A variety of suggestions and proposals are now being considered in the schools.

Many times parents and other citizens recognize the problem, but are at a loss for effective solutions. Project Team provides a context for action for the average person. "If you shoot one arrow the chances of hitting a bullseye are slim," said Sand Creek Principal Michael Norelli, a member of his school's team. "You've got to shoot a lot of arrows."

Project Team, bringing varied interests uniting in a common cause, seems to make sense and have a good chance at producing effective results. The need is acute enough to make any such experiment well worth the effort and expense. We wish the participants well.

Formation advocated of a consumer board

Editor, The Spotlight:

NYNEX is now proposing rate hikes that may double residential telephone bills over the next few years. Coupled with increasing local gas rates, the long-term costs of nuclear power plants, and the lack of adequate citizen input into state energy policy, one question is left unanswered: Can utility customers impact on decisions made with our money?

It is clear that we need our own organization to look out for ratepayers' interests. We need a Citizens Utility Board (CUB) to represent the average consumers' interest in the face of the massive resources utilities use. New York utilities spent over \$6 million of our money to hire lawyers, lobbyists, and expert witnesses to fight their interests in a typical year.

New York funds the Attorney General and the Consumer Protection Board to represent our interests at about 20 percent of the amount spent by the utilities.

Another way is needed to help balance the scales for the consumer, and that is the creation of CUB. A CUB would be a statewide,

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voluntarily funded, ratepayer controlled organization that would represent residential utility customers in proceedings before the Public Service Commission and the State Legislature.

Governor Cuomo revived interest earlier this year in the creation of CUB. He proposed that ratepayers learn about CUB through special notices included in New York State mailings, such as those for drivers' licenses and tax forms. These inserts would explain what CUB is and ask for a small membership fee to join. CUB would then reimburse the state for any reasonable costs it incurs (including the insert.)

Unfortunately, the Senate did not act on the governor's proposal. Yet, it is still possible for the Public Service Commission and the governor to create CUB administratively.

Andrew Greenblatt

NYPIRG Energy Analyst

Thanks from Cherry Hill

Editor, The Spotlight:

We at Cherry Hill want to thank the *Colonie Spotlight* for having included our recruitment appeal for new volunteers once again. The notice has benefited the museum

with fine volunteers from among your readers.

We are very grateful for the *Colonie Spotlight's* service to the "not-for-profit sector."

Deborah Fennelly

Albany

The editors of the *Colonie Spotlight* welcome letters on all matters of local interest. Writers are encouraged to keep their letters as brief as possible, and letters will be edited for taste, style, fairness and accuracy.

Words for the week

Aegis: Protection; sponsorship; patronage. Aegis was the shield of Zeus, lent by him to Athena.

Analgesic: A medication to reduce or eliminate pain.

Elephantiasis: Extreme enlargement and hardening of tissue, primarily in the legs, usually caused by a nematode worm.

Fastness: A remote and secret place. Also, a stronghold or fortress.

Hamlet: A small village.

Patois: A regional dialect; the special jargon of a group. (Pronounced: pat-wa).

Sidebar: In a periodical, a subordinate article which accompanies another, principal story.

Tortuous: Marked by repeated turns; winding, twisting. Also, highly involved, complex. Also, deceitful or devious. (Note there's no second "r" in this word; "torturous" means cruelly painful.)

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My worst fault for many years has been procrastination. Some say that it's my only fault, but this I do not claim. Especially do I not claim it since the error of forgetfulness has entered my life.

Procrastinate is a 10-dollar word (pre-inflation) for putting things off, for planning to do tomorrow (maybe) what ought to be done this afternoon. Some unkind persons will tell you it's indolence. Others are even unkind: laziness.

But there are other ways of considering it. (First, make sure that you're in a suitably comfortable position before you start your contemplation of the pros and cons of procrastinating. If you're not comfortable, you may find that you have the urge to get up and go do something. And this might even be the very thing you're happy to avoid.) Let's just say that procrastination is a reflection of that currently popular song "Don't worry—be happy." Resistance to worry has to be a key factor in putting things off. Rather like Alfred E. Newman's motto: "What, me worry?"

What I haven't been worrying about for the past month has to do with the big stick/soft talk, bully pulpit fellow who inspired the Teddy Bear.

Theodore Roosevelt was also the "Chaaarrge!" man of San Juan Hill, the "Alone in Cuba" hero, the begetter of Princess Alice (who lived well into our own time). He was the trust buster, the exponent of the rugged life, the Panama Canal's builder, the Bull Moose. ("How are you feeling, Mr. President?")

"I feel like a bull moose!" You can bet he never procrastinated an hour in his life. (He died at the age of 60.)

And I say that Teddy had one other deed of historical note, though long since forgotten. Who knows about the semi-scandal that erupted midway in his presidency? In its day it became famous as the "Dear Maria" escapade.

CONSTANT READER

Making the best of school

When I heard "Joy to the World" on the PA system at my local supermarket the morning after Thanksgiving I was startled into realization that Christmas is almost here, only 32 days away as of that time. Less than 10 percent of the year remaining before everyone peeks into the stockings hung with care.

One result was that I decided it would be timely right away to offer some gift suggestions for the benefit of my constant readers. I'll plan to have one or more every week for the next weeks, and here goes the first.

In the past several months, I've found occasion to mention articles in the new magazine "World Monitor," and have offered generally favorable comment about them and it.

I've just been reading in the December issue, and as usual I am quite pleased. In particular, I want to refer to "How parents can help children at school," which in turn is adapted from a forthcoming book to be titled "Making the Best of Schools: A Handbook for Parents, Teachers, and Policymakers."

Here's what happened:

As a young man in Washington just 100 years ago, Theodore Roosevelt (a Civil Service Commissioner) and his wife became friendly with a wealthy couple from Cincinnati, Bellamy and Maria Storer. By the time he became President, barely a decade later at the age of 42, the two families were intimate friends. Dozens of affectionate letters were exchanged, and Teddy's reflected the ebullience and excess of language for which he was noted.



Within days after Teddy took office (following the assassination of President McKinley), Maria Storer began a campaign of promotion for her husband, on whose behalf she was intensely ambitious. She wanted a Cabinet position for him; failing that, a major ambassadorship. The President's responses were naively couched in extremely warm—but evasive—assurances of his regard for them both. At last, he had to move, so Bellamy Storer won a post as minister to one of the second-string European kingdoms.

Maria Storer's promotions broadened. As an ardent convert to the Roman Catholic Church, she chose to seek the advancement of a prominent churchman. Archbishop John Ireland of St.

Paul, Minnesota, to the cardinal-ate. She wanted the President to intercede with the Pope. Finally, the matter became so embarrassing, not to say explosive, that Storer had to be asked to resign. He was so angry that he made public all the many years' accumulation of letters from Roosevelt; then the President was forced to release his version. The country was stunned. Roosevelt was described in lurid new accounts as having written "incredibly reckless letters."

"Dear Maria" became a phrase to provoke a smile whenever two Americans came together, a symbol for an indiscreet letter. Mrs. Storer was dismissed in such accounts as only "a gushing intriguer."

Roosevelt was damaged, chagrined, and angered. But with his typical buoyancy, he exclaimed to a White House visitor: "Dreadful... but isn't it delicious?"

Now you're wondering what Maria Storer has to do with procrastination. Here's what.

One of the offices Teddy occupied between the Civil Service Commission and the presidency was that of Assistant Secretary of the Navy. He became the Navy's champion (as the Spanish war was getting under way); he was what has become known as "an activist." When Navy Day was officially established, it was designated to fall on TR's birthday, Oct. 27.

Americans no longer pay heed to Navy Day (probably because it didn't have enough stature to warrant taking the day off).

But it was to have been in connection with that old observance that I'd intended to write this story about "Dear Maria." Except for the evil of procrastination, that's when you could have read it. Only a month late?—maybe that's not too bad.

The authors are Jeannie Oakes and Martin Lipton; the publisher is to be Yale University Press; and the publication date is scheduled for next March.

What matters are the values you provide the child

The article sets out to make the point that "It takes not only interest, time, and tact, but also firm convictions: 1) Your child is capable. (2) Your child does want to do well. (3) Your child will benefit from what helps other children." And the article sets out, also to be "a master class in family/school relations."

Here some of the section headings: If you've been wondering call (school) now; Don't accuse—ask; The best self-interest; Talking ideas with small children; Social life is important, too; and, finally, "What really matters."

To elaborate on the last segment: "What really matters are the values you communicate and the consistent encouragement you provide your child. Your priorities will influence what your children think is important and, to a large extent, what they accomplish. Fortunately, all parents who value education can, regardless of their own educational background, communicate clearly that school achievement is a top priority."

There's a sidebar little article full of hints in the form of a checklist; it's called "TV control: a family quiz." Take the quiz—if you dare.

This issue of "World Monitor" does, of course, have other worthwhile articles, including the one featured on the cover, "Heading off the Japan bashers," which has the thesis that "Tokyo's once closed-door economy already buys more U. S. exports than Germany, France, and Italy combined."

Since this column started out to be the first in a little series of gift-giving ideas, let me give you some data about subscribing to "World Monitor" for someone who likes

Adventure in Haiti

This week's Point of View guest editorial continues the story of Delmar residents Gerald and Virginia Winn and their experiences on a recent missionary trip to Haiti.

By Dr. Gerald and Virginia Winn

Point of View

You fly into Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, from Miami. And (if you're on a medical/evangelical mission such as ours), after a brief layover you head out in a tap-tap for the mountains, a six-hour ride. You're crowded among perhaps 40 riders, seated side by side, something like a 747 without aisles. Your earthly belongings slide around on the top. Your heart is in your mouth; as to your stomach, you can't be so sure.

All fine so far, though, except that ours was a 12-hour journey, punctuated by a delay in righting our conveyance after it tipped onto its side against a retaining wall. The wall served to prevent the tap-tap from toppling all the way over.

Perhaps we should explain the "tap-tap." It's so called because if you want to get on or off you go tap, tap with your knuckles on the door or some handy surface.

We could go on recounting more scrapes on the other legs of our journey up the mountainside to the remote hamlet called Perla, so far from anything that there's no road to it. You walk the steep incline, paved as it is with jagged rocks and mud.

But mere tales of misadventure would be missing the heart of our mission with 25 other Americans brought together under the aegis of an organization, World Harvest for Christ. Our welcome at Perla was startling—and perhaps summing up the whole beautifully humbling adventure.

We arrived caked with mud. The climb had been exhausting, summoning every reserve of stamina and will. The Haitians insisted on taking our filthy shoes and washing them. And others bathed our feet. It was impossible—and would have been unthinkable—to resist.

Our medical supplies—brought in plastic garbage pails all that tortuous way—the antibiotics and analgesics, the vitamin pills and the worm pills, were life's blood to our brave little clinic. Our son Mark, an Army Medical Corps major (and BCHS Class of '74) had the assistance of four women in the mission who had nursing experience. Several of our lay members learned how to give shots under his supervision.

Gerry: For my dental practice, I had a rickety old chair for the patients, and to aid in examinations, a flashlight. One Haitian on our team who came by had been trained, during previous missions, to extract teeth; he was my assistant. And I had the service, too, of an interpreter, a pastor. (The spoken language is colloquial French, a patois whose effect somewhat resembles jive talk.)

In the few days that we were there we treated (by close estimate) 800 patients. There was no stopping during daylight, no letting up. My right hand became an immovable claw.

Ginny: I worked with the sick people who came silently to the clinic's area and waited patiently for their turn at attention. A girl of 5 was carried by her mother, who had been applying layers of honey to her head in desperation, not knowing what else to do (and lacking medications, in the any case). The child's condition was pitiful. She could not stand to be touched when we tried to apply a sulfa cream. Finally we just squeezed tubes and let the cream roll onto her grossly swollen flesh. She was close to death. But within the few days we were with her she had recovered enough to be transported to a children's home in Port-au-Prince. A girl with ugly ulcers from her elephantiasis and a 14-month-old baby are among other patients whom I remember vividly. The baby, a boy named Adonis, suffered from pneumonia, malaria and other ailments. Several people worked all night to save him then, and we do not know his fate later.

But the most universal ailment is the one caused by the worms

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The "tap-tap" bus rests against a retaining wall following an accident as Dr. and Mrs. Winn traveled in Haiti. Facing the camera is Miriam Frederick of Lake Worth, Fla., who is the organizer of the missions such as the one the Winns served in.

Your Opinion Matters

Adventure in Haiti

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taken into the body along with the soil that ultimately covers everything. The worms ball in the stomach, and debilitate an entire population. These Haitians have no sense of sanitation or of nutrition. As a result, they are lucky if they attain the usual life span of 40 years. The single physician per 70,000 people means that most people never have seen a doctor, especially in this mountain fastness (except, of course, their voodoo witch doctors).

At home, we may nurse a cold or complain of an arthritic elbow, but the people we came to know have a half-dozen ailments, all at the same time and all the time.

Lacking chairs, they sit on the ground, prey to the worms that are awaiting them. Taught to wash their dishes, they followed instructions — then placed the dishes in the infested dirt.

As we've indicated here, and emphasized more fully in our Point of View column last week, our group had its share of hairbreadth, near-miss escapades. One that did

become very real, very threatening, and almost tragic happened to our son, who slipped one night and broke a leg in two places.

There we were, far from help, only rudimentary transportation available (much of it necessarily on foot) and with our only physician himself the victim.

Mark continued to treat patients despite the painful and disabling injury. Meanwhile, the group came and prayed for him, concentrating on the fractures. The full story is all but incredible—but the fact remains that Mark was able to make the trip down the mountain to the crude transports, and finally back to his post at Fort Drum. And there the examination found that—miraculously—is not too strong a word—the fractures had begun the healing process, with the broken edges perfectly sited.

We haven't told you much of the other portion of the mission—our group's evangelizing—which went on regularly, faithfully, and fervently each day, and with (we can hope) some considerable degree of desired result.

This effort, and other aspects of our rewarding adventure, must await another telling. We would be glad to make a date with your group, incidentally, if you care to invite us to share an hour with you. As the old hymn put it, we "love to tell the story."

Reader

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serious but not overly heavy reading. First, "World Monitor" is a monthly magazine. Its cover price per single issue is \$3.50, or at the rate of \$42 a year, if my arithmetic serves me well. The regular subscription price is stated as \$29.94. Included within my December issue is one of those obnoxious blow-in cards, offering you a subscription for \$18 (which is described as 58 percent off the cover price). But also included is a whole sheet of cards soliciting your gift subscription at \$14.97 each (64 percent off, that is). The mailing address to do any of these things is: World Monitor, P.O. Box 11267, Des Moines, Iowa, 50347-1267. Next week, another suggestion or two, closer to home.

County airport

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"But," he pointed out, "the FAA over the years has put out a tremendous amount of money into the airport operation. In a sense, the FAA is a partner."

His proposal, Coyne said, will be that a percentage of the lease money be diverted toward airport development, replacing the dwindling amount of federal aid for the airport with county tax dollars derived from the lease.

If federal officials agree with his proposal, the county executive plans to ask the county legislature to authorize a lease plan for the airport.

The legislature under Coyne's proposed 1990 budget is faced either with cutting the budget by trimming down expenditures needed for road improvements and jail facilities, approving an airport lease to bring in money immediately, or substantially raising county taxes.

The choices stem from Coyne having budgeted in as revenue to balance the 1990 budget a portion of the anticipated initial money from the British American/Lockheed partnership lease, which he favors.

The choices remain, Coyne noted, but now the county has been offered \$30 million as a first lease payment from the partnership. The partnership announced last week that it was increasing the initial payment from \$25.5 million to \$30 million.

British American officials also announced at their press conference that in partnership with Lockheed it has legally formed a joint venture to pursue the lease and has arranged with Chemical Bank to act as the lead bank and counselor for financing. That firm has been involved in airport financing throughout the world, Viggo Butler, Lockheed Air Terminal president said in announcing the financing.

Butler also said FAA officials have assured him that there are no obstacles to applying the \$30 million down payment to the county's general fund to avoid the tax increase. However, that statement was not confirmed by FAA officials, according to area media reports.

Two weeks ago Harold Joyce, majority leader of the Albany County Legislature and a powerful voice in county Democratic circles, announced that he favors the CDTA proposal because of continued uncertainty over the FAA's position. Joyce said he would reconsider his position if the FAA were to make a favorable ruling in time to affect the county budget.

The CDTA has also offered the county a lease arrangement that would provide \$25.5 million, but details of that offer are in the negotiating stage. CDTA officials also planned to meet this week with FAA officials.

