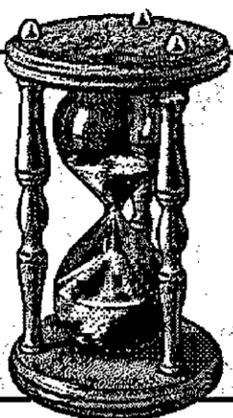


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In the blood



Ken McNary at the Elsmere firehouse.

Joe Futia

Ken McNary: Fighting fires gets in your blood

By Mark Stuart

Ken McNary decided to become a firefighter when he was a boy living on Maple Street in Elsmere 71 years ago.

Lying in bed one evening, he heard a clamor in the street that sounded like nothing he had ever heard before. He jumped from his bed, looked out the window and saw several men shouting to each other as they ran to the end of the street, where the glow of a burning home illuminated the area as if it were daylight.

The men were scrambling desperately to form a primitive bucket brigade to save their neighbors' home and lives from a devastating fire.

"That was the time when I decided I was going to do something to stop fires," he said. No one knew back then he would dedicate 60 years of his life to it, including 52 years as an officer.

"There is a saying that says you have to be crazy to be a volunteer fireman and that might be true, but once you get started in the fire department, you get it in your blood and it's hard to go on without it," he said.

In recognition of his 60-years of service as a volunteer fireman, Jan. 30, 1990 has been proclaimed "Kenneth McNary Day" in the Town of Bethlehem. The

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Delmar Village gets town board okay

Opponents saddened after 5-year fight

By Mark Stuart

Although the Bethlehem Town Board closed a chapter on Delmar Village Thursday as it granted building project approval by a vote of 3-2, members of Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning vow they'll remain as active as ever.

Sylvia Ponemon of BCRP said the organization will remain intact and active in the community despite the approval of Delmar Village. "We still have a lot of work to do, who's going to see that all the mitigating measures (in the final environmental impact statement) get through?" she said. "We'll still be around."

Opponents of the 92-acre project shook hands and talked in the hall moments after the vote. Some approached members of the town board to state disapproval, others discussed the possibility of selling their homes. One woman had tears in her eyes, and as people in the hallways wished each other a Merry Christmas,

she turned toward the door and said, "Some Christmas."

During the two-and-a-half-hour councilmen Sue Ann Ritchko and Robert Burns asked questions about wetlands, school impacts, the background of one of the two construction firms involved in the project and what town incentives were offered in the approval of Delmar Village as a Planned Residential District.

No public input was allowed at the meeting.

Delmar Village, first presented to the town in November 1984, will be located between Orchard Street and Delaware Avenue. It includes 232 apartments and 56 single-family homes and the extension of Fisher Boulevard to connect with Delaware Avenue. The developers of the project are HMC Associates. State Sen. Howard Nolan and Norris MacFarland are partners in HMC.

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Village to recycle plastics

By Bob Hagyard

Voorheesville will collect plastic for recycling beginning next month.

Villagers will deposit plastics at a holding location behind the village firehouse on Altamont Road. As with metal trash, said Mayor Edward Clark, "It is not mandatory that we separate it out. But we encourage it."

Paper recycling is now mandatory in Voorheesville, as is collection of yard waste

such as leaves and branches, Clark told the village trustees last week. Robert Brate, who holds the contract to collect plastic from the Town of New Scotland recycling bin behind Town Hall, would also empty the bin behind the firehouse under a contract approved by the trustees that evening. Brate's \$1,400 offer for the job was the sole bid received.

"We'll know by this summer if plastic

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'Look out for your neighbor'

By Bob Hagyard

As the thermometer plunges below zero, officials request that New Scotland residents keep a more careful watch of their elderly and handicapped neighbors.

Driving the point home last week was the discovery of a 76-year-old Clarksville woman, Fanny Jane Carpenter, found frozen to death in her living room the afternoon of Dec. 17 by a neighbor. Carpenter, who depended on a woodstove for heat, apparently ran out of fuel several days before, about the time the weather turned bitter cold.

An autopsy performed Dec. 18 showed no signs of foul play, according to Inv. Richard Vore of the Albany County Sheriff's Department. Carpenter, who lived alone in a house on Plank Road without heat, electricity, or running water, was last seen at her front door speaking to a neighbor at about 9 a.m. the previous Thursday, said Vore. "She wouldn't let anybody in her house," he said, "but someone would look in on her on the way to the grocery store."

Carpenter has a history of heart disease, Vore added.

"Heating systems consume more fuel during the extreme cold weather, thereby raising the possibility that a person could run out of heating fuel," said a sheriff's department spokesperson. "Some of these people do not have telephones to call for help and are not able to get around very well."

Legislators slice mileage allowance

More debate on civic center costs

By Patricia Dumas

Albany County legislators, in a short end-of-the-year meeting last week, authorized apportionment of the county tax levy among cities, towns, and special tax districts, agreed to forego their usual mileage reimbursements, and bickered over payments related to the civic center.

Taxpayers in the Town of Bethlehem will provide \$4,405,925; in the town of New Scotland, \$1,040,630; and in Colonie, \$10,668,872 under apportionment of the county's \$31,883,142 tax levy.

Legislators who live outside the city of Albany usually are reimbursed at the rate of 20 cents a mile for the distance they travel in attending legislative sessions. But they voted unanimously to cut out the \$1,274 total reimbursement in a move to help tighten the budget. The highest allotment would have been \$166.40 for Democrat James J. Perkinson of Berne.

Republican Kenneth S. MacAffer Jr. of Menands declared that the mileage reimbursement should "never again be authorized because if the money spent by a number of legislators to arrive here and do business can be dispensed with, then it never should have been allowed in the first place."

Two leases for retail space at the Knickerbocker Arena civic center were authorized. They will provide an Italian restaurant operated by Antonio Sapienze and Fortunato Corrado of Albany, and a Chinese restaurant owned by Lam Fong of Amsterdam. The rental fee is \$20 per square foot with the Italian restaurant to occupy 1,345 square feet and the Chinese restaurant, 1,340 square feet.

A contract with civic center construction consultants Huber, Hunt and Nichols was extended by the legislature, adding \$77,813 to the current \$830,000 contract with the consulting firm.

Republican Paul Scaringe of Colonie argued that the contract money should not be boosted in a year "when we are in a budget crunch."

Scaringe praised the consultants for "having done a great job," but questioned extending the contract when the civic center project is almost finished.

Harold L. Joyce, the legislature's majority leader and head of its civic center committee, said there still is "wrapping up" work to be done. Assistant County Attorney Patrick Jeffers explained that the wrapping up involves paper work related to payments on contractors' claims.

"If you think our work is over on January 30th, you're mistaken," Joyce told Scaringe. (The civic center is slated to open Feb. 1.)

Minority Leader W. Gordon Morris, Jr. of Delmar noted that "a work change order for more money unfortunately has been the history of this project."

Another Delmar Republican, James C. Ross, reminded his fellow legislators that the entire civic center project, now costing over \$65 million, originally was budgeted at \$35 million.

"Why are we arguing at such length over these little expenditures. Let's put things in perspective," Ross said.

The legislature also authorized an additional \$500,000 to be spent by ARA Leisure Services for equip-

ment and improvements to its work area. As the center's food concessionaire, the firm invests in the equipment, which becomes county property.

Student performs in dance horizons

Daniel Kerness, son of Jules and Phoebe Kernes of Delmar, participated in the Ithaca College annual dance concert, held recently in the Hoerner Theatre, Dillingham Center for the Performing Arts.

Kerness, an acting major at Ithaca College, was also cast in "Fiddler on the Roof" and "The Workroom." A member of the chorus, he is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

A Festival of helping



Top collectors in Bethlehem Middle School's holiday food drive were (front, l-r) Adam Sharron, Sara Donnaruma and Jamie Czajka, and (back, l-r) Gretchen

Sodergren, Christian Petrocine, David LaValle and Brian Tangore; 4,322 cans were collected.

Elaine McLain

K-9 sniffs out crack

Bethlehem's K-9 police dog uncovered a rock of crack cocaine while searching a car detained by State Police.

Thruway State Police arrested Norman Tracey, 28, of Brooklyn and Easton Anderson, 32, of New York City as a result of the find and an earlier search of their 1990 BMW last Wednesday night. Both are being held in Albany County Jail without bail pending a re-appearance in Albany Police Court Dec. 28.

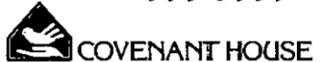
State Police stopped the two, heading north in a 1990 BMW, on traffic violations near Thruway Exit 23 at about 11 p.m. Tracey, the operator, was found to be in possession of a large number of glassine envelopes. The men were arrested and taken to Troop T headquarters near the exit, the car was towed and the Bethlehem police were called to assist in a search of the car. K-9 Grando jumped onto the engine and ripped the plastic covers and wires off the fusebox along with the gasket, police said.

Inside was a plastic bag filled with a quantity of marijuana and a wrapped-up paper bag. Inside the bag was what police would only describe as "a large rock" of crack valued at \$2,000.

Arraigned in Albany Police Court, Tracey was charged with two counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance, third degree, two counts of unlawful possession of marijuana, criminal use of drug paraphernalia, criminal sale of marijuana, fourth degree, and a number of vehicle and traffic law charges. Anderson was charged with two counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance, third degree, criminal use of drug paraphernalia, second degree, and unlawful possession of marijuana.

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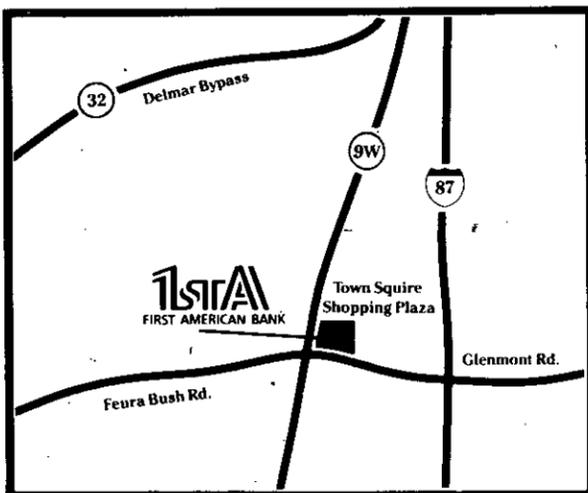


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Group support helps smokers conquer addiction

By Theresa Bobear

If you ask, you'll find that most people who smoke did not give tremendous thought to lighting that first cigarette many years ago. If you ask, you'll find that most smokers now remember that day clearly, and considerable willpower has been incorporated into efforts toward quitting.

Barring last-minute legal problems, New York will ring in stringent new regulations on smoking for the New Year, and more than one soul is taking a serious look at his smoking habit. While some have decided they'd rather fight — all the way to the state Supreme Court — than switch to a nonsmoker lifestyle, others are giving thought to making a most weighty resolution — quit smoking.

Nearly all smokers and ex-smokers will agree that only a personal commitment, not a state law, can induce an individual to successfully quit. The task might be a difficult one, but people who never thought they could, have quit.

After many years of smoking, Larry DeClue of Slingerlands left a favorite habit behind this fall by participating in the Freedom from Smoking program offered by the American Lung Association.

He recalls smoking his first cigarette about 25 years ago. "My parents smoked, and it was the thing to do at the time. . . . At school it was a fad," he said. He remembers a time when movie stars advertised smoking as being pleasant and healthy.

"American is starting to wake up and see what's happening," he said. "Smoking was so prevalent for such a long period of time that doctors were able to study the effects of it. . . . People are starting to wise up. . . . The people that are able to quit should be quitting."

DeClue said smoking is going to become less acceptable in the future. "Lately, I'd felt very ill at ease smoking in public . . . because it has become so unacceptable," he said.

Before he quit two months ago, DeClue was smoking two packs a day. "If I had given it any thought, I never would have started. Obviously, it's more difficult to quit than start. . . . I've tried several times unsuccessfully. It's not something very easy to do. You really have to

be in the right frame of mind psychologically to do it."

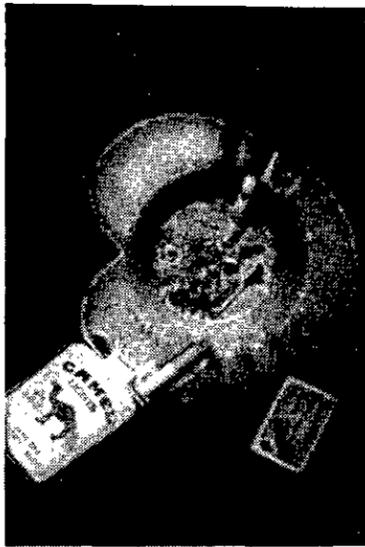
"I think it (giving up cigarettes) is an excellent choice for a New Year's resolution because the benefits of it are so far-reaching," said Susan Malinowski, smoking and health program specialist for the American Lung Association.

"As a result, you're improving your health," she said. "Your self-image improves because you're mastering an area of your life, which formerly you had no control over."

"I'd say enrollment is up slightly after the first of the year," she said.

"Smoking is a learned behavior. You were not born with a cigarette in your mouth. Because it is learned, you can unlearn it. . . . Everybody has the ability to quit," said Malinowski, who is a former smoker.

She identified peer pressure, weight control and managing stress are the three most frequently offered reasons for starting to smoke. "The most prevalent, I find, is peer pressure as adolescents," she said. Once smoking becomes a habit, she said, the nicotine in cigarettes is as addictive as alcohol, heroin or cocaine.



nonsmokers — makes it a good choice.

The date of the first meeting was Oct. 10, and he quit smoking on Oct. 24.

"The atmosphere is fairly loose. It's not regimented," he said. "Everything is left to the individual to make their own decision. . . . They have to commit themselves to the thought." He said the instructors do everything possible to assist the group members.

'Smoking is a learned behavior. . . . Because it is learned, you can unlearn it. . . . Everybody has the ability to quit.'

Like many smokers, health concerns were at the top of DeClue's list of reasons for quitting. Those concerns were for himself, his wife Anne and his daughter Danielle, who is 4 years old. "I don't like to expose them to second-hand smoke," he said.

DeClue also worried that the smoking habit might some day be carried on to the next generation. He said his family was very supportive of his latest attempt at quitting, which has been successful. "My wife doesn't smoke, which is a help," he said.

DeClue recommends that smokers take advantage of one of the variety of programs available to help smokers who are trying to give up cigarettes. "It makes it easier," he said. "The American Lung Association has an excellent reputation." He said the program's success rate — 75 to 80 percent of the people in the program left as

"There were a lot of state workers in the program, in the group that I was in, because they knew," he said, "that some time in 1990 they weren't going to be able to smoke on the job anymore." He said it was helpful to see another 20 to 30 people at the meetings trying to do the same thing and talking about their feelings and experiences after quitting — their temptations and substitutes they had found. DeClue said a calendar, which he marked each day that he did not smoke, provided physical evidence of his accomplishment.

"For me I don't think it was as difficult as for some other people," he said.

"It's an addiction," he said. DeClue explained that the first seven days of withdrawal are the worst.

After quitting, he cautioned, someone who smokes one cigarette has a 99 percent chance of

going back to smoking again. "If you have that one, your all finished," he said.

DeClue, who quit smoking once before, explained that the health benefits of not smoking take effect gradually after quitting. "I didn't realize I was feeling better until I went back to smoking," he said.

After two months this year without cigarettes, DeClue reports, "I don't cough when I get up in the morning. . . . I feel better."

Malinowski said individuals who have tried to quit on their own and failed are generally the ones who are most successful in the American Lung Association's program.

"It offers you the support of a group, which gives you a sense of accountability to that group," she said. "The support of the ideas that are generated in a group is sometimes enough to give people the strength to continue the attempt to quit."

The program begins with an analysis of each individual's habit, education about the health effects of smoking and discussion aimed at building motivation to quit. At the next session the group members explore reasons for smoking,

comfortable in social situations," she said.

The final argument she presented was the passage of the Clean Indoor Air Act, which is expected to go into effect for public places on Jan. 1 and for work sites on April 1 (see sidebar).

"That is going to have a big impact on all of our lives because it's going to where people cannot smoke, and the rights of nonsmokers are being given a great deal of weight," Malinowski said.

The six-week, seven-session Freedom From Smoking program is offered four times each year. The next session will be offered in the evening beginning on Jan. 8 and running through Feb. 12. Each group consists of 15 to 30 people want to quit.

The cost of the program is \$60. The \$15 registration fee is fully refundable if you attend session one and decide not to continue with the program. Volunteers are welcome to serve in a variety of capacities. A two-day training course is offered for the instructors, who are offered a stipend for teaching the courses. Donations are used for research and education in the lung health area. The American Lung Association offers Freedom From Smoking manuals and videos for individuals who are unable to attend the program.

To register, volunteer or make a donation to the American Lung Association, call Gloria Devine at 459-4197.

"Give the course a try. Come in and listen to what we have to say," she said. "Maybe just coming to the course and hearing other people trying may be enough to make some clear their lungs and change their life."

Nominees sought

The Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233 is searching for candidates for "Mother of The Year." Nominees should be mothers who have excelled above and beyond the norm, and should be residents of either the town of Bethlehem or the town of Coeymans.

To nominate one for "Mother of The Year" send the mother's name and the reasons why she is a good candidate to Matt Fraley Chairman, Mother of the Year, c/o Bethlehem Lodge B.P.O.E. 2233, Box 141, R.D.1, Selkirk, N.Y. 12158, no later than Jan. 30. The choices should exemplify the virtues of motherhood in the home while also contributing time and talent to the welfare and betterment of the community.

No Elk affiliation is required to be nominated. If you have questions please call Matt Fraley at 436-5058.

Students meet lawmakers

A "meet Your County Legislative Sponsor" reception was held recently for student interns and county legislators. The reception provided students the opportunity to meet and talk with the legislator from their district who they will be working with this year. Students from high schools in Albany County participating include: Jennifer Coon, Arielle Hecht, Lila Kawas, Barbara McCuen, Robyn Richards, Anish Shah and Miriam Weiss from Bethlehem Central High School; Joseph Croscup, Lauren Infantino, Rebecca Novko and Tricia Perrine from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School; and Karen Deeley and Thomas Kurkjian from Clayton A. Bouton Jr./Sr. High School.

Clearing New York's indoor air

After years of debate, last year the New York State Legislature passed the Clean Indoor Air Act. The law, which is being contested in court, will take effect for most public places on Jan. 1 and for worksites on April 1.

