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BETHLEHEM

Waste group wants 5-year burn ban

By Mike Larabee

Bethlehem Work on Waste, a town-based citizens' group, will suggest a five-year moratorium on incinerators at tonight's (Wednesday's) solid waste facility moratorium hearing, a group spokesperson said Monday.

The group wants the extended moratorium so that soon to be initiated town-wide recycling efforts "are allowed time to work," said member Betsy Lyons, speaking on behalf of the organization.

The town board's proposed six-month solid waste disposal facility moratorium is the subject of a public hearing at town hall tonight. Several proposals for new disposal facilities are pending before the town, including American Ref-Fuel's \$200 million Cabbage Island refuse incinerator and C and D Recycling Partnership's

Wemple Road construction and demolition debris landfill.

The moratorium would bar officials from processing those or other solid waste facility proposals for at least six months while the town investigates regulations that could be adopted to govern their operation.

Bethlehem Work on Waste, which opposes the Ref-Fuel plan, will ask the town to adopt an incinerator moratorium of at least five-years at the hearing, according to Lyons. She said the period is necessary so waste reduction and recycling efforts in town can be expanded to their full potential.

Lyons argued that incinerators of the scale of the Ref-Fuel proposal undermine programs designed to reduce the waste

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Landowner sues town over post office site

By Mike Larabee

In what both sides describe as a "friendly" disagreement, attorney John Breeze has sued the Town of Bethlehem for permission to build a new post office in a Slingerlands residential zone.

"In a very friendly fashion, the town has continually disagreed with the position that I propose" Breeze said. "That is a classic reason for somebody in a black robe to make a decision on how this is going to be settled."

The impasse stems from Building Inspector John Flanigan's late-June refusal to grant Breeze permits to construct a new building as a replacement for cramped offices in the Toll Gate building on Route 85. Flanigan told Breeze he must obtain either a zoning change or variance before the office can be built on 55,000 square feet of Breeze's property on the Slingerlands side of the intersection of LaGrange Road and Route 85.

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Tackling tykes



Bobby Piel drags teammate Joseph Donnelly across the field during a pre-season Pop Warner drill at Hamagrael Elementary school in Delmar. See story page 2.
Elaine McLain

Spotlight deadlines for Sept. 5 issue

Advertising and editorial deadlines will be advanced one day for the issue of Sept. 5 because of Labor Day.

Advertising deadlines for orders and copy for display and classifieds will be 5 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 30.

The Family section editorial deadline will be 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29.

The editorial deadline for letters and news will be 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30.

Glenmont couple befriend homeless puppy



Karen Shamoun, Margg Striebinger, and Boris

By Susan Graves

There's no place like home — especially for the homeless and particularly for the helpless.

Leonard, a mixed-breed puppy about four months old, was in that position about 6 p.m. July 30 when he was apparently abandoned and left to fend for himself. But the pup got lucky, he found a foster home and a Glenmont couple who championed his cause.

Margg and David Striebinger already have two "senior" dogs, which would prohibit them from owning another animal without applying for a kennel license. So since they couldn't keep the pup they called Leonard, they decided to go all out to find him a loving home. First they called the Bethlehem dog warden. "He came over in 10 minutes," Margg said. She said one of the dog wardens wanted to keep the puppy himself, but his mother nixed the idea. She

said the dog wardens told her many animals are frequently abandoned, particularly in rural settings.

The Striebingers registered the puppy with all the area pet exchanges and private adoption agencies. They also called the Menands Humane Society, but were reluctant to leave him there for fear he would not be adopted.

At first, Margg said, they had hope the owner would learn of Leonard's whereabouts and retrieve him, but now she's convinced he was abandoned. "We put up 35 signs. I called everybody I know. I put signs in everyone's mailboxes," she said. "These signs taught us the value of publicity," David said.

Although the owner never surfaced, the Striebingers said they got tremendous support from the community to help find Leonard a home. "All the support we could want, we got," Margg said. That

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Pop Warner kids winners by how they play the game



Tom Walmsley, Rick Hill and Vince Rinaldi drill Pop Warner players. Elaine McLain

By Susan Graves

Bethlehem Pop Warner is already hard at work practicing for this year's season, which kicks off in September.

Paula Cushman, president and cheerleading coordinator, and Tom Walmsley, vice president and coach, said this year there are 67 cheerleaders and close to 100 boys and one girl playing football. "I came four years ago and we were lucky if we had 44," in the program, Walmsley said.

The important thing in Pop Warner is how you play the game, he said. After one game last year, the scoreboard read 22-6 in Bethlehem's favor, but Walmsley said, "I told them, we lost. We didn't give. I stress to kids: if you give 100 percent, it doesn't matter," who wins or loses.

Good sportsmanship is very important. At the end of the year boys and girls take part in a Friendship Bowl with teams from throughout the Capital District. After competition, the "kids shake hands," regardless of the outcome of the game, Walmsley said. This is in keeping with the spirit of the organization named after Pop Warner, one of the original coaches in football. "He worked at keeping it a game of competition and fun."

A big plus for Pop Warner kids is that all players must take part in at least 10 plays in every game. No

one is ever stuck on the bench. And before the regular games begin players must have 10 hours of conditioning. "On TV, all they see is play. They have no concept of practice and how much work is involved," Walmsley said.

Many children involved in Pop Warner use what they learn in high school. The program was designed as an organized youth sport and a feeder system for high school, he said. Last year the high school booster club invited Pop Warner officials to be on its board.

"I stress to kids: if you give 100 percent, it doesn't matter" who wins or loses.

Pop Warner is structured for youth by age and weight. Teams are broken down into Junior Pee-Wee for 8-year-olds, Pee-Wee for 9, 10 and 11-year-olds, Junior Midgets for 11 and 12-year-olds and Midgets for 13 and 14-year-olds.

"There's no tryout for this. It's a matter of first come, first serve basis," Cushman said. "One of the big things is you're required to participate."

The kids, however, have to be passing in all their courses in order to compete. Parents are also expected to take part in Pop Warner in some fashion. Some act as coaches, others help with concessions, and others with transportation. "We get great support from parents," Walmsley said.

The group raises funds through a candy and a tin can drive.

At the end of every season, there is a banquet. "We finish up with a bang," Walmsley said. "Every kid gets a trophy." Cushman noted the group tries to keep fees low so that everyone who wants to can participate.

This year's first game will be Sept. 8 at Bethlehem Central High School playing fields. Practices are held at the Hamagrael School from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

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Legislature passes modified disclosure law

By Patricia Dumas

Albany County will have a financial disclosure law in effect next year, but it won't provide the controls that Republican legislator James C. Ross of Bethlehem proposed two years ago.

The county legislature last week approved the new law, effective Jan. 1, 1991. It requires the 39 county legislators some elected county officials and some appointed officials to disclose their assets greater than \$5,000 but they will not have to indicate the specific amounts. Assets include regular sources of income, and real estate, stocks, bonds, and trusts.

Aimed at cautioning officials against any apparent conflicts of



James C. Ross

interest, the "ethics law" as it is popularly called, would have had to be imposed in a state-created version had the county not approved its own version.

Two years ago, before the state law was on the books, Ross had sought passage of strict disclosure bill patterned after one adopted by Suffolk County. It would have required assets to be listed within one of six separate income ranges from \$1,000 to \$250,000 or more and it also would have applied to the immediate families of the officials which include the county executive, comptroller, attorney, and director of finance.

The Ross bill went to committee but was revised into a milder

version more acceptable to the Democrat-controlled legislature.

Although he pointed out the differences between his proposal and the new law, Ross urged his fellow legislators to support the new version when it came up for a vote at last week's legislature meeting.

"This law is far from ideal," Ross said, "but it is one very small step forward."

In other action, the legislature gave permission to The Capital District Transportation Authority to use, without cost, 120 square feet in the front entry place of the Knickerbocker Arena for a transportation center office.

The office, according to the authorizing resolution, "will benefit patrols of the Knickerbocker Arena, and also benefit the general public."

Contracts approved by the legislature at its meeting included a \$73,849 contract to William J. Keller and Sons Construction Corp. of Castleton for a bridge replacement project to carry Onesquethaw Creek Road over Onesquethaw Creek in the Town of New Scotland, and a \$67,100 contract to Boswell Engineering New York for services related to improving the Krumkill Road Bridge over the Normanskill in New Scotland.



Players from BCBS's varsity baseball team and Bethlehem's Mickey Mantle club were honored at Heritage Park Monday night. Albany-Colonie Yankee Don

Stafford presented coaches Ken Hodge and John Black with plaques for outstanding seasons this past year.

Elaine McLain

Season champs blast all records

By John Bellizzi III

The 1990 Bethlehem Mickey Mantle Blue Eagles, winners of the Eastern New York League Championship and the Upper New York State and North Atlantic Regional Tournaments who qualified for World Series play, broke every statistic in the team's record books.

Coach Jesse Braverman, who established the local team in 1988, said the final record of 29-5 gave the Blue Eagles a percentage of .852. The team batting average (.328) and fielding average (.938) were outstanding, as was the team ERA (1.91). Bethlehem outscored its opponents this summer by more than three to one, 316-103.

The Eagles had six batters hit over .300 this year, and one other player fell just short of that mark. Catcher Matt Quatraro, who completed the battery for this year's New York State Runner-up Bethlehem Central varsity team, led the team with a .519 batting average. Quatraro, who set offensive records for most triples (8) and home runs (13) in a season, had 56 hits, 46 runs scored, 45 RBI, and 15 stolen bases in only 31 games.

Mark Houston, who played this spring for the Albany Academy varsity, batted .407, with 37 hits, 45 runs scored, and 41 RBI in 33 games. Houston, who hit three triples and 10 home runs and stole 10 bases, tied a team record for number of doubles (8) and set a new record for walks (31).

Hitting .379 was outfielder Andre Cadieux, another veteran of the BC varsity championship team, who had 36 hits, 27 RBI, 35 runs scored, 14 stolen bases, and tied Houston's record for eight doubles. Chris Black, the only player to appear in all 34 games, batted .337. John DiAnni, who had 14 hits and 14 RBIs, batted .333. John Lanni, a 15-year old, had three home runs and 20 RBI, batting .307 in a predominantly 16-year old league. RCS outfielder Cameron Smith batted .299 this summer with the Blue Eagles, knocking in 21 runs.