Coyne said the county has the opportunity to make a "landmark"

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in airport operation, if the FAA approves the privatization plan.

"It's a little complicated, but it's unique," Coyne said of his plan for percentage sharing of the anticipated revenue.

He said that by including Lockheed Air Terminal as a partner in the privatization proposal, the county in effect is doing what some county legislators have proposed — keeping the county in control but bringing in a management firm to operate the airport. The advantage of the British American/Lockheed proposal, Coyne noted, is that instead of paying someone to manage the airport, they will pay the county.

The county executive said he "strongly disagrees" with Republican legislators claims that the county should have raised taxes every year instead of trying to avoid one large tax hike.

The proposed 1990 tax levy of \$26 million, although an increase from last year, would have been much higher now in the face of mandated expenses if Albany County had followed the example of other counties with tax increases each year, Coyne said.

"When you do a good job, you can get penalized by percentages," he said, referring to Republican legislators' calculations on how much taxes should have to go up if revenues from the airport lease are not available.

Officers elected

The Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood, has announced the election of officers and board members to the Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood board of directors. Among those elected were Stephanie B. Swire of Menands, assistant secretary; and Dr. Mary C. Kahl of Loudonville.

Sign language

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tends classes right along side her. Kelli listens by deftly reading her teachers' lips, and her interpreter takes notes for later study and homework.

"She doesn't eat lunch with me though," Kelli said. And Kelli's mother said that Kelli is in every way the typical teenager, very social and loves to talk on the telephone.

For Kelli, talking on the phone may mean using the TDD, a device which can permit her to type from her phone to the person with whom she is speaking, thus providing a visual display of what is said. But Kelli is one of the lucky ones who can hear enough, especially if the voice is low pitched, to visit on a teen's most prized communication aid. In fact, she vies for its use with her sister Nicole.

Kelli has been mainstreamed in school life at Colonie, even though she has a disability. Since she's been at Colonie, her disability has not been as obvious as it was when she was in the BOCES program in Guilford. There Kelli had to wear "these box-like things (phonic ears) that made me look weird. I know it is supposed to help, but that's not the only important thing. Wearing the phonic ear was like wearing a sign that says 'I'm not normal'." At Colonie, unless Kelli gets to know a person well, she is shy and doesn't open up. But when her new friends discover that she is hearing impaired they are relieved and pleased at how well Kelli can communicate and seem

puzzled that she doesn't sign. "I don't sign because I don't usually need to." And that is why her parents have never learned to sign. According to her mom, "Kelli really doesn't want us to learn sign language so that when she has her (deaf) friends over, they can converse and I don't have a clue what they are talking about."

But others are strong advocates of signing. Gloria Francis, principal of Forest Park School, teaches sign language in the adult education program at South Colonie. Francis is also involved with St. Clare's, where she teaches religious instruction to three hearing impaired students.

"I got started with signing because I feel there is a certain population whose needs are not being met. And it bothers me to know that we are not reaching out to people in different ways."

Francis has been involved with signing now for 10 years. She learned to sign in courses BOCES and Saint Rose.

"We had a hearing impaired couple at church and I wanted somehow to make their religious experience better for them, so they could know and understand the prayers the priest was saying, the music that we were singing, so they could interact more fully with what was going on." As a result, Francis' study of signing brought her to a level of proficiency so she could avail herself to parish children with hearing loss. And she also interprets masses when the need arises.

Even though the lower grades

have no legal hearing impaired children in the South Colonie schools, Francis has the reputation of visiting classrooms and teaching students their 'word for the day'. Last year, she along with Margaret Perry, computer teacher, worked with the drama club at Lisha Kill to produce "Peace Child", offering the sign interpretation to the public as well. Francis had a group of five attend the play who were hearing impaired or deaf. "When I looked at their faces and saw the enjoyment they were getting out of the play, when I knew they could understand what was going on, I felt very fulfilled."

"I think people have to reach out to others." Her extension into teaching signing has afforded Francis an avenue to reach out. Last year, she had 40 students in her beginner class, with 12 this year. "People are interested in trying to bring everyone closer together."

It is evident that Francis loves and is loved by children. A chorus of "Hello, Mrs. Francis" greets her anytime she walks down the halls of the school. "Being around kids keeps you young. There's never a day that I get up that I don't want to come to work. I am a people person and being able to communicate is my joy."

If Francis could have her way, if an equal education could be assured, she would have many of the handicapped children mainstreamed. Those in wheelchairs, the deaf, the blind, would attend school with the children in their immediate neighborhoods. Youngsters like Kelli Jo Connolly would not have to attend a school in a faraway school district. She is realistic enough to know, however, that

finances make that impossible at this time. But it would be her dream to see the Kellis in her school. "When they grow up and go out into the real world, they will not be only with people just like themselves. All the kids must learn how to communicate and reach out. To have the visually or hearing impaired children here would do the hearing and seeing a world of good. It would show them how fortunate they are, to have hands to use and eyes that see."

Francis says, "We handicap ourselves. We could have our hearing and our sight, but if we are afraid to reach out and take risks, we are just as handicapped as someone who has lost a part of his sense." Kelli and her parents echo that sentiment. "Our motto is 'at least try it'." Kelli "never lets anything stop her." She is very motivated. The school may tell her that she cannot sing in the choir. "But," said her mom, "If Kelli says they wouldn't let her, I tell her she must not have wanted it very badly. If she's willing to fight, then so are we."

In the past few years, she has played on the Colonie Girls Softball League, this past season placing second in the state. Kelli has been on the All Stars for four straight years. This year, Kelli will play on the jayvee volleyball and softball team. She is in Key club and Girl Scouts. She has friends in two worlds, the hearing and the deaf, and she functions well in both. Kelli has been mainstreamed, and will, continue to be, as she plans to attend college and take business and computer courses. And it is attitudes like those of her educational counterpart, Gloria Francis, that have made her entrance into the real school world and easier place to be.

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Planners to follow notification rules

The Colonie Planning Board has reviewed and agreed to enact committee recommendations regarding notification of neighbors in proposed development areas. The board agreed to adopt the notification requirements on a short-term basis and review their effectiveness at a later date.

Details of the notification plan will be ironed out during a work session with neighborhood repre-

sentatives and business people tomorrow (Thursday).

A committee of home owners, business people and town officials put together a draft of notification requirements, which was presented to the planning board on Oct. 31. The requirements were aimed at making sure interested individuals have adequate time to consider a development proposal and to prepare for any public hearings on it.

Colonie police make DWI arrests

Colonie police arrested several drivers on misdemeanor driving while intoxicated charges this week.

Debbyan Batchelder, 29, of 104 Guardian Ct., Waterford was arrested for DWI Sunday night after she was involved in an accident on Route 9, police said.

William H. Betz, 26, of 2 Essex St., Albany was arrested for DWI Sunday morning after he was observed driving erratically on Albany-Shaker Road, police said.

James J. Brennan, 24, of 254

South Linden St., Mechanicville was arrested for DWI Saturday night after he was stopped on Albany-Shaker Road for driving erratically, police said.

John T. Stangle, 59, of 77 Cascade Terrace, Schenectady was arrested for DWI early Saturday morning after he was observed driving erratically on Route 5, police said.

Thomas N. Farry, 31, of 3065 Guilderland Ave., Schenectady was arrested for DWI early Saturday morning after he was stopped for a traffic violation on Route 7, police said.

Mark D. King, 21, of 29 Tower Heights, Loudonville was arrested for DWI Saturday morning after he was found asleep at the wheel of his car at the intersection of Albany-Shaker and Wolf roads, police said.

Daniel D. Suits, 18, of 5 Willoby Dr., Albany was arrested for DWI Saturday morning on Vly Road after an incident at the Big Dom's on Route 5, police said.

Averill Park man charged for possession

Colonie police arrested a 19-year-old Averill Park man on a felony criminal possession of stolen property charge Saturday.

Arthur H. Lugewig of RD 2, Snakehill Road was arrested stemming from an incident last Wednesday, when he allegedly sold and possessed stolen property worth \$1,617 from the Present Company on Wolf Road, police said.

Disappearance under investigation

Colonie police are investigating the disappearance of a 22-year-old Albany woman, who was last seen in Colonie on Oct. 22.

Lisa Marie Samaha of 46 Nicholas Dr. was last seen by a family friend on Oct. 22 at the Denny's Restaurant on Wolf Road, police said. Samaha is described as a white female, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighing 120 pounds, police said. She has very short dark blonde hair and brown eyes, police said. She was wearing jeans, a hot pink blouse, sneakers, and a motorcycle leather jacket, when she was last seen.

She was in the company of two independent truck drivers known only as "Matt" and "Dave," police said. According to the police report, "Matt" was driving a maroon Peterbilt tractor with one headlight out.

Colonie police request anyone who may have seen Samaha or the truck to call the department at 783-2811.

Pair charged with felony assault

Colonie police arrested two men on felony assault charges last Monday stemming from three incidents where people were shot by men using a BB gun.

Mathew B. Hall of 1006 O'Brien Ave., Rotterdam was charged with two counts of second-degree assault and one misdemeanor count of criminal mischief, police said.

Robert E. Oeser III of 2625 First Ave., Schenectady was also charged with two counts of second-degree assault and misdemeanor criminal mischief, police said.

The arrests were made by Ptl. Stephen O'Melia, who was dispatched to three calls between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the area of Route 5 and Lisha Kill Rd., according to police reports. O'Melia saw Hall and Oeser in a vehicle matching the description of the vehicle involved in the incidents. He followed the car and the pair allegedly threw out a bag containing a BB gun, which lead to their arrest, police said.

Singles supper

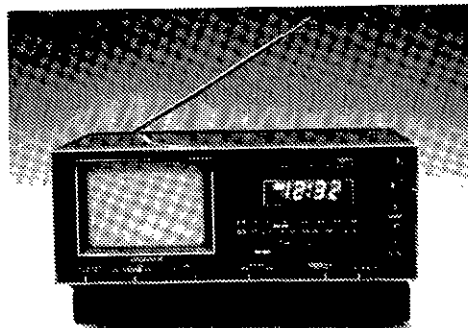
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District addresses middle level education issues

By Sal Prividera Jr.

The South Colonie Central Board of Education continued its work on the Middle Level Education Committee's recommendations last Tuesday night.

Among the committee's recommendations were transporting the grade five through eight students together, starting the school day earlier, creating small learning communities or "houses" within the middle schools, teaming teachers and the reducing homogeneous grouping of students.

An information hearing on the report will be conducted tonight (Wednesday) at the Sand Creek Middle School at 7:30 p.m. A similar meeting took place Tuesday at the Lisha Kill Middle School.

The committee was formed to look at the issues as the district

South Colonie

moves closer to reorganization in September 1990 when Saddlewood school is reopened. At that time the district will operate kindergarten through grade four elementary schools and grade five through eight middle schools.

The board hopes to make a decision on aspects of the report it will implement at its next meeting. District officials have said the implementation of the the recommendations will be done over a period of time and will be continually evaluated and refined. Superintendent Thomas Brown said once the board's decision is made, the administration will begin the planning process with the staff. He said the budgetary implications

would also be developed. Some of the recommendations would be implemented in 1990, he said.

Most of the committee's recommendations mirror the recommendations of the Carnegie report on middle level education and the Regents policy statement on middle level education.

Board members asked for clarification of some aspects of the report during the brief discussion, but did not show opposition to the suggested changes.

"Reaction from parents... has been pretty positive," said board member Neil Donovan, adding there was support for the earlier start of the school day. "I think a lot of people feel 9:20 (a.m.) is a little late to start the day."

Board President Victor DeSantis said, "The most positive thing I

saw (in the report) is the idea that the students are coming first... it's based on what is good for the education of our students."

Brown noted the vital role of identifying "at risk" students at the middle school level because "if a student is successful through eighth grade, they will be successful in high school, but the converse is also true."

In other business, the board:

- Approved increased income levels for senior citizen tax exemptions. The exemptions are on a

sliding scale ranging from a 45 percent exemption for an income level of \$12,025 to 20 percent at \$15,625.

- Set non-resident tuition rates for 1989-90 of \$1,235.61 for half-day kindergarten, \$3,799.67 for grades one through six and \$4,686.21 for grades seven through 12. The handicapped base covering grades kindergarten through 12 was set at \$4,829.14.

The next board of education meeting will be Monday, Dec. 4 at the district offices at 7:30 p.m.

Scout leaders honored

Fort Orange District Governor Clinton Council Boy Scouts of America recently honored distinguished Scouters in their district who have exemplified Scouting to boys they have and are serving. Joyce Quickenton, MC for the evening, encouraged all Scouters to make Scouting a "Big Blast," holding up sparkler dynamite, and presenting The Dynamite Award to Pack 92 William Capozzi for its growth and program this past year.

The Cub Scouter Award was given to Luke Dyer, Lawrence Back, Joseph Barnes, Andrew Papas, and Shirley Stewart. Janice Ruebenstahl and Rosemary Gebe received the Den Leader Award, while William Mielke Jr., was awarded the Webelos Den Leader Award. Overseeing the training of dens in their pack are den leader coaches. Janice Ruebenstahl and Victor Stewart were awarded the Den Leader Coach Award.

Scouts serving as scoutmasters or cubmasters or explorer advisers can earn the Commissioner Key, and award earned in unit service. Recipients are: Donna Lecuyer, Thomas Thaler, George Ferris, Michael Piombino Jr., and Stanley Bergman.

Scouting Training Awards were presented to Stephen Harbula,



Stephen Harbula, left, William Capozzi and Victor Stewart, all of Colonie, were each honored by the Boy Scouts with the "Distinguished Award of Merit for 1989." All were recognized for their service and dedication to Scouting. Joy Healy

Robert Selover, Kerry Layman, William Wilkinson, and John Bagyi, as they served as committee persons assisting scoutmasters and who have completed the training and tenure.

William McDonald received the Den Leader Training Award, and Donna Lecuyer got her Woodbadge.

The Distinguished Commissioner Award was presented to Thomas Thaler based on tenure. Thaler has served for nine years on the Commissioner's Staff.

To distinguished Scouters, the highest award in Adult Scouting, the District Award of Merit was presented to Stephen Harbula, William Capozzi, and Victor Stewart.

The National Eagle Scout Association presented the Scoutmaster's Award to William Wilkinson, Victor Keim, and Clarence Maxwell.

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Sand Creek Middle School fourth grade students celebrate Thanksgiving with a special feast, which they planned, organized and made food for.

Care meeting set

Parsons Child and Family Center, Albany, will sponsor a Foster Care and Adoption Information Meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m.

Parsons is seeking adults who are interested in providing temporary care for children and teenagers who are unable to live in their parents' homes. Single or married adults who are over the age of 21, and who live within 50 miles of Albany are eligible to qualify as prospective foster care or adoptive parents. Especially needed are parents who can be available to serve teenagers on an emergency basis for short-term placement.

There is no cost or further obligation for those attending this meeting. For more information, contact Donna Mohr at 426-2600.

Self help group

On Dec. 3 and 17 the Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group at The Chapter Office will meet at 421 New Karner Road, in Albany beginning at 1 p.m.

The self-help group provides an opportunity for education, sharing, and socialization for those with MS, their families and friends. For more information, please call the office at 452-1631.

Renaissance band

The Renaissance band Calliope will perform at Siena College as part of the 1989-90 music series. The concert is at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 30 in St. Mary of the Angels Chapel. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and non-Siena students. For information and reservations, contact the Siena Box Office at 783-2527.

Seniors invited to festivities

The regular monthly business meeting of the St. Francis de Sales Senior Group will take place on Monday, Dec. 4 at 1 p.m. at the Maria Drive Church Hall. Election of officers will be the main item on the agenda. The executive board will meet prior to the meeting. Blood pressure readings will be taken between 11 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. The seniors are hoping for generous donations to the food pantry so that food baskets can be distributed.

The group is planning its Christmas party on Dec. 6, at the Turf Inn. Festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The senior group director has planned a trip to Utica on Friday, Dec. 15. The bus trip will include shopping, a visit to a brewery and dinner at Trinkhaus Manor.

Hart Social Center

The Senior Citizens Group from Hart Social Center on Wilson Avenue in Colonie will have the opportunity to take a cruise from Dec. 2 through Dec. 11. The group will fly out of Albany Airport on Saturday, Dec. 2 and go directly to the ship in New Orleans. They will cruise to Key West, Cancun and Cozumel, spending a day at each location. The return trip will be Monday, Dec. 11. The cost of the trip is \$1,599. (double), all outside rooms. This includes all costs except for drinks, gifts and a couple of lunches in New Orleans.