The portion of the state law that takes effect on Jan. 1 calls for smoking to be prohibited or limited in most public places, including restaurants, bowling alleys, retail stores, indoor arenas, waiting areas, enclosed shopping malls, building and hotel lobbies, cafeterias, coffee shops, diners, sandwich shops, short-order cafes, educational or vocational institutions, hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and adult care homes. Smoking must be prohibited in auditoriums, elevators, gymnasiums, taxicabs, food markets, public transportation vehicles, classrooms, and ticketing and boarding areas in public transportation terminals. The act does not apply to food service establishments with 50 or fewer seats. Bars are exempted from the act unless they are not enclosed and considered to be part of a concourse. Smoking may be permitted in a food service establishment if the entire facility or a separate room has been rented for a function.

Under the law, smoking areas must be designated with signs and in most cases limited to a

certain percentage of a facility's total square footage. The act itself does not prohibit buildings from being designated "smoke-free."

The portion of the law that takes effect on April 1 applies specifically to worksites and requires that employers provide smoke-free work areas for nonsmoking employees. Each employer must adopt and maintain written rules regarding smoking at the worksite and identify where smoking is prohibited or restricted.

Smoking must be prohibited in auditoriums, classrooms, elevators, hallways, restrooms, employee medical facilities, and areas that contain equipment (such as photocopiers) used by employees.

Smoking may be permitted in private, enclosed offices only if all employees in the offices agree that smoking may be permitted.

The county board of health, a county-designated enforcement officer or the state Department of Health, will be responsible for enforcement of the law. Fines of up to \$1,000 may be imposed by a state officer, or up to \$500 by a county officer, for noncompliance.

For information write: Clean Indoor Air, Box 2000, Albany, N.Y. 12220.

How're we doing?

As our towns prepare to close the books on the last year of the 1980s, a review of the more significant developments — and a glance at some portending shadows — are in order.

This was a year in which our towns saw much proposed, but few things disposed. As was predictable, certain issues and problems were held over from previous years, but others achieved dimensions all their own in 1989.

The policy-makers of both Bethlehem and New Scotland are waiting for events to unfold in the "heavy-heavy hangs over" matter of solid wastes. Seeing ourselves as part of a larger problem, we remain in a holding mode. The deferment of action is in recognition, basically, of forthcoming developments on two fronts: American Ref-Fuel's proposal for a burn plant, and the ANSWERS study on where to site a new landfill. Both these potentially may affect Bethlehem as a site, but they also affect virtually every resident of the Capital District.

In the coming year, one of the keys to an action plan will be the effectiveness with which Bethlehem uses its position as a possible site for whatever solid-waste solution emerges to maintain its own services to the town's residents. Any solution must use recycling as its first component. Both Bethlehem and New Scotland have made starts in this direction, but both have a long way to go. In comparison, Colonie is in a far better position.

On other major issues, the principal concern can be said to revolve around the issues of suburban development. The debate in our towns breaks neatly into two issues, in fact: first, whether there should be more large-scale development and, second, how to apportion equitably the costs for new developments.

In Bethlehem, the first question is being actively debated. Because of it, the Town Board is considering ways to slow down

Well done. . .

They have, indeed, been good and faithful in the service of the citizenry who elected them to positions of key responsibility.

Their public duties are over, at least for the time being. We are referring to Bethlehem's retiring supervisor, Bob Hendrick, and two members of the Town Board, Sue Ann Ritchko and Dennis Corrigan. Each in his or her own way contributed effectively to the present state of well-being of the town and its generally rosy horizon.

In New Scotland, another officeholder, Town Board member Allyn Moak, steps

It's not what you know

... but who you know!

That cynical motto is a byword that parents, teachers, and other idealists have been trying to refute to generations of youngsters. We have been carrying the banner for the proposition that education, training, credentials and hard work are what count in the world of get-ahead.

Our Governor, Mr. Cuomo, just took two giant steps to demolish all our starry-eyed arguments. When his commissioner in

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growth until a master plan is in being. That plan itself will also force the issue.

In New Scotland, growth is still tied to water, and that limiting factor more than any philosophical debate has dominated the planning process.

When applied to schools, the growth question becomes an even thornier one. Every school district locally is grappling with how to accommodate population growth without running taxes through the roof. In most cases (but not all), taxpayers have been understanding and supportive of building programs when the facts have been put before them clearly and persuasively.

The relationship of the towns to the county government never has been clearer than this year. The county has begun to take a leadership role in planning the road network that serves the Capital District. Many questions remain here, including whether the county will be able to keep its promises to fund road and bridge improvements. The future of the airport, still county property after nearly two years of debate, will impact all communities, not merely Colonie, which sustains the largest question-marks.

Beter control of drugs and the use of alcohol remains an unresolved matter on the agenda not only for local governments but for the populace at large. Its satisfactory solution will require untapped amounts of applied wisdom in the months ahead.

Altogether, 1989 was a rather good year for the Capital District, the towns included. The existence of the state government stabilizes the economy and employment generally. If 1990 does as well for local residents, we will be singing hymns of relief a year from now.

down, receiving the thanks of his constituency there.

To Supervisor Herb Reilly, returning for a new term in New Scotland, and to Ken Ringler, who prepares to take over as Bethlehem supervisor, we offer felicitations for successful administrations. Bethlehem residents will follow with interest, also, the service of new Board members Charles Gunner and Madeline Sheila Galvin, as will New Scotland residents follow the career of new board member Peter Van Zetten. We join in extending best wishes for deliberative records matching their careers to date.

charge of throttling the drug trade was shown up as a chiseler, Mr. Cuomo allowed him to hand in a resignation which was, as is customary, accepted with tears and tributes.

But then what did the Governor do? He turned the other cheek and offered the defrocked commissioner another job in another agency — at the same salary, around \$87,000.

A Governor who is prone to sermonizing misread the text on this one.

Balsam buyers win thanks of Lions

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Lions Club, I would like to thank all those who patronized our second annual Christmas tree sale.

Proceeds from the sale of these Canadian balsams will be donated to the Lions Eye Institute at Albany Medical Center for a new state-of-the-art diagnostic research and eye care center serving surrounding portions of the northeast, a unique facility in upstate New York.

Special thanks are due The Spotlight and the following individuals and organizations without whose

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help and encouragement our success would have been much more difficult: Ruth Mendel, *The Times Union*, Dr. and Mrs. Michael Conte, Richard Rose, and Butler and Brown Insurance.

We hope the Bethlehem Lions can serve you again at our third annual sale.

Vincent Ferraro
President
Bethlehem Lions

Delmar

Thanks to supporters of Lung Association

Editor, The Spotlight:

As president of the American Lung Association of New York State, the "Christmas Seal People," I would like to thank your readers for their support of the association during the past year.

Throughout 1989, volunteers have given many hours to help provide programs for victims of respiratory disease, cessation clinics for smokers who want to quit for good, and school health education for children who need to learn the truth about addiction before they are tempted by their first cigarette. In addition, through generous contributions to our Christmas Seal campaign and support of our special events, your readers have assisted our research

efforts and our activities on behalf of clean air.

The Lung Association is grateful to everyone who has helped to make Christmas Seals a traditional part of this very special season. Since 1907, Christmas Seals have worked to stamp out lung disease, a mission that is even more vital today.

As 1989 draws to a close, we extend to all our best wishes for "Happy Holidays." Further, with the public's continued help and support, we promise to do everything within our power to make it a healthy New Year.

Dorothy H. Watson

Albany

Thanks from 'Freddy's Family'

Editor, The Spotlight:

Not in my wildest dreams did I imagine that such a wonderful article about me and one of my creations, "Freddy's Family," would be published. I thank Cathi Anne Cameron for her thoughtful, incisive, and beautifully written story. Thanks for sincere attention to detail. Great reporting!

I, and all my family, will tuck it into scrapbooks and treasure it as the generations go by.

I cannot wait to see and hear the reactions of the grandchildren when they discover their creativity and photograph in print.

Ruth Andrews

Delmar

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UNCLE DUDLEY

A cup o' kindness yet

For some reason, the first New Year's Eve that I can recall came in the dying months of Herbert Hoover's Depression-cursed presidency. I certainly was more than a youngster at the time, but I have no real recollection of the coming of earlier new years as such.

What I recall most vividly was my mother saying with a sigh, "I hope it will be a better year for your sister." It wasn't, for 1933 was still a terrible time for many people, though the coming of Franklin D. Roosevelt gave hope to millions who had though hope was beyond them, and the lot of some did improve with the advent of the CCC, PWA, AAA, NRA and some of the other emergency measures inspired by FDR. Not to my credit, I believe that I failed at that time to appreciate fully what the New Deal meant to so many people.

Other New Years came and went without making undue impressions on me for just about another generation.

On New Year's day of 1959, the big guns boomed around the New York State Capitol in a salute to Nelson A. Rockefeller, who became governor that day.

That was a bittersweet occasion for me, for the following reasons. First, as an appointee in the last, sad months of the Harriman administration of New York's affairs, I was thereupon deposed from that position as of the time that Mr. Rockefeller took over. I remember feeling a bit like Herbert Hoover's "Forgotten Man" — just plain out of a job.

The other event in my life that day was the birth of a new daughter.

CONSTANT READER

Life began at 11 a.m.

Over a half-century ago a man from Ypsilanti, Michigan, wrote a book that became a sensational best-seller in the mid-1930s — "Life Begins at Forty." It was a psychological pepper-upper for the aging-out folks of those time — people who had passed that milestone.

Some time later, I had the opportunity of studying in a course that he conducted. The subject was feature writing, and the word "studying" is not really apt, because his habit at the weekly day-long meetings of the class was to arrive in the morning and deliver his observations informally for an hour or so, and then announce the assignment for the day — namely, to write. From the outset, he made no exceptions, accepted no excuses. The assignments were in this vein (as of, say, 11 a.m.): "Three thousand words, by 2 o'clock." Or "Five thousand words, by 4 o'clock." The subject might be of your own choosing, or it might be a specific, such as an analysis of your home town's future.

And you had no recourse but to turn to your typewriter — and write. That was perhaps the most valuable lesson I ever received in what purported to be a classroom. Namely, if you have to write something, write it! Don't dawdle with fancy openings, beautiful thoughts, or exquisite language. Get it out of your head, down your arm, and onto paper. When you've finished writing what needs to be written, if

ter 22 hours into the new year (and, in what seemed significant at the time, 22 hours past the previous tax year). Mary joined four brothers and sisters, and helped get 1959 off to a much sweeter and happier start than otherwise would have been true.

Nelson Rockefeller lost his chance to change history

(Incidentally, her own first-born, a brawny chap, arrived 30 years later, missing the previous tax year by a full three days.)

At the time, I grudgingly believed that Nelson Rockefeller could set a pattern for fiscal prudence in governments — state, federal, and otherwise — by insisting on a modest spending program for New York State. His name, reputation, prestige, power — all these could have combined to make him the hero of the times. . . and President of the United States by 1961, or perhaps later, depending.

Unfortunately for him, and for the country, his instinct with regard to other people's money was to spend it. The chance for a sane fiscal policy was lost, and we ended up with the likes of Lyndon B. Johnson and Ronald Reagan, not to mention a host of other guys who like to hear that tune, "Hey, Big Spender."

New Year's Day is also the day that all the thoroughbreds become

a year older. Perhaps that's true of other horses, too; I don't believe I've ever heard that. My prime experience with the breed was with an Arabian colt that arrived home on Christmas Eve for the kids from the Lisas down in Ravena.

Other than that, I tend to think of the patient old Dobbins who trudged along pulling the wagons for Freihofers and also for the Normanskill Dairy. (I can hear lots of readers saying to themselves, "the what dairy?" But it's true.) The dairy, which also featured a milking showroom for the benefit of hosts of families, was phased out some forgotten day in years past — along with the horses. I find that young people and newcomers to the area find it difficult to believe that, yes, there were horse-drawn delivery wagons here in very recent times.

Still older folks can remember the ice wagons. That was when you had ice boxes, not refrigerators. And the ice man flipped a 25-pound cake onto his shoulder and brought it in (unless the card you'd placed in the window called for 50 or 100 pounds that day.) Delivering ice was a favorite summer occupation for athletes such as Red Grange. And there was the song, "Any ice today, lady; it's nice today, lady — Oh, lady, buy a cake of ice today. It's only a quarter, you know that you oughter. Hurry up before it melts away!"

I've strayed far from New Year's Eve, but I thought that (at the risk of violating the copyright law) it would be nice to close out the year with a song and a story. Happy New Year, everybody!

Walter Pitkin never wrote a book titled "Words onto Paper," but that

The "World" portion of the "World Almanac" derives not from the globe (amply displayed on the cover), but from the late newspaper, *The New York World*. The publication was instituted by the *World* in 1868, was suspended for several years, then revived by Joseph Pulitzer, the publisher, in 1886. It has been published every year since under a variety of auspices, but all descending from the *World*.

was one of his principal, hard-and-fast themes.

Another of his repeated lectures was on the idea that feature stories are everywhere. "Every page of the 'World Almanac' holds at least one salable feature article," he told us more than once.

It was partly with that in mind that I bought a \$6.95 copy of the 1990 "World Almanac" the other day. If his declaration was accurate, there are at least 950 feature

stories in its pages.

I believe that it's probably true. You don't have to be looking for salable article subjects in order to find yourself lost in its pages jammed with tiny type. As for utility, I tend to find it a more reliable source than some of the others that have come out in recent years such as "Information Please Almanac" and "The People's Almanac," and certainly more usefully inclusive than the so-called farmers' almanacs.

Facts are here by the millions, some of them unbelievable or at least ones you'd prefer not to believe, such as that a poll showed young Americans' hero of heroes is Michael Jordan, the basketball player (succeeding Eddie Murphy). Another poll showed that most people think that 62 is the most suitable age for retirement. All this is relatively fanciful compared with the very factual and statistical matter that justifies the almanac as a reference book — which it is, a first-class one.

You can learn that 1990 will be the 25th anniversary of Diet Pepsi and the 50th anniversary of nylon, to say nothing of being the centennial of peanut butter. And that 11 percent of Iowans name their cars, with the favorite names being Betsy, Betty, and Bessie. (As the Almanac wryly observed, "So let's name the cow Edsel.")

Just imagine!

Our world in 1990 and beyond

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By Ann Fisher

Point of View

My vision is optimistic as we move into the new year which heralds a different decade, one which, in turn, brings us close to a new century and, in fact, a new millenium.

1990 is what I term a "No. 1 Year," a new start. We are now in the Age of Aquarius, the same that was sung about a generation ago as the Piscean Age of orthodoxy neared its close.

Now is the time to be rid of old ideas, of excesses, and of conspicuous consumption, for in the Aquarian Age we can expect to experience more quiet living, self-control, and community concern.

These are to be the hallmarks of the coming decade. In the next millenium, beginning with the dawn of the 21st century, we will have centuries of people working for peace, for better communication within our own planet and more exploration of the promises of outer space. We will be fostering new ideas to replace those which have been repudiated by common, failed experience and now by exhausted common consent. The comparison with world history will be marked.

What is the source of these quite confident predictions?

They come from clairvoyant visions (similar in nature to those which have so frequently proved out in my work as a psychic) and also by certain astrological readings.

Here are some specifics among the probable developments which I see clearly enough to forecast. First, the good news.

I expect great advances in several fields of medicine. Among these will be preventive measures against multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and rheumatoid arthritis. This may be achieved through injections. I anticipate further use of lasers to the point where they are very common in operations. By the end of the decade, I expect eyeglasses to be phased out of use in most cases, with the use of laser beams serving to correct problems of vision.

My predictions have taken you a-venturing into the realm of parapsychology. I hope you will have found it interesting. . .

For many persons now blinded by disease, I predict that tiny TV cameras, mounted on eyeglass frames, will transmit electronic images directly to the visual cortex of the brain.

We will reach the point where most of the parts of the body, when damaged or afflicted, can be replaced, in a dramatic extension of present practices. Advances in research on burns will lead the way to an unsuspected ability to generate new skin tissues. And I foresee a 50/50 chance for the cure for AIDS.

We will be living longer, with the age of "elderly" people leveling off at 80, rather than in the 40s, 50s and 60s of past generations. This will be attained by the close of the century, only 10 years distant.

We can expect large seizures of cocaine which, by the end of 1990, a year from now, will have given us a much better grip on the problems of drug infestation.

People troubled by hereditary baldness can look forward to a breakthrough in their favor. Surprisingly, the fad for tanned skins (among light-skinned people) will become passe, and the idealized state will be for paleness to connote well-being.

On the other hand, a decrease in racism will involve a greater blending of races. Italian and Irish people no longer will be the most prominent ethnic and national strains.

We will be enjoying a standard of living that will be improved for larger numbers of Americans — and this will be true elsewhere, as well, even in underdeveloped lands.

Now for some less happy news.

For 1990, I must predict that the state of the economy will be downward, and this will continue in the next year. But by the end of 1991, we should be experiencing a boomlet.

We must expect that crime will still be increasing next year. One result will be a greater acceptance of, and demand for, home security systems. Bank failures will continue, although altogether the Nineties will be more prosperous than the Eighties for most people.

As the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. grow closer, we have to anticipate

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that by the middle of the coming decade certain of the Arab lands will be causing violent upheavals for the rest of the world.

In the Nineties, look for two more major earthquakes as we go deeper and deeper into what might be called an earthquake era. One major quake will be in the New York metropolitan areas, and the other within the San Andreas Fault in California two or three years later, in 1997-98.

What about some of the more mundane things affecting or coloring our daily lives?

We will be easily carrying around TV sets the dimensions of picture frames. By the end of the decade and century, all new houses will be computerized. We all will be urged to plant more trees wherever possible, in order to counteract the greenhouse effect. Our cars, by 2000 or before, will take on radically different styling: some will assume the characteristics of autos from the 1960s or before; other cars will look increasingly like spacecraft. Take your choice!

As the emphasis grows on recycling and a cleaned-up environ-

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ment, we can expect to be called upon to pay much heavier fees for collection and disposal of our trash.

And what about the world we'll be asked to live in — and its universe?

Travel will become simpler as the nations relax many of the restrictions as well as tensions. The U.S. will man a space station by 1997, partially as a dividend on our enlarged commitment to exploration of space, which I see commencing as early as next year. Those pioneers will, of course, be on the search for extra-terrestrial intelligence "out there." Looking way ahead, well into the 21st century, I feel safe in predicting shuttle travel from planet to planet. This can be a reality, not merely the theme for science-fiction thrillers.

Closer at home, New York State, once the largest of all, will drop to third place sometime during the 1990s, with Texas taking over second place and Florida's population creeping up behind New York's.

Our Governor will not seek the presidency (for reasons that are not entirely clear to me, but which come through very strongly). President Bush, on the wave of popularity for apparent successes in dealing with the Soviet Union and the former Communist bloc, will be reelected easily in 1992.

And what does the future hold for each of us in our cozy little niches?