Bill Karins stole 22 bases for a new offensive record, and scored 32 runs. Mike Aylward batted in 15 runs.

Defensively, Mike Gambelunghe, Braverman's 15-year old middle infielder, committed only

four errors all season, finishing with a .947 fielding average. The regular outfield of Cadieux (.912), Black (.938) and Smith (.981) also played outstanding defense. At shortstop and pitcher, Houston had a .906 fielding average, and Quatraro's was .967, and his 31 assists at catcher were more than any infielder other than Houston.

"Matt was throwing the ball quite well this season" Braverman said.

Houston finished the season with a pitching record of 8-2 and one save. His two defeats were one-run losses in the Regionals and the World Series. Houston pitched 61 2/3 innings, more than any previous Blue Eagle pitcher, with a 1.36 ERA, 80 strikeouts, and 32 walks. Houston was presented with a special award at the conclusion of the North Atlantic Regionals, earning his a scholarship to a one-week all expenses paid trip to the Doyle Baseball School in Florida.

Other outstanding Bethlehem pitchers were Matt Shortell (3-1, 2.04 ERA), Smith (4-0, 1.88 ERA, 53 strikeouts, 29 2/3 innings), David Miles (2-0, 2.75 ERA), Lanni (3-0, 1.91 ERA) and Aylward (2-1, 2.33 ERA).

Bethlehem announces school tax rate boost

By Sheila Davis

Bethlehem Central School District Board of Education has announced an eight percent increase in the district tax rate in Bethlehem and an increase of 15.9 percent in New Scotland, for the 1990-91 school year.

The new rate is \$224.11 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in Bethlehem and \$380.47 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in New Scotland.

The figures, announced at a recent board meeting at the educational center, represent an increase of \$16.62 over the current Bethlehem rate and \$52.24 over the New Scotland rate. A tax rate increase from 6.9 percent to 8.9 percent had been predicted. An increase in assessed valuation was less than anticipated while state aid was more, according to Superintendent of Schools Leslie G. Loomis.

In other business the board:

- Approved the 1989-90 amended agreements with BOCES for services actually received, for a total of \$1,062,890.21.

- Approved the 1990-91 preliminary agreement for BOCES services, in the amount of \$1,186,911.33.

- Approved the transfer of \$500 from the library repair account and \$1,250 from the guidance technical services account to the library clerical salary account to provide for entering catalog materials in the automated library system.

- Conducted a first reading of the board of education policy on preschool special education.

- Conducted a first reading of the board of education policy on limited English proficient students.

- Designated all members of the board as legislative liaison to the State School Boards Association.

- Designated board members Lynne Lenhardt and Peter Trent as liaison to the Schenectady Area School Boards Association.

Franz Zwicklbauer, assistant superintendent for business, reviewed the progress of construction work being done on Bethlehem schools. There will be disruptions in the fall and a crunch at Glenmont Elementary School, Zwicklbauer said. According to Superintendent Loomis "The schools will open on time and under safe conditions."

The board's next meeting will be Sept. 5 at 8 p.m. at the district offices.

NiMo asks court for lower rate

Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. has asked the state Supreme Court to reduce the assessment of its steam plant on Route 144 in Glenmont by \$12 million, a move that could shave millions from local tax rolls.

NiMo's January county and town taxes totaled \$1.27 million and its upcoming school tax will be \$3.7 million based on this year's \$15.46 million assessment of the facility, according to Bethlehem Receiver of Taxes Ken Hahn and Assessor John Thompson.

NiMo filed the suit July 17 after assessment figures were finalized July 1. Spokesperson Nickolas Lyman said Monday the company decided to go to court after its challenge of preliminary assessment figures was rejected on grievance day in May.

Lyman said in his opinion the discrepancy exists because the town's equalization rate has dropped steadily, while the value of the 36-year-old plant itself has depreciated and the facility's assessment has remained constant.

Mike Larabee

Artist to show oils at Bethlehem library

Donald Bradt will present his oil paintings of the Bethlehem tri-village area from Tuesday, Sept. 4 through Sunday, Sept. 30, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., in Delmar.

The library gallery will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

For information, call 439-9314.

Regional conferences to begin at SUNYA

Eleven regions across the state will be holding conferences on Aug. 28 as a preliminary step to the Governor's Conference on Library and Information Services in November. The conference for the Hudson Valley North Region

will be held from 12:15 to 6 p.m. at the Campus Center of the State University of New York at Albany.

The goals of the conference are to develop resolutions to be presented at the statewide conference being held Nov. 28 through 30, to

nominate candidates for delegates to the November conference and to elect one person from each geographic area for the statewide conference resolutions committee. All state residents are welcome to attend. For information, call 486-4854.

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□ Puppy

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support included many local businesses who gladly displayed the flyers the Striebingers had printed. Margg said only two businesses declined to accept the posters, which sported a color photo of Leonard. In addition, she is grateful to Ursula Kohn and Shirley Cooney, who help to place pets in new homes.

"So many people were willing to help," she said.

But the Striebingers went the extra mile for the puppy while they

were trying to find him a home. They brought Leonard to a veterinarian and had him wormed and checked out. "It didn't matter if we didn't have enough food, I just wanted to make sure he was medically sound," Margg said about the cost of caring for the puppy.

Luckily, she said, she is self-employed, so she had time to really work at finding a home for the puppy.

During his stay, she said, "He was like an imprinted chicken on me."

But last Thursday, Margg and David gave Leonard to his new owner Karen Shamoun, 13, of Slingerlands.

"He's doing fine, he's sleeping right now, Shamoun said Friday. Leonard, renamed Boris, came to Shamoun with a letter from Margg, his toys and a book on dog care.

Margg said she thinks he'll be happy in his new home. She said she would have only given him to a family who promised to have him neutered at the appropriate time and who would return him to her if the new arrangement didn't work out.

"I know I don't have the fortitude to do it again, but how can you not get involved?"

Genealogical fair set

Those interested in tracing their roots in the Hudson Valley are urged to attend the Kingston area Genealogical Fair. Attendees will receive genealogical information and assistance from Friends of Historic Kingston and the Ulster County Genealogical Society. The fair will be held at the Mid-Town Neighborhood Center in Kingston from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 8. For information, call (914) 331-6535.



Clara Hogan, who retired after 23 years as Clarksville's postmistress, was honored last week by friends and family at the Clarksville Community Church. Elaine McLain

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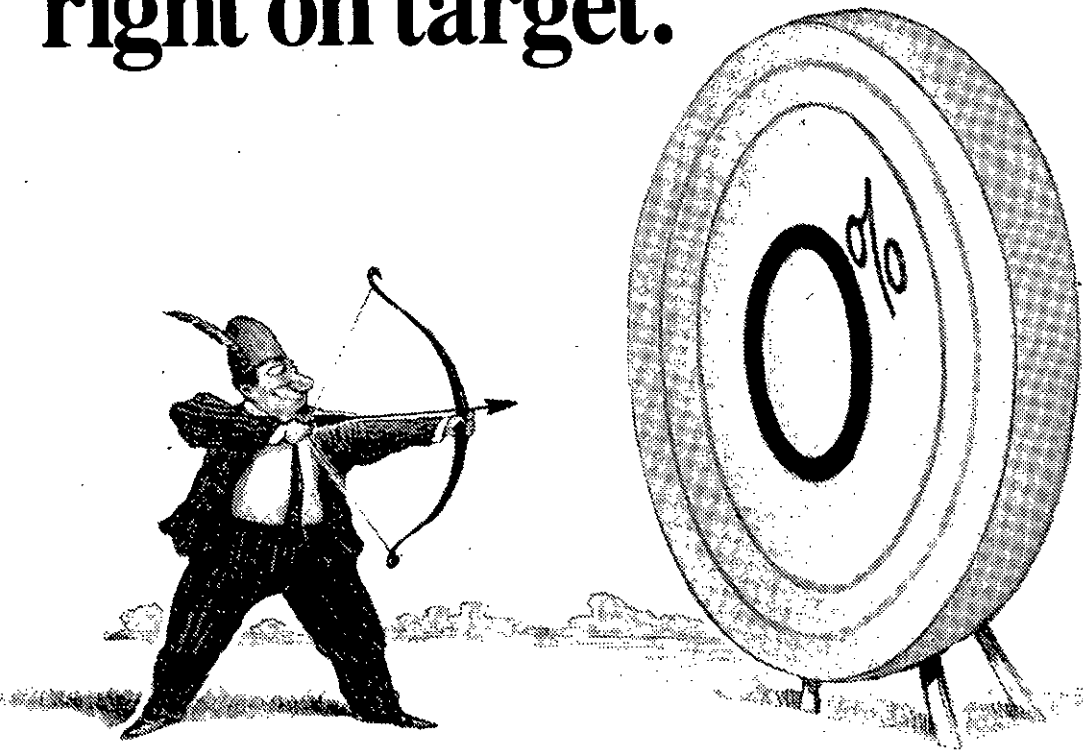
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Drifting yacht towed from river



An emergency worker bails a yacht discovered adrift in the Hudson River at Henry Hudson Park Wednesday, Aug. 15. Police said the yacht, a 42-foot 1958 Matthews owned by Rudy Popner of Berlin, was apparently cut from its

moorings at the Albany Yacht Club in Rensselaer at about 1 a.m. Workers had to race to keep the yacht from sinking and blocking the main river channel, Bethlehem Off. Ray Linstruth said.

Elaine McLain

Man injured in Route 9W crash

David Steindorf, 51, of Orchard Grove, Loudonville, was injured in a Wednesday, Aug. 15, two-car collision on Route 9W.

According to police, Steindorf was hurt after his vehicle collided with a car driven by George T. Vichot, 22, of Wiggand Road, Glenmont, as Vichot was alleg-

edly attempting to make illegal left turn onto Route 32.

Steindorf was taken to St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, where he was treated and released, a hospital spokesperson said.

Vichot was issued tickets for an unsafe lane change and an improper left turn.

Police arrest man for burglary

Police have arrested Francoise Bedoya, 17, of Barry Court, Selkirk, in connection with the July 17 robbery of a Beacon Road residence. Bedoya has been charged with second degree burglary, a

felony, and petty larceny, a misdemeanor.

Bedoya was arraigned before Bethlehem Town Justice Peter Wenger and was released pending further court action.

Police make DWI arrests

Bethlehem Police and the Albany County Sheriff's Department each arrested two drivers for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated last week.