A Christmas Party will be on Sunday, Dec. 10, at the Ramada Inn on Western Ave. The event is chaired by Mary Coulter and Betty Milgo and committee members: Marge Shriver, Mae McHugh, Emma Harms, Kay Mock and Carole Dulin and the senior's master of ceremonies, George Briggs. Music by Peter Margiotta. Entertainment is by the Hart dancers and specialty number by member Chris Milgo. Reservations required.

Sand Creek events

Sand Creek Middle School fourth grade students celebrated Thanksgiving with a special Thanksgiving feast on Wednesday, Nov. 15. Fourth graders designed placemats and centerpieces and

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Mary Krug 438-3273



made traditional Thanksgiving foods to share with each other.

The cafeteria served a Thanksgiving meal and students dressed as pilgrims and Indians to help celebrate the event. Grade four students also made a list of items for which they were thankful.

The PTA is sponsoring a Holiday Gift Shop for all students. This allows the students to shop for gifts for their family members at reasonable prices without the hassle and inconvenience of crowded stores. The students will be able to purchase a variety of items at varied price range.

Library volunteers needed

Sand Creek Middle School library needs a few parents to volunteer to work for a couple of hours each week. To volunteer, contact B. J. Haner, librarian, at 459-1333, ext. 456.

The school is also looking for parent volunteers to help plan for the Self Awareness Week activities in which South Colonie Central Schools will be taking part in March. Parents volunteers should contact Mary Krug at 438-3273 or Sand Creek at 459-1333.

Rocessville mascot contest

The Rocessville Mascot Committee ran a school-wide contest to select a school mascot. Students drew their entries for the contest and the entire student body and staff voted on the 6 semi-finalists. The winner of the contest was first grader William Kurtzner. His entry was "Dyno-Rhino." He will receive a gift certificate for a Rocessville sweatshirt, which will picture the new mascot.

Special recognition goes to the

other five semi-finalists who were: Jonathan Williamson, first grade; Edward LaRose, kindergarten; Lori MacHaffie, second grade; Paul Yakel, third grade, and Nicole Lifite, third grade.



The semi-finalists in the Rocessville Elementary School's mascot contest Paul Yakel, left, Lori MacHaffie, Jonathan Williamson, William Kurtzner and Nicole Lifite pose with their creations. Edward LaRose was also a semi-finalist. Kurtzner, a first grader, created the contest winner and new school mascot, "Dyno-Rhino."

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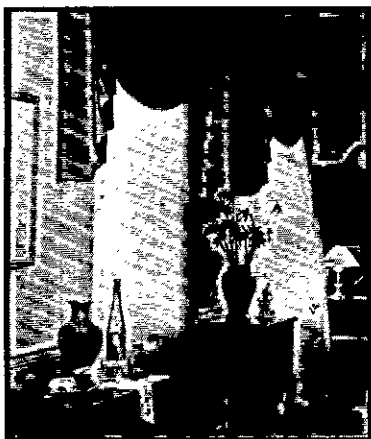
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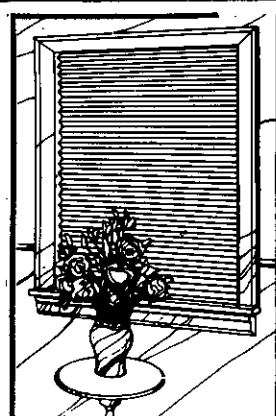
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Toys for Tots program begins

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The toys collected will be picked up by the Marine Corps and, in conjunction with the County Department of Social Services, will be distributed to those most in need.

Toys can be dropped off until Dec. 20 at Town of Colonie Community Center, 1653 Central Ave., Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Mark House, of the Community Center, is overseeing the 1989 project. House says that the Community Center collected more toys last year than any other Toys for Tots collection point in the Town, due to the generosity of the residents.

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Joy Healy

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Joyful noise

The Joyful Noise, a presentation of Christian Music Ministries of Feura Bush, will appear in concert at Colonie Christian Life Center, 31 Vly Road, Colonie on Sunday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

The group, under the direction of Bill Womer, was organized in 1969. Since that time, the group has appeared throughout the Northeast.

There is no admission charge, and the entire family is invited.

Veeder happenings

Kathy Golas, Veeder School social worker, will be the featured speaker Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. at the school. Golas will explain the role of the social worker in the school, as well as Veeder's specific programs.

A Mitten Tree will decorate Veeder School in December, and children are encouraged to bring in new or used mittens, scarves, or booties.

Veeder PTA is sponsoring a Holiday Bazaar Friday, Dec. 1 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. as a service to Veeder students. Parents can enjoy donuts and coffee in the cafeteria while their children shop. Ann Maksymik is the chairperson for the event.

Dinner Theater

The Lisha Kill Drama Club and PTA are sponsoring the first-ever dinner theater evening at Lisha Kill Middle School, tomorrow (Thursday) at 6 p.m. Pizza and salad are on the menu, for \$2 per person. All staff, teachers, administrators, students and parents are invited.

Arrow Recipient

Daniel Snyder, Webelos Scout in Pack 278, recently received the Arrow of Light, the highest level award that a Cub Scout can receive. Peter Salinetti, presented Snyder with an engraved arrow, a special box of matches, and the arrow patch which will be worn on his Cub Scout and Boy Scout uniform. He is the son of Gary and Sue Snyder.

Senate service

The Student Senate at Colonie High collected food for Thanksgiving dinners for less fortunate families in the Colonie area.

Society to meet

Albany Colony of the National Society of New England Women will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday Dec. 7, at Howard Johnson's Restaurant on Route 7 Latham for a dutch treat luncheon and Christmas meeting.

Mrs. Delphis E. Bordeau Sr., president will welcome the group after lunch to the regular meeting and program, which will be "Dolls: the third most popular hobby today" by Mrs. Joseph R. Goode III of Schenectady. For more information, please call Bordeau at 466-7942.



Donations to the annual "Toys for Tots" program can be made at the Town of Colonie Community Center at 1653 Central Ave. until Dec. 20. Mark House displays one of the many toys being donated at the center.

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Holiday dance

A Holiday reception and dance is being held on Dec. 3 from 1-4 p.m. for Town of Colonie seniors. This festive occasion with "ye olde English" theme will be held at the Goodrich School building, 91 Fiddlers Lane, Latham, and is being sponsored by the Rugby Club of Siena College, the Town's Senior Citizen Department, and the Senior Citizen Inter-Club Committee for the town. Tickets are \$2 per person and can be obtained by calling the Senior Citizen Office at 783-2824. In keeping with the holiday spirit, all are asked to bring one non-perishable food item to be used for local food pantries.

Mothers' drop-in

The Capital District Mothers' Center, a community-based, self-help organization offering support, contact, and friendship to parents, invites you to get acquainted. Weekly drop-in mornings are scheduled for December at the Mothers' Center at the First Congregational Church on 405 Quail St. in Albany. Enjoy the companionship of other mothers while the children play, or come without your children and just relax. Drop-ins are on Fridays: Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 between 9:30 a.m. and noon. For information, call Risa Scranton at 482-4508.



Scoutmaster Peter Salinetti, left, congratulates Daniel Snyder of Pack 278 for earning the "Arrow of Light" award which is the highest award a Cub Scout may earn.

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Drinking and driving make fatal mix

By Sal Prividera Jr.

On Friday, Nov. 11, a Shaker High School student "died" every 23 minutes to illustrate a point - drinking and driving is a fatal combination.

The members of the school's Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) staged a Blackout Day to cap off a week of increased awareness of the dangers of driving while intoxicated.

During the week, school-wide announcements, such as "every 23 minutes somebody is killed by a drunk driver" and "Last year 26,000 people died in DWI crashes," were made to bring the point home to students. Colonie Police Officer Brian Casey also conducted a program for students on the realities of driving drunk, according to Valerie Albino, the SADD chapter adviser.

A SADD member "died" every 23 minutes beginning at 8 a.m., said Albino. A "dead" student would wear a sign saying they had been killed by a drunk driver and could not talk to anyone for the rest of the day, she said. The groups efforts received the support of the school staff, who agreed not to ask the students questions during class, she added. Many teachers also took class time to discuss drinking and driving with their classes.

Bringing the message to their classmates is important to the SADD members, who were quick to volunteer to participate in the blackout day, Albino said. The group has 100 members with 30-50 members, who are very active, she said.

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"The kids take notice" of the message, said Albino, who is also the school's substance abuse counselor. "Obviously, (the message) is don't drink and drive. . . the consequences are serious if you drink and drive." She noted the "possibility of killing yourself or others" and jail time.

"It's not taken seriously enough," Albino said.

Senior Maura Campion, SADD vice president, agreed with Albino. "They don't see it as serious" until a fatal accident happens, she said.

"Hopefully, we'll get through to our classmates," Campion said, adding the Blackout Day shows students what it would be like if one of them actually died. Campion also said the students look out for each other at parties by having a designated driver and by taking keys away from people who have had too much to drink.

The SADD chapter rounded-out the very serious day with a dance, which is a fun way to continue to get their message to students. Albino said the SADD dances usually attract over 150 students.

Kiwanis meeting

The Kiwanis Club of Latham will meet this Thursday, Nov. 30 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Mill Road Acres. Prospective members are welcome. For additional information, call Bill Blackwell at 459-2342.



Swati Vasudeva, center, a junior at Shaker High School, portrays a victim of a drunk driver during the recent Students Against Drunk Driving-sponsored "Blackout Day." Students who were to "die" at the hands of drunk drivers during the day wore black and signs to signify the carnage caused by DWI.

Sal Prividera Jr.

Help the hungry

The Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York has created an innovative "Gift Alternative" program for the holidays that will allow local residents and businesses to participate in the true meaning of this special season.

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For more information on the program, contact the Regional Food Bank at 786-3691.

Samaritans recruiting hotline volunteers

The Samaritans of the Capital District provides a 24-hour volunteered staffed suicide prevention hotline for those who are lonely, depressed and suicidal. Volunteers are being recruited now for the next training which will be in January. An Open House is scheduled for Dec. 5 and 7 from 5-7 p.m. at 200 Central Ave., Albany. Training and supervision are provided. For more information, call 463-2323.

The well elderly

On Dec. 5 immediately following the nutrition program, sponsored by the Colonie Senior Service Centers, Inc., Kathryn Prividera, RNC, MS, GNP, Russell Sage College will present a program on The Well Elderly. The program is open to any person 60 years and older, no membership requirement. The meal and nutrition program are held at 91 Fiddlers Lane, Latham.

64,000 quarters

RPI Chapter of Theta Xi Fraternity and the Capital District Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will attempt to raise \$16,000 by building a mile long row of quarters at Crossgates Mall on Saturday, Dec. 2.

"We'll be asking businesses, individuals and service organizations for donations in advance, but we expect that much of the proceeds will come from individual donations by shoppers and other pedestrians at Crossgates Mall on December 2nd," explained Donald McCormick, chairman of the local chapter of the MS Society.

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Shaker students learn about Soviet rock music

Dmitry Tchineynov, a rock music manager for the youth center in Leningrad, spoke with Shaker High School Russian students last week. Tchineynov was one of the organizers who invited Billy Joel to perform in Leningrad in 1984.

During his visit, Tchineynov answered questions about crime, drugs, AIDS, education, economics, politics and rock music in the Soviet Union. The students presented audio cassettes and a sweat-shirt from the the school's Russian Club to the speaker.

Kids Project performs

The Kids Project recently visited third and fourth grade students at Boght Hills School. The program, sponsored by the state Office of Mental Retardation and Development, demonstrated ways that children with various disabilities can lead satisfying lives.

School closings

School administrators at the Latham Ridge School will announce emergency closings or delayed openings because of winter weather on WGY, WQBK, WTRY, WROW and WPTR.

Meetings for parents

Parent teacher conferences will be held at Latham Ridge School on Tuesday, Dec. 5. All students will have a half day of school.

A Parent Advisory Committee meeting, to discuss the comprehensive assessment report (CAR), will be held at the Latham Ridge School library on Thursday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m.

League meeting

The Albany County League of Women Voters will hold a meeting at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Latham on Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 9:30 a.m. During the meeting, members of the group will develop a consensus on the role of garbage incineration in a solid waste management plan for the Capital District. For information, call Pat Jukins at 439-8096.

After-lunch programs

Paul Whitbeck will present a slide program, entitled "American the Beautiful," on Monday, Dec. 4, following the noon nutrition program at 91 Fiddlers Lane, Latham. Kathryn Prividera, PNC, MS, GNP, of Russell Sage College, will speak

The Latham Line

about "The Well Elderly" on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 12:30 p.m. The Dec. 7 lunch will be followed by a program on investment planning to be presented by Terrence Petry, investment executive for Paine Webber.

Individuals 60 years and older can call 783-2823 for reservations.

Holiday meeting set

Members of the Albany Colonie of the National Society of New England Women will meet for lunch at Howard Johnson's Restaurant, Route 7, Latham, on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 11:30 a.m. Mrs. Joseph R. Goode III, former president of the Schenectady Doll Club, will speak about "Dolls: The Third Most Popular Hobby."

For information, call 466-7942 or 286-3283.

Chamber sets date

The Latham Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual dinner at Michael's Banquet House on Thursday, Jan. 11. Members of the annual dinner committee are Tom Gage, Sue Speir, Alinda Stanley, Rick Treacy and Ann Wendth. Patrick Lynch, general manager of the Knickerbocker Arena, will be the guest speaker.

Box office moved

The Albany League of Art's 12-year-old Community Box Office has been moved to a new installation in the Latham Circle Mall. Tickets to Broadway shows, rock concerts, sporting events, state and national park campsites, and museums will be sold between 10 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. from Monday through Saturday, and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For information, call 783-0689.

Hours expanded

Beginning on Jan. 3, a representative of the Town of Colonie Senior Citizen Services Department will be available to meet with senior citizens and their families on the first Wednesday evening of each month from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at 91 Fiddlers Lane, Latham.



Russian rock band manager Dmitry Tchineynov, left, recently met with Russian language students at Shaker High School. He discussed the impact of rock music and many current events including Glasnost with the students.

Latham woman named media director

Ellen Bogdan of Latham has been named media director at H. Linn Cushing, Inc., a full service marketing and advertising agency in Corporate Plaza, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany.

For the past three years Bogdan has been a media buyer/analyst at Communication and Design, Latham. Before that she spent six years with Nowak Barlow Johnson, as a media buyer.

She will be responsible for researching, selecting, scheduling, and placing print and electronic media locally, nationally, and internationally.

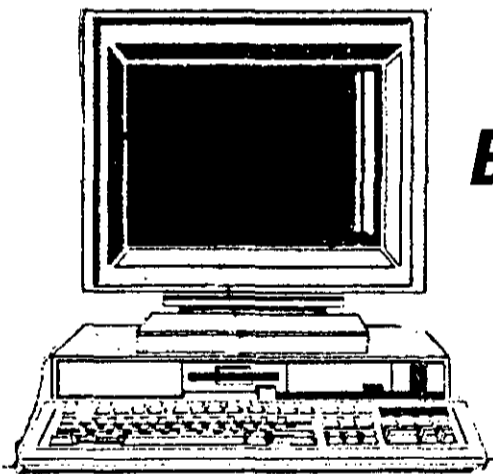
Colonie Jaycees deliver letters from Santa Claus

The Colonie Jaycees are delivering letters from Santa Claus to area children.

Area parents who would like their children to receive letters should send requests, each including the children's name, age, address, favorite pet's name, friend's name and the type of present that will be received on Christmas, to Santa Claus, North Pole, P.O. Box 12932, Albany, N.Y. 12212. A \$2 check, payable to the Colonie Jaycees, should accompany each request. Part of the program proceeds will be donated to WGY Christmas Wish.

Town program list

The Town of Colonie Community Development Department is making a list of contractors and sub-contractors to work on its home improvement program. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the New York State Affordable Housing Development Corporation. Work on this program includes electrical, central heating, roof repair, chimney repair, insulation, plumbing, painting, siding, window repair, foundation repair, and sewer and water connections. For more information or to be placed on this list, please call 783-2718.



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Tax delay

State Rep. Alphonse D'Amato, has criticized Gov. Mario Cuomo's suggestion to delay the tax cut for one year in order to fund state programs he claims are in need of more revenue.

The tax cut plan benefits every New Yorker across the income

spectrum, and under no circumstances should it be delayed, he said.

Proskin said any real solution to New York's budget problems lies in making responsible cuts in state spending. The fact that state spending has nearly doubled since 1982 makes that point abundantly clear.