Increasing numbers (up to about 25 percent) will be working at home, rather than out in the world. (This, of course, has implications for commercial and industrial construction and occupancy.) A much greater proportion of people will become entrepreneurs owning their own businesses rather than taking a place on a payroll.

In general, marriages will tend to have more happy endings. And because the number of men will increase quite sharply in relation to the number of women, there will be better marriage prospects for some older women with men who can't find younger women. In all fields of endeavor, women's salaries will be improving, making their expectations more comparable to men's salary levels.

We all will be placing greater emphasis on the importance of developing one's self, on the one hand, and yet showing more concern for our fellow man, for society, and for our planet.

My predictions have taken you a-venturing into the realm of parapsychology. I hope you will have found it interesting, even persuasive. (As many of these developments come about, remember where you heard them first!) In this time of warmer relationships with the Soviet Union, too, remember that the Russians have always been well ahead of us in the uses of parapsychology.

Words for the week

Millenium: A span of 1,000 years; also, a hoped-for period of joy, serenity, prosperity, and justice.

Clairvoyant: One with the supposed power to perceive things out of the natural range of human senses. A person having acute intuitive insight or perceptiveness.

Passe: Out of date; no longer current or in fashion; faded, past the prime.

Extraterrestrial: Originating, located, or occurring outside the Earth or its atmosphere.

Implication: Something implied (hinted, suggested), especially an indirect indication.

Entrepreneur: A person who organizes, operates, and assumes the risk for business ventures.

Purport: To contain the claim (to be or do something). In another sense, the apparent meaning or purpose; significance.

Hallmark: A conspicuous indication of the character or quality of something; originally, a mark used in England to stamp gold and silver articles that met established standards of purity.

Cortex: The outer layer of an organ or part, as of the kidney, cerebrum, or cerebellum.

Parapsychology: The study of phenomena such as telepathy, clairvoyance, and psychokinesis that are not explained by known natural laws.

Astrological: Relating to the study of the positions and aspects of heavenly bodies with a view to predicting their influence on the course of human affairs.

In the courts...

Juanita Van Slyke, 67, of Coxsackie, arrested Dec. 3 by Bethlehem town police for driving while intoxicated and driving with a blood-alcohol count of .10 or more, pleaded guilty to the charges Dec. 19 in Town Court. Van Slyke was fined \$350 plus \$17 surcharge and her license was revoked by Town Justice Roger Fritts.

Joseph C. McCandles of Couse Lane, Slingerlands, arrested for driving while intoxicated Nov. 24 by Bethlehem town police, pleaded guilty to driving while ability impaired Dec. 19 in Town Court. He was fined \$250 plus \$17 surcharge and his license was suspended for 90 days by Town Justice Roger Fritts. McCandles must also attend a drinking/driver program.

Thomas F. Perrault, 40, of Meilak's Trailer Court, Selkirk, arrested Nov. 30 by Bethlehem town police for driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to driving while ability impaired Dec. 19 in Town Court. He was fined \$250 plus \$17 surcharge and his license was suspended for 90 days by Town Justice Roger Fritts. Perrault must also attend a drinking/driver program.

Robert Watters of 3 Wedge Road, Delmar, arrested Nov. 11 by Bethlehem town police for driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to driving while ability impaired Dec. 19 in Town Court. Watters was fined \$250 plus \$17 surcharge and his license was suspended for 90 days by Town Justice Roger Fritts. Watters must also attend a drinking/driver program.

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□ Village recycling

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and metals recycling works," said the mayor. "I don't know how the village can do glass, though, without it becoming extremely expensive. We would have to separate by color."

Water service

The trustees balked at a town request to switch a Swift Road resident's water tap from the village line to the other public water line that runs past the house, that of the town's Swift Road Water District. In return, a vacant lot owned by the resident would receive village water once developed.

Mayor Clark endorsed the switch. The village lateral runs under the town line to serve this customer, he said, and removal "would clean up the plumbing" at this point. Further, "this individual is in the Swift Road Water District right now," he went on. "He is billed each year for his share of the (town) bond payment, yet he is not receiving service."

The parcel the village would serve after the switch is "closer in" to the village, Clark added. In all, the exchange would have "no impact, and it would be helpful to our neighbor who would assume all costs, for the new participant in the Voorheesville system as well as for Swift Road — including the \$500 'cookup' fee."

Trustees Richard Langford and Edward Donohue wanted to know what the owner's plans were for the vacant lot. Donohue warned that an exchange might set an unwelcome precedent for the village. Trustee Daniel Reh recalled that the original village tap was approved by the trustees as a hardship case in 1978, years before the town system was created.

Reh's motion to approve the exchange failed for lack of a second.

Other matters

The trustees also:

- Formally named Stewart Brothers of Scotia as consultants to the village on water matters. The water volume from three test wells drilled so far "was okay," said the mayor, but impurities such as sulfur dioxide render them unusable as new water sources. More test wells need to be drilled, he went on, and "We don't want to put this out to bid because the firm knows our system, our area, and our needs We've done it in several instances before ... we're consciously bring them under the

exemption to take advantage of their expertise."

- Heard Clark announce the village's new smoking policy for village-owned property, effective Jan. 1 when a state law regulating smoking in public buildings takes effect. The Village Hall building, he said, would be "completely off-limits" to smoking since "no parts of the building are off-limits to the public. The trustees must adopt a policy covering smoking by employees by April 1, he added.

- Learned that Daniel Odell, who has moved away, has resigned from the village planning commission and Richard Stewart from the conservation advisory council. No replacements were named by the trustees.

- Awarded George Klapp the contract to paint the upstairs meeting room at Village Hall. Klapp's \$1,050 bid was the lower of two.

- Deferred a bid award on a 1990 pickup truck trade-in pending advice from Public Works Superintendent William Hotaling. DeNooyer Chevrolet of Colonie proposed to accept \$11,005 and the village's 1980 truck while Dave Ball Chevrolet of Syracuse bid \$10,228 on the same deal.

□ Delmar Village

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After the vote, Burns praised the work of Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning, which was formed in opposition to Delmar Village but has grown into a citizens group concerned with townwide planning and growth, calling it a "tremendous resource" to the entire town.

Burns also commented on the divisive effect Delmar Village has had on the community. "I don't think Senator Nolan or Mr. MacFarland know what has been done to Delmar because of this," Burns said, "I think it's a wrong proposal in the wrong part of town."

John Smolinsky, founder and past president of Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning said after the meeting: "We're grateful for the concerns expressed tonight by Sue Ann Ritchko and Bob Burns. . . This careless action by the lame duck majority on Delmar Village is a careless disregard for taxpayers and area residents. All Bethlehem citizens should be put on notice that this decision is a bad omen of town actions that could affect their neighborhoods. This decision only lines the pockets of the developers at the expense of Bethlehem citizens. This is not a Merry Christmas when we see such poor local government."

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Ken McNary's story

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proclamation was officially presented to McNary on Nov. 24 at ceremonies during the annual Elsmere Fire Department dinner.

As a result of his long career, McNary bears a wealth of information on the history of the Elsmere Fire Department. Before scanners and radios, before air-packs, before hydraulic ladders and Jaws of Life, even before electric fire horns, McNary was a firefighter.

He recalls humble beginnings of the department when it was formed in 1922. The original pen and ink charter bearing the names of the 47 original members is still on display at the fire house.

What is now a private three-car garage at the corner of Kenwood and Elsmere avenues once served as the original "firehouse." Although it was nothing like a modern firehouse, the converted wagon and carriage house was home to the department's chemical truck which now sits on a trailer in the history room of the Elsmere Fire House on Nathaniel Boulevard as a reminder of the rich history of the department.

The name "chemical truck" may sound odd nowadays, but McNary said the antique vehicle operates simply "like a bottle of club soda."

Before the days of powerful pumpers, this truck was the best way to get water on a fire. Two tanks on the rear were filled with water. On each of the tanks was a little container of bicarbonate of soda. When the tank needed to be "charged," the firemen would put a small canister of sulphuric acid in the tank to add extra pres-

sure and turn the tank over to mix the chemicals. The water would come out of a hose a lot like soda comes out of a shaken pop bottle. When one tank ran dry, the other would be turned over and the empty tank would be refilled.

As for an alarm system, three large iron rings made from discarded railroad wheels were located at the corners of Kenwood and Elsmere avenues, Lincoln and Delaware avenues and Elsmere Avenue and Nathaniel Boulevard

to get as much manpower as possible," he said, "The kids weren't allowed in the burning buildings, but they would help carry hoses or equipment."

He added that the firefighters of yesteryear received no formal training like today and all available members of the community would try to respond to a neighborhood blaze — florists, farmers, carpenters. "When the carpenters came, they were good to have, they knew about the home because they

without a breathing apparatus." Back then, a good firefighter was judged on how much smoke you could withstand," he said, "But if you look at the history, most of them were dying pretty young, mostly from lung problems."

McNary pointed out that the firefighter then did not have to worry about smoke from synthetic materials in furniture, insecticides and toxic chemicals because almost everything was natural.

Around 1968, firefighters were issued filters which were able to remove some of the heavy smoke residue, but were not able to pro-

His tenure as chief in 1942 was interrupted by World War II and resumed again from 1946 to 1952. He was fire commissioner from 1953 to 1968 and from 1977 to 1989.

In 1979 he was named firefighter of the year by the Albany County Volunteer Firefighters Association.

During World War II, he was a fire fighting instructor for the 193rd Army Warfare Depot in Europe and was stationed in France, England and Belgium.

McNary's firefighting career also spilled over into his private career. As a Mobil Oil employee in the Port of Albany, he was the that company's head instructor for its Albany firefighting school for 10 years.

He also was an instructor for nine years in what is now the New York State Division of Fire Protection.

McNary said he plans to remain active even though he no longer will be a department officer. As extensive as his career has been, as much as he has learned and passed along to others, McNary admits "There's always room for improvement."

McNary and his wife Alma live on Delsmere Avenue.

Driver sought

Bethlehem police are looking for a hit-and-run driver who slammed into a parked car in Delmar the morning of Dec. 19.

Police said that at about 2:24 a.m. a northbound car on Sylvan Avenue continued through the corner of Wellington Road and struck an unoccupied car parked on the opposite side of the street. The car sustained minor rear end damage.

Saltford honored

School's Out, Inc. has honored Charlyn Saltford of Glenmont by naming the organization's special needs program for her.

Saltford organized the program approximately five years ago, enabling parents to work or take time for respite while their children with identified learning disabilities are in after-school care.

The program, regarded as a model, is funded by a State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities grant and has cared for about 15 children.

A nameplate on the door will designate the program permanently as "The Charlyn Saltford Special Needs Program."

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(when the railroad overpass was a grade crossing.)

McNary said if there was a fire, the person who discovered the fire would run to the nearest iron ring and bang it with a hammer. Upon hearing the first alarm, anyone near the other rings would then sound theirs. Responders would go to the ring they heard and ask where the fire was or where the first alarm came from and go to that location. "It was a heck of a lot slower before we had radios," McNary said.

McNary was 18 when he joined the department on Jan. 1, 1930, yet he already had the opportunity to fight fires as a grade school student.

When he was a student in the Elsmere Grade School, the principal would sometimes call the older students out of class to help fight a fire. "It was a necessity back then

usually were the ones who built it," he said.

McNary recalls stories of the worst fires he has seen in the Town of Bethlehem, beginning with a fatal two-truck accident on Route 144 in Glenmont Sept. 18, 1963 involving an Esso gasoline tanker and an Arrow freight carrier. The driver of the tanker was killed, and the driver of the freight carrier escaped with minor injuries.

The Three Elms Inn, a restaurant and bar that once stood on the site that is now a pharmacy parking lot at the Four Corners in Delmar, was totally destroyed by fire on June 15, 1948. At the time, no fire investigation was required, but McNary said it is suspected that an ashtray with a smoldering cigarette was thrown into a garbage can.

On Aug. 3, 1963, the clubhouse at the Normanside Country Club was consumed in a late-night inferno. Again, no cause was given.

Safety was considerably different then. Firefighters were called "smoke-eaters" because they would enter a burning building

vide oxygen. McNary said that about 1975, airpicks came on to the scene and were able to provide oxygen to the firefighter in an atmosphere that was often forced to exert a great amount of energy in an oxygen-deprived atmosphere.

An Elsmere leader

A photo of McNary when he was a fire chief hangs in the history room alongside pictures of three other ex-chiefs: Bethlehem Supervisor J. Robert Hendrick, Councilman Fred Webster and W. Gordon Morris, minority leader of the Albany County Legislature.

McNary never made a move for outside politics and was content in serving as an officer within the Elsmere ranks.

His career as a department officer will end at the end of the month when his five-year term as fire commissioner ends.

His department resume is extensive. He joined the department on Jan. 1, 1933, served as clerk in 1933, third lieutenant from 1933 to 1935, second lieutenant in 1936, captain from 1937 to 1941.



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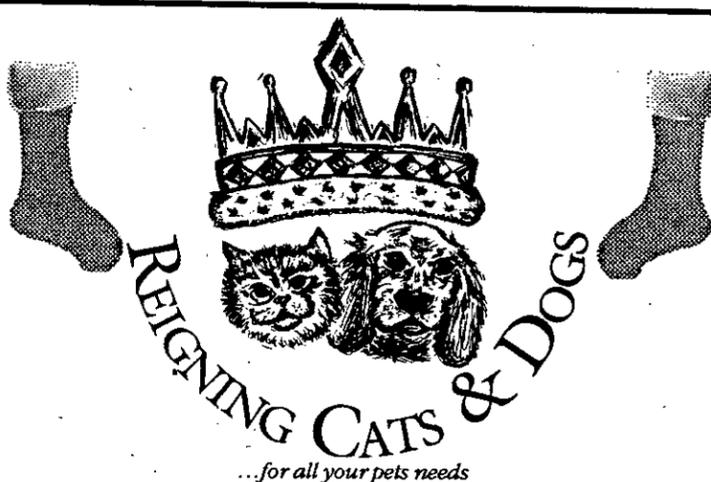
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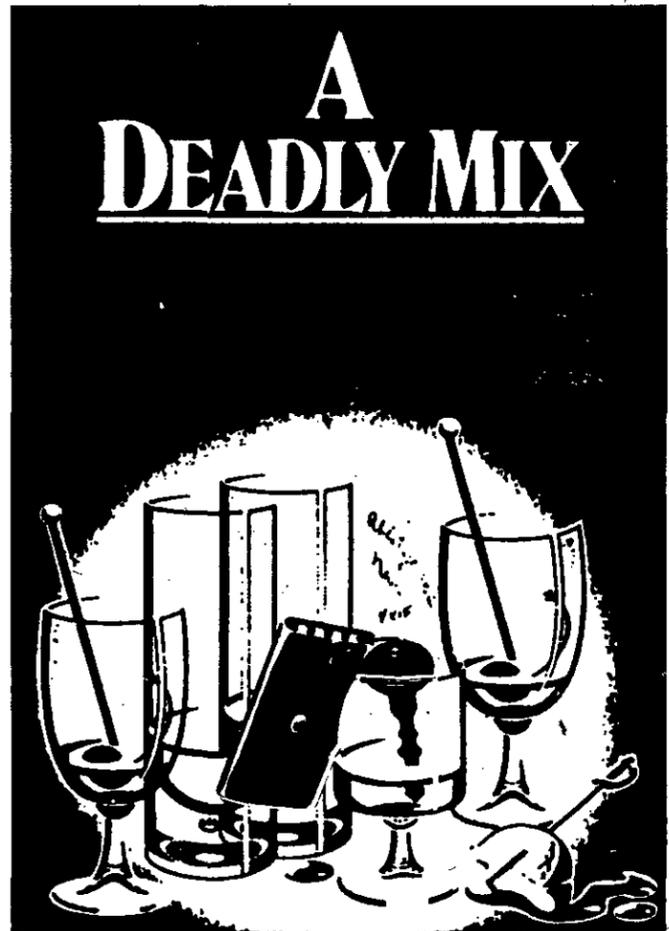
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LUMAC struggles to fulfill goals

By Mark Stuart

At its last meeting of the '80s last Tuesday, the Bethlehem Planning Board appropriately heard an update from the town's Land Use Management Advisory Committee on preparing for growth in the next decade.

LUMAC Chairman Charles Gunner's report was anything but sugar coated and candidly stated that the committee has been mired in disagreement.

"It is my opinion that the committee's lack of commitment to use the information received from the public participation meetings and its own scoping report to formulate a strategic plan with anticipated timelines and objectives has temporarily blunted our momentum and blurred our vision for a few months," Gunner said. "The lack of available time from the town planner and a few individuals' hidden agenda didn't help."

Nevertheless, Gunner did offer hope for improved progress. "The good news is that the committee is now developing goal and objective statements and a plan for developing our comprehensive plan," he said. "I believe we are once again beginning to tack in favorable winds and should begin to make progress more effectively."

Of the more urgent items on LUMAC's 1990 agenda is the search for a planning consultant to assist in developing the master plan similar to the way the town hired the firm of Buckhurst Fish Hutton

Katz of New York City to develop the Route 9W Corridor Study in 1988.

That idea drew criticism from board member John Laforde, who said the town board has hired a planning department and formed LUMAC to act as the consulting body and that by looking for another consultant would create a bureaucratic "consultant to the consultant" syndrome.

A short-term concern of the board will be filling board vacancies. Paul E. Griffin of North Bethlehem has already been named to replace John T. Mitchell on LUMAC. Griffin, the only North Bethlehem resident on LUMAC, is a semi-retired medical doctor at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospital in Albany. "He's very interested in the community and was chosen not only because of his qualifications but also because he was from North Bethlehem," Gunner said. "He is an excellent representative."

Mitchell will also resign from his post as planning board attorney at the end of the month. Supervisor-elect Kenneth Ringler said Robert Alessi of Delmar, an Albany attorney, has been nominated for that post.

Gunner, who will be seated as a town board member in January, will resign as LUMAC chairman but remain on the board. M. Sheila Galvin, who was elected to town board in November, has submitted her resignation from LUMAC.

"I anticipate there will be two more replacements as well as the selection of a new chairperson by the town board effective (Dec. 31)" Gunner said.

Ringler said Robin Reed of Slingerlands has been nominated for those openings. Reed is an attorney and member of the Board of Appeals and Blendell is the director of the Division of Education Management Services and Publishing for the New York State Department of Education.

Although Town Planner Jeff Lipnicky attended all but two meetings of the LUMAC committee and the Assistant Town Planner Melanie Schmidt attended all but one meeting, Gunner said. "more assistance from the planner in research, recommendations, data collection and needs assessment is needed."