Gerard E. Klauser, 30, of Madison Ave., Albany, was arrested for DWI Saturday, Aug. 18, after he was stopped for traffic violations near the intersection of Delaware Avenue and Lincoln Avenue, Bethlehem police said. He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 4.

Bartholomew Dowd, 29, of Haymarket, Va., was arrested for DWI Saturday, Aug. 18, after he was stopped for traffic violations near the intersection of Delaware Avenue and Booth Road, Bethlehem police said. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Sept. 4.

Patrick Mulligan, 38, of Elm Avenue, Delmar, was arrested for

DWI Sunday, Aug. 12, after he was stopped for traffic violations on Route 85 in New Salem, Albany County sheriff's deputies said. He is scheduled to appear in New Scotland Town Court on Aug. 23.

Peter Faith, 33, of Rip Van Court, Clifton Park, was arrested for DWI and resisting arrest Saturday, Aug. 12, after he was stopped for traffic violations on Route 155 in New Scotland, deputies said. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Sept. 13.

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Large bare spots can be reseeded now. A new product "Lawn Patch" contains seed, fertilizer and the same kind of protective mulch used in hydroseeding. You spread in dry over bare spots and water. Of course,

traditional seeding can be done also. Don't forget, this is the time of year you can benefit your lawn the most!

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Although this plant makes a good screen, it can get out of hand spreading by underground stems and seeds. Round-Up and Kleen-Up are both effective in controlling this plant. Although it may take 3 or 4 years to totally eradicate it. Spray the foliage when the Japanese Bamboo is in bloom. That is when the herbicide is most readily transported to the roots and will kill the whole plant. Bamboo will soon be in bloom.

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Welcoming those inspectors

The invisible hand of creeping government moves a little closer locally this late summer with the advent of inspectors who will come a-knocking at your door just to take a look around.

Householders' instinct may be to tidy up with the Hoover and move the dishes from the sink to the drain; but to the contrary the safest bet probably is to re-hang those tattered curtains, leave the bucket under the dripping spigot, and refrain from patching that place where a wild pitch entered the house.

The inspectors are authorized, we take it, to determine how nice a spread you have there, including the new shower stall and your paint job on the risers. They're visiting around with all the neighbors, too, checking out who should suffer most, taxwise, for property improvements, inside and out.

It's all in the name of equity—the town-wide reassessment of all 11,000 residences in Bethlehem. So we certainly don't want to appear too spick or span, do we?

The friendly inspector you'll see anytime in the next six months or so represents a private firm that's been hired by the town to help make sense of the State's mandate to reassess ("reval," as the headlines put it)

Rapping on wrappings

With the thesis that one-third of all solid waste is just in the packaging of consumer goods, the New York Public Interest Research Group is pressing for an action by local communities that could dovetail nicely with forthcoming recycling regulation.

Citing the example of local laws recently adopted by the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, NYPIRG urges that communities in this state should, similarly, require that all packaging be either reusable, biodegradable, or included in the mandatory recycling program.

More specifically, the proposal is that town boards (and those of cities, of course) should ban styrofoam from restaurants and retail stores. A further requirement would be that when food is to be consumed on a restaurant's premises it must be served on recyclable

Disconnect these calls!

While we're on the line, let's take up another item or two that concerns our telephone service.

Along with many other customers, we have a bone to pick with New York Telephone about some of its business practices. We don't believe that the company should be providing its lines to what it calls "various information and entertainment services." Almost completely, these "services" involve what Telephone describes as "Chat" or "Adult" messages. That's bad enough, but we object particularly to Telephone's squirming protest that it "does not provide the messages" but rather is the collection agency for the sleazy businesses that prey on kids and other generally immature people. This is no kind of business for a respectable public utility—and New York Telephone should get out of it—voluntarily, or be forced out if there's a regulatory body left with any teeth.

In our Aug. 1 "Dial 900 TRO-UBLE" edito-

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properties and re-create everyone equal. So receive him cordially enough, but stop short of offering a cup of coffee. That might be a bribe, after all.

Speak up tonight

One of the more significant public events of the year takes place this Wednesday evening when the Bethlehem Town Board hears from citizens about the temporary stop-order on new solid-waste facilities.

A principal topic is sure to be the proposed American Ref-Fuel incinerator that has a lot of residents burned up. But four other sizable projects are involved in the moratorium (a landfill, an ash dump, another incinerator, and a waste-oil site).

Some feelings are heated, and we must trust that an orderly process will produce light for the board's benefit. The hearing starts in the town hall at 7:30, just when Jeopardy! and Family Feud go on the air, aptly enough.

As we editorialized earlier, *The Spotlight* favors the moratorium.

dishes and utensils, rather than single-use disposable dishes. The proposal does seem to hold enough merit to warrant full consideration by local governing bodies.

NYPIRG has another good idea that ought to attract a lot of support from people who recently have been pestered by receiving telephone directories they don't want. The advocacy group is asking the state's Public Service Commission to look into requiring telephone companies within its jurisdiction to develop a mechanism for retrieving directories for recycling, rather than permitting them to stray into landfills. One problem with this, however, appears to be the PSC's lack of control over the out-of-state companies that are distributing the unwanted, unneeded directories in this age of deregulation and all its excesses.

rial, *The Spotlight* said that "Telephone customers should not bear the burden of protecting themselves against abuse." We reiterate that now, and also repeat that a public utility should never be the agency for risk-free collection of billings on behalf of "information vendors" that are often either fraudulent or merely peddlers of objectionable materials.

Signs of the times

Having expressed the view editorially that the proposed Bethlehem ordinance limiting signs on public property left something to be desired, we note with interest that, at the Town Board's hearing on the matter, the testimony score was 15-love against it.

The game's not over, but board members were quick to indicate to the objectors that, after all, it is just an idea.

Words for the week

Leery: It used to mean knowing — and hence, on one's guard; now it means wary or suspicious only.

Denouement: A final revelation or outcome, deriv-

ing from primary meanings: The outcome, solution, or clarification of a plot in a drama, story, etc., or the point in the plot where this occurs. It's of French derivation, and is pronounced accordingly.

Bethlehem's recycling program outlined

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Recycling will be starting very soon, and residents as well as the haulers are getting prepared. Phone calls and questions tell me that everyone is very enthusiastic. September can't get there fast enough!

The town's recycling brochure is to be sent out in late August to all residents. If you do not receive a brochure before Sept. 1, extras will be available. It will tell you how and what to recycle. (We all would like to believe that *everything* can be recycled.)

One item of confusion may be plastic containers. Look on the bottom of both clear and colored plastics to see if there is a recycling logo, three arrows in a circle. Inside the logo may be a number between 1 and 7. At present, the town's recycling program can accept only the plastics marked #1 and #2. If no recycling logo is visible, crush the container. If it does not crack or break, it is recyclable. (You'll find that after a little practice, the recycling habit will be very easy.)

The Town of Bethlehem has chosen a "one-bin system" which allows residents to place glass, plastics, and cans *together* into one recycling bin. Your commercial waste collector will provide each customer with a recycling bin. Because there is a backlog of orders for recycling bins (due to the startup of a multitude of municipal recycling programs) you may not receive a bin on time.

As an alternative, you may either save your recyclables and put

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them out when your recycling bin is delivered, or you may use your own container as long as it is clearly marked as containing recyclables and not trash. *Recyclables should always be visibly separate from the trash and clean.* If you use the Rupert Road Facility, you must also separate recyclables from the trash.

After Sept. 1, plastic bags for lawn and leaf pickup will no longer be allowed. (Plastic bags can still be used for trash.) Reusable containers or biodegradable *paper* bags are two choices for yard waste left by the curb.

The town will be selling 30-gallon, 100 percent recycled paper bags. When available, in the second week of September, the bags will be sold (at 3 bags for \$1) at the Highway Garage, Town Hall, Town Park, and Rupert Road Landfill. If you need them sooner, *paper* bags for yard waste are sold at grocery stores and hardware stores in the area.

We anticipate that recycling will be in full operation by October. September will be a great beginning.

Sharon Fisher
Recycling Coordinator
Town of Bethlehem

Elm Avenue East,
Selkirk 12158
767-9618; Monday—Friday,
8 a.m. to noon.

The ultimate recycler: 'Trash Tickets' to moms

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Enter into my imagination; it is the year 2001 and I am looking up to earth's surface and concentrating on the Town of Bethlehem. It is a little warm down where I live but things are not so great on the surface either.

I see that pictures we used to have in our homes are replaced by constructivist wall sculpture made from tin cans, plastic bottles, and colored food ads from newspapers.

Furniture looks like something we used to see in the dumps. Children are riding on bicycles made from parts of other bikes. Everyone has patches on their clothing and automobiles are at least 10 years old.

Most of the stores that sold new products have been replaced by businesses that repair everything from shoelaces to stethoscopes and sell "next-to-new" products. When you want a pint of yogurt,

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UNCLE DUDLEY

'Mandatory recycling' fallout

Who's still around to remember when Nelson A. Rockefeller saved us from the Russians?

Your recollection has to go back just about thirty years. It was in his first term as Governor that Mr. Rockefeller started reading about the atomic bomb, the hydrogen bomb, nuclear explosions, and the dangerous conditions that were about to be let loose upon the world if the mad Soviets became really angry with us. There was such a thing as "fallout," he was told, and it was a bad thing. None of us, not to say western civilization, could expect to make it through into his second term unless we adopted stringent measures. The remedy, he was reliably informed, would be in "fallout shelters," where the western world (or at least the New York part of it) would hide until the peril could—shall we say—blow over. The Governor became a convert.

So we had the big Fallout Shelter Crusade. It wasn't that you'd be unpatriotic, just dumb, if you didn't dig your own shelter and supply it with enough cans of beans, bottles of Dr. Pepper, and other amenities so you could sweat it out in style when Krushchev dropped the other shoe, so to speak.

Because of Mr. Rockefeller's undoubted inside info, his unquestioned good sense, and his persuasive exhortations, many folks did indeed fix up their own little shelters and prepare to shoot any lag-gard neighbors who might try to worm their way in.

You'll recall, however, that soon after prepping us on the Red Menace the Governor's attention was diverted by his next discovery: that Albany needed another

set of office buildings—one that would do ample justice to its ultimate designation honoring the first Governor to destroy 98 acres of inferior architecture.