Christmas Story to be told

Loudonville/ Newtonville News Notes

Susan Fuchs 783-9899



Greyfriar film series at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 6, in the Roger Bacon Hall.

The film stars Michael Caine and Julie Walters. This is the final film in the fall series, and admission is free.

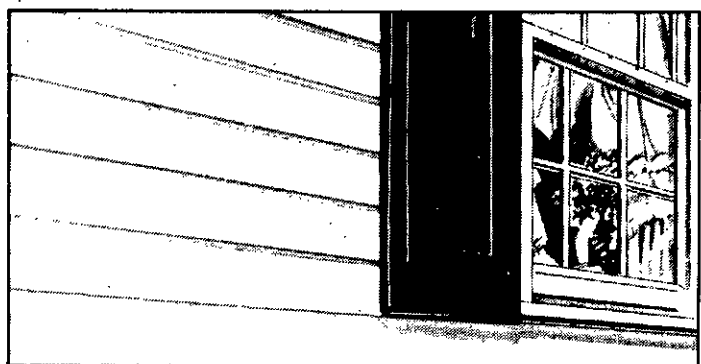
New visiting policy

Siena College has implemented a new visitor registration program to help curb violations or residence hall policies.

Each visitor to one of Siena's four residence halls must sign in at

the residence hall office and receive a dated pass with their name and their host's name and room number. They will also be given a copy of campus alcohol regulations and residence hall policies concerning guests, according to Nancy DaPore, dean of students.

The new policy also has some penalties for Siena students. If a student does not register his visitor and the visitor is found in violation of any Siena policy, the host may be subject to a charge of insubordination and a fine of \$25. If non-Siena people are found in the residence halls without a student host, they will be asked to leave. If they are in violation of Siena policies, they will be subject to arrest.



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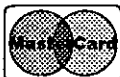


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In case of inclement weather, call the church at 465-7277 to see if the event has been postponed to the next Sunday.

St. Pius coats for kids

The student council of St. Pius X School is participating in WRGB's "coats for kids."

This year, students collected 83 coats. The student council would like to thank all those who donated coats, jackets or snowsuits.

Film at Siena

The film "Educating Rita", will be shown at Siena College as part of the English Department's



Christopher Shaw will present "An Adirondack Christmas" at the William K. Sanford Town Library in Colonie on Friday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 p.m.



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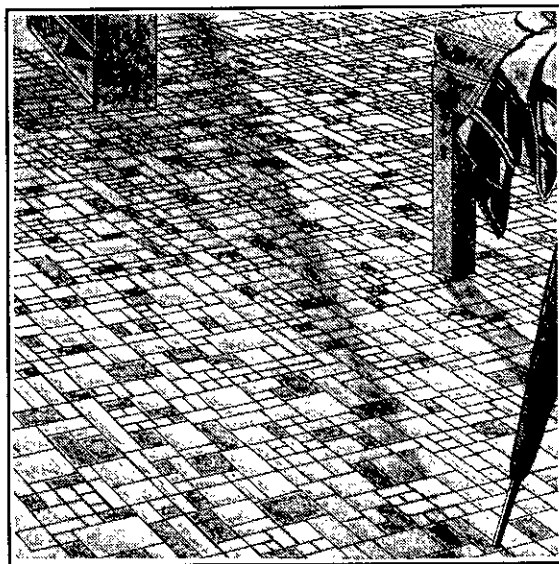
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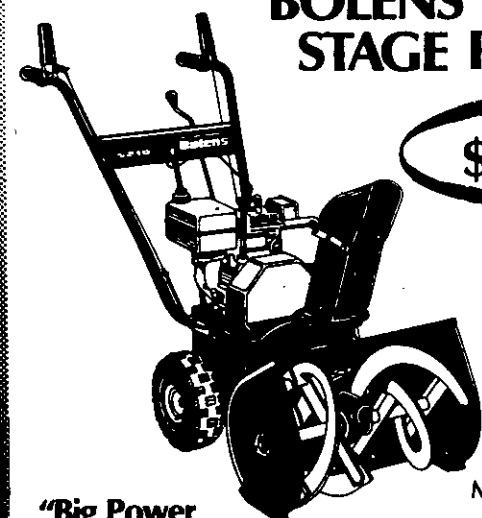
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Colonie Spotlight Sports

Raider hoopsters rebuilding

By Michael Foley

The Raiders boys basketball team will have its hands full as they start their season after a long football season and a large number of newcomers.

According to Colonie coach David Foust, who is returning as coach after a year-long absence, the Raiders will be concentrating on rebuilding early in the season. He expects the team to become more competitive as the season unfolds.

The reason for this strategy is the Raiders have lost all five of their starters from last season and only one of the top seven players has returned. The Raiders' record last year was 10-11.

The top returning player is Tony Valente. Mark Ferracane and Terrence Pennington are also returning players.

Also, many of the team's players have only recently turned their efforts to basketball, having been members of the Raider football team that played in the Super Bowl.

"Tony can have an exceptional year... he is a good athlete," said Foust. "We plan to utilize his outside shooting game." "Terrence has drastically improved," the coach said. "He is going to be a surprise player in the Suburban Council."

Along with the three returning players are eight others. Chad Dukes, who missed all of last season because of a broken jaw, will



Raider team captains Tony Valente, Terrence Pennington and Chad Dukes along with Coach David Foust are concentrating on building a competitive team from a squad with many new players.

be an added factor, according to Foust, because of his quickness. This will help the Raiders' running game, Foust said.

"I'm impressed with (Derek) Rice up from JV. He is strong from the off-season," said Foust.

Finishing off the roster are Adam Richardson, Mike McDonough, Frank Scotti, Todd Hesnor, Rob Tetzl, and Rick Roddy. Foust said that Richardson and Tetzl will be used inside, and Hesnor and Scotti will provide relief help in the guard positions.

The Suburban Council is broken into two divisions for basketball, the Blue and the Gold. The

Blue Division consists of Colonie, Columbia, Saratoga, Shaker, and Shenendehowa. The Gold Division includes Bethlehem, Burnt Hills, Guilderland, Mohonasen, Niskayuna, and Scotia.

"We are hoping for an exciting basketball season," said Foust. "The Suburban Council will be strong, especially the Blue Division. Shenendehowa will be the team to beat."

The Raiders will begin their season Friday and Saturday at home with their own tournament. The varsity games will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and 8:30 p.m. on Saturday.



Aaron St. Gelais, captain of the Blue Bison basketball team, and Coach Keith Luby are optimistic about this year's squad. Paul Crozzoli

Bisons looking for improvement

By M.J. Santarcangelo II

Led by Captain Aaron St. Gelais, the Blue Bison Basketball team is looking to improve upon last year's 13-8 record.

The team will work on compensating for the loss of four seniors from last year's squad, including Corey Anderson. The team is looking to seniors St. Gelais and Mike Svoboda to lead the way.

This is the third year of varsity basketball for St. Gelais, who Coach Keith Luby hopes will better his scoring average of roughly 18 points per game last year. He handles the ball well, shoots well and plays well on defense. "He works hard to become a better player," said Luby.

Along with St. Gelais and Svoboda, Darren Donohue, Tim Wyman, Derek Endres, and Frank Bouden round out the returning seniors.

Juniors on the team include Chris Auclair, Charlie Bashant, Mike Rinella, Dave Hogan, and Chris Mlynarik, and sophomore Jamie Haver.

Shaker is a young team, but they have a good size and decent perimeter shooting, along with quickness. They need to improve upon their ability to rebound off the offensive boards.

Luby said he is "pleased with the progress of the younger players." He believes the key to success will be "how fast (the younger players) come around."

The team has worked hard in practices, which end with a rally and a quick cheer. The team appears to be focused on the goals they set for the season.

They compete in 20 games in the blue and gold divisions. Luby was quick to note, "The blue division will be very competitive as will the gold this season."



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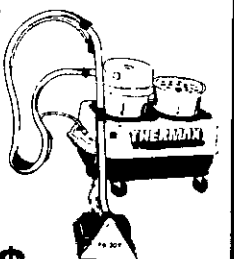
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Soccer players honored

CCHS Soccer Booster Club recently sponsored the annual soccer banquet, honoring those players on the high school teams. Many athletes were honored, as well as adults assisting the teams.

Girl's Varsity Awards: Honorable Mention Capital District All-Stars, Kate Gremmler and Sheri Pezzula; Most Improved, Cheryl Schoonmaker; 110 Percent Award, Sheri Pezzula; Sportsmanship, Elizabeth Macdonald; Cleary Award, Shannon Mulderry; Highest scorer, Tiffany Dean.

Boy's Varsity Awards: Senior All-Star Team, Kevin Husselbeck; 110 Percent Award, Michael Renick; Most Improved, Andy Teller; Best Defensive, John Papa, Michael Trimachi; High Scorer, Kevin Husselbeck; Cleary Award, Kevin Husselbeck.

Hunger appeal drive to help food bank

Opening ceremonies for the 5th annual TV 10 Holiday Hunger Appeal were held recently at Colonie Center. Matilda Cuomo is honorary chairperson of the event.

The appeal is sponsored by WTEN, Shop 'n Save Supermarkets, K-Lite Radio and Colonie Center. Last year, the appeal raised more than \$52,000 on behalf of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The Food Bank is the only organization of its kind in the Capital District which solicits donations from local and national distributors, producers, and farmers. Food is given to emergency food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, day care centers, senior programs and rehabilitation centers. Last year the Food Bank distributed 1.6 million pounds of food worth \$2,500,000 to more than 350 member programs in a 24 county service area. This year they expect to distribute more than 2 million pounds of food.

The appeal will run through Dec. 24.

Rev. J. Miller Evans to be honored

The installation of the Rev. J. Miller Evans as pastor of the Latham Community Baptist Church will be celebrated on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m.

The Rev. Ralph H. Elliott, provost of Colgate University Divinity School and a former Albany area pastor, will speak at the service. Also participating in the service will be Evelyn Stone, a representative of the Capital Area Council of Churches, the Rev. Howard Washburn, associate executive of the American Baptist Churches of New York State, Curtis M. Carlson, moderator of the congregation, Eugene F. Smith Jr., chairman of the church pulpit committee, and the Rev. Alfred O. Siegel of Loudonville, a representative of the North Colonie Clergy Association.

Associate named

The South Colonie Board of Education has appointed Suzanne Moore of Loudonville associate principal of Sand Creek Middle School.

Moore earned a bachelor's and master's degree from State University College at Potsdam. She has been an elementary classroom teacher and a secondary mathematics teacher. She served as an administrative intern in the Model Schools Program in the Lowville Central Schools and was administrative assistant for curriculum Greenwich Central Schools.

Girl's Junior Varsity Awards: 110 Percent Award, Christy Brancatelli; Most Valuable Player (MVP), Rachel Goguen; Sportsmanship, Kristen Novak; Most Improved, Carol Fiorello.

Boy's Junior Varsity Awards: Most Improved, Brian Baker; 110 Percent, Mark Dibb; Most Consistent Player, Dan Murphy.

Girl's Freshman Awards: MVP, Kara Domkowski; High Scorer, Deanna Neville; Most Improved, Amy Schner; 110 Percent Heather Ackerley; Sportsmanship, Sue Traynor.

Boy's Freshman Awards: MVP, Mark Impellizzier; Most Improved, Rob Severson; 110 Percent James Maurer.

Chosen as finalist

Kristina Heffelfinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Heffelfinger of Latham, has been chosen as a finalist in the Miss American Pre-Teen pageant.

Heffelfinger is a sixth grader at Blue Creek School in Latham. She is an active member at Calvary United Methodist Church in Latham. She is a member of the Troy and Albany Yuba Associations and bowls in the junior program at Latham Bowl and Bowling Gree Lanes, East Greenbush. Heffelfinger was also a Girl Scout.

She was previously a finalist in the Empire New York State Regionals and was awarded most photogenic in 1984.



Colonie Central High School soccer coaches Joe Santos, left, and Teri Fay, right, congratulate Cleary Award winners Kevin Husselbeck and Shannon Mulderry at the recent soccer banquet. The players were honored for their good sportsmanship. Joy Healy

Mothers' center

The Capital District Mothers' Center is a community-based group offering contact, support, and friendship to parents. We offer discussion/support groups and a weekly informal drop-in for parents and children, as well as a play-group network for members and a bi-monthly newsletter.

Meetings are currently held at the First Congregational Church in Albany. For information, call 869-5113.

IRS checks

The Internal Revenue Service has announced that they have checks that have been returned to the office as undeliverable. The following persons are requested to call the IRS at 1-800-424-1040 to receive their checks:

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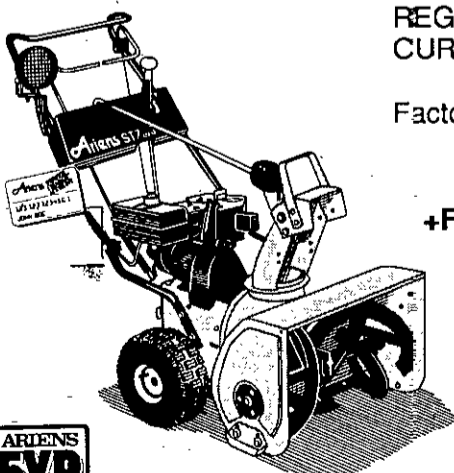
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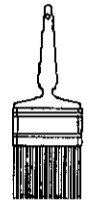
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In the courts



Charles B. Boulton of 2808 Troy Rd., Schenectady, arrested Oct. 2 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Ralph E. Class, 25, of Valley View Apartments, Bldg. 25, Apt. 1, arrested Oct. 8 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Bruce W. Fink, 29, of 474 Ontario St., Albany, arrested Aug. 28 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Mary Louise Frazier, 27, of 2278 Route 9, Mechanicville, arrested Sept. 17 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Laurence F. Goellner, 19, of 38 Congress St., Cohoes, arrested Aug. 12 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a one-year license revocation.

Andre W. Henry, 28, of 46 Osborne St., Albany, arrested Sept. 3 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Eugene J. Kendrick, 22, of 68 Meadowlark Dr., Watervliet, arrested Sept. 21 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Lorraine E. Scales, 41, of 451222 Willow St., Springfield, Mass., arrested Oct. 8 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Kenneth F. Stevens, 37, of 851 Pheasant Run Apartments, arrested Nov. 1 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Robert Malpass, 32, of 36 Waterford Ave., Latham, arrested Sept. 9 on two counts of felony attempt to commit assault, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of reckless endangerment, a misdemeanor, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 15 and was sentenced to three years probation.

Cory A. Wickham, 20, of 314 Manning Blvd., Albany, arrested Oct. 14 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 6 and was fined \$250 with a one-year license revocation.

James C. Hailey, 38, of 358 Second Ave., Albany, arrested June 22 for third-degree grand larceny, a felony, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of petty larceny in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 8 and was sentenced to 90 days in Albany County Jail.

Edward Apanowicz, 32, of 61 James Dr., Schenectady, arrested June 3 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was sentenced to 30 days in Albany County Jail with 3 years probation and fined \$500.

Donald P. Cassidy, 72, of 1197 Hillside Ave., Schenectady, arrested Sept. 19 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Allan R. Hayes, 41, of 1317 Third Ave., Schenectady, arrested Oct. 19 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Robert M. Kennedy, 38, of 1311 Ninth Ave., Watervliet, arrested Oct. 15 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty

to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

John E. Ogren, 25, of 187 Consaul Rd., Albany, arrested July 22 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Jay D. Seiling, 26, of 3 Gladwish Ave., Albany, arrested Aug. 30 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Mary L. Sheehy, 26, of 16 Southern Dr., Latham, arrested Oct. 22 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 13 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

John T. Heeney, 20, of 34 Grandview Terrace, Albany, arrested May 26 on two counts of felony criminal possession of stolen property, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of misdemeanor criminal possession of stolen property in Colonie Town Court on Nov. 15 and was sentenced to three years probation.

Thomas H. McDonald, 23, of 2 Hudson Ave., Colonie, arrested Sept. 7 for third-degree rape and sodomy, both felonies, and misdemeanor counts of endangering the welfare of a child and sexual abuse, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor, in Colonie

Town Court on Nov. 15 and was sentenced to 30 days in Albany County Jail with two years and 11 months probation.

Police nab pair for car break ins

Colonie police arrested an 18-year-old Albany man and a 17-year-old Albany teen on misdemeanor charges Friday stemming from thefts from several vehicles at the Latham Village Apartments.