LUMAC held 24 meetings in 1989, including 12 regular meetings, six public participation meetings, four information and education meetings, one special preparation meeting and one field trip.

"The committee participation

was excellent as we moved through our organizational, orientation, education and Phase 1 of our public participation plan with good results," Gunner said. "Unfortunately our forward progress has been slowed in the development of our survey, RFP for a consultant, data collection and distribution and a LUMAC plan including the stating of goals and objectives."

Impact fees

The board continued its discussion on a proposed green space-impact fee law which would require developers to set aside 10 percent of a subdivision as green space or pay an impact fee.

Laforde, John Williamson, Marcia Nelson and William Johnson opposed the law, while Planning Board Chairman Ringler and board member Dominick DeCecco favored it. Lipnicky, Planning Engineer Ed Kleinke and Bruce Secor, commissioner of public works, said they favored the law.

Supporters of the law say that in light of recent court rulings pro-

Bethlehem organizational meeting set

The Bethlehem 1990 Organizational meeting will be held Jan. 2 at noon in the Bethlehem Town Hall.

In addition to selecting candidates for the Board of Appeals, planning board and Land Use Management Advisory Committee (LUMAC), state Supreme Court Justice Edward Conway will conduct swearing in ceremonies for new town board members and supervisor.

The meeting is open to the public and a reception will follow.

hibiting "welcome stranger" assessments, such a law is needed and that the burden of paying for growth should not be placed on existing taxpayers.

Opponents argue that the impact fee law is conceived with the same intent as "welcome stranger" assessments and creates inequity over who bears the responsibility for creating municipal revenues.

"You've got Gov. (Mario) Cuomo saying 'I love New York'... and (Albany County Executive) Jim Coyne saying 'Come here, we have this great (Knickerbocker) Arena,' so what are we saying with this?" Laforde said.

Ringler said it makes sense to set aside lands and make funds available as growth continues, particularly since state and county funds are disappearing. "What it comes down to is no form of government wants to take responsibility for new taxes," Ringler said.

Several Capital District towns have adopted recreational impact fee laws, including Niskayuna, Guilderland and East Greenbush.

Author conducts writing workshops

Author and illustrator Gregory Maguire recently helped stimulate students from Slingerlands Elementary School to express themselves artistically through creative writing workshops.

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ASAP has plans for school breaks

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Sunshine seniors to meet

The Bethlehem Sunshine Seniors will hold their January meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at noon with a covered dish luncheon with the business meeting to follow at 1 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass and your own place setting.

Movie nights planned

The A.W. Becker PTA met recently and, plans were announced for family movie nights which will be on Jan. 19, Feb. 9 and March 9. The cost is \$1 per person and refreshments are available. Last year's movies were a great success and even better films are planned for this year.

News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

Cheryl Clary 767-2373



This year's Secret Santa Shop was huge success thanks to the last minute volunteering of Robin Vagele as chairman and many others who gave their time to help.

The clothing collected for Native Americans was shipped on Dec. 9 to the Onondaga Reservation near Syracuse. 130 bags from Becker alone were added to make the shipment total 250 bags of warm garments. Thank you all for your generosity.

The next PTA meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m. The by-laws will be revised at that time.

Board to meet

The Ravena Coeymans Selkirk Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the board of education building on Thatcher Street in Selkirk. Parents and area residents are encouraged to attend.



Anne Witbeck (left) and Denis Cheney, participants in the recent holiday concert at A.W. Becker Elementary School.

Fire Fighters Corner <i>Isabel Glastetter</i>		
Date	Department or Unit	Reason for Call
December 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
December 14	Delmar Rescue Squad	Unknown Illness
December 14	Delmar Rescue Squad	Unknown Illness
December 14	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
December 15	Elsmere Fire Co.	Structure Fire
December 15	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
December 15	Selkirk Fire Dept.	Structure Fire
December 15	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
December 16	Owensquethaw Ambulance	Snowmobile Accident
December 16	Delmar Rescue Squad	Snowmobile Accident
December 16	Selkirk Fire Co.	Structure Fire
December 16	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
December 16	Elsmere Fire Co.	Car Fire
December 16	Delmar Rescue Squad	Personal Injury
December 16	Voorheesville Ambulance	Heart Attack
December 16	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 17	Voorheesville Ambulance	Personal Injury
December 17	Elsmere Fire Co.	Structure Fire
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
December 17	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Wires Burning
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Standby
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 17	Selkirk Fire Co.	Alarm Drop
December 17	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 17	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 18	Bethlehem Ambulance	Medical Emergency
December 18	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto Accident
December 18	Selkirk Fire Co.	Structure Fire
December 19	Bethlehem Ambulance	Standby
December 19	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 19	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
December 19	Bethlehem Ambulance	Auto Accident
December 19	Delmar Fire Dept.	Alarm Drop
December 20	Voorheesville	Respiratory Distress
December 20	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 20	Delmar Rescue Squad	Medical Emergency
December 20	Delmar Rescue Squad	Auto Accident

The top bowlers for the Elsmere Fire Company for the week of Dec. 17 were: Mens High Single, Don Blodgett 279; Mens High Triple, Don Blodgett 619; Ladies High Single, Julie Cowles 177; Ladies High Triple, Julie Cowles 492.

The bond issue for the purchase of a new ambulance for the Delmar Fire Department passed on Dec. 12, with the sealed bids opened on Dec. 13. The contract has not been awarded yet because all specifications on the bids have not been checked but the contract should be awarded soon. The Delmar Fire Department ambulance has to date answered over 926 calls for 1989.

To submit items to Fire Fighters Corner, call Isabel Glastetter at 439-2627.

Births	
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Girl, Elizabeth Zara, to Susan Ungerman and Gerard Bobersky, Slingerlands, Nov. 25.	
Boy, Matthew Tyler, to Margaret and John L. Willi Sr., Ravena, Nov. 28.	
Girl, Kelly Marie, to Kimberly and Matthew McCall, Delmar, Nov. 28.	
Boy, Matthew Jacob, to Ruth E. and William J. Ziman Jr., Glenmont, Nov. 28.	
Boy, Charles Edmund IV, to Linda K. and Charles E. Reilly III, Delmar, Nov. 30.	
Girl, Hana Leigh, to Yoko and Richard Segerstrom, Delmar, Dec. 2.	
Boy, Jesse Aaron, to Carol and Ronald Ochsner, Delmar, Dec. 4.	
Boy, William John, to Sheryl Clifford and William John DeGraff Sr., Dec. 11.	
Albany Medical Center	
Boy, Nathan Addison, to Sandra and Gene Doane, Delmar, Oct. 11.	
Boy, Sami, to Mary and Bilal Kattan, Slingerlands, Oc. 14.	
Girl, Klye Elizabeth, to Lisa Tang Harder and James P. Harder, Delmar, Oct. 16.	
Boy, Peter Alexander, to Julie and Robert Zaykoski, Delmar, Oct. 20.	
Boy, Thomas Albert, to Mona and William Larsen, Glenmont, Oct. 24.	
Girl, Katherine Ruth, to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kurtessis, Delmar, Oct. 27.	

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Everyone is invited to take advantage of the special fine free period from Dec. 26 until Jan. 31 during which time no fines will be levied against overdue books which are returned. Past fines will be halved for those who wish to pay them. The special extended period is to help get ready for the library's computerized circulation system which will be in place soon. Under the new system anyone having a fine or overdue book at any library will be refused permission to take out books at any other library on line in the system. Library users are encouraged to "clear the slate" for the new year. For more information, contact the library at 765-2971.

Voorheesville News Notes

Lyn Stapf 765-2451



The bloodmobile will be in Voorheesville on Thursday, Dec. 28 at the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville from noon until 5 p.m. Everyone over the age of 18 is invited to come and donate blood, which is always desperately needed during the holidays. Walk-ins are welcome. To schedule an appointment, call 462-7461 extension 327.

Cubs persevere

A little snow got in the way of Cub Scout Pack 73 recently but the ambitious Scouts won out in the end. Traditionally the boys of Voorheesville Pack 73 make cookies and gifts for shut-ins each year and deliver them on a caroling outing. This year the Scouts were snowed out from their first attempt on Saturday, Dec. 16 but persevered and like Santa and the post office finished their appointed rounds before the holidays.

Earlier in the month boys and their families enjoyed a day in the outdoors travelling to Swinburn Park in Albany for some ice skating fun. Boys in grades 2 through

5 who wish to join the Scouts can contact Cubmaster John Cole at 765-3308.

Boy Scouts of Voorheesville Troop 73 recently said thank you and so long to former Scoutmaster Joe Colburn at a "retirement" party held in his honor on Dec. 20. Scouts, former Scouts, their parents, families and other well wishers joined to share the memories of the past years of the troop under the direction of Colburn, who had been active in Scouting for many years. Former assistant Scoutmaster Ray Ginter was installed as the new administrator in November. Boys aged 12 and older wishing to join the active, adventure group may contact Ginter or stop by at one of the troop's weekly meetings held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Voorheesville Elementary School.

Service needs volunteers

The Voorheesville Area Ambulance is still looking for people to help man its volunteer service. Those wishing to work on the crew as technicians or drivers are asked to call Captain Jerry Condon at 765-4924 or membership chairperson Debbie Carlson at 765-4524. Both drivers and members must be at least 18 years of age.

Classes resume Jan. 2

Parents take note. Classes at the both Clayton Bouton Junior-Senior High School and the Voorheesville Elementary School will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 2. The next scheduled school holiday will be on Monday, Jan. 19 when both schools will be closed in honor of Martin Luther King Day.

Kiwanian honored

James Coffin, president of the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, was recently named Distinguished Kiwanian at one of the group's meetings. Coffin who took office as president in October has also served as vice-president of the active New Scotland Club.

Congratulations to a winner

Congratulations go out to Bonnie Polzin, an eighth grader at Clayton Bouton Junior Senior High School who was one of the 8 win-

ners in the Christmas card contest sponsored by Channel 13. Over 3,000 entries were submitted. As one of the 2 winners in the 7 and 8 grade division Polzin had her winning design printed up and sold with other winning cards at the Festival of Trees held at the Insti-

tute of History and Art. Her design which featured a tree surrounded by people also appeared on Channel 13. For her efforts she received a \$50 saving bond. She is the daughter of John and Mary Polzin of Voorheesville.

Clayton A Bouton honors announced

The Clayton A. Bouton Jr.-Sr. High School has announced honor roll and high honor roll* students for the first marking period.

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Grade 10: Lauren Adlowitz, Jennifer Appleby, Laura Blanchard*, Daniel Carmody, Paul Clouthier, Lyra Colfer*, Noelle Crisafulli*, CathyJo Dedrick*, Antonette Doto, Joshua Fisher, Shawn Fisher, Kristen Foley*, Thomas Gianatasio, Brian Goldstein*, Matthew Gomulinski, Kenneth Guyer, Pamela Harms*, Kristin Hodder*, Alexandra Kinnear*, David Lancor*, Steven Lapinski*, Eric Logan, Rebecca Logan*, Alison Meilinger*, William Morrissey, Anthony Primiano, Joseph Race, Kathryn Ramsey*, Nicole Solomos*, Robert Stapf, Erin E. Sullivan*, Andrew Symula, Christin Veeder, Raebeth Vosburgh, David Washburn.

Grade 11: Ellen Barber*, Christine Blanchard, Christian Clark, Leah Collins, Brigid Corcoran, Kelly Donohue, Michelle Doto, Adrienne Ford, Jeffrey Freyer, Matthew Hladun, Sandra Huang*, Matthew Jeffers, Michael Kaine*, Elena Keller, Dianne Kissell*, Christopher Lawler, Tammy

Loewy*, Thomas Martin, Jodi McFate*, Lynn Meade, Anjanette Ohlerking, Michelle Paraso*, Heather Parmenter*, Laura Pierro, Catherine Reilly*, Todd Relyea*, Todd Rockmore, Kyle Russo, Robert Sarr*, Nicole Schaff, Donna Schoonmaker, Judith Smith*, Tami Stewart, Kevin Taylor*, Theresa Wakefield, Mary Whiteley, Jennifer Willey, John Wojewoda*.

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Nursing home site fades

By Bob Hagyard

Water and sewer concerns have dimmed the likelihood of Voorheesville as the site of a 200-bed skilled nursing facility.

Mercycare, the not-for-profit corporation that operates St. Peter's Hospital, wishes to build the nursing home and 50-registrant adult day care center somewhere in Albany County. In its application to the Health Systems Agency of Northeastern New York, the corporation listed a Voorheesville location as the "preferred" site.

That parcel was purchased by the owners of Mercycare, the Religious Sisters of Mercy, years ago. It comprises 76 acres west of Route 155 and north of Voorheesville Avenue, skirting west of the Crisafulli and Mariani Nursery properties and continuing north to the gas line easement near the Guilderland town line.

As Joseph Pofit and other Mercycare officials studied it, however, its appeal as a nursing home site diminished. "We're not ruling it out yet," Pofit said, "but it looks less like an option."

"We're talking with developers about other sites," he added. "No specific number yet, but at least three are under discussion." The other sites would be located within the county, but Pofit would not disclose the locations.

HSA's Albany Subarea Council will review the application Jan. 9 at its Pine West Plaza offices.

Feura Bush Stewart's gets approval

By Bob Hagyard

The Feura Bush Stewart's store, on the drawing board since May, cleared its final hurdle before the New Scotland Zoning Board of Appeals last week.

The three board members present — Robert Hampston, George Miller and chairman Richard Sanderson — allowed a store design containing 2,300 feet of floor area, 15 percent over the 2,000 square feet maximum specified in the zoning law for convenience stores in residential-hamlet zones.

Of the additional 300 square feet, 250 would be used to store bottles, cans, ice cream baskets, egg cartons and other recyclables,

CDTA adds bus service for holiday season

Continuing through Sunday, Dec. 24, CDTA will increase service on the following bus lines: Route 1 Central Avenue has 5 additional trips on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings between Colonie Center/Northway Mall and downtown Albany. Service will also be increased during the day on Saturday with 12 trips added to the schedule. Route 12 Washington Avenue service has been extended to 10:35 p.m., Monday through Saturday between Crossgates and downtown Albany. Route 65 Woodlawn has extra buses in service between downtown Schenectady and Mohawk Mall on Saturdays and Sundays. Route 65 buses will provide 8 trips on Saturday and 7 trips on Sunday. Route 90 Troy-Latham service will be increased between downtown Troy and the Latham Circle Mall on Saturdays with 16 trips added to the schedule.

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said Graham Franks, development manager for the 160-store operation.

His company, said Franks, "is confronted with, on a daily basis, the need for recycling." Each year the chain recycles 1.25 million pounds of cardboard, refills 400,000 quart soda cases, 200,000 cases of pint bottles and a similar number of ice cream baskets. Even waste oil from freezer compressors, he told the board, is recycled to heat the company garage in Saratoga Springs.

"Prior to 1981, a great deal of this waste went into the dumpster," he added, noting that 1981 was the

year New York State adopted the present bottle deposit law, and the year the town adopted the current zoning ordinance.

The typical Stewart's before 1981, Franks said, averaged "about 1,800 to 1,900 square feet." Storing returnables in a separate building,

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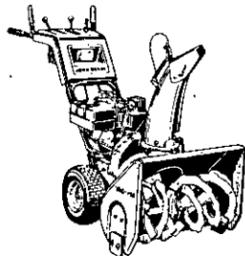


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High school writers make their marks

By Nat Boynton

Frank Baker was an 11th grader when he got a chance to write for *The Spotlight*, covering a sports team in his school. Peter Fisch, a 10th grader in the school, was doing the same thing for another team, and in a neighboring school Julie Ann Sosa, also an 11th grader, had a part-time job weekends in the *Spotlight* newsroom.

That was seven years ago. Today *The Spotlight's* program of providing on-the-job journalism training for teenage writers is more than flourishing — with this newspaper's new Colonie edition the program has been extended to

cover two more schools, Shaker and Colonie Central.

Altogether there are more than 16 teenagers in five suburban schools getting a taste of real-life journalism. Their deadlines are only once a week instead of the daily deadlines of the large metropolitan papers, but the rules and responsibilities are the same.

In the two Colonie schools it's a new activity. Elizabeth Macdonald, a senior at Colonie Central who last month won a \$2500 college scholarship as a runner-up in a national writing competition, has found a new medium in sports-writing. "I love it. It's fun and good experience." And after covering

the Garnet Raiders football team, Michael Foley, a sophomore, needed only a few games to show that he had the makings of a pro.

The byline names are different on the pages of the *Delmar Spotlight* covering sports teams at Bethlehem Central, Voorheesville and Ravena. John Bellizzi III, a senior at BC, is an old hand at this business, having started in the eighth grade. In Voorheesville, Matt Hladun, a junior, is in his fourth year writing sports for us. These are only two of more than a dozen young reporters whose writing and style visibly improve as their experience lengthens.

Best of all, the high school "beat" goes beyond sports. These young-

sters are accredited reporters, always on the alert for a feature story or a human-interest piece — a profile of an exchange student or a teacher with an interesting background or hobby.

With two separate editions, there are now two high school writers handling that coveted weekend job in the *Spotlight* newsroom. For Bethlehem-New Scotland the incumbent, now in her second year, is Deborah Cousins, who transferred from Bethlehem Central to Albany Academy for Girls as a junior last year. Working beside her is Michele Prenoveau, a senior at Colonie Central. Debbie and Michele put the weekly *Calendar* together and



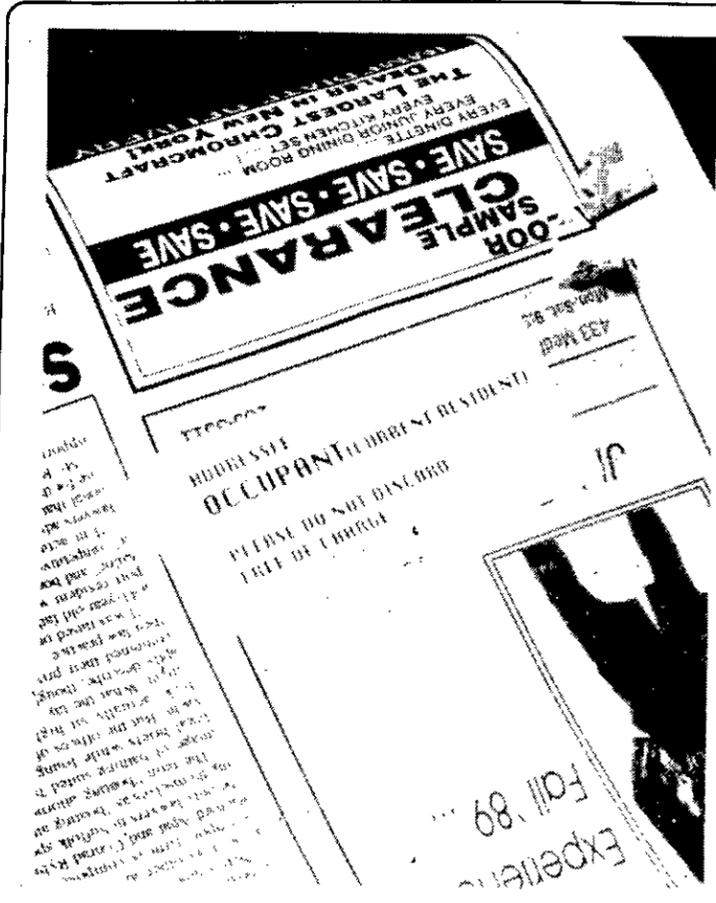
Frank Baker

write "shorts" — brief articles on upcoming meetings and activities of various clubs and organizations in the town. Such stories don't carry bylines, but when they get to college next fall, they will have had a full year (for Debbie two years) of experience in the editorial end of a lively newspaper.