For all I know, some of those shelters may still be around, though I've not noted them listed as extra features along with family room, fireplaces, and modern kitchens in the real estate ads. Maybe some citizens have their hideaways still ready, along with the beans and the guns.

Classify castoffs, towns are saying, or the sky will fall

And for all I know, there may still be some "airplane spotters" searching the skies for the Jap and German planes that never arrived back in '41 and subsequently. Hardly a man is now alive who can recall the panicked recruitment of a network of 4-fs, grandmothers, and other unlikely heroes to maintain a vigil day and night on the theory that enemies might well strike at Cossackie or Westerlo. Just maybe (though not likely), this dedicated corps' reputation was such as to frighten off Tojo and the Luftwaffe.

In any event, they did mean well. Which is exactly what can be said about the "activists" and "environmentalists" who have panicked the nation into believing there's a "solid waste crisis" as real as Zeroes over the Helderbergs a half-century ago and Rockefeller's fallout peril more recently.

The closest parallel, so far, is in what has come to be known as "mandatory recycling." This time,

to save the West, you are going to have to classify your castoffs, and sort them out, the Pepsi, bottle by bottle; paint can by paint can; shoes and broken toaster; golf balls from gift wrappings.

For a handy example, note the debate in the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors as to whether, under the county's solid waste/recycling law, newspaper pages ought to be used to line bird cages, and for certain other messy tasks. One supervisor's suggestion was that the law should be clear enough so the sheriff's deputy giving out tickets at recycling centers can "apply it properly." In other words, how much you should be hassled for a mistake when you segregate the trash. I offer you this as a partial answer to my own question: Are we close to going too far in our zeal?

Ordering every householder to take on a quite complicated set of new daily acts to be carried out on a "mandated" basis is a new role for local governments. But it's one that's being assumed regularly by those governments' elective leaders. Under pressure from today's knot of "we know best" zealots, our governments are committing all of us to perform strange new tasks (what's the penalty for failure to act efficiently, by the way?). All without a great deal of convincing evidence that drastic measures are indeed the best answer to this crisis that wasn't visible Wednesday but is threatening by Thursday.

This year's peril may or may not be as genuine as the fallout scare. And sorting out your junk may or may not be the proper response. Meanwhile, please to remember what it's possible to do with statistics.

CONSTANT READER

How the wheel was reinvented

One of the most overworked clichés of our day is committed regularly by such folk as committee chairpersons, deans, roundtable discussants, and a variety of other individuals exercising a temporary degree of authority. The expression is:

"Let's not reinvent the wheel." Or variations on this, such as "He's just reinventing the wheel."

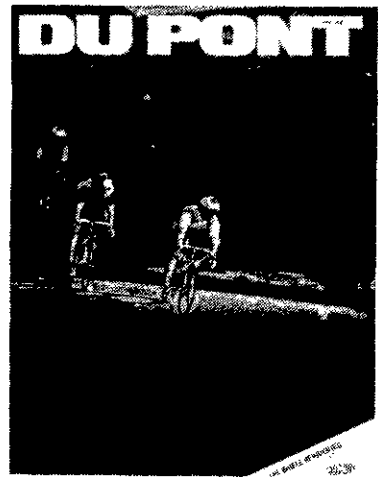
I believe some readers may recall that Constant Reader has touched on this previously, but I just came across a fuller reference too good to pass up. Here's the story.

What has been invented (by a pair of engineers at the DuPont Company) is a bicycle wheel that is being described as "dynamically different." The crucial difference lies largely in aerodynamics and drag factors. The new wheel fully exploits aerodynamics in ways that minimize drag.

The two engineers, Mark Hopkins and Frank Principe invested months of intensive effort in "an activity that's universally dismissed as redundant, pointless, a complete waste of time." The quote is from an explanatory article in the *DuPont Magazine*.

We can skip the engineering jargon about sophisticated computer modeling, rim and spoke configuration, and air foil design.

The fact is that there are some 30,000 licensed bicycle racers in the U.S. and 50,000 dedicated triathletes. Their chief preoccupation when it comes to cycling is: How long will it take me to cover the distance between point A and point B?



Wind tunnel and field tests show that, compared with the conventional 36-spoke wheels, the new wheel can cut about 10 minutes of total biking time in a 100-mile time trial or triathlon run. The wheel weighs less than three pounds but its triple-spoke design can sustain impact loads of greater than 850 pounds between the spokes.

The wheel's retail selling price (as suggested by the marketer, Specialized Bicycle Components)

is \$750. But if that strikes you as a staggering price tag for a single wheel, it doesn't appear that way to many serious cyclists. Dedicated cyclists may be found paying up to \$2,500 for conventional disc wheels.

The *DuPont Magazine* struck me as the very model of a corporate publication aimed at interesting, informing, and impressing a varied readership. That they've been honing their skills for a long time is indicated by the fact that this issue is the third in Volume 84.

Some of the other things I learned may be of interest to you, too. For instance:

- The White House has accumulated some 30 coats of paint (at least once every presidential election year) that wouldn't come off. The effect was closer to vanilla fudge than to white.

- The average American eats 11 pounds of peanuts in a year. A peanut is more than one-quarter protein, and it's high in fiber, complex carbohydrates, unsaturated fat, vitamins, and minerals — and it has no cholesterol. Seventy percent of peanuts are of the small "runner" variety, and are used in peanut butter and candy bars.

A model solution for Half Moon

The contributor of this Point of View was a program manager in corporate marketing for General Electric, from which he retired in 1986 after 35 years' service. He thereupon developed a model shipbuilding hobby, which he describes with special attention to his model of the Half Moon—and to the replica of that ship built last year at the Port of Albany.

By Raymond J. Roohan

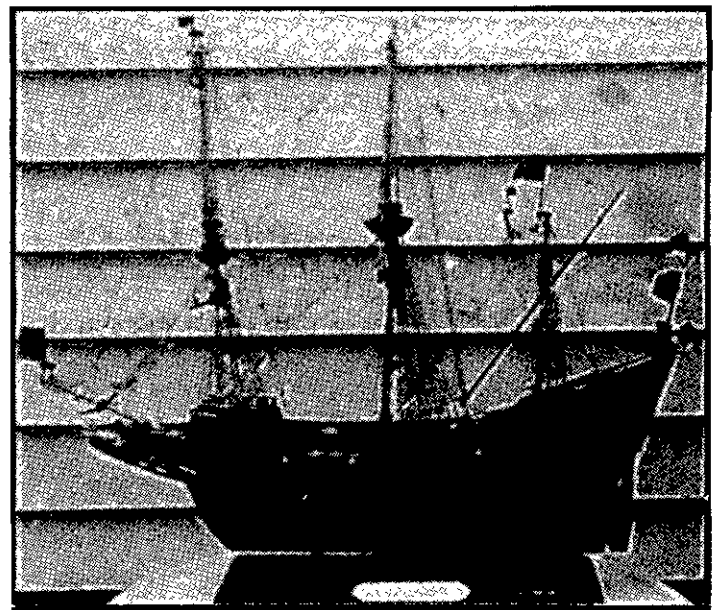
Capital District sailing ship enthusiasts were treated last year to the sight of an actual replication of a 17th century Dutch merchant ship, an armed "Jagt," called De Halve Maen (Half Moon). The original vessel had served as Henry Hudson's flagship during his probes of exploration on the North American east coast in search of a Northwest Passage to the Orient. Of more immediate interest to us is his particular discovery in 1609 of what came to be known as the Hudson River.

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Incorporating the Half Moon in the Town of Bethlehem's seal is therefore proper and, in the opinion of many historians, accurate since they believe that Hudson's northernmost navigation of the river took him only as far as the area offshore of what we now know as Glenmont.

And so observing this historic ship's replication—from the laying of the keel through its sailing departure last fall—was of great interest to me since my hobby is crafting detailed models of old-time wooden sailing ships in a scale of approximately one inch to 25 or 50 inches (1:25 to 1:50).

It's a fascinating hobby; one that I picked up following retirement four years ago from General Electric. Besides the personal pleasure comes an occasional pat on the back. I'm not surprised by now with the favorable reactions by people who have museum-quality model ships, or those who make them. And a comment by my wife, Alida, that my first model "would look nice over the fireplace" was all the encouragement needed to tackle a second ship model.



Ray Roohan's scale model of the Half Moon.

Now, more than a dozen models later, I still find excitement and anticipation in shipcrafting. It's a solitary activity, where time (lots of it) and patience (really calms the nerves) are abundantly needed. It's also as much a spectator sport as watching your grass grow, but the satisfaction to be found in creating an attractive, historically accurate, museum-quality ship model is enormous. After all, a beautifully crafted ship reflects perhaps a touch of a quieter, gentler, nostalgic period in our nation's nautical history.

Alida still compliments my efforts but she no longer suggests that recent models go onto the hearth—or even into the den (no room left there). The nautical look has now invaded our upstairs rooms; this can be a real asset, assuming your wife's furnishings and decorations lean toward colonial or early American decor. Some shipmodels have even found their way to Illinois to adorn the walls and tables of our children's homes.

And so it was, with great expectations, that I made weekly visits to the Snow Dock in the Port of Albany to watch the Half Moon evolve. Its builders early on decided that the replica was to become the most authentic ever maritime restoration. Many replicas, including the Mayflower II now in Plymouth, Mass., and other replicas of a number of 17th and 18th century European and colonial ships are but educated guesses of what the originals looked like. Plans for the Albany vessel, however, were based on the Half Moon's actual naval drawings. These are still available for marine historians to review at the Dutch naval archives in the Hague and Amsterdam.

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Trash

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you go to the store with a tin bucket like my grandfather did when hewanted a pail of beer. In fact, I see a similarity between stores of 1918 and 2001. Most food is in barrels for easy loading of recycled containers.

The trash man, who wears a uniform something like the state police, is deputized so he can give Trash Tickets to mothers who do not spend hours soaking and scraping labels off soup cans or who accidentally put the worn-out metal cover of the recycled baby-food jar in the container that is supposed to just have phospho-hypochlorinated mononitrate-free plastics that do not break when squeezed.

For those who cannot afford a trash man to pick up the five types of trash they generate, the Town lets them take their trash to its facility. Everything has to be put on a conveyor, where it goes through X-ray and sniffing machines. Deputies in glass booths with TV monitors and loudspeakers tell you to take your trash off the conveyor and correct any violations of the Trash Law when these are spotted.