Police said both were charged with petty larceny, possession of burglar tools and criminal mischief, all misdemeanors.

Troy teen arrested for stolen property

Colonie police arrested a 17-year-old Troy teen on a felony fourth-degree criminal possession of stolen property charge last Wednesday.

Vincent A. Corina of 238 Fourth Ave. was arrested in the parking lot of Present Company on Wolf Road for allegedly possessing property stolen from the store, police said.

New office building

A new two-story office building is currently under construction at Airport Park. The 40,000 square foot building mirrors a 35,000 square foot building that was completed last year. The new building, designed by Clover Architectural Group, is being built by Barry Bette and Led Duke.

Contemporary in design, the entry level will feature floor to ceiling glass with marble floors and walls. The building is set on landscaped grounds that include a two-acre pond. Plans call for the building to be completed by mid-December.

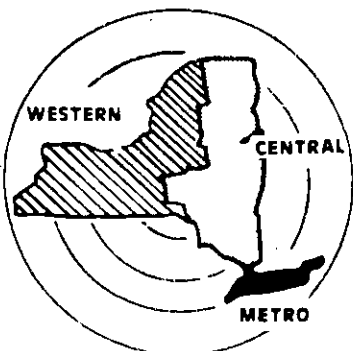
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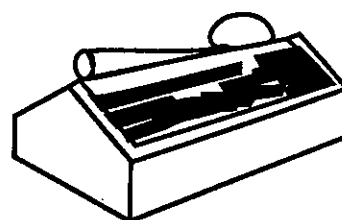
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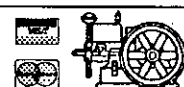
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Obituaries



Rev. Donald L. Starks

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The Rev. Donald L. Starks, 72, retired pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church in West Albany and Loudonville, died Thursday in Memorial Hospital in Albany after a long illness.

Born and raised in Rochester, Father Starks served in the Army in the South Pacific during World War II.

He entered Our Lady of Angels Seminary in Niagara, Niagara County, in 1946 and was ordained in Albany by Bishop Edmund Gibbons in 1949.

His first assignment was as associate pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church in Troy. In 1955, he became associate pastor of St. Ambrose Church in Latham. From 1956 to 1964, he was associate pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Albany. From 1964 to 1966, he served as chaplain for the Newman Club at the State University at Albany.

Father Starks started his assignment with St. Francis de Sales Church as administrator in 1966, became pastor in 1969 and retired in 1985. Since retirement, he resided at the Teresian House in Albany, and Our Lady of Hope Residence in Latham.

A member of the Colonie Elks Lodge 2192 and the Latham-Colonie Knights of Columbus, he also served as chaplain for the New York State Police.

Survivors include two sisters, Marie V. Starks and Eileen J. Starks, both of Fairport, Monroe County; and two brothers, the Rev. R.M. Starks of Scotia and Homer R. Starks of Rochester.

Service were from St. Francis de Sales Church, Maria Drive Loudonville, with a parish eucharist. A funeral eucharist was held with burial in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady of Hope Residence (Little Sisters of the Poor), Latham, or St. Francis de Sales Chapel Renovation Fund.

Arrangements were by Reilly and Son Funeral Home, Albany.

Thomas Bullock

Thomas L. Bullock, 80, of Lorna Lane, Loudonville, died Nov. 17 in Memorial Hospital in Albany after a brief illness.

Born in Sesser, Ill., he lived in Albany from 1959 until 1965, in Toledo, Ohio, from 1965 to 1977, and in Columbus, from 1977 to 1986, before moving to Loudonville.

Mr. Bullock had attended Normal College in Normal, Ohio, Toledo University in Toledo, where he received an honorary degree in

accounting, and Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J.

Mr. Bullock worked as a bake shop manager for five years for the Churchill's Supermarket in Toledo retiring in 1974.

He served in the Marines from 1924 until 1928 and was a member of the Loudonville Community Church; and the New England Lodge 004, Free and Accepted Masons; and the Worthington Chapter 287, Order of the Eastern Star, both in Worthington, Ohio.

Survivors include his wife, Aline Doak Bullock; a daughter, Mary Powers Page of Loudonville; two sons, Thomas L. Bullock Jr. of Oakton, Va., and Allan C. Bullock of Tustin, Calif.; and six grandchildren.

Services were from Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home, 16 Manning Square, Albany, with burial in Memory's Garden, Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the missionary fund of the Loudonville Community Church

Dorothy S. Carpentier

Dorothy Seccomb Carpentier, 80, of Woodside Avenue died Nov. 14 in Southern Maryland Hospital in Clinton after a long illness.

Born in Auburn, Cayuga County, Mrs. Carpentier was a clerk for the state Department of Law in Albany for 24 years, retiring in 1972.

She was a former member of the Hart Senior Citizen Center, Albany.

She was widow of William H. Carpentier. Survivors include two sons, William H. Carpentier Jr. of Indian Head, Md., and David L. Carpentier of Schenectady; a sister, Trudy S. Topping of Williamsburg, Va.; a brother, Roy Seccomb of Clinton, Md.; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services were private. Arrangements were by the Reilly and Son Funeral Home, Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Hart Senior Citizen Center.

Thomas L. Magnano

Thomas L. Magnano of Louis Drive died Nov. 18 at Samaritan Hospital in Troy after being stricken on Wednesday.

Born in Troy, Mr. Magnano had lived most of his life in Cohoes and the last four years in Latham. He had worked for 42 years as a shirt cutter at Cluett, Peabody & Co. in Troy before retiring in 1975.

Mr. Magnano was a member of St. Rita's Church in Cohoes, the Holy Name Society and recently had been named St. Rita's Man of the Year. He was a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Cohoes Mens Club. He was a former member of the Cohoes Knights of Columbus and a former Cub Scout Master for Cub Pack 45. He also was active in the Cohoes Little League and was a treasurer of CO-CAP.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Hayden Magnano; three sons, Joseph Magnano of Clifton Park, David Magnano of Saratoga and Anthony Magnano of Latham; two daughters, Randi Jurus of Latham and Diane Dare of Latham; a brother, Vincent J. Magnano of Cohoes; a sister, Pauline Pascale of Cohoes; and nine grandchildren.

Services were from the Marra Funeral Home, Remsen and Columbia streets in Cohoes, and in

St. Rita's Church in Cohoes. Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Lawrence K. Morris

Lawrence K. Morris, 83, of Noxon Court, Loudonville, died Nov. 17 in St. Peter's Hospice, Albany, after a brief illness.

Born in Green Island, he moved to Watervliet as a youngster.

He attended New York University in New York City and moved to Loudonville in 1953.

Mr. Morris was a licensed architect, who worked for the state of New York for more than 30 years. He retired in 1969 from the state Department of Correctional Services in Albany. He later was a self-employed architect and a consultant for Charles Luckman & Associates in New York City.

He was a member, deacon and elder of the Jermain Memorial Presbyterian Church in Watervliet and a member of its former Couples Club.

He was husband of the late Lena Wilson Morris.

Survivors include two sons, Lawrence J. Morris of Rochester and Robert A. Morris of Loudonville; a sister, Laura Brower of Watervliet; and five grandchildren.

A graveside service was held in the Albany Rural Cemetery in Menands.

Arrangements were by the Bowen Funeral Home, Watervliet.

Contributions may be made to the Memorial Fund of the Jermain Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Joseph L. Walker

Joseph L. Walker, 66, of Furlong Drive in Colonie died Nov. 19 in St. Peter's Hospice, Albany, after a long illness.

Born and educated in Troy, he had lived in Colonie since 1952.

Mr. Walker was employed for 43 years by AT&T Technology Network Systems, Albany, retiring in 1984 as an orbit supervisor.

He served in the Army Signal Corps during World War II, was a member of the Colonie Elks Lodge 2192 and its Dart League and Bingo committee; and the Albany chapter of the Telephone Pioneers of America. He was an usher in the Church of St. Clare, Colonie and a former member of the Reverend Corbett Catholic War Veterans, Green Island. He was also a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Witbeck Walker; two daughters, Joah Walker of Santa Fe, N.M. and Sharyl Walker of Palm Springs, Calif.; two sons, Michael D. Walker of Marlborough, N.H. and Mitchell J. Walker of Palm Harbor, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

Services were in the Reilly & Son Funeral Home 1200 Central Ave., Colonie, and in the Church of St. Clare, 1947 Central Ave., Colonie. Burial was in Memory's Garden, Colonie.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice or to the Church of St. Clare Memorial Fund.

Sister Wolber

Services were held for Sister Germaine Wolber of the Sisters of Mary Reparatrix, who died Nov. 17 at St. Joseph's Provincial House in Latham.

Born in Detroit, Sister Wolber had been a retreat director for the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include her mother, Theresa Quart Wolber of Pontiac, Mich., and three brothers, Joseph Wolber of Allen Park, Mich., William Wolber of Columbus, Ind., and James Wolber of Deerfield, Ill.

Services were at the Chapel of Our Lady Queen of Virgins at St. Joseph's Provincial House, Latham.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in New York City.

Arrangements were by the Leahy Funeral Home in Troy.

Esther Young

Esther Young, 93, formerly of Broad Street in Albany, died Saturday in the Albany County Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born in Albany, where she lived most of her life, she was a custodian for the National Savings Bank in Albany many years ago.

There are no immediate survivors.

The service was in the Dreis Funeral Home, 89 Second Avenue, Albany, with burial in the German Evangelical Cemetery, Albany.

Eva Robideau

Eva M. Kaschak Robideau, 87, of Dover Drive, Latham, died Nov. 20 at St. Mary's Hospice, Troy, after a long illness.

Born in Watervliet, she was educated in Cropseyville. She moved to Maplewood after her marriage and lived there until moving to Latham five years ago.

Mrs. Robideau was a communicant of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Watervliet.

She was widow of Archie F. Robideau.

Survivors include a daughter, Josephine Ohanian of Latham; five sons, Edward Robideau of Troy, Paul Robideau and David Robideau, both of Cohoes, Joseph Robideau of Maplewood and Samuel Robideau of Colonie; two sisters, Martha Hayes of Cropseyville and Mary Suwalski of Troy; two brothers, Stephen Kaschak of Watervliet and Alexander Kaschak of Cropseyville; 23 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Services were held in the Parker Brothers Memorial, 2013 Broadway, Watervliet, and in St. Patrick's Church, 515 19th Street, Watervliet. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Colonie.

Donations may be made to the North Colonie Ambulance Squad, P.O. Box 354, Latham 12110.

Carrie U. Hoefer

Carrie U. Hoefer, 90, of Albany Shaker Road, Colonie died Nov. 24 in the University Heights Nursing Home in Albany after a long illness.

Born in Colonie, she was a homemaker and a communicant of Our Lady of Angels Roman Catholic Church in Albany, a member of its Altar-Rosary Society, the Shaker Road Loudonville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and Westview Senior Citizens.

She was widow of Ignatius Hoefer.

Survivors include three daughters, Agnes Molitor of Colonie, Jean Nyfeler of Ghent and Anna Lester of Colonie; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were in the Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home, 16 Manning Square in Albany, and in Our Lady of Angels Church. Bur-

ial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery.

Kenneth Bell

Kenneth Bell Sr., 89, of Central Avenue, Colonie died Nov. 23 in St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in New Scotland, he lived in the Capital District for many years. He was employed for 50 years in the printing business, most recently as a pressman for 28 years with the Boyd Printing Co. in Albany, retiring in 1967. Prior to that, lands Printing Co., for William Press in Albany and for various other firms. He also trained other craftsmen throughout his career.

He was a member of the Noah Lodge 754 F. & A.M. in Albany for 65 years.

Survivors include his wife, Marion Taaffe Bell; two daughters, Jean Kelley of Colonie and Joan Cudworth of New Scotland; a son, Kenneth Bell Jr. of Delmar; a stepdaughter, Shirley Naro of Nashua, N.H.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A service was held in the Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home, 16 Manning Square, Albany, with burial in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Colonie Village Fire Company Ambulance Fund or to the Noah Lodge.

Card sale

"Legend of the Christmas Stocking," the first of a series of unique holiday cards created by Northeast Parent and Child Society is being offered for sale to the general public. Not only is the "legend" unique, it is true, it happened locally, it is illustrated by a local artist and it depicts the real spirit of Christmas while portraying the sad realities of life for many of the 56,000 children who are flooding New York's foster care system at the rate of 800-900 per month.

The cards, which come in packages of 20, sell for \$12 per package and can be purchased at Carl Company stores, The Shop at the State Museum, Albany; The Book Nook, Schenectady and Northeast Parent and Child Society, Schenectady, or by mail order.

Insurance discussion

The board of directors of the Health Systems Agency of Northeastern New York will sponsor a discussion on Universal Health Insurance at a public meeting on Monday, Dec. 4 at the Desmond Americana, 660 Albany-Shaker Rd., Loudonville, at 6 p.m.

Dan Beauchamp from the New York State Department of Health and Elliot Shaw from the Business Council of New York State, Inc. will be guest speakers.

A question and answer session will follow the presentation. For more information, call 452-3300.

Holiday luncheon

The Colonie Chapter 2873, American Association of Retired Persons is holding its annual Christmas luncheon at Veeder's Restaurant, 2020 Central Ave., on Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Social hour begins at noon with lunch at 1 p.m. Entrees are roast fresh turkey, baked ham, and broiled fillet of scrod.

Reservation deadline is Friday, Nov. 30. Send a check made out to AARP 2837 for \$8.50 to Delores Sponable, 34 Lorelee Dr., Albany 12205 or call 869-6768.

Shaker Heritage Society plans quilt raffle



Quilter Marian Kunz works to finish a handmade bedroom quilt, which will be raffled on Friday, Dec. 1 at the Shaker Heritage Society's Christmas Shop. Proceeds from the raffle will be used to help restore the Shaker Meeting House. *Joe Futia*

Adirondack Christmas

Christopher Shaw will present "An Adirondack Christmas" on Friday, Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Stedman Room of the William K. Sanford Town Library in Colonie.

If you close your eyes, you'll be able to smell the cinnamon cider on the wood stove, you'll hear

sleigh bells ringing through the new fallen snow, and all the most wonderful memories of Christmas in the North Country will come rushing back to you like the bare feet of children scurrying down the stairs on a chilly Christmas morning. For more information, call 458-9274.

Free concert set at library

Stephanie Melvin, mezzo-soprano, with pianist Joann Rautenberg, will present a free concert in the Stedman Room of the William K. Sanford Town Library on Sunday, Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. She will perform songs by Herbert, Rossini, and Weill and arias from French operas. For more information, call 458-9274.

Newtonville church celebrates 190 years

The Newtonville United Methodist Church will celebrate its 190th anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 3. A banquet will be held at 5 p.m., and a service will follow at 7 p.m.

Bishop C. Dale White, resident bishop of the New York and Troy Conferences of the United Methodist Church, will speak.

DAR to meet

There will be a luncheon meeting of the Gansevoort Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday, Dec. 2 at noon at Wolfert's Roost Country Club, Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany.

Sarah Whitney, grade 8 student at Bethlehem Central Middle School will read a paper on environmentalism.

Holiday concert

The Women's Chorus of the Monday Musical Club will present a holiday concert on Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. in the Siena College Chapel. Agnes Armstrong will direct and Rachel Worth will be the accompanist. Sally Dewes, clarinetist, will be the guest artist. The program will consist of a group of folk songs and Christmas songs of North America. There will be solos by Melinda Haven, soprano; Lucille Brewer, alto; Suzanne Flynn, mezzo soprano; Dorothy Wuerthman, alto; and Honey Templeton, soprano.

Everyone is invited. Tickets at the door are \$3 for the public and \$2 for students and senior citizens. A reception will follow.

Child care

A convenient, low-cost way to deal with the pressures of holiday shopping chores is available — drop your child off for a few hours at the YWCA of Albany. Throughout December, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, the YWCA of Albany, located at 28 Colvin Ave., between Central Ave at Westgate Shopping Plaza, and Washington Ave, will offer a Holiday Drop-In Center for young children. Call 438-6608 to reserve a place for your youngsters a day beforehand.

Interest-free loans for improvements

The State Energy Conservation Bank (ECB) is now offering zero-interest loans on a first-come, first-serve basis that can help you pay for energy-saving improvements to your home.

The program is administered by the state Energy Office in conjunction with nine utility companies across the state.

Any resident who owns or rents a one-to four-unit residential building constructed before 1980 is eligible, as long as they meet certain qualifications. Additional information is available by calling the toll-free Energy Office hot line at 1-800-342-3722.