When they graduate, some of these talented teenagers may follow in the footsteps of Frank Baker, Peter Fisch, Julie Ann Sosa and others who have parlayed this experience into careers in a world far beyond the classrooms and athletic fields of their high school days. Baker is an editor/reporter in the New Hampshire state bureau of the Associated Press in Concord. Fisch, pursuing a career in sports management after a varied experience in journalism, is

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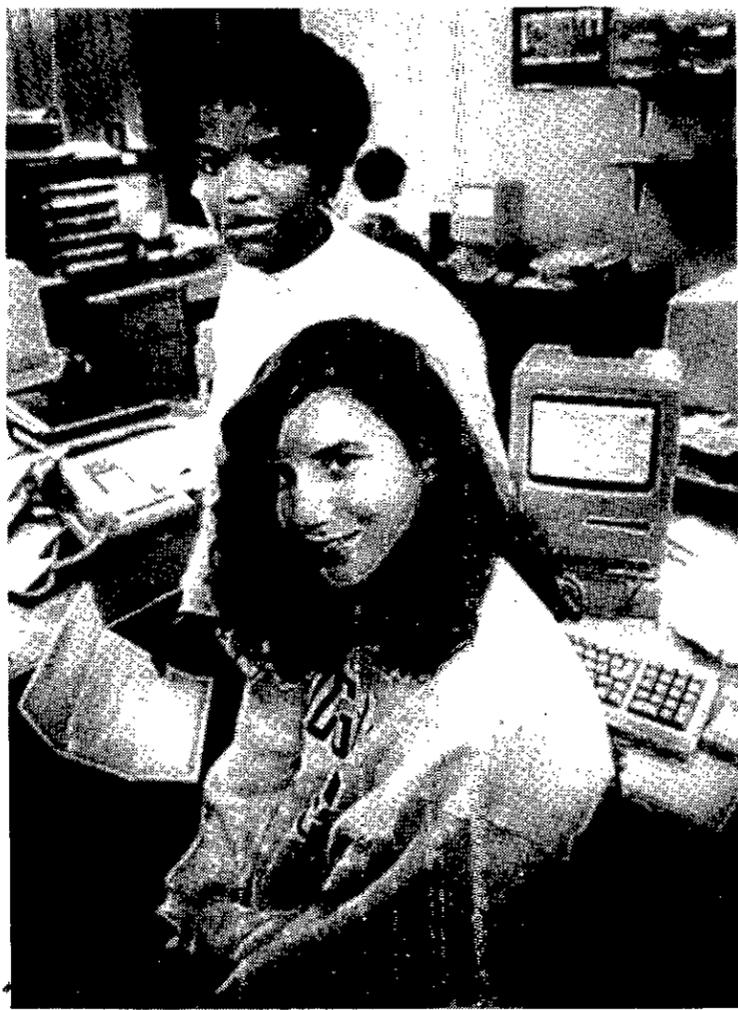
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Michele Prenoveau of Colonie Central, foreground, and Deborah Cousins, a Bethlehem student at Albany Academy for Girls, have part-time weekend jobs in the Spotlight Newspapers news room. They are two of a dozen writers covering regular assignments under this newspaper's intern program for high school writers. *Joe Futia*

assistant general manager of the Columbus, Ga. Mudcats of the Class AA Southern League, an affiliate of the Houston Astros. Sosa went on to become chairman of *The Daily Princetonian*, earned a highly prized two-year scholarship to Oxford University in England, and with the former president of Princeton University, co-authored a book sponsored by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation published this summer.

Baker well remembers his days as a school correspondent in Voorheesville. "It gave you a great feeling, a real thrill to see your name in print," he said last week in a telephone interview from Concord. "You knew you were getting to readers outside the school, your stories were being edited by professional newspaper people, and you had access to all sorts of stories outside of sports."

Baker went on to SUNY-Buffalo, where he worked on a campus newspaper and later interned

at the Buffalo *News*. It was there that the AP hired him as a trainee in their Buffalo bureau. He was assigned to Concord last January.

Baker recalls that he was a junior in Voorheesville when he got a tip from Fisch, a sophomore who had been writing for the *Spotlight*, that the paper had an opening for high school writers. For his part, Fisch worked one summer as a part-timer in the *Spotlight* office, coordinating youth baseball, soccer, tennis and swimming stories. This experience enabled him to obtain part-time jobs with the Albany Patriots and A-C Yankees and to put out a newsletter for the Continental Basketball League. In college he became editor of the campus paper at St. John Fisher in Rochester and won an internship in sports management with the Rochester Amerks of the American Hockey League. Now he is minor league baseball, well on his way in the field of sports management, aiming for the major leagues.

The Julie Ann Sosa story is close to a classic as an All-American success story. In her last two years at Bethlehem Central she had the weekend job of assembling the *Spotlight Calendar* and writing "all kinds of stories" for the paper. She credits this experience for enabling her to become the first member of her freshman class at Princeton to make the staff of the campus daily. She won the *Princetonian's* top writing award as a sophomore, and as a senior was elected to the university's most prestigious campus position, chairman of "The Prince."

When she gets her degree from Oxford next spring, she will enter John's Hopkins Medical College. Meanwhile, the New York *Times* (on Page One) and other publications have lauded the new book by Sosa and William Bowen dealing with potential faculty shortages in the arts and sciences in higher education.

There are other examples of our teenage writers going on to success in various fields of journalism. One of the earliest was Loren Elkins, a standout on Bethlehem's championship swimming teams of the late '70s, who became managing editor of *The Harvard Crimson* and later joined the New York *Times*.

Since then, the list has grown steadily. Tania Stasiuk, now at Dartmouth, has written more than a dozen travel and feature articles for *The Spotlight*. Nina Barringer went from BCHS to an editorship at SUNY-Buffalo, then transferred to Rutgers where she headed the campus newspaper. Last month Rick D'Errico, a former Voorheesville correspondent now at Northeastern University, earned a byline in the *Boston Sunday Globe* covering a major swimming meet (Massachusetts North sectional championships) in suburban Weston.

Just this past spring Renee Hunter, home from her freshman

year at Cornell, was hired as a staff reporter for *The Spotlight* in Delmar. Tom McPheeters, editor of the paper, knowing how well she wrote as a school correspondent at Voorheesville Central, gave her a variety of assignments, including covering board of education meetings in three school districts. Renee is back in Ithaca as a sophomore, posting good grades in the classroom and playing in the band at football games, knowing there will be a place for her on this paper or another next summer or whenever she's ready.

The *Spotlight* program is significant in light of the difficulty most high schools have in maintaining a viable school newspaper. That situation is especially acute in the Delmar area, where all three high schools have limited opportunities for students to participate in journalism. Margaret Sugrue, adviser for publications at RCS in Ravena, concedes that it is difficult to entice students to put out a school paper. At Bethlehem in recent years, student apathy resulted in half a dozen students struggling to get an edition to press two or three times a year, and when it did appear, the product reflected the absence of experienced guidance. This year there is no faculty adviser and no school paper, a sad situation in a sophisticated suburban high school.

Voorheesville's *Helderbarker* appears on a regular basis, but is controlled and published by the school administration with limited input from students.

The school papers at both Colonie Central and Shaker are on more solid ground and offer more opportunities for student participation than their counterparts to the south. But both schools have a long way to go to match the high



Julie Ann Sosa

quality of the *Guilford Journal*, a sparkling showcase of high school journalism where spirited competition for staff positions ensures a high-level publication. At Guilford Central, the post of editor of the paper is regarded by students as more prestigious than captain of football.

"It's too bad there wasn't more of an opportunity on the school paper," reflected Baker, fresh from covering another episode in the ongoing saga of the beleaguered Seabrook nuclear power plant in New Hampshire. "*The Spotlight* experience was a big help."

And from Georgia, Peter Fisch is quick to say that his *Spotlight* writing at age 15 "was a valuable experience — it opened up a lot of opportunities for me."

The sports writing on these pages each week may not have the snap and zing of the professionals on larger papers, but they give the highlights and tell their stories. The style, the expertise and the cute phrases will come later. In the years ahead, you'll be hearing more from some of these youngsters.

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THE SPOTLIGHT Sports

Birds drop two, fall to 4th place

by Dennis Sullivan

Last week was not a week to remember for the Voorheesville Blackbirds as they fell to Mechanicville 50-43 in overtime Tuesday and then to Cobleskill 67-48 in a non-league contest Thursday.

The Birds struggled against a much-stronger Cobleskill from the start, quickly falling behind 16-4 in the first quarter. They never seemed to exhibit the sense of composure they showed earlier in the season.

The loss of an already-ailing Todd Rockmore to a sprained ankle half way through the first period didn't help matters. Nor did the loss of senior co-captain Mike Haaf shortly before the half with a similar injury.

Indeed, for a good period of the game, Voorheesville coach Skip Carrk had a chance to see what next year's squad looked like with three sophomores executing the plays at one point.

Both Kevin Jarvis and Steve Lapinski, each with 11 points, kept the Birds within reach on several occasions before fouling out in the fourth quarter. Erin Sullivan, who filled in for Rockmore, turned in a solid performance with six.

Although Rich Adams finished only with five points, he drove

consistently to the basket all night adding another dimension to the Blackbird offense.

Thursday's loss dropped Voorheesville's overall record to 4-4.

Even more disappointing than this .500 pre-holiday showing was Tuesday's OT loss to Mechanicville which brought the Birds to 3-2 in the Colonial Council. A win Tuesday would have tied the Birds with Academy and brought both teams within 1 1/2 games of non-defeated Watervliet. However, the Birds have now receded to fourth place.

While Voorheesville trailed Mechanicville 23-19 at half-time, they bounced back to outscore the Red Raiders 13-2 in the third quarter to take a 32-25 lead.

But Mechanicville chipped away so that with 21 seconds on the clock Bill Coreno's jumper put them ahead 39-38. Seconds later Mike Haaf evened the score with the first of a 1-and-1 which he was controversially awarded while going up for a shot.

In overtime Mechanicville (2-4) outscored Voorheesville by 11-4 and the rest is history.

Haaf led the Birds against the Red Raiders with 12, with Kevin Jarvis and Steve Lapinski follow-



Point guard Laura Pierro drives past Mechanicville defender. *Dennis Sullivan*

ing with 10 and eight respectively.

Prior to his injury, Rockmore scored only one three-pointer to his credit, a far cry from his 15-point game average.

On Thursday against Cobleskill it became increasingly clear how fragile the young Blackbird team can be this year and how the loss of a single player can cause temporary scattering.

Moreover, the Birds' early-season strategy to patiently work-for-the-best shot seems to have gone by the boards, some players growing too impatient too fast thereby foregoing the percentage shot.

Woes go on for Lady Blackbirds

By Matt Hladun

Problems continued for Voorheesville's girl's basketball team last week as the Blackbirds were crushed by more than 30 points in two consecutive games.

Fortunately, those losses were against the two top teams in the league.

Things began to get worse for the Birds after being beaten badly by Cohoes on Dec. 12. when Mechanicville defeated Voorheesville last Tuesday, 59-20.

The Birds never got things going. Right from the start, Mechanicville slapped a full-court press on Voorheesville, forcing Blackbird turnovers. Those turnovers were converted into points, which turned into a 20-6 Raider lead. Twelve of those points were scored by Mechanicville sharpshooter Jenny Sparano.

The girls managed just four points in the second quarter, and fell behind 36-10 at halftime. Finally the team hit rock bottom as they failed to score a single point in the third quarter, allowing the Raiders to open up a 36-point lead.

The Birds managed 10 points in the final period, but it was just about four quarters too late, as the Raiders rolled.

Coach Nadine Bassler attributed the loss to the fact that they lost to a better team. While her team is young (starting four underclassmen) Mechanicville starts a veteran team that is used to playing together. Bassler hopes that her team can at least close the gap when the two teams face each other again. The Birds will have a week to gather themselves before league play starts again.

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BC alumna faces alma mater

By Nat Boynton

Two more Bethlehem victories in boys' swimming is hardly big news anymore, but for some of the adult onlookers at the Saratoga meet last Thursday the highlight of the week was the presence of the visiting coach.

The tall blonde on the other side of the pool was Janet Shaffer, one of the fastest female swimmers Bethlehem has ever produced. Janet, a year out of Brown University, is in her first season as head coach of the Saratoga boys varsity, and for her the meet at BC last week was a homecoming.

There are only 11 swimmers and no divers on her team, and they were no match for the talent and depth of BC's undefeated legions, but Janet enjoyed every moment. It was a sentimental return to the pool where she had spent a few thousand hours during 11 years as a Dolfin and on the BC girls' varsity.

"It was a good meet and I was very happy with it," she said, paying little heed to the final numbers on the scoreboard (119-50, BC). "It doesn't bother me that we don't have enough swimmers (to fill all events), but the ones we had did very well."

Very well indeed. They won both sprints and took first place in the 500 and the breast. The rest was routine, the Eagles amassing a 46-16 lead after four events.

The diving was uncontested by the visitors, which made the score even more lopsided, but Andy Sattinger, BC's premier diver, provided some excitement with one of his best performances. The graceful senior, getting high cards and spon-

taneous applause on several difficult dives, broke the pool record with 208.45 points. The old record was his own at 195.6, set last year in the second year of the new pool, but both are short of Craig Lindell's school record of 299.3 set in 1977.

Two days earlier, on Tuesday, Sattinger supplied the momentum for an important win over visiting Shenendehowa. The Shens took a narrow 32-30 advantage into the diving, but came out trailing by 43-34 as Sattinger ignited a 1-2-3 sweep. Freshman Joe Schneider was second and sophomore Shaun Kenneston third.

Moments later, when Dave Cleary won the 'fly in 1:00.82 with Craig Mattox second, the lead jumped to 55-38. Mattox came back with a praiseworthy 1:02.94 to win the backstroke. Ian Salsburg won the breast and Brian Rosenblum pleased coach Ken Neff with a third in that race.

Cleary, who also won the 200 free, and Pat Fish, who took the IM and 500, became triple winners when they led the final relay quartet to first place in 3:34.56.

But the sentimental winner was Janet Shaffer, an Empire Games gold-medal collector from BC who went on to Mercersburg Academy and the nationals as a sprinter en route to an Ivy League varsity. She's just a bit taller (5-11) than she was as a schoolgirl in Delmar, and her hair just a bit shorter than the shag she wore as a 10th grader.

The pool has changed, too, from four to six lanes, since she was a Dolfin. "It was nice to be back in the home pool," she said. "I felt very comfortable, and there's always a nice friendly crowd at BC meets."

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Kelly Thornton of Delmar is a member of the Colby-Sawyer College Alpine ski team in New London, N.H.

She is a 1989 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Thornton of Delmar.

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G-V swimmers drop 2 road meets

By Josh Vink

The Guilderville boys swimmers went on the road for the first time this year last week and were beaten by two tough teams, Queensbury and Johnstown.

On Monday, Guilderville faced against Queensbury, a team with much more depth than Guilderville, which proved to be the factor as Queensbury out swam Guilderville 84-72. In a six lane pool, Queensbury proved depth is very important. First place finishers for Guilderville were Scott Bowden in the 200 free with a time of 2:00.68; Dave Washburn in the 200 IM and the 100 butterfly with times of 2:16.39 and 1:01.67 respectively; Seth Rose in the 100 fly in 5:33.31 and the 400 medley team of Washburn, Bowden, Rose and Joe Tyrell with a time of 3:39.29.

On Wednesday, Guilderville traveled to Johnstown where the deciding factor proved to be diving, which Guilderville lacks and Johnstown gained 13 points in. Guilderville hung in though, needing second place in the 400 free medley. Unfortunately, third place was the best Guilderville could do.

Washburn, Bowden, Rose and Tyrell excelled again in the 200 medley relay in 1:57.80. Bowden won the 200 IM and the 100 breast with times of 2:17.11 and 1:09.74, Tyrell in the 50 free and the 100 free with times of 24.33 seconds and 54.79 seconds and Washburn with wins in the 100 butterfly and the 100 back with times of 1:01.31 and 1:03.23.

After the Christmas break Guilderville comes home again on Jan. 5 against Scotia/Mohanasen and on Jan. 9 against Burnt Hills.



Scott Mitchell checks the time, then puts on the squeeze for a pin during last week's

Shaker match. BC emerged with its first team win, 68-6. Joe Futia

Four named to all-star squad

By Bob Hagyard

Nicole Solomos, Donna Zautner, Kate DePasquale and Laura Piero of Voorheesville were selected to Colonial Council girls' all-Colonial Council soccer teams by the league's coaches.

The four were honored at the recent annual Section 2 soccer banquet at the Polish Community Center. Also recognized was Kate Biscone, a Voorheesville school district resident who attends the Academy of the Holy Names.

Solomos, a junior at VC, led her

team (8-9 in the Colonial Council) in scoring last fall with 15 goals in 17 games. Zautner, a second-year starting goalkeeper, and DePasquale, a second-year starting sweeper, anchored the defense for the team. Both are sophomores. All were named to the first team while Piero, a senior forward, was chosen for the second team.

Also honored that evening were the three VC boys' selections to the league all-star teams: juniors Christian Clark and Todd Rockmore (first team) and senior Adam Rose (second team).

Basketball win streak continues

By Shannon Perkins

The Bethlehem girls basketball team continued their winning streak this week with two wins against Niskayuna and Scotia.

The return of senior guard Karyn Mendel, who had been benched due to a broken bone in her shooting hand, was welcomed. Mendel had been a key player on last year's team and is expected to have an impact on this team's performance.