The cost of electricity has skyrocketed, since trash cannot be burned and all the nuclear plants

have been shut down. Carbon monoxide levels are way up because of the trucks that carry recycleables to Syracuse. Everyone has ear, skin, and sinus infections from the compost heaps, and the insect and rodent population explosions require use of killing chemicals in quantities that would have scared the ruler of Iraq back in 1990.

Why did this happen, you ask? Well, in the 1980's some NIMBYs said we were covering all our open space with dumps when in reality we had one partially used 27-acre dump in the 30,000 acres that make up the town. These same people said the quality of life in Bethlehem would deteriorate if we allowed someone to pick up, sort, recycle, and burn our trash. And lastly, the remainder of the residents, unlike those in other communities, did not fight for a trash disposal system that would have prevented the occurrences I have noted above.

William B. Strong

Delmar

If the BCHS student who submitted a letter signed "Anonymous" will please identify herself/himself in another communication, *The Spotlight* will then consider it for publication.

Here's a puppy's tale with a happy ending

Editor, The Spotlight:

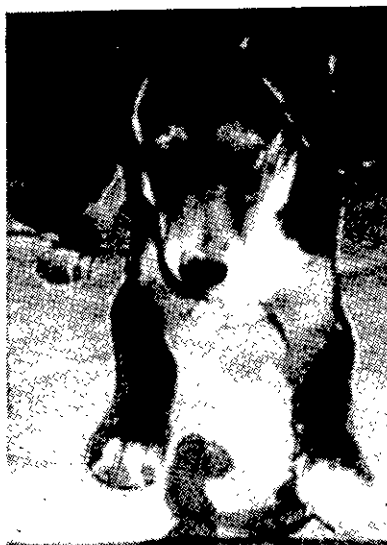
On Monday, July 30, at 6 p.m., a dastardly act was committed on our quiet, rural Glenmont road. A beautiful, healthy, four-month-old male puppy was abandoned and left to starve—or become a road-kill statistic.

Presumably the ignorant coward who possessed the nearly unbelievable ability to perform this act was unaware of the many local organizations and the caring individuals who help people in his predicament. His action not only placed this exceptional animal in jeopardy, it also created, among those of us who assumed responsibility for this puppy, a shame and a repugnance to share the title "member of the human race."

In trying to find a responsible home for the affectionate pup, we received tremendous support from the community. We thank the many businesses that allowed us to display posters about him—his health, disposition, training, etc. We especially thank Shirley Cooney and Ursula Kohn (two kind and giving souls who offer a private pet adoption service); Laura Taylor and

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John Palmer (who invested energy in finding the pup a home); Brian (our caring Bethlehem dog war-



den); and Barbara Smith (who generously and unselfishly assisted in a most meaningful way by giving of her time to help).

All the community networking did result in finding the "right" home for this precious puppy. Although still unable to identify the "fellow human being" responsible for this action and still disillusioned by his heartless, thoughtless act, we now realize there are a great many caring people in our community and we heartily thank each of you.

Marge and David Striebinger
Glenmont

Where 'yard wastes' go: mostly North St.

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to point out an error in an article in the Aug. 15 issue of *The Spotlight*. It states: "Currently, about 20 percent of town yard waste is taken to Elm Avenue East, while the rest is dumped at the Rupert Road landfill."

As residents of North Street well know, the other 80 percent of town yard waste, along with other items, is dumped in the landfill at the end of North Street, not Rupert Road.

Thomas Lewis

Delmar

Flag code violations discerned by observer

Editor, The Spotlight:

One afternoon last week, in a short period of time, while driving, I came upon four sites which showed me the U.S. Flag Code was being disregarded.

At the Albany Council No. 173 Knights of Columbus, 375 Ontario Street, Albany, is a badly torn flag which should be removed in keeping with Section 176(k) of the code which states: "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning."

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of international flags including two American flags that incorrectly show the stars in the blue field to the street-observer's right. Section 175(i) of the code in part tells us "When displayed either horizontally or vertically the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right, that is to the observer's left."

The code's Section 174(e) has this: "The flag should be displayed daily on or near the main administration building of every public institution." As far as I know this applies to the U.S. Postal Service installations. Today the absence of our national flag from their flagpoles caught my attention at the Slingerlands and Guilderland post offices.

Perhaps this letter may alert those responsible for publicly displaying the American flag at the aforementioned locations to take the action necessary to abide by the U.S. Flag Code.

Democrats once held Bethlehem town hall

Editor, The Spotlight:

The time has come to correct a widely held misconception frequently printed in your paper and repeated in the July 18 front-page article on the sign banning proposal. The statement that Bob Burns is "The first Democrat ever elected to town government in its 194-year history" is simply not true.

While it is true that Mr. Burns is the first Democrat in a long time, many adherents of the party begun by Thomas Jefferson served this town in its first century. In the 50 years between the splitting off of the town of New Scotland in 1833 and the election of the most recent Democratic supervisor, W. Chauncey Hotelling, in 1882, Bethlehem Democrats held the office of supervisor over half the time.

The reason behind the Bethlehem Democratic party's fall from competitiveness after 1882 remain to be uncovered.

What is true now is that winds of change are blowing in Bethlehem, and all citizens will be better

served by the re-emergence of an active and competitive Democratic party in Bethlehem.

Land sale is clarified

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to clarify one aspect of The Spotlight's Aug. 8 article, "Would-be donor sinks in red tape."

The article says that I sold off a dozen parcels of land in the vicinity of 9W and Maple Avenue. I did not do this. And I was not the person who sold land to Stewart's for a store, as I did not own that land.

Agnes Goo

Selkirk

Group works to start Business Bureau

The Better Business Bureau Formation Committee for the Capital Region is making progress in its efforts to establish a BBB to serve the Capital District region of New York State.

The formation committee is comprised of a broad cross-section of area business people and citizens. The committee formally launched the Capital Region Better Business Bureau Formation Campaign on July 9, 1990.

For information on how to help establish a Better Business Bureau, write to: Better Business Bureau Formation Committee for the Capital Region, 718 State St., Schenectady, NY 12307, or call 372-4269.

Delmar man joins technology firm

Lamar A. Hill of Delmar recently joined Automated Dynamics Corporation as manager of marketing and sales, overseeing and implementing strategic plans to expand the number of markets toward which the company directs its

technology.

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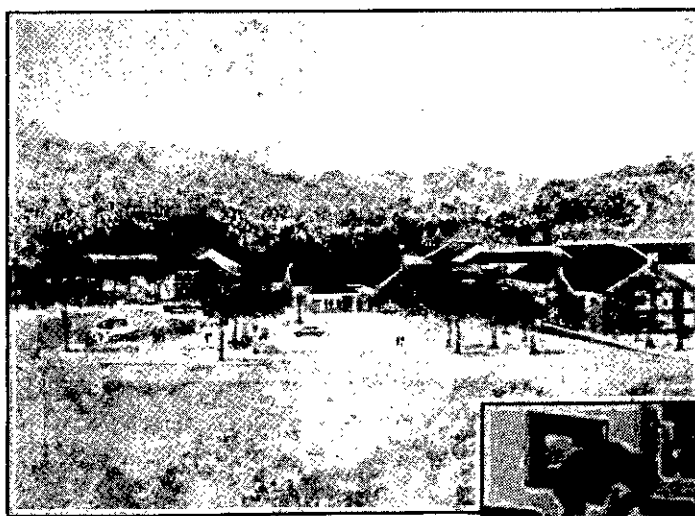
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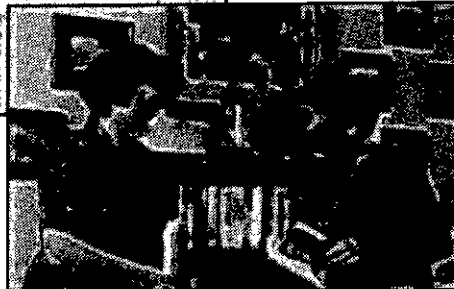
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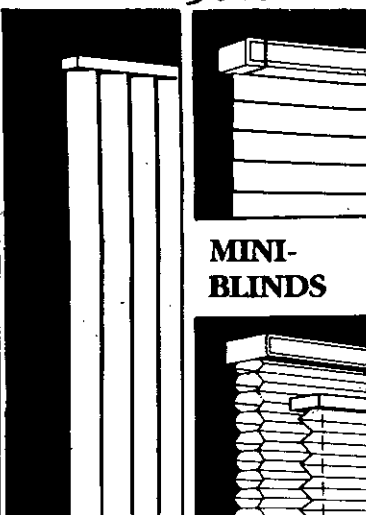
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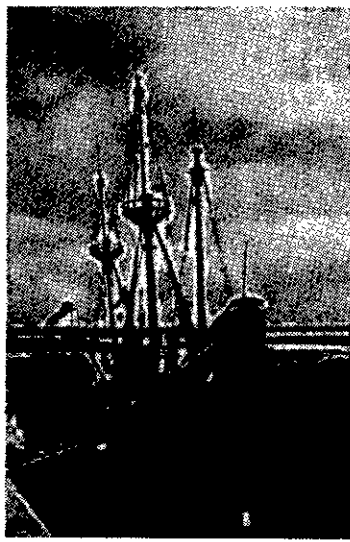
□ Half Moon

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Naturally, some modifications were necessary in the interest of complying with current U.S. Coast Guard regulations and of enhancing crew comfort and accommodating visiting tourists. Also, modern materials can tremendously increase the useful life of a wooden vessel. For instance, the replica's oaken ribs and pine planks are made from laminations using epoxy bonding and other modern coatings that reduce the effects of salt, weather, and wood-borers. In addition, a

small engine and generator provide supplemental propulsion power and electricity. To the casual observer, though, the external appearances seem fairly authentic. Even the treenails (wooden pegs used to affix planking to the hull) were simulated by using thin wooden plugs over the laminated hull planks.

With all this happening almost in our "backyard," I became interested in constructing my own Half Moon model concurrent with the construction on the waterfront. I was able to obtain model materials



of a talented designer's imagination, rather than a true historic representation of the original.)

I wrote an extensive account describing construction of my model of the Half Moon and detailing many of the nuances necessary in the interest of accuracy. The article was published in the May/June 1990 of *Model Ship Builder*, the international publication for devotees of the hobby. In the article, I credited the naval architect and master rigger Nicholas Benton for allowing use of the product of his own research at the archives to correct my model's plans.

his accident. But in my reviewing the model's plans with him, he had remarked on the accuracy of my plans for the standing rigging (shroud and stay lines, mainly to support the masts) and running rigging (halyards, sheets, tacks, ropes, et al). (The latter was the area of immediate need by the builders.) In the hope that my model Half Moon's rigging plans might be of use, I supplied a complete set to the Albany builders.