Cope with separation

"Coping with Separation: The First Day of Kindergarten to the First Day of College," a specially produced program that explores issues parents encounter as their children separate from the family, will air at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18 on Capital Cablevision, cable channel 28.

Produced by Four Winds Hospital in Saratoga Springs, this is the final program in the three-part series "From Here to Maturity: Raising Children in a Complex Society."

Births



Albany Medical Center

Boy, Cory Ryan, to Christa and Peren Villanueva, Latham, Sept. 23.

Boght Hills PTA opens gift shop

The Boght Hills School PTA will sponsor a holiday gift shop from Dec. 4 through 8 at the school. Pens, mugs, memo holders and potholders are among the items that will be offered. Proceeds from the event will be used for student cultural programs. Volunteers will assist the children with their purchases during school hours.

On Dec. 7 the Boght Hills PTA will host "Imagine It," by Jamie Mymit. The one-man mine show, which encourages children to use their imaginations, features storytelling, body puppets and comedy. Mymit has performed at Lincoln Center, Princeton University and the WNET Arts Showcase.

Sex advice program

"Never Too Early: Talking to Your Children about Sex," a specially produced program that features a frank discussion and practical advice for parents who want to discuss sex with their children, will air at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4 on Capital Cablevision, Channel 28.

Produced by Four Winds Hospital in Saratoga Springs, this is the first of three 30-minute programs from the series "From Here to Maturity: Raising Children in a complex Society." The series takes a sensitive look at the tough issues confronting all parents.

Pain management class slated

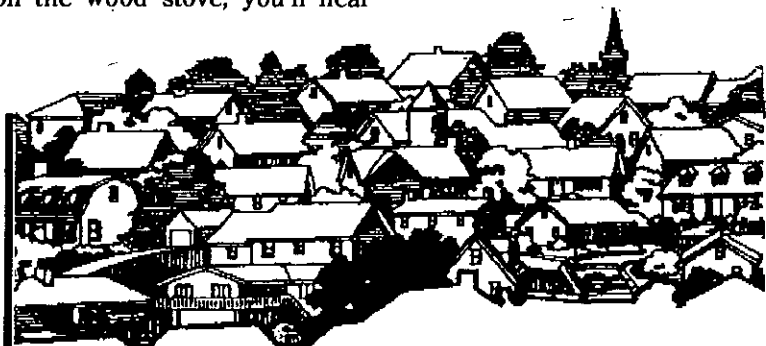
The Community Health Plan, 1201 Troy-Schenectady Rd., has scheduled a class on pain management techniques in childbirth for Tuesday, Dec. 5 from 7-9 p.m. at the health center.

The cost of the program is \$7 and is open to CHP members only; pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, call 783-1864, ext. 444.

America the beautiful

On Dec. 4 immediately following the nutrition program sponsored by the Colonie Senior Service Centers, Inc., Paul Witbeck will present a slide program on "America the Beautiful." The program is open to any person 60 years and older, no membership requirement. The meal and nutrition program are held at 91 Fiddlers Lane in Latham.



Community Corner

"HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE"

The Friends of Pruyn House will host an open house at the Pruyn House, 207 Old Niskayuna Rd., Newtonville, on Sunday, Dec. 3 from noon to 4 p.m.

The Christmas Greens Show, featuring holiday floral arrangements and decorations made by members of the Blue Creek Garden Club and other Capital District garden clubs, will be held at the Pruyn House on Friday, Dec. 1, from noon to 6 p.m., on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 3, from noon to 4 p.m.

All are welcome. Admission is free. For information call 783-1435. Be sure to enjoy the beauty of the season.



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THE 43rd ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GREENS SHOW

By Theresa Bobear

Even when all the leaves are gone and the snow is falling, evergreens brighten winter days.

Pine swags tied with bright ribbons and favorite family ornaments add sparkle to the holidays, and many of the area's finest floral designers have spent time throughout the year thinking of creative ways to use such holiday bounty to decorate Newtonville's Pruyn House with greens for the holidays. Arrangements showing the skill and imagination of Capital District garden club members will be exhibited in the 43rd Christmas Greens Show at the Pruyn House on Dec. 1, from noon to 6 p.m., Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 3, from noon to 4 p.m.

Decorations made by members of the Blue Creek Garden Club will grace the stairs, windows and doorways of the historic home throughout December. "We are really ecstatic to have the house decorated for Christmas. It makes everything just so much more beautiful and so much more fun at a beautiful time of the year," said Camille Hoheb of Loudonville, president of the Friends of Pruyn House. "It really puts you in a warm, wonderful holiday mood." She said the decorations give visitors ideas for using holiday decorations they already have in new and creative ways.

The Friends of Pruyn House are sponsoring an open house with refreshments on Sunday, Dec. 4, from noon until 4 p.m.

Handmade beaded angels, decorated bells, tatted snowflakes, sparkling butterflies and velvet cornucopias, all created by Grace B. McDonnell of Loudonville, have embellished the Christmas Greens Show tree in year's past. This



Betty Warrell, left, and Grace McDonnell ready hand-made "Victorian Gems" for the 43rd Annual Christmas Greens Show.

year McDonnell will do a tree featuring "Victorian Gems." She has also designed a non-competitive dining room table setting, entitled "Festive Occasion."

Merilyn Niles of Latham and 11 other members of the Blue Creek Garden Club are serving on the decorating committee for the Pruyn House. The group coordinates their holiday decorating plans with McDonnell's plans for the tree. This year's color scheme is Victorian pink and maroon.

The Blue Creek Garden Club has been decorating the Pruyn House since the

historic building was opened as a community cultural center by the Town of Colonie about five years ago.

"This year we kind of put the emphasis on topiaries," Niles said, adding that the garden club members enjoy decorating the building. "It's work but it's fun at the same time," she said. "It's pretty to look at when your all done." Garden club members have been meeting to make decorations once a week for the past six weeks.

"We had a lot of lamb's ear (including some that the club planted in the herb garden at the Pruyn House), artemisia,

and we took that plus some dusty miller and dried hydrangea and made them into swags for the staircase," she said. Pacific Pools of Latham donated the dusty miller for the project. "We also made lots of wreaths, too."

As a consultant for this year's Greens Show, Niles has secured entries for the "Holiday Blessings" category. In years past, she entered floral arrangements in the show.

"People seem to love it," Niles said. "Usually the carols are playing, and it's a fun way to spend the afternoon." Niles said the decorations add beauty to the holiday season.

This year's Christmas Greens Show is being presented by members of the Federated Garden Clubs of New York State, with 15,000 members, the Garden Club of America, the National Council of State Garden Clubs and other Capital District garden clubs. Members of Girl Scout Troop 449 have entered the junior division.

The categories are entitled "Winter Landscape," "Candles Glow," "Evergreen Magic," "Christmas Morn," "Holiday Blessings," "Joy to the World," "Cone Critters," "Santa's Sleigh," "Little People" and "Welcome Visitor."

Mary Kosinski of Latham, a member of the Blue Creek Garden Club, has been invited to prepare a non-competitive display of decorative bows, entitled "Tie One On," for the front parlor.

"Nature's Colors," a display of minerals illustrating the variety of colors found in nature, will be presented in the gallery by Richard and Clare Stein of the Capital District Mineral Club.

Jean Somerville, who lived in West Albany before moving to Slingerlands 20 years ago, has been entering the Greens Show for more than 20 years. She also enters the Altamont Fair and the flower show in Albany each year.

Somerville plans to enter a dried arrangement in the "Holiday Blessings" category. "I've always enjoyed doing things for the holiday season," she said.

This year's Greens Show will hold special interest for Somerville because her three grand nieces, Alissa, Jenney and Dyani Jones, also will enter the competition.

Betty Warrell, who lived in Delmar for 30 years before moving to Loudonville four years ago, said the Pruyn House provides a home-like atmosphere for the Greens Show.

Warrell, a member of the Delmar Progress Club and a nationally accredited judge of horticulture and design, said the organizers of the Greens Show meet during July or August to develop a theme and ideas for the show.

"A flower show is for education and

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'Tis the season for holiday revelry

Santa has arrived at all of his local perches, and the first weekend in December seems the appropriate time to begin the holiday revelry at many locations.

The Ten Broeck Mansion will be the site for The Albany County Historical Association's annual Christmas celebration from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The Albany Garden Study Club has decorated the mansion in the white, silver and glittery colors of the "Snow Queen" in conjunction with the city's Sinterklass (Santa Claus) celebration. The two-day open house will feature tours of the mansion, a Christmas boutique and holiday refreshments. For information, call 436-9826.

The historic Cherry Hill Mansion at 523 1/2 South Pearl St. in Albany opens the doors to Albany's Christmas past on Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

The mansion, built in 1787 for Philip and Maria Van Rensselaer, will be decorated with traditional holiday greens and floral displays. The Christmas tree in the South Parlor will be festooned with late 19th and early 20th century family ornaments, and period toys from past residents will rest beneath the tree. Harpist Lucy McCafrey will play in the North Parlor.

Throughout the house, antique Christmas cards, clothing and other objects will

be displayed especially for the event. In the dining room, the table will be set with period china, silver and glassware for the dessert course of an early 1800's meal, and visitors will be able to sample cookies and other recipes prepared from the handwritten cookbooks handed down thorough generations of the family. Admission to the Cherry Hill Christmas celebration is \$1. For information, call 434-4791.

A colonial Christmas is underway on Sunday at Albany's Schuyler Mansion, former home to General Philip Schuyler, his wife Catherine Van Rensselaer and their eight children.

Decorations of ivy, fruit and nuts, arranged by the Fort Orange Garden Club, will be on display throughout the 10-room mansion. In the dining room, the table will be set for a holiday celebration with fruit pyramids, cakes and jellies, arranged in symmetrical 18th century fashion. The Adirondack Baroque quartet will play the music of the period, and costumed interpreters will demonstrate and discuss several aspects of life in the 1700s, including spinning, basket making, board games and pin rolling.

A CDTA shuttle bus will allow you to travel between the historic mansions and to the Visitors Center at Quackenbush Square. For information, call 434-0834.

A bit to our south in Kinderhook, Lin

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

MAME
Musical hit by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee. Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 1-3. Fri., Sat. 8 p.m. Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

SKIP PENK, THE ONE MAN SHMOE
An evening of comedy and song. Caffe Lena, Saratoga. Dec. 4-5, 8 p.m. Information, 583-0022.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST
Oscar Wilde's comedy. Schenectady Civic Players. Dec. 1-2, 6-10, 7 p.m. Information, 382-2081.

TARTUFFE
Sparkling version of one of the greatest comedies of the French theatre. University Theatre, State University at Albany. Dec. 1-2, 7-9, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

JOURNEY TO FREEDOM
Part of Siena's "Cry Freedom" series, features a dramatic portrayal of historical figures who helped mold American history. Siena College, Foy Campus Center Theatre. Dec. 5, 7 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

TWELFTH NIGHT
William Shakespeare's witty comedy of love and mistaken identity. Capital Rep. Albany. Now through Dec. 17. Tues.-Fri. at 8 p.m. and Sat. 4 and 9 p.m. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Information, 462-4531.

SLEEPING BEAUTY
Adapted by Richard Shaw in collaboration with ESIPA. Empire State Institute for the Performing Arts. Nov. 29-Dec. 16, at 8 p.m. Information, 443-5222.

HOODWINKED
Regional premiere, musical comedy. Cohoes Music Hall. Nov. 29-Dec. 24, Thurs. Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 5 and 9 p.m.; Sun. 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 235-7909.

DANCE

KUPERBERG MORRIS MOVEMENT THEATRE
International touring company based in Albany; dance, mime, theatre and clowning. Siena College Foy Campus Center Theatre. Dec. 7-9, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS
Returns for its 13th season. EBA Theater, Albany. Dec. 1-3, 8-10. Fri. 10 a.m., Sat. and Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 465-9916.

MUSIC

BAROQUE BANQUET
Capital Chamber Artists performing. Page Hall, 135 Western Ave., Albany. Dec. 3, 7 p.m. Information, 489-0507.

SWEETLAND STORYTELLERS
Jeannie Lavery, Becky Holder, Susan Spivak an evening of stories for adults. The Eighth Step Upstairs, Albany. Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

JUDY SMALL & PAT HUMPHRIES
Folksinger-songwriters. The Eighth Step Upstairs. Dec. 3, 7:30 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

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JOHN KING TRIO
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BILL WATROUS
Jazz concert with special guest trombonist Bill Watrous. Saint Rose Music Hall, Albany. Dec. 3, 3 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

JOHN MCCUTCHEON
Known best for prowess on the hammered dulcimer. Old Songs Concerts, Guildland. Dec. 4, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

MUSIC FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Christmas music from the Renaissance to contemporary carols by Albany Pro Musica. Dec. 2 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albany, 8 p.m. Dec. 3 at First Reformed Church, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 442-4167.

MUSIC FOR OBOE, HORN, VIOLIN & KEYBOARDS

Program featuring Brahms' Horn Trio and J.S. Bach's Double Concerto for oboe, violin and harpsichord. Performing Arts Center, Albany. Dec. 1, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

MUSIC FACULTY SHOWCASE CONCERT

Guest artist Phyllis Mazza, violin, with State University at Albany faculty. University at Albany Performing Arts Center. Dec. 3, 3 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

DIZZY GILLESPIE AND BILLY ECKSTINE

Teaming up in a musical tribute to the late, great, Count Basie. Proctor's Schenectady. Nov. 30, 8 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

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Renaissance band. Siena College chapel. Nov. 30, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2381.

THE MENDELSSOHN CLUB

Jeffrey Vredenburg conductor. St. Patrick's Church, Watervliet. Nov. 29, 8 p.m. Information, 482-2142.

FILM

GOODBYE MR. CHIPS

Classic novel. State Museum, Albany. Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

WUTHERING HEIGHTS

Classic tale of passion, hatred and revenge. State Museum, Albany. Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

READINGS

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Series of staged readings. ESIPA. Albany. Nov. 30, noon and 8 p.m. Information, 443-5222.

RICHARD WILBUR

Pulitzer prize winning poet. Main Theater of the Performing Arts Center, Albany. Nov. 30, 4 p.m. Information, 442-5620.

AUDITIONS

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

Schenectady Light Opera Company. Opera House, Schenectady. Dec. 6 and 8, 8 p.m. Information, 372-6657.

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FICTION WRITING

In Cornwallville, Greene County, taught by Esther Cohen. Information, 289-6265.

VISUAL ARTS

GINGERBREAD HOUSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION

A call for entries in the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Art's Annual Gingerbread House Contest. Individuals of groups may compete. deadline for registration, Dec. 8. Entries must be delivered to the Art Center by 5 p.m. on Dec. 14. Information, 352-7715.

16TH NATIONAL JURIED EXHIBITION

and Invitational print show, sponsored by the Print Club of Albany, Inc., Stedman Room, Town of Colonie Library. Through Nov. 30, Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. noon-5 p.m.

COUNTRY FOLK ART SHOW & SALE

Nationally recognized, Harness Raceway Grandstand building, Saratoga Springs. Dec. 1-3, Fri. 5-9 p.m.; Sat. and Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, (313)634-4151.

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Color and black and white photomurals, drawings and a slide show documenting common barn forms. The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame. Now through Dec. 10, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tues.-Sat. Holiday Reception, Dec. 10, noon-5 p.m. Information, 584-0400.

NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY & CLOSE-UPS

Sponsored by The Schenectady Photographic Society, First Methodist Church, Schenectady. Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

ARTIST AT PLAY

Group showing. Greene County Council on the Arts Catskill Gallery, Catskill. Opening reception Dec. 1, 7-9 p.m. Gallery hours Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 943-3400.

VISIONS OF CHRIST'S COMING

Opening show at new diocesan gallery, Pastoral Center, Albany. Dec. 3-Jan. 14, 2-5 p.m. Information, 439-4951.

DOUGLAS C. SHIPPEE

Exhibition of abstract paintings. The Orange Street Gallery, Albany. Dec. 1-Jan. 5, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sun. noon-4 p.m. Opening reception Dec. 1, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

FORMS AND FIBERS

Group exhibit; paintings, textiles, sculpture. Things of Beauty Art Gallery, Albany. Dec. 1-31. Opening reception, Dec. 7, 5-8 p.m. Information, 449-1233.

TIM FOLZENLOGEN EXHIBITION

Recent drawings and paintings. Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Dec. 1-29, 5-8 p.m. Lecture by Tim Folzenlogen, Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

MELISSA HARRIS

Magical paintings, t.o.b. Galleries, Albany. Through Nov. 30. Information, 449-1233.