On Monday, the team played Niskayuna, one of only three teams to defeat the team last year. Anita Kaplan, the team's star center, scored 40 of the 60 points that led Bethlehem to a 60-39 victory. The game represented Kaplan's fourth successive game of 40 or more points.

In their game against Scotia on Wednesday night, Kaplan broke the Section II record for points scored by a player in a single game and raised her average for seven games to over 41 points with a 56 point effort. The team's record improved to 4-0 in league play, 4-3 overall. Karyn Mendel contributed

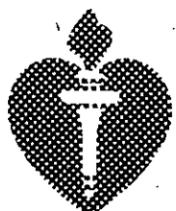
10 assists with Kassie Jeram adding 9 assists and 5 points.

Coach Warner is optimistic about the season. The team has been improving with each game they play and remains the No. 1 prospect for the Gold Division title. With an all-American like Anita and an outstanding defense, who knows what they will accomplish?

The girls have league games in the upcoming week, but after the holiday break, the team will be faced with two games against Catholic Central and Colonie.

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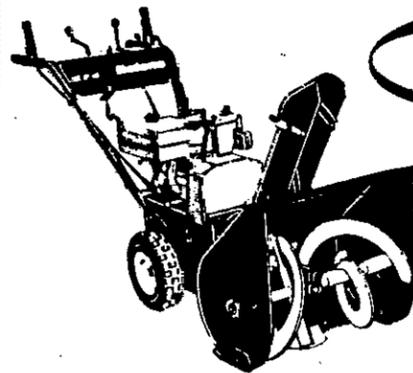
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Two close calls for BC cagers

By Michael Kagan

The Bethlehem boys' basketball team gave itself an early Christmas present last Tuesday, winning a cliffhanger from Scotia, 70-67.

After the Eagles had dominated most of the game, Scotia caught up to 68-67 with 34 seconds left. Two foul shots by Sean McDermott put BC up by three with 25 seconds left. Scotia finally got the ball back with two seconds left. After time-outs by Scotia and BC, Scotia missed its desperation three-point attempt, giving Bethlehem the win.

Shooting guard Alex Hackman said the Eagles "didn't play our best, but it was good enough to win." Coach Jack Moser added that "we had moments when we played well, and I think we had moments when we didn't play as well."

Just four days earlier, the Eagles played a similar game against Niskayuna, where Bethlehem also led by a large margin and ended up winning by three. Moser said the

difficulty in holding a lead in the fourth quarter stemmed from BC's "playing not to lose instead of playing to win." He continued: "We have to get in the habit of putting people away and keeping them down."

BC's shooting has improved. Hackman thought that this is because "we've had better movement on offense, so we're getting better shots." According to Fish, increased "confidence" is also responsible.

Moser said Bethlehem has "to work on our defense and execution of our offense." Hackman thought that the team has to "keep our concentration up at all times and not fade in and out." Fish, however, said: "I don't think there's any one thing that needs work....everything could use some tune up."

Bethlehem is now 2-1 in the Suburban Council Gold Division, which puts them one game behind

division-leading Guilderland, who gave the Eagles their only loss in the division. BC's overall record is 2-4.

The Eagles may face Guilderland tomorrow in the final game of the Helderberg Tournament at Bethlehem. BC will play Cohoes in the first game tonight, while Guilderland will play Rensselaer High. Moser said: "We have a chance to win....we're playing much better now than when we played Guilderland before."

Moser said that Bethlehem's scoring "is becoming much more balanced" and the statistics appear to back him up. Fish led with 18 points, including eleven in the third quarter. Scott Hodge and Sean McDermott both scored 14 points. Kevin Keparutis, who Moser said is "playing real well," added 10 points of his own. Maybe more importantly, however, he dominated the boards with a team-leading 14 rebounds.

BC grapplers notch two wins

Bethlehem Coach Rick Poplaski's previously winless varsity wrestlers picked up two dual meet victories, a league win over Shaker and a non-league triumph over Voorheesville in a triangular meet. Despite a close loss to Averill Park after the Voorheesville win, the team raised its record to 2-4 (1-3 league).

The Eagles overwhelmed Shaker, 63-7, to pick up their first Suburban Council win last Tuesday. Forfeits at 98, 112 and 119 and a first period pin from Sean Brewer at 105 got the Eagles off to a 2-0

start. Mike Roney (132), Tom Bruni (145), Darryn Fiske (155), Joe Emerich (215) and Don Thomas (250) all secured pins while Scott Mitchell won by a 19-4 technical fall at 138 and John Bellizzi won a 7-5 decision at 167.

Bethlehem split its non-league double dual on Friday, defeating Voorheesville, 45-21, but falling to Averill Park, 41-33. Mike Braga at 138 and Thomas at 250 set the pace for the Eagles, each winning by pin.

Voorheesville captured decisions at 98, 105 and 112, but forfeits at 119, 126 and 132 gave the advantage to the Eagles. Braga, Fiske, Thomas and Ethan Beyer (167) won by fall, while Tom Bruni earned an 8-1 decision at 145.

Averill Park captured early wins at 98, 112 and 119 in the second dual, but a pin by Brewer at 105 and a 2-0 decision by Nick Morrison at 126 kept the Eagles in the running. Roney, Braga and Thomas won by pins and Bethlehem took a forfeit at 167, but Averill Park pinned at 155, 177 and 215 to secure the 41-33 victory.

Bethlehem is now gearing up for this weekend's Rotary Tournament in Spencerport (Section V).

Cab driver held

A cab driver is in Albany County Jail after dragging an off-duty Bethlehem police officer through part of the Delaware Plaza parking lot, hanging onto the taxi by his fingernails.

Mark Reese, 33, of East Greenbush was arraigned Dec. 18 for first-degree reckless endangerment before Town Justice Peter Wenger and remanded to the jail without bail.

Police said that at 11 a.m. that day, the cab appeared on the east side of the plaza parking lot, passing closely to a vehicle owned and operated by Det. John Cox. Several minutes later, on the west side of the lot, the same taxi cut in front of the Cox car, police said.

Cox reportedly left his car to tell the driver, "Be more careful—I've got two kids in the car," prompting an obscene reply. Cox then produced his police ID and badge, told the cabbie he was a police officer, and grabbed the top of the taxi.

The taxi then pulled out toward the main entrance with Cox holding onto the top, police said, until the vehicle came upon a holiday traffic snarl and was forced to stop. Cox then reportedly reached inside the open driver's side window, put the transmission in park, turned off the ignition and asked the driver to step outside. When he did not respond, police said, Cox pulled the driver out of the vehicle, told him he was under arrest, put him up against the car and returned to his own car to radio the police.

The trial, originally scheduled for the following day, was postponed to Jan. 16 in Town Court.

Obituaries

Francis Melick

Francis Melick, 70, of Wiggand Drive, Glenmont, died Saturday, Dec. 16 at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany after being stricken while shoveling snow in his driveway.

Born in Albany, he was a retired maintenance worker for the U.S. Postal Service office on Broadway in Albany.

Mr. Melick was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the Army Reserve from 1952 to 1975 with the 364th General Hospital Unit. He was a member of the Bethlehem Lodge of Elks 2233 and a charter member and past chief of the Selkirk Fire Co. Survivors include his wife, Marion Melick; two sons, Clifford Melick and Christian Melick, both of Albany; two daughters, Cheryl Caivana and Karen Schultz, both of Albany; a brother, Albert Melick of Albany; and a granddaughter.

Burial was in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery, Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Norman E. Dascher Funeral Home, Albany.

Fred Prichard

Fred A. Prichard, 81, of Delaware Turnpike, New Scotland, died Sunday, Dec. 17 at the Albany County Nursing Home in Colonie after a long illness.

Born in Maddock, N.D., Mr. Prichard lived at his Delaware Turnpike home for most of his life. He worked for many years as a plumber for the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union Local 7 in Albany and retired 15 years ago.

He was a member of the Albany Elks Lodge 49 and a member of the American Association of Retired Persons and the National Rifle Association.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Ostrander Prichard; a daughter, Jan P. Augar of New Scotland; a son, Arnold Prichard of Selkirk; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home, Delmar, with a private service and burial.

Earthwatch night

The Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., will present a program on "Earthwatch," on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

The non-profit organization sends volunteers on research expeditions around the world. Volunteers work with scientists on field projects aimed at preserving endangered species and exploring indigenous cultures. "Earthwatch" volunteer Robyn Potter will show slides of a 1989 expedition to Fiji, on which she and others worked alongside scientists to document the effects of two hurricanes on a coral reef.

For more information, call 765-2791.

Watercolors on exhibit

The Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., will present watercolors by Leslie Simmons of Altamont.

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Elizabeth deBeer and Edward Wardell

Elizabeth deBeer weds

Elizabeth deBeer, daughter of Mrs. Frederick S. deBeer Jr. of Glenmont, and Edward Wardell of Bay Head, N.J. were married in the Hall of Springs in Saratoga Springs.

The bride is a graduate of Shaker High School, and the University of Pennsylvania. She attends Rutgers University in Newark, N.J., and is a graduate assistant with the Rutgers University English Department.

The groom is a graduate of University of Pennsylvania. He is employed by the Point Pleasant Distributors.

Nancy Ne Jame was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Sara deBeer Charno, and Amy Wardell Iverson.

Daniel McGowan was best man. Ushers were Louis Lazon, Edward Libby and George Iverson.

After a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple will reside in Fair Haven, N.J.

Flynn-Harmon

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Flynn Sr. of Voorheesville have announced the engagement of their son Thomas J. Flynn to Ann Janet Harmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Harmon, Haslett, Mich.

Flynn is a graduate of Voorheesville High School and Florida Southern College. He is a retail accounts manager with the House of Seagram, Division of Joseph E. Seagram & Sons.

His fiancée is a graduate of Western Michigan University. She is a budget analyst for Mutual of America in Delray, Fla.

A September 1990 wedding is planned.

Somerville-Cheatham

Jean H. Somerville of Slingerlands and Dr. William B. Somerville of Albany have announced the engagement of their son, Kenneth Hodge Somerville to Linda Kay Cheatham, daughter of Carolyn and Raymond Cheatham of Grey Bull, Wyo.

Somerville is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, State University College at Oneonta and is currently attending the Northeastern University. He is employed as a biochemistry research technician with New England Medical Center.

Cheatham is a graduate of Utah State, and Northeastern University. She is a post doctoral fellow at Harvard University.

Cherry Hill seeks teachers for programs

Historic Cherry Hill, an Albany House-Museum representing five generations of family living, is seeking volunteers to teach programs to school children of all ages. Museum teachers conduct programs on Wednesdays, Thursdays and or Fridays during the school year. A limited number of openings are available. Training begins in February. For more information, call 434-4791.

Artist's work on exhibit

Delmar artist Barbara Mungall, of Delmar is among the artists featuring contemporary realist paintings at the Ted Gallery in Albany. Titled Aspects of Realism, the art work is displayed now through February 10. Gallery hours are noon to 7 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller

Dawn Disonell marries

Dawn Marie Disonell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Disonell of Selkirk and Robert Kent Miller, son of Mrs. Rae P. Fernandez, of Hawaii and Mr. Thomas E. Horn of Ore., were married July 29 in the St. John's-St. Ann's Church in Albany.

Rev. James Belogi conducted the service.

The bride is a graduate of Bishop Maginn High School and Albany College of Pharmacy. She is a pharmacist with Fay's Drugs Inc.

The groom is attends Hudson Valley Community College, and

will transfer to Siena College in January. He is employed by Fays as a loss prevention officer in Albany.

Kimberly Verrelli was Matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Tammera Earl, Linda Mazzonna, Margaret Aicello and Donna Johns. Sarah Disonell was flower girl.

Casey Horn was best man. Ushers were David Miller, David Disonell, Paul Earl and Frank Verrelli. Brandon Earl was ring bearer.

After a wedding trip to Waikiki, Hawaii, the couple will reside in Selkirk.

Student honored

Juli Schaller, daughter of Thomas and Angelina Schaller of Delmar has been inducted into the State University at Plattsburgh chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society. Membership in ODK is based on academic excellence, service to the college and community and leadership in campus activities.

Schaller, a junior psychology major is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, the national honor society for freshmen, and vice president of Psi Chi, the national psychology honor society. Last year, she received an outstanding sophomore award.

Schaller is a 1987 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.



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The Don't Worry, Be Happy decade ends

By Cathi Anne M. Cameron

This is it. The end of the '80s. In 20 short years, we went from the We decade, through the Me decade, to the MTV decade, and now it's coming to a close.

Unsavoury as it may seem to some, an entire generation of us came of age during the Bonzo goes to the White House years — a full-color TV generation influenced as much by Spock the Vulcan as Spock the doctor, whose first vote very possibly was for Ronald Wilson Reagan.

And while this generation may have grown up listening to the Stones, the Dead and the Doors, The Talking Heads singing about a *Psycho Killer* will be our gift to the arts. Think about it. In the '60s, you had groups like the Beatles, the Turtles and the Who. By the '80s, we had turned to the Sex Pistols, Fine Young Cannibals and the Dead Kennedys.

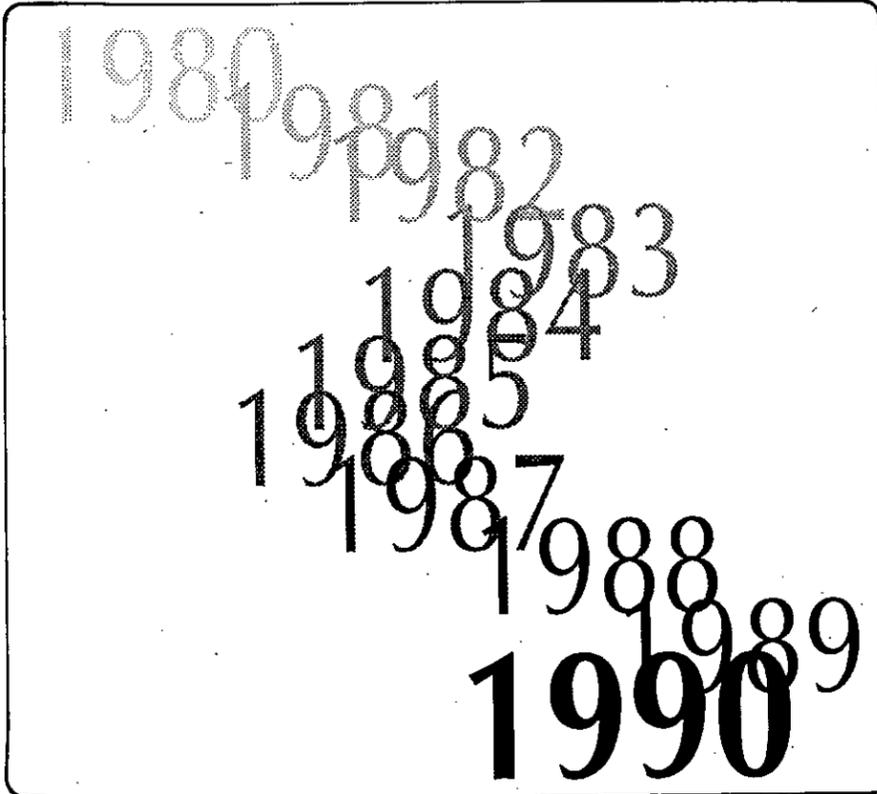
Madonna, who did more for garter belts and bustiers than Frederick's of Hollywood and Victoria's Secret combined, told us that we are living in a material world, and in a perfect reflection of the times, perhaps the most aptly titled hit of the decade was *Don't Worry Be Happy*.

And happy we were, having power lunches with our brokers, spending quality time with our significant others, and 'going for the burn' with Jane. What ever did people do before VCRs — or Walkmen, or Automatic Teller Machines? Without microwaves, personal computers, compact discs and cellular phones? What was life like before the joys of Fax?

Conspicuous consumption rose from a sin to an art, aptly chronicled by Robin Leach's *Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous*, and champagne wishes and caviar dreams led to hard time for Leona, Zsa Zsa, Ivan and Jim.

PTL and the 700 Club proved as popular as the Betty Ford Center and Hazelden, and Candy Lightner got MADD, saving some lives in the balance.

Lives were not always salvageable, however. The generation that grew up



watching and re-watching the Zapruder film watched once again as assassins killed Anwar Sadat, Indira Gandhi and Sweden's Olof Palme, and attempted to kill Pope John Paul II and President Reagan. Thousands filled New York's Central Park to mourn the fatal shooting of John Lennon.

The video also played and re-played as the space shuttle *Challenger* exploded in mid-air, the USS *Vincennes*' gun turret burst into flames, Mt. St. Helen's erupted, and Yellowstone burned.

The Exxon *Valdez* covered the shores of Alaska with oil, flight 103 showered down on Lockerbie, parts of South Carolina were leveled, and San Francisco crumbled. Sections of the New York State Thruway gave way, lending a new meaning to talk of a crumbling infrastructure.

We Are the World preceded *That's*

What Friends Are For, and Doctor Ruth became the new Timothy Leary. AIDS turned yuppie talk from condominiums to condoms, and Saturday Night Fevers were cured by "safe sex." The popularity of board games such as *Trivial Pursuit* had an unexplained rise.

Donald Trump adds *Trump, the game to Trump, The Art of the Deal*; Trump, the shuttle; Trump, the hotels; Trump, the casinos and Trump, the ego.

Unexplained phenomenon like Cabbage Patch dolls, Rubic's cube, bright-blue Smurfs, Wall Walkers and the California Raisins send parents and children alike into a frenzy, and being slimed, hacked, chopped, electrocuted or otherwise mauled becomes *de rigeur* at the box office. *E.T.* phones home, and Oral Roberts is repeatedly called home.

The Ayatullah Khomeini, Qaddafi and Noriega make Gorby's Evil Empire look like a near-ally, and the Japanese buy a Christmas tree with a pricey decoration (Rockefeller Center) as well as large parts of Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles.

The television flickers again as the two Germanys meet, fireworks celebrate the Statue of Liberty's centennial, Ollie North testifies and the U.S. Hockey Team wins at the Olympics in Lake Placid. Pac man meets Nintendo.

"You look *mahvelous*," coos Fernando, and the Church Lady chides, "Well, isn't that special?" on *Saturday Night Live*. Brideshead is revisited by PBS, *The Cosby Show* rules Thursday nights, Walter Cronkite tells it like it is for the last time on CBS, and Dan Rather pulls up anchor, leaving the network desk empty for several minutes in a dispute. Oprah and Phil slug it out for the ratings, and Geraldo shows his mettle opening Al Capone's vaults. Prime-time leaves all of America wondering "who shot J.R.?" and whining with *thirtysomething* and *Roseanne*.

Gourmet ice cream, popcorn, and yes — even pet food — lined the shelves, along with low-salt, low-cholesterol, high fiber and "lite" delights. Knowing your HDL and LDL levels became as important to the '80s as your astrological sign was to the '70s.