The plans were indeed put to good use. Within three weeks, the key elements of the rigging were tied off. I was informed that the plans had proved to be most useful in filling out the builders' "information gap."

And so, on a wet and dreary October day last year the Half Moon cast its lines and, in the tow of a New York tugboat, departed the city of its birth to the applause and cheers of a small, diehard crowd of Dutch heritage, and old-time sailing ship enthusiasts.

I don't imagine many of them could have realized that Master Rigger Benton's vision of the replication of Henry Hudson's Half Moon was fulfilled, to some small extent, as a result of rigging plans drawn in Milan, Italy, by a naval architect of model ships, and that these plans, purchased by a model shipwright in Delmar, New York, finally were used by shipwrights replicating a full-scale construction of the Half Moon at an Albany, New York, dock—on Hudson's River.

As Paul Harvey would put it, "...and that's the rest of the story."

The full-scale Half Moon is moored at the Port of Albany's Snow Dock before her maiden voyage down the Hudson.

and a set of plans from a European dealer. The 83-foot Half Moon became an 18-inch model on my workbench. Fortunately, I was allowed to compare the purchased plans with those being used at the Snow Dock, and this prevented my making construction errors on the hull, mast, and deck fittings. (To those readers interested in this hobby, a word of caution: Be leery of plans specific to the smallest detail, especially of 16th and 17th century vessels. Many minor decorative fittings and rigging details may have been the product

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St. Thomas planning picnic at Elm Ave. Park

The 20th annual St. Thomas Family Picnic will be held Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Town of Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park from 1 to 7 p.m. Picnic co-chairs Barbara and Mickey Kavanaugh announced that having the picnic at the park will ensure ample parking and activities for all family members, including tennis courts and nature trails.

The picnic will feature entertainment by Skip Parsons' Riverboat Jazz Band, Jim Snack, the magician and "Mr. Bouncey-Bounce" for children of all ages. Parish volunteers will be at the grills at the town park pavilion

preparing hamburgers, sausages and onions and hot dogs. There will be plenty of soda and beer to satisfy everyone's thirst.

Special raffle prizes include a J.C. Penney color television with stereo sound, a bicycle from the Eagle's Nest Bike Shop and a stay at the Sagamore Resort at Lake George. Door prizes include gift certificates from Falvo's Meat Market, The Toymaker, Buenau's Opticians, Town & Tweed and many other stores.

Raffle tickets will be on sale after masses on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 25 and 26 and Sept. 8 as well as the day of the picnic.

JCC hosts workshops

The Albany Jewish Community Center is sponsoring a series of activities throughout the coming months.

The first of these is an adult lecture and slide presentation on foot disorders to be held on Aug. 28 at 1:30 p.m. at the center on Whitehall Road in Albany. Prior to the program, a senior lunch will be held at 12:30 p.m.

On Aug. 29 a trip to "My Fair Lady" at the Mac Haydn Theater will depart from the center at 12:30 p.m.

An old-fashioned cookout will be held at the center's picnic grounds on Sept. 5. Burgers, franks, salads, desserts, and other refreshments will be available.

On Sept. 11 at 1:15 p.m., the center will host a seminar on preventive health, heart, and fitness.

SPAC to offer diverse performances in August

There are a number of performances taking place at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center throughout August.

Violinist Joshua Bell makes his debut at SPAC in concert with the Philadelphia Orchestra on Friday Aug. 24 at 8:15 p.m.

The Philadelphia Orchestra will mark the final performance of its 25th anniversary season at SPAC on Aug. 25 at 8:15 p.m. Pianist Misha Dichter will join the orchestra in a salute to conductor Eugene Ormandy.

Sinead O'Connor brings her powerful voice to SPAC on Aug. 29 at 8:15 p.m. O'Connor's album, "I Do Not Want What I Haven't Got," has already reached platinum status in the United States.

Little Feat, a group that has been described as musically inventive, comes to SPAC on Aug. 28 at 8:15 p.m.

Eating disorder groups offered

The Capital Region Association for Eating Disorders offers five support groups in the Capital District area. Meetings are open to anorexics, bulimics, and compulsive eaters, as well as their families and those close to them.

The dates and locations for these meetings are as follows: Schenectady, Union college, college center, fourth floor, every first Tuesday.

Troy, Russell Sage College, Sage Hall counseling Center, every second Wednesday.

Albany, Albany Public Library, Rooms 1 and 2, every third Thursday.

Saratoga Springs, Four Winds-Saratoga, Algonquin Activities Building, Crescent Avenue, every fourth Thursday.

Hudson, Christ Episcopal Church, Union Street, every fourth Tuesday.

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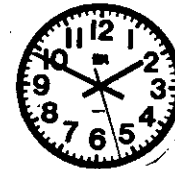
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New Scotland Kiwanians plan birthday bash

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year and has planned a special dinner dance to mark the occasion. The event will be held on Friday, Sept. 28 at Western Turnpike Golf Course. According to Kiwanis President Jim Coffin, the entire community is being invited to share the evening with the Kiwanians as they review the past four decades of service to the people of New Scotland.

A booklet is being put together to mark the celebration, and the club has sent letters to area businesses and merchants to solicit donations to help defray the cost of the anniversary program. Contributors can have their names listed in the program as Benefactors for \$50 or more, Sponsors for \$25 to \$49 and Patrons for \$5 to \$24. Donations should be sent to the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, P.O. Box 1, Voorheesville, New York 12186. For more information, contact Jim Coffin at 765-4556.

Those wishing to attend the dinner may contact either Peter Douglas at 765-3108 or John Cole at 765-3308. Cost of the dinner is \$20 per person with the choice of prime rib or cornish game hen.

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The evening will include highlights from the past 40 years of projects supervised by the Kiwanis, including grasshopper, baseball, softball and t-ball, pee wee wrestling, summer band, and the annual Halloween party.

Summer ends at library

Summer programs are finally coming to an end at the Voorheesville Public Library. The final movie of the family film festival will be shown this Thursday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m. at the library on School Road. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy "The Adventures of the Wilderness Family," which tells the tale of a modern city couple who trade the hustle bustle of urban life for the wilds of the Rocky Mountains. The movie is free and open to the public. It will last approximately 100 minutes.

The popular summer reading club finished in style this week as

both clubs met for their grand parties on Monday and Tuesday. According to Librarian Nancy Hutchinson, close to 75 students turned out weekly for the club for grades 4 through 6, while approximately 175 were registered in the class for primary grade pupils.

Summer story hours end this Friday and will resume on Sept. 10.

Baseball tickets still available

The Town of New Scotland's recreation committee still has a few special price tickets to this evening's (Aug. 22) Albany-Colonie Yankees game against the Williamsport Bills. Anyone wishing to obtain tickets may call the town hall at 439-4889.

Concert series continues

The concert in the park series will continue with this week's event yet to be announced. The concert will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26 in Evergreen Park.

On Labor Day weekend the concert will move to the park on the green behind the village hall as the popular group "Goldrush" comes to town on Sunday, Sept. 2. The group, known for its 50s and 60s music as well as its Top 40

selections, will provide music for dancing beginning at 6:30 p.m. This concert will conclude the summer concert in the park series that has been coordinated by "Goldrush" member Bob Shutter and Village Trustee Dan Reh.

Senior trips coming up

The New Scotland seniors will be hitting the road again this fall, and trip coordinator Lois Crouse reminds those who signed up for the Festival of Lights trip that the downpayment should be in by now. For those going to Ottawa, the remainder of the money is now due. Those having any questions about any of the excursions may contact Lois at 765-2109.

New Scotland seniors will hold a craft meeting today (Aug. 22). New members are always welcome. The group meets at the Wyman Osterhout Senior Citizen Center in New Salem.

Scouts visit Cape Cod

Speaking of trips Voorheesville Boy Scout Troop 73 recently trekked to Truro on Cape Cod for a few days. The group for the last several years has made occasional visits to the site where they camp at the invitation of the local Boy Scout troop. Besides a number of visits to various National Seashore parks and beaches, the boys visited Provincetown and took a ride in a vintage five-passenger tour plane. According to Scoutmaster Ray Ginter, 21 boys and dads made the memorable journey.

Open house at Becker

A.W. Becker Elementary School will be inviting kindergartners, first graders, new entrants and their parents to an informal open house on Tuesday, Aug. 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Classrooms will be open for visitors.

Bethlehem park hosts sing-along

Ruth Pelham will present a sing-along concert "Under One Sky" at the Elm Avenue Park sponsored by Bethlehem Parks and Recreation.

The Music Mobile will entertain families on Aug. 26 at 7 p.m.

For information, call 462-8714.

Bouton alumnus named scholar

David Larabee, son of John Larabee of Hillsdale, and Marcia Larabee of Round Pond, Me., has been named a Rufus Choate scholar at Dartmouth College.

Larabee, a sophomore, is a 1989 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School. He qualified as a Rufus Choate scholar by maintaining a grade point average in the top five percent of his class.

Artist holds exhibition

Rochelle Brenner will display her photography and poems, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The exhibition will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.


The show opens Tuesday, Sept. 3 and closes Sunday, Sept. 30.

For information, call 439-9314.

Library to close Labor Day weekend

The Bethlehem Public Library will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 1, 2 and 3 in observance of Labor Day.