FACULTY CRAFTS SHOW

Holiday crafts show and sale featuring works in wood, stained glass, ceramics, fabric, and metal by faculty members. Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Small Works Gallery, Troy. Dec. 1, opening reception 5-8 p.m.; Wed.-Sun., through Dec. 29. Information, 273-0552.

KAY WALKINGSTICK PAINTINGS

Featured at the Rathbone Gallery, Junior College of Albany. Now through Dec. 22, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Mon., Wed., Thurs. 6-8 p.m.

SCREEN PRINTS BY CONTEMPORARY PAINTERS

An exhibition. The College of Saint Rose Art Gallery. Now through Dec. 11, Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

Group showing. Greene County Council on the Arts, Top Gallery, Windham. Now through Jan. 7, Wed.-Sun., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 734-3104.

AMERICAN ART FROM THE 20s, 30s AND 40s

Includes works that represent some of the major regional and national trends in early 20th century art. Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany. Information, 463-4478.

ERASTUS DOW PALMER EXHIBITION

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SCREEN PRINTS BY CONTEMPORARY PAINTERS

Selection of works from the Guild Hall Museum collection of American painters' styles ranging from abstract expressionism, pop and figurative to geometric abstraction. The College of Saint Rose Art Gallery, Albany. Now through Dec. 11, Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information 454-5185.

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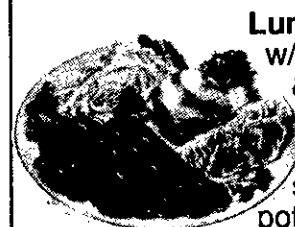
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THE DAUGHTER

Features paintings, drawings, photography and sculpture by Brickman, Dalton, Hand, Holmes, Luce, Marlowe, McCartan, Miller, Mulero, Singletary, Singletary and Weinman, Ted Gallery, Through Dec. 2, noon-7 p.m., Wed.-Sat. Information, 434-3285.

THE STATE OF UPSTATE: NEW YORK WOMEN ARTISTS

Work of women artists from across Upstate New York, State Museum, Now through Jan. 28. Information, 474-5877.

CROSSROADS

A juried exhibition of art by women of the Capital Region, The Albany Center Galleries, Now through Jan. 1, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sun 12-4 p.m.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Exhibit by Clare Pelkey, Colonie Town Hall, Route 9, 8:30 a.m., Mon.-Fri. Information, 783-2728.

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New exhibit, Museum of The Historical Society of Early American Decoration, Albany, Tues.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Information, 462-1676.

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An exhibition of Mohawk Basketry, The Museum of the Hudson Highlands The Boulevard Cornwall-on-Hudson, Now through Dec. 3. Information, (914)534-7781.

GREENHUT GALLERIES

New paintings by local artist Barbara Mungall, new works by 12 female printmakers from upstate New York, Greenhut Galleries, Albany, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun. noon-5 p.m.

A FOCUS ON THE FEMALE FIGURE

The Rice Gallery in the Albany Institute of History and Art, Gallery hours, Tues.-Sat. noon-5 p.m.

ELM TREE ART GALLERY

Large selection of etchings by the late Kaiko Mott, new works by Gantner and McDuff, watercolors and oils by local artists, Portfolio show featuring works by Delacroix, Boulanger, Relne, and Mott, Elm Tree Art Gallery, Newton Plaza, Latham, Mon.-Wed. and Fri. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m. Information, 785-1441.

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Exclusive pastel paintings by Hudson River artist Gene Green. Limited edition fine art prints of contemporary realism from China, Gallery Originals of Latham, Information, 785-0198.

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Paintings featured in the Dietel Gallery, Emma Willard School in Troy, Through Dec. 10, Daily 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

WALTER LAUNT PALMER

16 paintings in a new exhibition, Albany Institute of History and Art, Through 1990. Information, 463-4478.

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Discussion of college admissions

Jean Jenkins, associate dean of admissions at RPI, will present a free discussion of the college admissions process at Bethlehem Public Library on Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. She will concentrate most of the discussion on the essay since students

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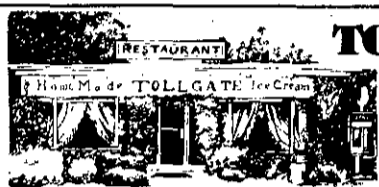
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MEETING**

public information session on
recommendations of middle
level education committee,
Sand Creek School, 329 Sand
Creek Rd., Colonie, 7:30 p.m.
Information, 869-3576.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
meeting to establish the
league's position on issue of
incineration, Calvary Methodist
Church, Belle Ave., Latham,
9:30 a.m. Information, 439-8096.

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 30**

LATHAM KIWANIS
meeting, Thursdays, past
president's meeting,
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Latham, 1 p.m. Information,
783-2823.

MUSIC PROGRAM
performance by Callope,
Renaissance band, featuring
works from 16th century, \$7 for
adults and \$5 for seniors, Siena
College, Route 9, Loudonville, 8
p.m. Reservations, 783-2527.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 1**

COLONIE KIWANIS CLUB
meeting, every Friday, Platt's
Place, 44 Wolf Rd., Colonie,
visitors welcome, 12:15 p.m.
Information, 489-1422.

ROESSLEVILLE LEISURE CLUB
social meetings, Fridays, 10
a.m., business meetings, first
Fridays, 1 p.m., 1 N. Elmhurst
Ave., Colonie. Information, 458-
7699.

HART SOCIAL CENTER
swimming at State University at
Albany, bus departs from
center, Fridays, 18 Wilson Ave.,
Albany, 1:30 p.m. Information,
438-5176.

CHRISTMAS GREENS SHOW
held by Friends of Pruyn House
and Capital District garden
clubs, juried exhibition, all
welcome, 207 Old Niskayuna
Rd., Newtonville, noon-6 p.m.
Free; information, 489-5183.

SENIOR SERVICES

showing of "The Little Princess,"
starring Shirley Temple,
Goodrich School, 91 Fiddlers
Lane, Latham, 4:30 p.m.
Information, 783-2823.

HEART TRANSPLANT GROUP
meeting, for patients, spouses,
prospective patients and others
interested in learning about
organ donation, William K.
Sanford Town Library, 629
Albany-Shaker Rd., Loudonville,
7 p.m. Information, 458-9274.

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 2**

CHRISTMAS GREENS SHOW
held by Friends of Pruyn House
and Capital District Garden
Clubs, juried exhibition, all
welcome, 207 Old Niskayuna
Rd., Newtonville, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Free; information, 489-5183.

RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE
opportunity to give blood, Siena
College Alumni Recreation
Center, Rt. 9, Loudonville, noon-
6 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3**

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
sponsored by Friends of Pruyn
House, refreshments will be
served, will include Greens
Show, Pruyn House, 207 Old
Niskayuna Rd., Newtonville,
noon-4 p.m. Free; information,
783-1435.

VOCAL CONCERT
by Stephanie Melvin, mezzo-
soprano, accompanied by
pianist Joann Rautenberg,
William K. Sanford Town Library,
629 Albany-Shaker Rd.,
Loudonville, 2 p.m. Free;
information, 458-9274.

ST. NICHOLAS DAY BANQUET
held by Sisterhood of St. Basil's
Russian Orthodox Church, will
include musical entertainment,
St. Basil's Center, Maplewood-
Watervliet, Colonie, 11:30 a.m.
Information, 273-6262.

SENIORS HOLIDAY DANCE
with music by South Colonie
Friends of Music Band, all town
seniors are invited, tickets are
\$2, Goodrich School, 91 Fiddlers
Lane, Latham, 1 p.m.
Information, 783-2824.

HOLIDAY CONCERT
presented by woman's chorus
of Monday Musical Club,
everyone is invited, tickets are
\$3, \$2 for seniors and students,
reception will follow, Siena
College Chapel, Rt. 9, Latham, 2
p.m.

**MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SELF-HELP
GROUP**
meeting, opportunity for
education, sharing and
socialization, for MS patients,
their families and friends,
chapter office, 421 New Karner
Rd., Albany, 1 p.m. Information,
783-6655.

**MONDAY
DECEMBER 4**

**SOCIETY OF REAL ESTATE
APPRAISERS**
meeting, first Mondays, Century
House, Rt. 9, Latham, 6 p.m.
Information, 270-7149.

**COLONIE FIRE COMPANY
LADIES AUXILIARY**
meeting, first Mondays, Colonie
Fire House, 1631 Central Ave., 8
p.m. Information, 869-6995.

COLONIE SENIORS
slide presentation "America the
Beautiful," by Paul Whitbeck,
Goodrich School, 91 Fiddlers
Lane, Latham, 12:30 p.m.
Information, 783-2823.

HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY
public meeting, discussion of
"Universal Health Insurance,"
Desmond Americana, 660
Albany-Shaker Rd., Loudonville,
6 p.m. Information, 452-3300.

**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 5**

HART SOCIAL CENTER
dancing, 9 a.m.; painting, 10
a.m.; arts and crafts, 12:30 p.m.;
bowling at Sunset Lanes, 1 p.m.;
Tuesdays, 18 Wilson Ave.
Information, 438-5176.

**ALBANY AIRPORT ROTARY
CLUB**
breakfast meeting, Tuesdays,
Albany County Airport, 7:30
a.m.

COLONIE SENIORS
"The Well Elderly," presented by
Kathryn Privitera of Russell Sage
College, Goodrich School, 91
Fiddlers Lane, Latham, 12:30
p.m. Information, 783-2823.

COLONIE ART LEAGUE
meeting and reception for
member's art show on display in
library through December,
William K. Sanford Town Library,
629 Albany-Shaker Rd.,
Loudonville, 6:30 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

CHP CLASS ON CHILDBIRTH
open to CHP members only, on
pain management techniques
in birth, labor, breastfeeding,
1201 Troy-Schenectady Rd.,
Latham, 7 p.m. Registration,
783-1864.

**WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 6**

LISHAKILL SENIORS
meeting, Wednesdays, 1653
Central Ave., 9 a.m.

**COLONIE-GUILDERLAND
ROTARY CLUB**
lunch meeting, Wednesdays,
Northway Inn, 12:15 p.m.
Information, 458-9000.

HART SOCIAL CENTER
bridge, Wednesdays, 18 Wilson
Ave., Albany, 1 p.m.
Information, 438-5176.

"BE A BIRD WATCHER"
presented by children's room,
for pre-schoolers and their
caregivers, William K. Sanford
Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker
Rd., Loudonville, 1:30 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

"I'LL QUIT TOMORROW"
film, sponsored in part by
Albany Citizens Council on
Alcoholism Inc., discussion will
follow film, William K. Sanford
Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker
Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 458-
9274.

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 7**

"BE A BIRD WATCHER"
presented by children's room,
for pre-schoolers and their
caregivers, William K. Sanford
Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker
Rd., Loudonville, 1:30 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

COLONIE SENIORS
"Investment Planning,"
presented by Terrence Perry,
investment executive for Paine
Webber, Goodrich School, 91
Fiddlers Lane, Latham, 12:30
p.m. Information, 783-2823.

**SOCIETY OF NEW ENGLAND
WOMEN**
Dutch treat luncheon and
meeting, presentation on dolls,
Howard Johnson's Restaurant,
Route 7, Latham, 11:30 a.m.
Information, 466-7942.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 8**

**"AN ADIRONDACK
CHRISTMAS"**
evening of songs and stories
with Christopher Shaw, William
K. Sanford Town Library, 629
Albany-Shaker Rd., 7:30 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

CHRISTIAN SINGLES
covered dish supper, Christmas
music by Mae Rae Coyle,
Loudonville Community Church,
374 Loudon Rd., Latham, 6:30
p.m. Information, 797-3740.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN
CLASS**
to prepare participants for
successful breastfeeding
experience, \$4 per couple,
open to CHP members only,
1210 Troy-Schenectady Rd.,
Latham, 7 p.m. Information,
783-1864.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 10**

LIVING NATIVITY EVENT
reenactment of Christmas story
with choir, presented by
Jermain Memorial Presbyterian
Church, Bethany Presbyterian
Church and Loudonville
Presbyterian Church at 22 Old
Niskayuna Rd., 7 p.m. Free;
information, 465-7277.

**MONDAY
DECEMBER 11**

MUTUAL FUND INVESTING
information on growth and
income funds, tax-free funds,
and U.S. Treasury funds
presented by Frank Dyer,
accountant executive, William
K. Sanford Town Library, 629
Albany-Shaker Rd., 7 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

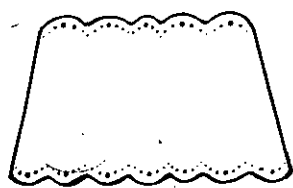
**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 12**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION
MEETING ON AIRPORT**
presented by Town of Colonie
Engineering and Planning
Services Department, William K.
Sanford Town Library, 629
Albany-Shaker Rd., 7 p.m.
Information, 458-9274.

**WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 13**

"IF YOU LOVED ME"
film, sponsored in part by
Albany Citizens Council on
Alcoholism Inc., a discussion will
follow film, William K. Sanford
Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker
Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 458-
9274.

**"RAISING RESPONSIBLE
CHILDREN"**
offered by North Colonie
Schools for parents, Shaker High
School, 445 Watervliet-Shaker
Rd., Latham, 7 p.m. Information,
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Events

(From Page 21)

denwald, former home of the eighth President, Martin Van Buren, is offering a special candlelight program on Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. Guided tours will be suspended, and visitors will be free to stroll as guests through the historic structure. Baroque flute music will be played by Catherine Folkers and Ardal Powell on reproductions of period instruments. The usual entrance fee will be waved in honor of the forthcoming commemoration of Van Buren's 207th birthday. A wreath laying ceremony, to which the public is also invited, will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 5, his birth date. Lindenwald will close for the season Tuesday at 5 p.m. For information or directions, call 758-9689.

The Capital Philharmonic will present a special holiday concert on Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Doane Stuart School in Albany. Under the baton of conductor Stan Rubin, the philharmonic will perform Schubert's *Unfinished Symphony*, Bizet's *Farandole from L'Arlesienne*, Mozart's *German Dances*, Brahms' *Hungarian Dances* and various Christmas selections. Tickets are \$12, and may be purchased at Community Box Office, or at the school, in advance or on the night of the performance. For information, call 465-5222.

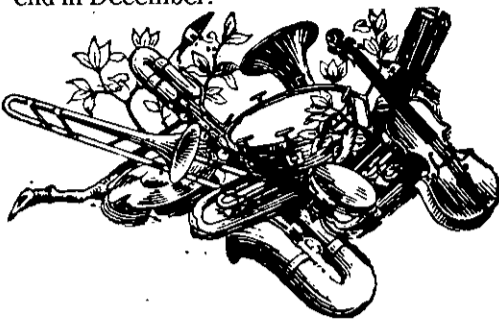
As it has for more than two decades, the Delmar Community Orchestra will perform at the German American Club of Albany on Saturday at 8 p.m. The concert will feature the orchestra, as well as the womens chorus of the club in "pops" music and song, including folk music, light classics and marches. The performance is one of the longest standing holiday events in the Capital District. For information, call 439-4628.

The Empire State Youth Orchestra and Youth Chorale celebrate a decade of "Melodies of Christmas" on Sunday at the Palace Theatre in Albany. Conductor Paavo Jarvi will lead the orchestra and chorale in the noon and 3:30 p.m. concerts. Both shows benefit the Child Cancer Program at the Albany Medical Center.

Orchestra members, ranging in ages from 11 to 18, meet throughout the school

year for rehearsals, and special coaching. The "all-star" Christmas Chorale was selected from a pool of more than 175 students in grades 10, 11 and 12 throughout the region. Melodies of Christmas features a wide range of Christmas carols, songs, sing-alongs and special arrangements by the orchestra and chorus. Tickets are \$5, and available at CBO, the Palace, and many Key Bank branches.

Finally, don't miss the arrival of Sinterklass at the riverfront on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. And this is just the first weekend in December!



New diocesan gallery

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany is happy to announce the opening of Visions of Christ's Coming at the new diocesan gallery in the Pastoral Center, 40 N. Main Avenue, Albany. Opening day will be Dec. 3, the first Sunday of Advent. The exhibit will be open until Jan. 14, daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Folk artist to perform

John McCutcheon, master of the hammered dulcimer and virtuoso on most other American folk instruments, will perform Monday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. at St. Mark's Community Center, Guelderland Center. Old Songs Inc. presents this native of Wisconsin whose storytelling musical style reflects his adopted Appalachian home and the legendary greats of traditional music he's learned from there.