What to make of this decade of Donald and Ivana and Charles and Di? Of Gary Hart and Dan Quayle? Of Kermit and Miss Piggy? It may be too soon to tell. You might ask Elvis though. I saw him at K Mart the other evening, buying *Dyanetics* by L. Ron Hubbard and a bag of Cool Ranch Doritos.

So for all of the yuppies, buppies, puppies and frumpies, those who channel and those who merely change the channels, in the immortal words of Dennis Miller: that was the '80s, and I am outta here.

Now what do I do with the kids?

By Lyn Stapf

*'Tis two days after Christmas and all through the land,
The children are restless with time on their hands.
The coveted gifts are forgotten and stored,
And with one week 'til school starts
They're groaning "WERE BORED!!!"*

What's a parent to do? Vacation is barely started and already little Jason has figured out how to save Zelda on Nintendo, Jennifer is tired of her new games, and the dolls and trucks that were oh so necessary have been abandoned under the tree. The family has already seen this year's holiday movies at the theater, and ever one dreads the post-holiday rush at the malls. So what's left to keep the youngsters from tuning in to the soaps or learning more than you want them to from the talk shows? Plenty!!

Parents need not shudder at the thought of vacation time with so many resources available to them in the capital district — or their own homes — to keep their offspring from becoming holiday couch potatoes.

For those wishing to put the new sled or toboggan to good use, many commu-

nity parks offer an exciting change from the familiar slopes of the neighborhood — with Mother Nature's cooperation of course, which this year promises to be positive.

And when enough snow is available, cross country skiing opportunities abound in our area. Public facilities such as Thatcher Park and Delmar's Five River's Environmental Center as well as privately owned places like Indian Ladder Farms of Voorheesville offer free and inexpensive trails, some of them even groomed. Although most do not rent out skis, they are more than happy to give you the name of an area merchant who offers rentals when you call to check on ski conditions, fees, schedules and other information.

And of course for the adventuresome, downhill skiing is just a drive away with many resorts offering rental equipment or lessons for novice skiers.

For those looking for a new twist on an old past time, Camp Pinnacle offers "tubing" — sliding down snow-covered hills on oversized, heavy duty inner tubes. Pinnacle, located in the Helderbergs, presently offers this exhilarating pastime to groups only on a reservation basis, but welcomes calls from those who wish to form a group to take advantage of the



inexpensive sport. Refreshments are also available for a small fee.

Those "good skates" looking to try out a few figure eights can turn to local ice rinks found in many parks and playgrounds or may wish to try skating at the larger public facilities such as The Empire State Plaza, or Swineburn Park in Albany, where skating is inexpensive and rental of skates is an option.

Skaters who prefer wheels to blades

have several local roller skating establishments to turn to with most offering a variety of services for the whole family — from kiddy sections for beginning skaters and preschoolers to laser shows and rock music for adolescents.

Those looking for other indoor fun may wish to revisit the popular sport of bowling. If you once enjoyed the pastime, but have been intimidated by the logistics

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Fine art prints by the Print Club of Albany, Inc., Display at Albany City Hall, Jan. 3-31. Information, 459-2674.

PATTERNS OF CULTURE, PATTERNS OF NATURE
Large photographic prints by Diane Reiner, Things of Beauty Art Gallery, Albany, Jan. 2-31. Opening Reception, Jan. 4, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 449-1233.

ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL DRAWINGS AND PAINTINGS
Presented in the Ten Broeck Mansion, Albany, by the Albany County Historical Association. Now through Jan. 5, Thurs.-Fri. 2-4 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 1-4 p.m.

ASPECTS OF REALISM
Paintings of Marcia Clark, Thyra Davidson, Warner Friedman, Barbara Mungall, Tom Nelson, Harry Oryk, Marjorie Portnow, Chester Rose, Judith Weinman, George Wexler and with window installations by Adrienne Klein, Ted Gallery, Albany. Now through Feb. 10, noon-7 p.m. Wed.-Sat. Information, 434-3285.

COMMITTED TO PRINT
Social and political themes in American printed art from the '60s, State Museum, Albany. Now through Feb. 11. Information, 474-5877.

OHI CHRISTMAS TREE!
Exhibition of artists giving their view of this seasonal symbol, Albany Institute of History and Art. Now through Jan. 6, Tues.-Sat., noon-5 p.m.

ARTIST AT PLAY
Group showing, Greene County Council on the Arts Catskill Gallery, Catskill. Gallery hours Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 943-3400.

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

VISIONS OF CHRIST'S COMING
Opening show at new diocesan gallery, Pastoral Center, Albany. Now through Jan. 14, 2-5 p.m. Information, 439-4951.

DOUGLAS C. SHIPPEE
Exhibition of abstract paintings, The Orange Street Gallery, Albany. Now through Jan. 5, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sun. noon-4 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

FORMS AND FIBERS
Group exhibit; paintings, textiles, sculpture, Things of Beauty Art Gallery, Albany. Now through Dec. 31. Information, 449-1233.

TIM FOLZENLOGEN EXHIBITION
Recent drawings and paintings, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Now through Dec. 29, 5-8 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

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, 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.

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.

GREENHUT GALLERIES
New paintings by local artist Barbara Mungall, new works by 12 women 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.

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. Family program "Detail Detectives," a self-guided gallery activity, weekends in Jan. noon-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

ERASTUS DOW PALMER EXHIBITION
American sculptor of the mid-19th century, Albany Institute of History and Art. Now through June 10.

INTIMATE GESTURES, REALIZED VISIONS
Masterworks on paper from the collection of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Dec. 31.

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.

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

RECLAIMING PARADISE: AMERICAN WOMEN PHOTOGRAPH THE LAND
Work from Bernice Abbott, Linda Connor, Imogen Cunningham, Judy Dater, Marion Faller, Laura Gilpin, Betty Hahn, Dorothea Lange, Gail Skoff, Joan Myers, Marion Post Wolcott among others, University Art Gallery, University at Albany.

WALTER LAUNT PALMER
16 paintings in a new exhibition, Albany Institute of History and Art, through 1990. Information, 463-4478.

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.

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 Moti, new works by Gantner and McDuff, watercolors and oils by local artists, portfolio show featuring works by Delacroix, Boulangier, Reine, and Moti. 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.

GALLERY ORIGINALS
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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Hey, hey, hey

It's Fat Albert! And the guy from *I Spy*, and Cliff Huxtable, and the Kodak and Jello salesmen, all rolled into one. Straight on the heels of old blue eyes, tickets have gone on sale for old brown eyes himself, William H. Cosby, Ed. D.

Cosby's Feb. 2 show, the inaugural comedy performance at Albany's Knickerbocker Arena, brings one of the hottest stars of the decade to the area.

Bocker audiences are most familiar with him as the harried dad of NBC's No. 1-rated *The Cosby Show*, Cosby's career started on the comedy stage. He has recorded more than 20 comedy albums, and in addition to *The Cosby Show*, *I Spy* and public and educational programming, Cosby has appeared in feature films such as *California Suite* and *Uptown Saturday Night*.

Tickets for the show are available at all Ticketmaster locations, Record Town in Colonie, and some Leeders Video stores. They may also be charged by phone at 476-1000.

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Kids

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of tallying pins, many lanes now offer automatic score-keeping equipment. Some bowling alleys also offer mini tours for small groups, complete with lessons, shoes and a game or two for a package price on a reservation basis.

If your youngster has been discouraged because his or her ball spends most of the time in the gutter, bumper bowling is the answer. Offered at a number of alleys upon request, this innovative new activity uses inflatable inserts in the gutters to keep wayward bowling balls on the alley where they can knock down the pins. To accommodate lightweight clientele, lighter balls are usually available.

With any activity, especially during the holidays, a simple telephone call ahead of time to check out the facilities, fees and hours is always a wise move before heading out with youngsters who can easily be discouraged when turned away from an activity.

For those who would prefer not to leave the warmth of their homes, a variety of items can be rented from VCRs to video cameras to game machines and cartridges.

Rentals can give young game players a chance to try out the machines and individual games before parents invest in the

equipment—a good thought with games now starting anywhere from \$19.95 and up. And parents not sold on the idea of owning such appliances can use rentals to give their offspring a chance to be familiar with the latest rage without having to live with it 24 hours a day.

Parents who want to keep the crew busy with more constructive hands-on activities can be inventive in keeping their youngsters entertained. A favorite tradition of our family when the children were younger was a vacation activity called "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Instead of bombarding the youngsters with everything on Christmas morning, we held off smaller gifts which were presented each evening after dinner to "good little boys and girls." (Translated, this meant those who didn't fight with their brothers and sisters.)

Most of the gifts were of the stocking stuffer variety, such as small play people, minicars, card games, art supplies and the like. Occasionally, the treat might come in the afternoon with a trip to the movies or a favorite eatery. The activities usually ended on Jan. 6, the twelfth day of Christmas, with a bigger gift. Oftentimes the bigger presents were items that weren't mentioned as being desirable until bedtime on Christmas eve.

A creative friend took off on the idea giving her children a puzzle a day, with a prize for the person who could solve it first, and smaller prizes for the runners up. Another friend who didn't celebrate

Christmas adapted the vacation activity into a treasure hunt with clues given each evening that would lead the whole family to a surprise on the last day of vacation. A more arts-oriented neighbor developed a "craft-a-day" for her youngsters with all natural fingerpaints one day, homemade modelling clay the next and pasta necklaces another.

For those who feel their creativity doesn't lie in the art world, crafts stores offer a large variety of easy to do projects for both younger and older students. Cooking projects are another idea that shouldn't be overlooked, as they offer a chance for youngsters to try out their

culinary skills, with the end bonus of an edible product.

Many parents whose youngsters miss the companionship of friends during a break from school band together for vacationtime play groups, giving the kids a chance to get together, and giving the off-duty parents a welcomed break.

And if all else fails, the excellent programs offered by local museums and libraries are sure to fit the bill, keeping both parents and children amused until school resumes.



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December 27

BETHEHEM

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

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

AA AND AL-ANON
meeting, First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

"FROM PULP TO PAPER"
Children in kindergarten and up will learn to make paper and decorate it, Scotia-Glenville Children's Museum, 11 and 3 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS
every Wednesday, Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem. Information, 765-2109.

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

Thursday
December 28

BETHEHEM

FAMILY SING-ALONG
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

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

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

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

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

SILVER BULLETS SQUARE DANCE CLUB
mainstream class, 7 p.m.; workshop, 9 p.m. every Thursday, First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Information, 439-3689.

BETHEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
Thursdays, Bible study, 10 a.m., Creator's crusaders, 6:30 p.m., senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

BOWLING
sponsored by Bethlehem Support Group, for parents of handicapped students, Del Lanes, Elsmere, every Thursday, 4-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-7880.

NEW SCOTLAND

SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL
First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m.

BLOODMOBILE
O-negative, O-positive, B-negative, and B-positive blood types are especially needed, Voorheesville United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, noon-5 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

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

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

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film program, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., Voorheesville, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

Friday
December 29

BETHEHEM

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

MOMS GROUP
First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 9 a.m.

Saturday
December 30

BETHEHEM

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

Sunday
December 31

BETHEHEM

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY
sponsored by Bethlehem Elks, to benefit cerebral palsy, featuring music by Sundown, Bethlehem Elks Lodge, \$5 per couple, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Information, 731-2916.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST
Scientist, service and Sunday School, 11 a.m., child care provided, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-2512.

BETHEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., 3 years through adult, morning worship service, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, evening fellowship, 6 p.m. Information, 439-3135.

BETHEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., adult Bible study and Sunday school classes, 9:15 a.m., nursery care provided from 8 a.m. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Bible study, 9:15 a.m.; worship, church school and nursery care, 10:30 a.m.; coffee hour, 11:30 a.m. family communion service, first Sundays. Information, 439-9252.

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH
Church school and worship, nursery provided during worship, 386 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
worship, Sunday school and nursery care, 10 a.m., followed by a time of fellowship, Retreat House Rd., Glenmont. Information, 463-6465.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
ELCA, morning worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school and Bible class, 10:15 a.m.; New Year's Eve service, 5 p.m. 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, Information, 465-2188.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHEHEM
church school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; youth group, 6 p.m., Rt. 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-3406.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
of Delmar, worship, 9:30 a.m.; church school, 9:45; youth and adult classes, 11 a.m.; nursery care, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-9976.

GLENMONT REFORMED CHURCH
worship, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont. Information, 436-7710.

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

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Eucharist followed by breakfast, 8 a.m., Christian education for all ages, 9:30-10:15 a.m.; Holy Eucharist followed by coffee hour, 10:30 a.m.; nursery care provided, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Poplar and Elsmere Aves., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

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

SOUTH BETHEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship, 11 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Willowbrook Ave., South Bethlehem. Information, 767-9953.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE
Worship 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m. church school. Information, 765-2895.

MOUNTAIN VIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service, 7 p.m., nursery care provided for Sunday services, Rt. 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH
service at 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85 and Rt. 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-7112.

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

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND
Worship, 10 a.m.; church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85, New Scotland. Information, 439-6454.

UNIONVILLE CHURCH
adult coffee-break Bible study, 9:45 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, child care provided, children's story hour, 11 a.m. Information, 439-5303.

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

Monday
January 1

BETHEHEM

BETHEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY
closed. Information, 439-9314.

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

AL-ANON GROUP
support for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

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

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

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

Tuesday
January 2

BETHEHEM

BETHEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY
reopens, 9 a.m. 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9314.

DELMAR ROTARY
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BETHEHEM LODGE 1096 F&M
first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

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

NEW SCOTLAND

BETHEHEM SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
membership meeting, first Tuesdays, Clubhouse, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 8 p.m. Guests Welcome.

Wednesday
January 3

BETHEHEM

PUBLIC HEARINGS
on application of Stewart's Ice Cream Co. Inc.; Gary and Sherrie Hickey, 32 Mayfair Dr., Slingerlands; Gytelle Bloom, 46 Dumbarton Dr., Delmar, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

BETHEHEM LIONS CLUB
meets first and third Wednesdays, Old Center Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m.

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

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

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

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

BETHEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN
meeting, with Lori J. Breuel conducting real estate workshop, Albany Motor Inn, 6 p.m. Information, 439-9303.

KINDERGARTEN STORYHOURS
four-week program at Bethlehem Public Library, Jan. 3, 10, 17 and 24, 10 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

NEW SCOTLAND

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS
every Wednesday, Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, Information, 765-2109.

THE YOUTH NETWORK

Concepts in Conflict Resolution

Conflict is a part of life.

Every time we interact with someone, there is a potential for conflict because people's needs and expectations are almost never the same. We can even feel conflict within ourselves and many displace it onto others unless we are careful. Conflict can be good or bad depending on how we learn to deal with it. Small conflicts should be dealt with as soon as possible so they don't grow and we should try to identify and bring out hidden conflicts. Finally, we need to learn to disagree with ideas or behaviors, not people.

Feelings are important.

Being able to express feelings, both bad and good, in a non-destructive way is very important in dealing with others. Talking about feelings to the person involved, or to a neutral observer, can help prevent unnecessary or destructive conflicts. By focusing on how we feel about a situation, rather than on the other person, we can help diffuse the situation and better work toward a common solution.

Solve the conflict together

This puts both of you on the same side of a problem rather than on opposite sides. The process of the conflict resolution is as important as the content. A resolution where one party is the winner and the other is a loser is no resolution. Remember, there can be a lot of solutions to any one problem and everyone can win.

Solving problems without fight, flight, or surrender.

Successful use of peaceful conflict resolution techniques means that people don't have to resort to violence, run away from, or give up when faced with a conflict. Rather, they can peacefully negotiate a solution acceptable to all parties involved.

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• Friday, 9 p.m. Channel Crossings
• Saturday, 11:30 p.m. Masterpiece Theatre
• Sunday, 9 p.m. "Safety Last"
• Monday, 9:30 p.m. The American Experience
• Tuesday, 9 p.m.

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Wednesday
December 27

ALBANY COUNTY

SINGLE SQUARES DANCES
with caller Cliff Brodeur, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden Ave., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-5653.

BLOODMOBILE
O negative, O positive, B negative, and B positive blood is needed, Albany Area American Red Cross, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd. at Clara Barton Dr., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

TIME TUNNEL PROGRAM
for children in grades 1-6, presented by Michele Piro and Chuck Peters, State Museum, Albany, 9 a.m.-2:15 p.m. Information, 486-5656.

BASKETBALL CAMP
sponsored by the Albany Jewish Community Center, through Dec. 29, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, \$45. Information, 438-6651.

"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD"
presented by Opera Excelsior, State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

OPEN HOUSE
sponsored by the Albany Young Men's Christian Association, 274 Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Information, 449-7196.

MENORAH LIGHTING
Albany Jewish Community Center lobby, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 4 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

Thursday
December 28

ALBANY COUNTY

BLOODMOBILE
O negative, O positive, B negative, and B positive blood is needed, Albany Area American Red Cross, Regional Blood Center, Hackett Blvd. at Clara Barton Dr., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 462-7461.

MENORAH LIGHTING
Albany Jewish Community Center lobby, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 4 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

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 29

ALBANY COUNTY

MENORAH LIGHTING
Albany Jewish Community Center lobby, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 4 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

SCHENECTADY 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.

Sunday
December 31

ALBANY COUNTY

PRO MUSICA CHORUS
First Night Celebration, west lobby of the Capitol, Albany, 7-10 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

EBA DANCERS
and Yallah Dance Ensemble, First Night Celebration, EBA dance studio, Lark St., 8-10 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

"CYGNUS"
Jazz, First Night Celebration, Half Moon Cafe, Madison Ave., Albany, 7-midnight. Information, 434-2032.

SUPA KUMBA AND MYSTIC JAMMERS
reggae, First Night Celebration, Capital City Lodge, 120 Madison Ave., Albany, throughout night. Information, 434-2032.

L'ENSEMBLE'S VIENNESE WALTZ BALL
Norstar Peter Kieman Plaza, 7:30-8:30 p.m., 9:30-10:30 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

BROADWAY SHOW TUNES
presented by Park Playhouse, City Arts Bldg., Albany, 7:30-8:15 p.m., 9-9:45 p.m., 10:30-11:15 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

EDWARD GEARHARD
classical guitarist, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany, 7:30, 8:45, 10 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

IRISH MUSIC AND DANCE
St. Mary's Church Hall, Albany, 7, 8, 9 and 10 p.m. Information, 434-2032.