Tickets are \$7 and are available at the door or in advance, for information, call 765-2815.

And now for something completely different...

Skip Penk: The One Man Shmoe

He describes his humor as "stream of semi-consciousness," and labels himself a world-class buffoon.

He is Skip Penk, and the coffeehouse comedian is appearing Monday and Tuesday nights, Dec. 4 and 5, at Caffee Lena in Saratoga.

Penk's material, drawn from his experience as a soldier, farm hand, factory worker, book seller, husband, father, song writer and actor has led to pieces explaining why the Hudson River doesn't run backwards, and "I want to be an old aged new age person."

Why does he do it? "A strong desire for public self-abasement helps," he concludes.

Tickets for Penk's "One Man Shmoe" are on a first come, first served basis, and are available by calling 583-0022.

To list an item of community interest in the calendar send all pertinent information — who, what, where, why, when and how to:

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AROUND THE AREA

Wednesday
November 29

ALBANY COUNTY

NEW YORK CITY TRIP
sponsored by the adult department of the Albany Jewish Community Center, bus leaves 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany at 7:30 a.m. \$28. Information, 438-6651.

FESTIVAL OF TREES
featuring 100 decorated trees, sponsored by local businesses, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through Dec. 3. Information, 463-4478.

"SLEEPING BEAUTY"
performance, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Egg, Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 443-5111.

HEMLOCK SOCIETY
of the Capital District, First Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 482-1647.

SCHEENECTADY

SCHEENECTADY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY
topic will be "Photography as Artistic Expression." First Methodist Church, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

LAKE GEORGE

THE GREAT ADIRONDACK CANOE COUNTRY
Counsel for the Adirondack Mountain Club presents a program on canoe routes and conservation. Club's headquarters, 7:30 p.m. Information, 668-4447.

Thursday
November 30

ALBANY

"SLEEPING BEAUTY"
performance, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Egg, Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 443-5111.

CONCERNED FRIENDS OF HOPE HOUSE
meeting, support group for families of substance abusers, every Thursday, Child's Nursing Home auditorium, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

Friday
December 1

ALBANY

WORLD CLASS BOXING
Michael "The Silk" Olajide, Jr. vs. Dennis "The Magician" Milton, presented by Universal Promotions, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 449-5069.

MOTHERS' CENTER
self-help organization for parents, First Congregational Church, 405 Quail St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 438-0697.

WORKSHOP
"Minding the Body, Mending the Mind and Soul," presented by Joan Borysenko, Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

SCHEENECTADY COUNTY

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help group for former mental patients and former nervous patients, Salvation Army, 222 Lafayette St., Hillard Rm., Schenectady, 10 a.m. Information, 346-8595.

Saturday
December 2

ALBANY

US-CHINA ANNUAL BAZAAR
objects for sale are from the People's Republic of China, Friends Meeting House, Albany, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 462-0891.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Gansevoort Chapter, Wolfert's Roost Country Club, Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany, noon. Information, 456-4580.

BISHOP'S BALL
"An Evening in Paris," black tie affair, Peter D. Kiernan Plaza, Albany, 6:30 p.m. Information, 434-2990.

OPEN HOUSE
Historical Society of Early American Decoration, 19 Dove St., Albany, noon-4 p.m. Information, 462-1676.

OLD SONGS COUNTRY DANCE
Basic steps for beginners at 7:30 p.m. Dance from 8 to 11:30 p.m. Live acoustic music by TBA. Caller Tony Parkes. \$5 at the door at Guiderland Elementary School, Route 20 Guiderland. Information, 765-2815.

64,000 QUARTERS
Multiple Sclerosis Society and Theta Xi Fraternity will attempt to raise \$16,000 by building a mile long row of quarters, Crossgates Mall, 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

Sunday
December 3

ALBANY

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS GROUP
meeting, Chapter Office, 421 New Karner Rd., Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 783-6655.

COIN AND STAMP SHOW
of Capital District Coin Dealers Association from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Polish Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension.

Monday
December 4

ALBANY COUNTY

HOLIDAY SALE
non-profit community organizations present a holiday sale, Empire State Plaza, South Concourse, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

HOLIDAY MUSIC POTPOURRI
area high school concert bands and choral groups perform from their holiday repertoires, Empire State Plaza, Plaza Concourse, Albany, noon-1 p.m. through Dec. 22. Information, 474-5986.

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help group for former mental patients and former nervous patients, Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

MODERN MOTION AEROBIC WORKOUT
total body workout with emphasis on improving cardiovascular fitness and burning calories, meets Mondays, 5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m., and Wednesdays, 5 p.m. Young Women's Christian Association, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany, Information, 438-6608.

INTRODUCTORY AEROBICS
meets Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m. Young Women's Christian Association, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany, Information, 438-6608.

Tuesday
December 5

ALBANY

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LECTURE
"Maveriks and Marginal People: The Lydiuses and the Radcliffes," presented by Stefan Bielinski, New York State Museum, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

INFORMATION MEETING
on foster care and adoption, Parsons Child and Family Center, 60 Academy Rd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 426-2665.

OPEN HOUSE
Samaritans, 200 Central Ave., Albany, 5-7 p.m. Information, 463-2323.

SAFE PLACE
support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide, meets first and third Tuesdays, St. John's Lutheran Church, 160 Central Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-2323.

CIVIL AIR PATROL
every Tuesday, Albany Senior Squadron, Albany Airport, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4406.

LOW IMPACT AEROBICS
meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-10 a.m. and 6-7 p.m., and on Wednesdays and Mondays, 4-5 p.m. Young Women's Christian Association, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany, Information, 438-6608.

EVENING OF REFLECTION
married couples are invited to hear Fr. Joseph Busch from St. Paul the Apostle Church, 6:15-9:30 p.m. Information, 393-4169.

ALBANY

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS
New member meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany. Speaker Judy Gales of Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood Association.

Wednesday
December 6

ALBANY

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OPEN HOUSE
for adult and continuing education programs, College of St. Rose, Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

SINGLE SQUARES
with caller Bob Bourassa, St. Michaels Community Center, Linden Ave., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-5653.

OPEN HOUSE
for prospective students and their parents, Christian Brothers Academy, 1 De La Salle Rd., Albany, 7-8:30 p.m. Information, 462-7041.

APPLE COMPUTER USERS CLUB
meets first Wednesdays, Farnsworth Middle School, State Farm Rd., Guiderland, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2609.

SCHEENECTADY

DAY OF REFLECTION
led by Rev. Leo P. O'Brien of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Dominican Retreat House, 9:15 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 393-4169.

EVENING OF REFLECTION
men and women are invited, Dominican Retreat House, 6-10 p.m. including dinner. Information, 393-4169.

Weekly Crossword

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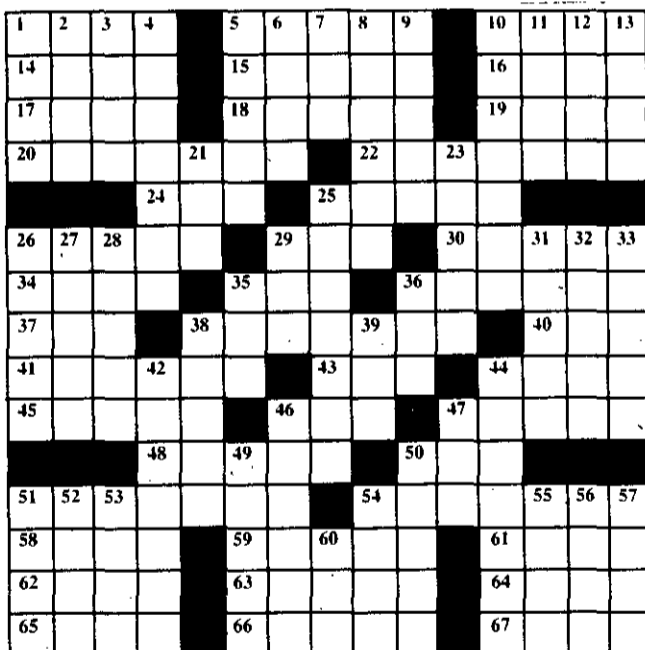
By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 The ____: "Shake it Up"
- 5 Computer aid
- 10 Billy ____: "Piano Man"
- 14 Newspaper sect.
- 15 ____ Adams: Landscape photographer
- 16 Ready, willing and ____
- 17 Keg contents
- 18 Essential pump
- 19 Natalie ____
- 20 Rat ____: "Hit Me With Your Best Shot"
- 22 The ____: "I'm a Believer"
- 24 Electrically charged atom
- 25 Ice cream holders
- 26 "Whole ____ Shakin' Goin' On": Jerry Lee Lewis
- 29 Big Mac holder
- 30 Don Rickles specialty
- 34 Gabor et al
- 35 ____ Tillis: Country-western star
- 36 Stevie ____: "You Are The Sunshine of My Life"
- 37 The Badger State for short
- 38 "Hey Jude" singers
- 40 Tokyo's original name
- 41 Let's really get ____
- 43 Employ
- 44 Lath
- 45 Cassandra et al
- 46 ____ Garfunkel
- 47 British guns
- 48 City in Idaho
- 50 "American ____": Don McLean
- 51 "____ all odds": Phil Collins
- 54 Dionne ____: "I'll Never Fall in Love Again"
- 58 Follows "WIN" and "COR"
- 59 "Clean and ____": Keaton movie
- 61 Adrift
- 62 Las Vegas game
- 63 Mountains in Soviet Union
- 64 Lease
- 65 "Unto us ____ is given"
- 66 Ham it up
- 67 Tete a ____

DOWN

- 1 Ty ____: Hall of Famer



- 2 ____ in your bonnet
- 3 Nothing in Paris
- 4 Dire ____: "Brothers in Arms"
- 5 Larry ____: Rodeo cowboy
- 6 Precedes "OUS": Burden-some
- 7 "Born in the ____": Bruce Springsteen
- 8 Sunday speech
- 9 ____ John: "Sad Songs"
- 10 Michael ____: "Beat It"
- 11 Woodwind
- 12 Pronoun for Simone
- 13 General Robert E. and family
- 21 "Ode ____ Nightingale"
- 23 Peter et al
- 25 ____ Club: "Colour by Numbers"
- 26 Jerry Lee ____: "Great Balls of Fire"
- 27 Sheepish
- 28 There is no accounting for this
- 29 Ms Arthur
- 31 Female name
- 32 Car type
- 33 Canters
- 35 Opera house
- 36 "____ Willie Winkie"

- 38 American Buffalo
- 39 Mil. ship
- 42 Roy ____: "Oh Pretty Woman"
- 44 Rod ____: "Maggie Mae"
- 46 Kick up ____
- 47 "To ____ With Love"
- 49 Current event
- 50 Analyze grammatically
- 51 Paul ____: "Lonely Boy"
- 52 The Bee ____: "Stayin' Alive"
- 53 Peter ____: Cartoonist
- 54 Raised red mark
- 55 Two word exclamation
- 56 Penny
- 57 ____ Capshaw: Actress
- 60 African board game

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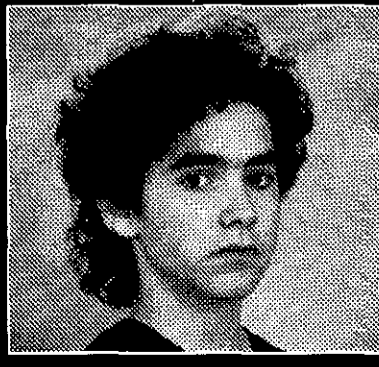
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Focus on local authors

By Anna Jane Abaray

Slingerlands resident Sharon Gmelch has been writing about anthropology for some 15 years now. On Dec. 7 she will visit the Bethlehem Public Library to talk about the book that has been perhaps her most satisfying work, "Nan: Life of an Irish Travelling Woman. While it explores Ireland's little known gypsy-like travellers or "tinkers," the book focuses on Nan Donohoe.

The facts of Donohoe's life are straightforward: born in 1919, she trained as a maid, but spent most of her life as a peddler, living in wagons, and later trailers, under conditions that were arduous at best. She had two husbands and gave birth to 18 children. Through it all her spirit was undaunted, and her perception and sense of humor remained keen.

As a graduate student, Gmelch and her husband, anthropologist George Gmelch, spent a year living with Irish travellers, camped next to Donohoe and her family, eventually becoming her friend. It's a deeply moving story, tinged with irony and sadness, and full of unexpected events, both good and bad. Donohoe's story is one of courage and dignity.

Now a professor of anthropology at Union College, Gmelch published the book in 1986. The book was picked up by well-known publisher W.W. Norton and, unlike the academic articles Gmelch often writes, Nan is written for a wide readership.

"It's a universal story," Gmelch said, "Nan is a strong, heroic figure; through it all she maintained control of her life." Gmelch has been touched by the letters she has received from people who have read the book. "It is gratifying to know that the book has made a difference in people's lives."

The book was published in a British edition and will be coming out in the U.S. in paperback in the fall. During her Dec. 7 appearance at the library, Gmelch will talk about the Irish travellers and show slides taken over the years that she worked among them. It's not necessary to have read the book to gain an understanding of their extraordinary way of life.

The series will resume in January 1990 with talks by Jim Nehring on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m. and by Shirley Nelson on Thursday evening, Jan. 25.

Nehring will discuss his recent book "Why Do We Got to Do This Stuff, Mr. Nehring?" which began as a column in the *Spotlight*. The book charts a day in the life of a teacher at fictional Amesley High. Nehring's observations are based on his seven years as a social studies teacher at Bethlehem Central High School.

Nelson will discuss her new book "Fair, Clear and Terrible," the 25 year history of an evangelical religious movement in Shiloh, Maine. The book is a deeply personal one for her. Both her parents were raised in this utopian community where people lived and worked together. After World War I, they left the movement and were married. The book was published this year by British American Publishing, and edited by Susanne Dumbleton and local resident Margaret Mirabelli. Nelson, who lives in Albany, is also the author of the award-winning novel, "Last Year of the War."

The library has hosted several local authors since 1988, including Dr. William Fenton of Slingerlands, Dr. Robert Alexander of Delmar, and the *Spotlight's* former editor, Nat Boynton, and novelist, and Albany-native, Bernard Connors. All programs are free and open to the public.

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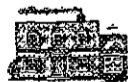
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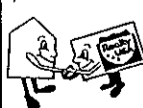
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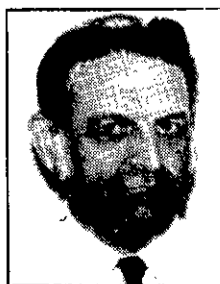
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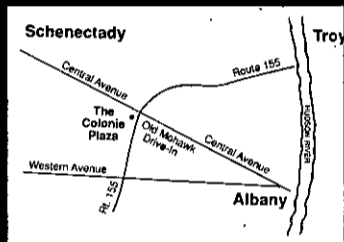
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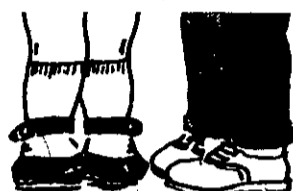


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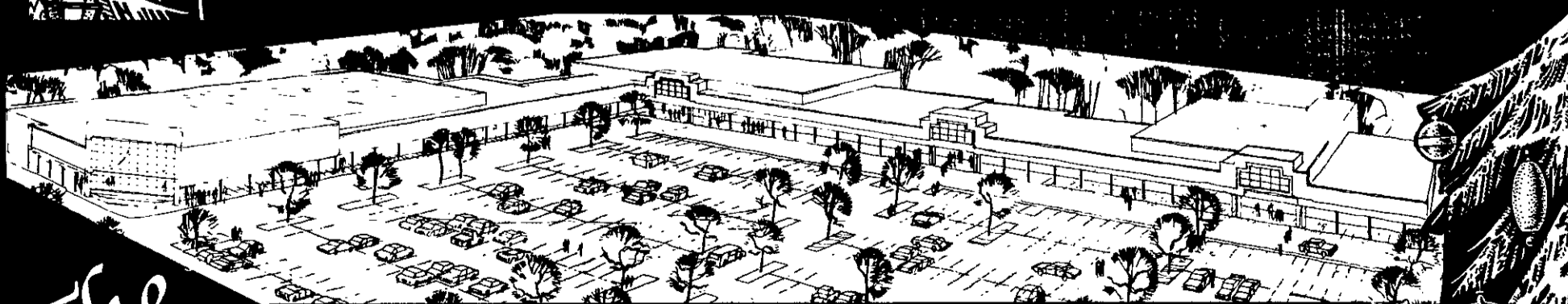
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