Monday
January 1

ALBANY COUNTY

AEROBIC WORKOUT
Albany Young Women's Christian Association, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

HANGOVER HALF MARATHON
and three mile Sober Up Run, sponsored by Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, State University of New York, Physical Education Bldg., Albany, \$2 entry fee. Information, 456-5397.

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.

SCHENECTADY

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help group for former mental patients and former nervous patients, Unitarian House, 1248 Wendell Ave., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

Tuesday
January 2

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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.

SCHENECTADY

SECULAR SOBRIETY GROUP
group for recovering alcoholics, Temple Gates of Heaven, corner of Ashmore Ave. and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-5569.

Wednesday
January 3

ALBANY COUNTY

SINGLES SQUARES DANCE
with caller Tom Vititow, St. Michael's, Linden Ave., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-5653.

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

LOW-IMPACT AEROBIC CLASS
12 weeks Mondays and Wednesdays, sponsored by Young Women's Christian Association, Christ Lutheran Church, 1500 Western Ave., Albany, 6-7 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

FAMILY EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM
presented by the Epilepsy Association of Capital District, St. Peter's Hospital, Staff Dining Rm., South Manning Blvd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 439-1395.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

DEVELOPMENTAL ASSESSMENT CLINIC
for those who have a concern about a child up to two years, Bellevue Hospital, Troy Rd., Schenectady, noon-4 p.m. Information, 346-9438.

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Beau Monde Dip

- 1 1/3 cups mayonnaise
- 1 1/3 cups sour cream
- 6 1/2 ounce can Hormel Chunky Ham
- 2 teaspoons beau monde
- 2 teaspoons dried onion
- 1 teaspoon dill
- Dash garlic salt

Mix mayonnaise, sour cream, ham, beau monde, dried onion, dill and garlic. Chill. Hollow out uncut bread; keep broken bread pieces. Pour dip into bread and serve with bread pieces.

Hammed-up Mushrooms

- 4 dozen medium mushrooms
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 2 cups ground ham
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/4 tablespoon salt
- 1/4 tablespoon pepper
- Bread crumbs or Parmesan cheese

Wash and remove mushroom stems. Sauté caps in butter. Make a mixture of the ham, sour cream, salt and pepper. Stuff caps and refrigerate. Just before serving, sprinkle with bread crumbs or Parmesan cheese. Heat at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

Party Punch

- 1 quart cranberry juice
- 1 quart apple juice
- Ginger ale or soda water
- Lemon slices
- Orange slices

Cinnamon sticks or cloves

Combine cranberry and apple juice. Add ginger ale or soda water for sparkle. Float lemon and orange slices on top. For a spicy effect, add a cinnamon stick or a few cloves. Serve over plenty of ice.

16 Servings

Straight Line Coffee

- 2 ounces sweet chocolate
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup cream
- 3 cups freshly brewed coffee
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3 teaspoons cinnamon

Melt chocolate and sugar in double boiler over hot water. Stir in 2 cups boiling water. Continue to heat 5 minutes. Heat milk and cream separately making sure not to boil. Add to chocolate and sugar mixture. Add coffee, vanilla, and cinnamon to mixture and beat well.

15 Servings

Pina Colada Perfecto

- 2 ounces pineapple juice
- 1 1/2 ounces club soda
- 1 ounce creme of coconut ice cubes
- Mix pineapple juice, club soda and creme of coconut over ice.
- 1 Serving

Weekly Crossword

"FAREWELL '89"

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- Shroud
- Sweetheart
- Twain or Russell
- Jacob's twin
- '89 retiree Jabbar was one
- Pen name of Charles Lamb
- Pertaining to the ear
- Religious society
- Home equity, eg.
- '89 target of 56 down
- '89 allegation against Zsa Zsa
- "_____ Miserables"
- '89 Environmentalist's concern
- '89 Alaskan mishap
- W.C. Field's "Chickadee"
- Compendiums
- The bottom _____
- Dik-____: Antelope
- "_____ truckin'"
- Island: French
- '89 spill site: Prince _____ Sound
- In hock
- Mommas and _____
- One or more
- '89 environmentalist's concern
- Aginners
- Genetic abbreviation
- Movers and shakers
- Horse
- _____ E I _____ (and sometimes "Y" and "W")
- '89 strike target
- '89 Miss _____: Debbye Turner
- Lowest female voice
- '89 World traveler
- Privy to: 2 wds
- Noun suffix
- Oklahoma indians
- Blow one's mind
- R.R. depots
- Choppers
- Surpasses

DOWN

- Mexico City laborer
- Regarding: 2 wds
- Bear's house
- '89 Presidential Medal of Freedom winner

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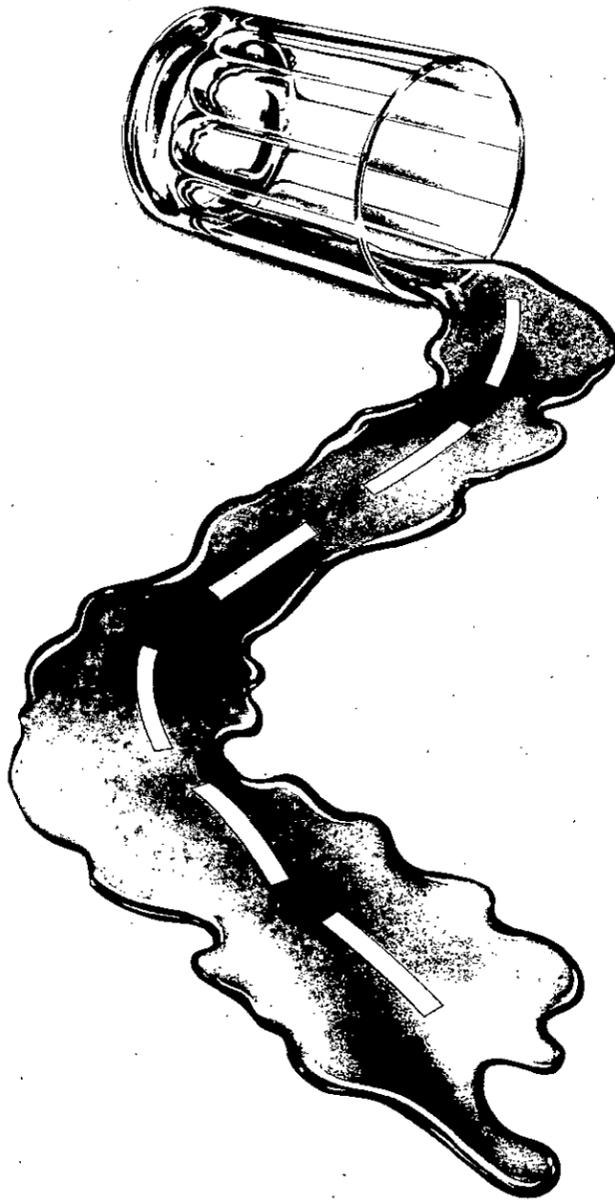
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- Tibetan holy man
- Alias abbreviation
- Dennis for one
- Rub out
- '89 Academy Award nominee: Ms. Griffith
- Precedes "ETTE": French children's song
- Iranian coin
- German philosopher
- Moray
- Witches' city
- '89 World Series champs
- _____ disk: Injure your back
- Aviator's tower: variation
- Clumsy
- Wire measure
- One-celled productive body
- '89 Sec. of Defense rejection

- '89 NBA champs
- '89 Academy Award nominee: "Accidental _____"
- Signify
- Female deer
- Rye lungus
- Jakob Amman followers
- Breaks bread with
- Dismounted
- Greek portico
- Encourage
- Division word
- '89 Panamanian attempt
- Ms. Miller and others
- Caviar

So there to "Here We Go Caroling"

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AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP PINNACLE PLACE COMPANY (FORMERLY TWENTY-FIRST POINT COMPANY, GUILDERLAND)

State of New York
ss.:

County of Albany

We, the undersigned, desiring to amend and restate the Certificate of Limited Partnership of Twenty-first Point Company, Guilderland, pursuant to the laws of the State of New York, and being severally sworn, do certify that the original Certificate of Limited Partnership dated May 1, 1979, was filed in the Albany County Clerk's Office on May 24, 1979 under the name Twenty-first Point Company, Guilderland, and the undersigned do hereby certify that the said Certificate of Limited Partnership is amended and restated in its entirety to provide as follows:

1. The name of the partnership is PINNACLE PLACE COMPANY.

2. The character of the partnership's business is to acquire for investment certain real property located in the Town of Guilderland, County of Albany, and State of New York, together with buildings and improvements to be erected on said real property and to own, manage, mortgage, lease, exchange, sell or otherwise transfer or dispose of such property and such other property as the Partnership shall acquire.

3. The principal place of business of the Partnership shall be in the Town of Guilderland, County of Albany, New York 12203. The mailing address thereof is Pinnacle Place - Suite 200, McKown Road off Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203-3409. The General Partner may establish such other offices or places of business for the partnership as it may deem necessary or desirable.

4. The name and place of residence of each General Partner interested in the Partnership is as follows: Vincent M. Wolanin, P.O. Box 1515, Sanibel Island, Florida 33957-1515

The name and place of residence of each Limited Partner interested in the Partnership is as follows: Gregory M. Wolanin, Fenway Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211.

5. The term for which the Partnership is to exist is from the 1st day of May, 1979, and shall terminate upon the adjudication of bankruptcy of the General Partner; the filing of a voluntary petition in bankruptcy

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or Chapter XI petition by the General Partner; the final disposition of all of the Partnership Property; or April 30, 2079.

6. The capital of the Partnership shall be contributed as follows:

General Partner.... \$750.00
Limited Partner.... \$250.00

7. The Limited Partners shall receive the following in return for their capital contributions:

(a) Commencing May 1, 1979, the excess of cash receipts over cash disbursements of the Partnership, annually, shall be distributed 25% to the Limited Partner and 75% to the General Partner.

(b) In the event of a sale, refinancing or condemnation, the proceeds thereof shall be distributed 25% to the Limited Partner and 75% to the General Partner.

(c) Depreciation expense shall be allocated 25% to the Limited Partner and 75% to the General Partner.

(d) Mortgage amortization shall be allocated 25% to the Limited Partner and 75% to the General Partner.

The above is subject to such further amplification and/or modification in accordance with an Agreement of Limited Partnership to be executed by the undersigned simultaneously herewith.

8. The assignability of interests of the General and/or Limited Partner, and the admission of additional General and/or Limited Partner shall be governed by the aforesaid Agreement of Limited Partnership.

9. The death, retirement or insanity of a Limited Partner shall not constitute a dissolution of the Partnership and the remaining General Partner or Partners shall have the right to continue the Partnership business.

Vincent M. Wolanin,
General Partner
Gregory M. Wolanin,
Limited Partner

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
TO before me this 6th day of November, 1989

Lynn A. Werner, Notary Public,
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ALBANY

On this 6th day of November 1989, before me came VINCENT M. WOLANIN, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

Lynn A. Werner, Notary Public
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ALBANY
On this 6th day of November,

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Lynn A. Werner, Notary Public
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ALBANY
(December 27, 1989)

LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The applications of Sound of Life, Inc. ("Sound"), Family Broadcasting, Inc. ("Family"), George M. Ragsdale, Daniel F. Viles, Jr. and Gregory T. Lano d/b/a Mid-Atlantic Broadcasting Company ("Mid-Atlantic"), WAMC ("WAMC"), Francis W. Bell ("Bell"), R. Bryan Jackson ("Jackson"), and Tri-Cities FM Limited Partnership ("Tri-Cities") for a commercial FM radio station on Channel 242A at Voorheesville, New York have been designated for hearing on the following issues:

1. To determine whether Sonrise Management Services, Inc. is an undisclosed party-in-interest to Tri-Cities' application.

2. To determine whether Tri-Cities' organizational structure is a sham.

3. To determine whether Tri-Cities violated Section 1.65 of the Commission's Rules and/or lacked candor by failing to report: (i) the designation of character issue against other applicants in which one or more of its partners has an ownership interest, (ii) the dismissal of such ownership interest and/or dismissal of such applications with unresolved character issues pending, and (iii) the interest held by one or more of its partners in applications pending and/or dismissed with prejudice by the Commission.

4. To determine, from the evidence adduced pursuant to Issues 1 through 3 above, whether Tri-Cities possesses the basic qualifications to be a licensee of the facilities sought herein.

5. To determine whether the proposals of Sound and WAMC would provide coverage for the city sought to be served, as required by Section 73.315(a) of the Commission's rules, and if not, whether circumstances exist which warrant waiver of that Section.

6. If a final environmental impact statement is issued with respect to Sound, Family, Mid-Atlantic, WAMC and/or Jackson in which it is concluded that the proposed facility to have an adverse effect on the quality of the environment, to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the National

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Environmental Policy Act, as implemented by 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1301-1319.

7. To determine which of the proposals would, on a comparative basis, best serve the public interest.

8. To determine, in light of the evidence adduced pursuant to the specified issues, which of the applications should be granted, if any.

The hearing will convene on February 26, 1989, at 10:00 AM at the office of the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. A copy of the application, amendments thereto and related material of Mid-Atlantic are available for public inspection during normal business hours at Voorheesville Public Library, during regular business hours. (December 27, 1989)

BOARD OF EDUCATION VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Route 85A

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BID PROPOSAL FOR THE
SALE OF CERTAIN ITEMS TO INCLUDE: Piano, Kitchen Equipment, Video Tape Recorders, Video Tapes, Commodore Computers 16K/32K, Sports Uniforms, 2 Buses and (1) O & M Truck

Sealed bids for each item will be received no later than January 10, 1990 at 10:00 a.m. by the Business Administrator of the Board of Education at the above address and then publicly opened and read. Bids must be in a sealed envelope, plainly marked on the outside stating the bid proposal as shown above.

Inspection of items for sale will occur Wednesday, January 3, 1990 between the hours of 12 - 3 P.M.

Voorheesville Central School District
by: Steven Schreiber,
Clerk of the Works

dated: December 20, 1989
Please send a confirmation of the bid. Thank you.
(December 27, 1989)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 3, 1990, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Stewart's Shop (D & B Realty) P.O. box 435, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866 for Modification of

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a previously granted Special Exception under Article VI, Permitted Uses, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for revised plans for self-service gasoline station along with convenient retail shop at premises Route 9W, near Cottage Lane, Selkirk, New York 12158.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(December 27, 1989)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 3, 1990, at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Gary and Sherrie Hickey, 32 Mayfair Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159 for Variance under Article XVI, Front Yard; and Article XVII, Side Yard, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for the construction of a sun room and new garage at premises 32 Mayfair Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(December 27, 1989)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 3, 1990, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Gytelle Bloom, 46 Dumbarton Drive, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for the construction of an addition at premises 46 Dumbarton Drive, Delmar, New York 12159.

Charles B. Fritts
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larly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point, said point being the intersection of the easterly boundary of the parcel herein intended to be described with the southerly boundary of parcel number 51 map 34-RI, New York State Route 396, New York State Highway Number 1562; thence in a southerly direction and along curve to the left having a central angle of 3 degrees 36 minutes 40 seconds, a radius of 8464.42 feet for a distance of 530 feet to a point; thence continuing in a southerly direction a distance of 100.00 feet to a point; thence continuing in a southerly direction and along a curve to the left having a radius of 8,484.92 feet for a distance of 160 feet, more or less, to a point in the dividing line between the Town of Bethlehem on the North and the Town of Coeymans on the South; thence in a westerly direction, a distance of 120 feet, more or less, along said Town line to the westerly boundary of the parcel herein intended to be conveyed; thence in a northerly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 8583.42 feet for a distance of 90 feet, more or less, to an angle point in said westerly boundary; thence in a northwesterly direction, a distance of 105.00 feet to a point; thence in a southwesterly direction, making an interior angle of 282 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds with the last described course a distance of 175.00 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of 68 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds with the last described course a distance of 620.00 feet to a point in the southerly boundary of Parcel Number 51, Map Number 34-RI, New York State Route Number 396, and New York State Highway Number 1562; thence in a southeasterly direction and along the southerly boundary of the aforementioned parcel making an interior angle of 72 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds with the last described course a distance of 290.11 feet to the point and place of beginning.

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Being a portion of land conveyed to the Town of Bethlehem by the Owasco River Railway, Inc., by Deed dated May 7, 1984 and recorded in the Office of the Albany County Clerk in Book 2266 of Deeds at page 855. (December 27, 1989)



The Sheriff of Nottingham is joined by cohorts Berie and Morty to capture Robin Hood in *Hoodwinked*, at the Cohoes Music Hall through Dec. 31.

Tax advice for seniors

Since the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act has been repealed, senior citizens who included the Supplemental Premium in their 1989 estimated tax payments can either adjust their final estimated payment or get a refund on tax returns, according to IRS District Director Edwin A. Kelleher.

"An easy way to do this is to reduce the payment due Jan. 16, by the total premium amount that you included in your estimated taxes," Keller explained. "You should also consider whether your income for the year has been more or less than what you expected, and the effect that will have on your taxes. You do not need to send an explanation for any changes you make in your estimated payment schedule."

Those who would have been subject to the supplemental premium had the option of paying it when they file their 1989 tax returns next year or including it in their estimated payments during the year. Those who planned to pay it with the return will not have to take any action. Although the 1989 forms 1040 and 1040A have a line for the premium (because they were printed before the law's repeal), the computation forms and instructions will not be printed or distributed.

Doll making course at state museum

The New York State Museum will hold a four-part doll making workshop for children ages 9 through 12 on Saturdays, Jan. 20 through Feb. 10, from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Participants will learn to create an early American rag doll and a doll quilt under the guidance of instructor and craftswoman Linda O'Connor.

The fee is \$55 per person for non-members and \$45 for museum members. Pre-registration is required. Call 474-5801.

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Latin mass to be said in two area churches

Bishop Howard J. Hubbard of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany has announced that the Latin Mass celebrated prior to the Reforms of Second vatican Council will be celebrated twice each month in two parishes in different locations in the Diocese.

Hubbard has designated the Immaculate heart of Mary Church in Hudson Falls and St. Mary's Church in Schenec-

tady as the two sites for the mass.

The masses will be celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month for a trial period of six months, after which the need for the masses will be reevaluated. The first mass will be celebrated in the Hudson Falls' church on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 2 p.m. The second mass will be celebrated in the Schenectady church on Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2 p.m.

For information, call 453-6612.

Vaccination required for flu type 'B'

The New York State Health Department has announced that beginning in January all children between 18 months and five years of age must be vaccinated against Haemophilus influenza type "B" before attending a day care or nursery in New York.

The bacterial infection can cause seri-

ous illness, including meningitis, in children 3 months to 5 years. The infection may also cause neurological problems and sometimes death.

Early symptoms include fever, nausea and vomiting. For more information call 1-800-522-5006.

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