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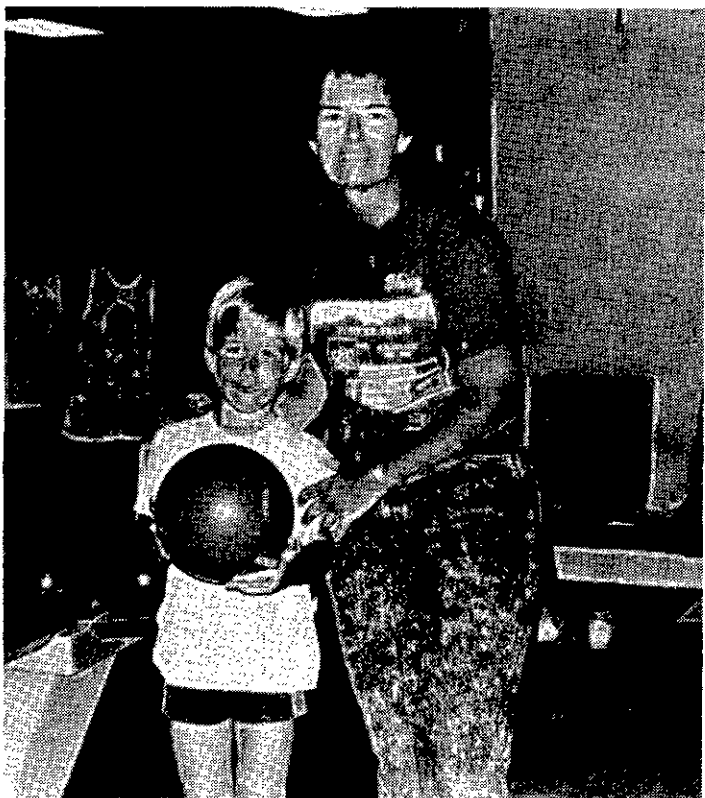


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Elaine McLain

BC student returns from Asian music tour

Suzanne Rice, a sophomore at Bethlehem Central High School, has recently returned from a tour of Southeast Asia. Rice is principal hornist with the Alington High School Touring Orchestra of Poughkeepsie.

Throughout the month of July, the orchestra performed in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong, and Honolulu. The orchestra also performed in a joint concert with the Penang Symphony Orchestra in Penang, Malaysia.

Rice, also a member of the Empire State Youth Orchestra, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Rice of Delmar.

Cornell offers women's studies

Cornell University's New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations announced recently openings in the September 1990 class of its public service women's studies program.

The program is a one-year college credit and certificate program originally designed for New York state clerical workers, however all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Courses offered this fall focus on managerial, and communication skills.

Classes will be held from 5:45 p.m. to 9:20 p.m. at the State University of New York at Albany. For information, call 518-449-4161.

Park chief to discuss playground

There will be a meeting tonight, Aug. 22 to update the community on the progress of the South Bethlehem Park and Playground.

The meeting will be at the South Bethlehem firehouse at 7:30 p.m. and will feature Dave Austin, director of parks and recreation, for the Town of Bethlehem. All community residents are invited.

School tour set

The Ravena Coeymans Selkirk Board of Education will meet early on Monday, Aug. 27 with its annual tour of the school buildings. A regular meeting will take place at the senior high school after the tour.

Lunch program available

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offices in each school.

Minister ordained

Mark Traeger, son of Ruth Traeger and the late Augustus Traeger of South Bethlehem, was ordained into the ministry at the Greater Grace World Outreach in Baltimore, Md.

Clam steam tickets

There's still time to get your tickets for the South Bethlehem's Fire Company clam steam this Saturday from 1 to 9 p.m. For your \$30 donation feast all day on clams, corn, chicken and all the trimmings. Beer and soda will also be served. You must be at least 21 years old to attend.

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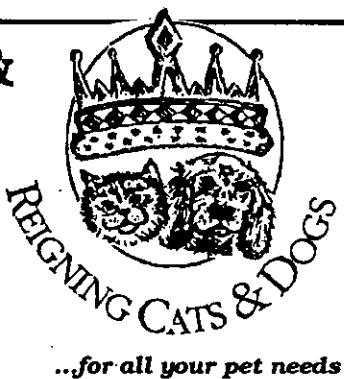
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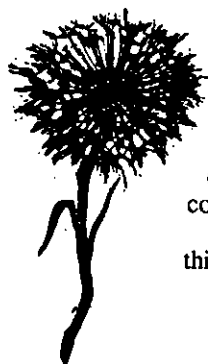
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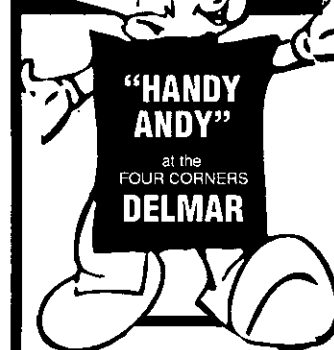
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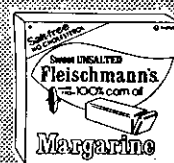
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Waste

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stream by limiting the initiative improve them.

"If we keep expanding capacity, you won't keep the focus on waste reduction and recycling," she said.

Last week, a Work on Waste and New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) flyer was circulated in town urging people to attend the hearing. The flyer asked that residents support two measures:

- A permanent moratorium on all new incinerators in town.
- Local waste reduction laws designed to eliminate excess packaging and limit the use of disposable dishes and utensils. In particular, the groups call for a law banning Styrofoam from restaurants and retail stores.

Town Supervisor Ken Ringler said he would refer the proposal for a solid waste moratorium to the solid waste task force, the town committee charged with exploring the town's legal options during the moratorium. But his initial reaction to the idea was negative.

"It's not something that I would be in favor of," Ringler said. "I'm not totally convinced that we can do without burning. I'd like to be convinced of that."

In addition, Ringler said he feels state and federal governments are the appropriate forum for discus-

sion of packaging and other waste reduction laws.

"I honestly think we need to be looking at that at a higher level of government," Ringler said. "I feel there's a lot of waste in packaging and we've got to do something about it, but in this particular case it's the responsibility of higher levels of government."

While Lyons agreed waste reduction laws would be most efficient if introduced at the state or federal level, she said there are benefits to local initiatives as well.

"I think it needs to start at all levels," she said, including the local level because there, in particular, people can be educated by focusing direct attention on the waste crisis. She added that other individual communities have adopted packaging provisions such as the ones Work on Waste favors.

"Yes, it would be wonderful if the federal government adopted some serious waste reduction laws," said Lyons. "But we can't afford to stand around and let different levels of government argue about who should do it."

Work on Waste supports the construction of a landfill in Bethlehem for town use exclusively, something which Lyons said will complement recycling efforts. "If the town is doing the landfill, boy do you have every incentive to make sure it lasts as long as possible."

Post office

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Breeze maintains that as a venture of the federal government, the post office plan is exempt from local land-use and zoning statutes. But town officials say that as result of reorganization two decades ago, the U.S. Postal Service is no longer technically a federal entity. Thus, they say, the town has the right to review the site.

"Generally the federal government is not subject to town zoning laws," said Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz. "The issue is really is the post office part of the federal government."

According to J.T. Weeker, general manager/postmaster for the service's Albany division, it is. "Nearly every law that applies to a federal agency applies to us," he said. He pointed out that the service's board of governors continues to be appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate.

While he knows of no firm state legal precedent supporting the issue either way, Weeker said a past opinion of the state comptroller favors the post office's position.

"The basic laws that appeared to apply before postal reorganiza-

tion appear to apply now," said Weeker.

But Kaplowitz said there are ambiguities in the comptroller's opinion, notably an argument that the town could have the building demolished if it ever were used in some capacity other than as a post office. "That seems to be crazy, frankly," he said.

The new building would be set on property Breeze has owned since 1973 across the street from the end of Route 140, a location Weeker called "an awfully good place for a post office." Under the plan, Breeze would construct the building and lease it to the postal service for at least 15 years. The site was selected over five other proposals to replace the Toll Gate facility, the lease for which expires Nov. 1.

"We need a post office," said Breeze. "We need to have one that's conveniently located. We need one that's got enough space around it so it can get its job done and fulfill its mission."

Breeze has filed for declaratory judgment with the state Supreme Court. Kaplowitz said the town will likely respond within the next 10

days and guessed the case would take about three months to resolve.

Like Breeze, Town Supervisor Ken Ringler appeared willing to let the courts settle what he called "a grey area" in the law. "There's definitely some question. It's not

something that's clear-cut at this time," he said. But he said he believes the town should have the right to review the proposal.

"I've said all along that I thought this has to go through the zoning process," said Ringler. He pointed to the fact that the postal service does not own the property but will instead lease it from Breeze. "I feel the post office should go through a zoning change like everybody else."

Breeze emphasized he has no complaints with his treatment by the town, but said if the court case or zoning procedures tie up the process for very long, he'll be "in breach of contract with the United States."

"What I'm looking for is a resolution," said Breeze. "I think the town is looking for it just as I am. There's no animosity between us."

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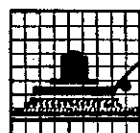
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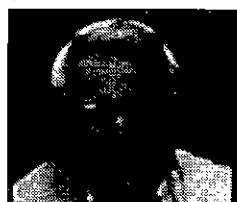
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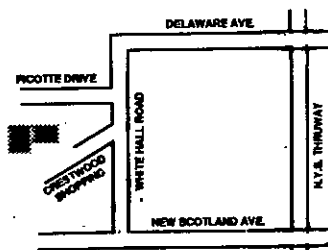
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Speaking via satellite will be: President Vaclav Havel of Czechoslovakia from Prague; President

Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, the 1988 Africa Prize Laureate, from Harare; Joan Holmes, Hunger Project global executive director and Bradford Morse, former UN Development Programme administrator and Africa Prize jury chairman, from the United Nations in New York City.

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Satellite program aimed at teachers

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Delmar man attends writers' workshop

Rob Arber of Delmar attended the 1990 Catskill Writers' Workshop at Hartwick College recently. The week-long program included workshops, readings, lectures, and individual instructional conferences.

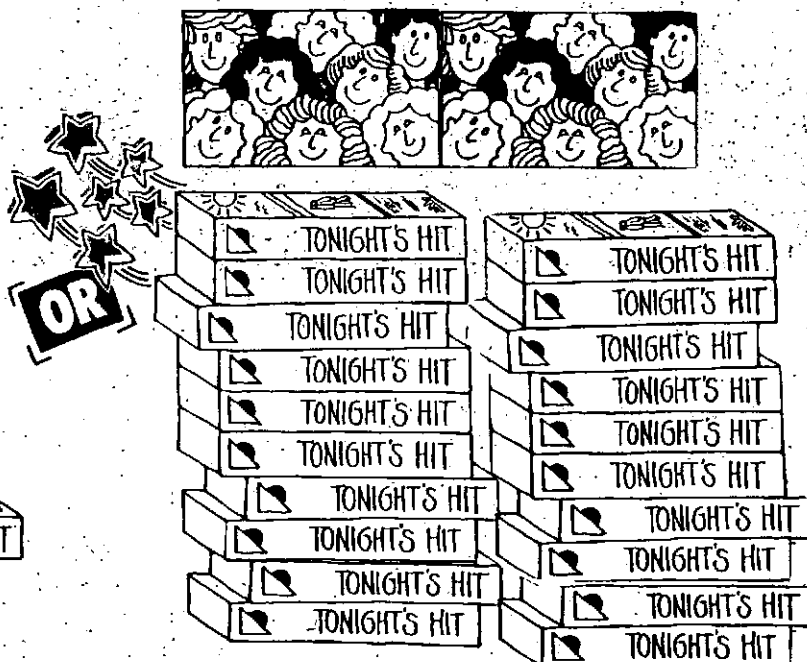
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Isabel Glastetter

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Bethlehem Ambulance, two personal injuries, three standbys, two medical emergencies, three auto accidents; Slingerlands Fire Dept., one rescue call; Voorheesville Ambulance, two personal injuries, one cardiac emergency, one auto accident.

Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 23, at 8 p.m. at the Glenmont Firehouse. There will be a training session one hour prior to the meeting at the same location.

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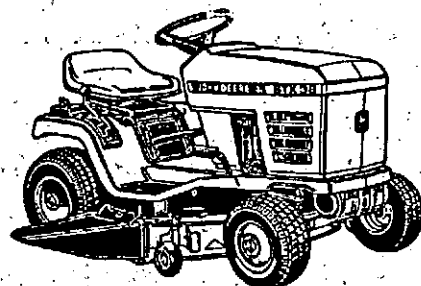
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Voorheesville triplets enjoy extended family

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By Mary Ahlstrom

Lisa and Raymond Gifford will be married five years in April, and they've already had enough excitement to last them a lifetime.

The Giffords suffered the loss of their firstborn and anxious to have a child, they then went the fertility route and so, three months later their doctor advised them to expect triplets.

On May 15, seven weeks prematurely, Lisa gave birth to fraternal triplet boys: Ryan, 3 lbs. 11 1/2 oz., 16" long; Michael, 4 lbs. 8 oz., 16 1/2" long, and Nickolas, 3 lbs., 12 1/2" long. Lisa came home from the hospital after five days, but the triplets stayed behind for a five-week stay to receive special care.

The medical and hospital cost was in excess of \$100,000.

Raymond is a childcare worker at LaSalle School and part-time life guard at the LaSalle Camp. He has enrolled in Maria College and will pursue a two-year nursing degree, in order to earn more money to support his family.

So far this sounds like a couple in big trouble, but the Giffords have family most of us dream about.

An aunt, Madge, and her husband Terence Devine, an attorney with DeGraff Foy Conway Holt-Harris & Mealey, graciously opened their home and their hearts to Raymond and Lisa.

The Devines have four children: Sean, 12; Ryan, 10; Caitlin, seven; and Terry, three. Their children love the babies and so far, seem happy to share their secluded four-bedroom home in Voorheesville.



Ryan, Michael and Nickolas Gifford (not necessarily in that order) in Uncle Terry's chair.

To complicate life at the Devine home even more, four weeks ago, Caitlin broke her arm. It's healed now but the doctor said she couldn't hold any babies for five days. She was smiling broadly when I visited, because, it was the fifth day.

Not too long ago, Terence had a comfortable den/office just off the kitchen. What was Uncle's Terry's office is now a well-appointed nursery for the boys. They were snoozing away just like angels, each in his own full size crib. When I asked "where does Mr. Devine do his office work when he's home?" the chorus all joined in "He doesn't."

Lisa's widowed mom and Madge Devine's sister, Gail Haner, came from Hilton Head, S.C. for three months to help. Her main job was the family laundry (that doesn't include diapers.) The triplets use about 200 diapers per week. Usually when friends and family stop by to see the boys, they arrive

ing up until about midnight for — hopefully — the last feeding.

The Giffords applied for help from Social Services. WIC (Women Infants and Children) program supplies them with formula, juice and cereal. Most brand name baby product companies send gift items, but someone must fill out the forms.

The Giffords have received positive — and generous — reactions to their babies. Recently the mail brought a congratulatory card with a check for a substantial amount from a friend of a mutual friend who had never met them, but just wanted to help. As soon as they can, Lisa and Ray plan to take the triplets to say thank you in person.

The babies were christened last Sunday at Mercy Chapel by Raymond Gifford's uncle, Fr. Michael Farano. The christening celebration was held at the Devine home. The food preparation was another family affair. Weather-wise it was a glorious day. About 120 family and friends attended.

The "third mom," grandmother Gail, left the day after the christening after a three-month stay with

11 people, three dogs, a parakeet and seven fish. She said she was wondering how she would adjust to her single life in Hilton Head. As a grandmother myself, one who babysits occasionally for a night or two, I would guess that she would sleep around the clock for about three days and then get on with her life. Anyway, the family is only a phone call away.

Unfortunately for me, I didn't get to meet Madge and Terence Devine or Raymond's family, but the feeling I got sitting in that pretty room talking to the mother, grandmother and the Devine children and watching the Gifford triplets sleeping, was the togetherness of this family.

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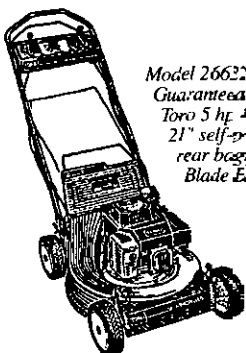
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The hearing will be held at the William K. Sanford Town Library, Maxwell and Albany Shaker Rd., in Loudonville. For information, call 457-5400.

SPAC's Little Theater seeks volunteers

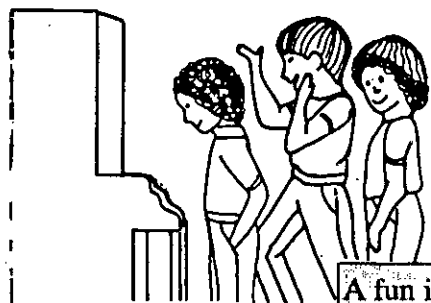
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Volunteers are needed in all areas of production, from backstage to box office. Other areas

include: props, lights, carpentry, sound, fund-raising, grant writing, running crew, costumes, stage management, prompters and graphics.

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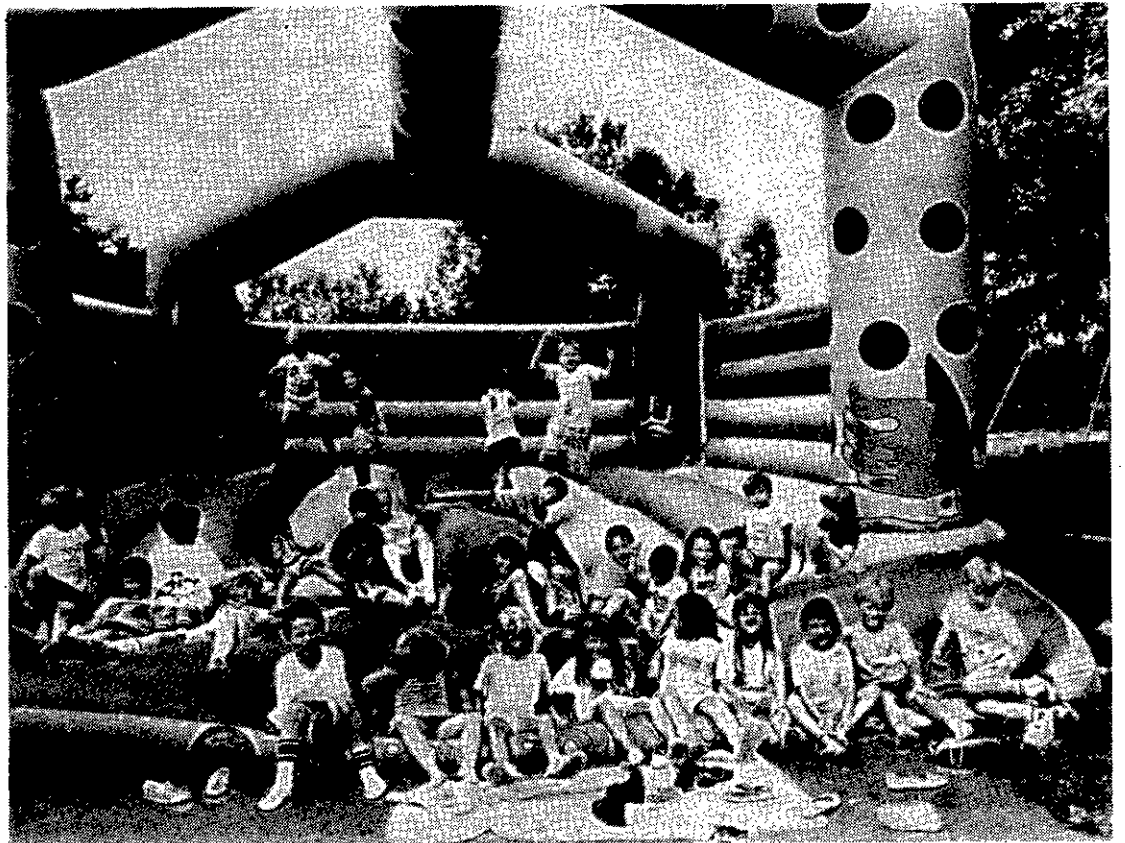
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Preservation fund wins grant

A grant of \$48,165 was given to the Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation recently. The award, one of 23 throughout the state totaling more than \$4.7 million, will help fund the acquisition and restoration of 117 Grand Ave. in Saratoga Springs. The grant is funded from the 1986 Environmental Quality Bond Act.

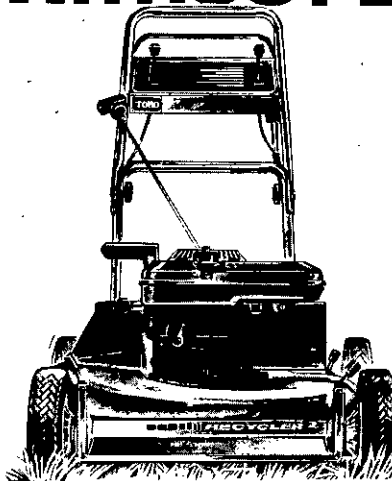
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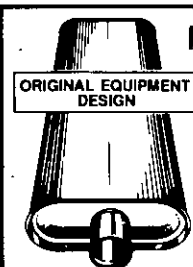
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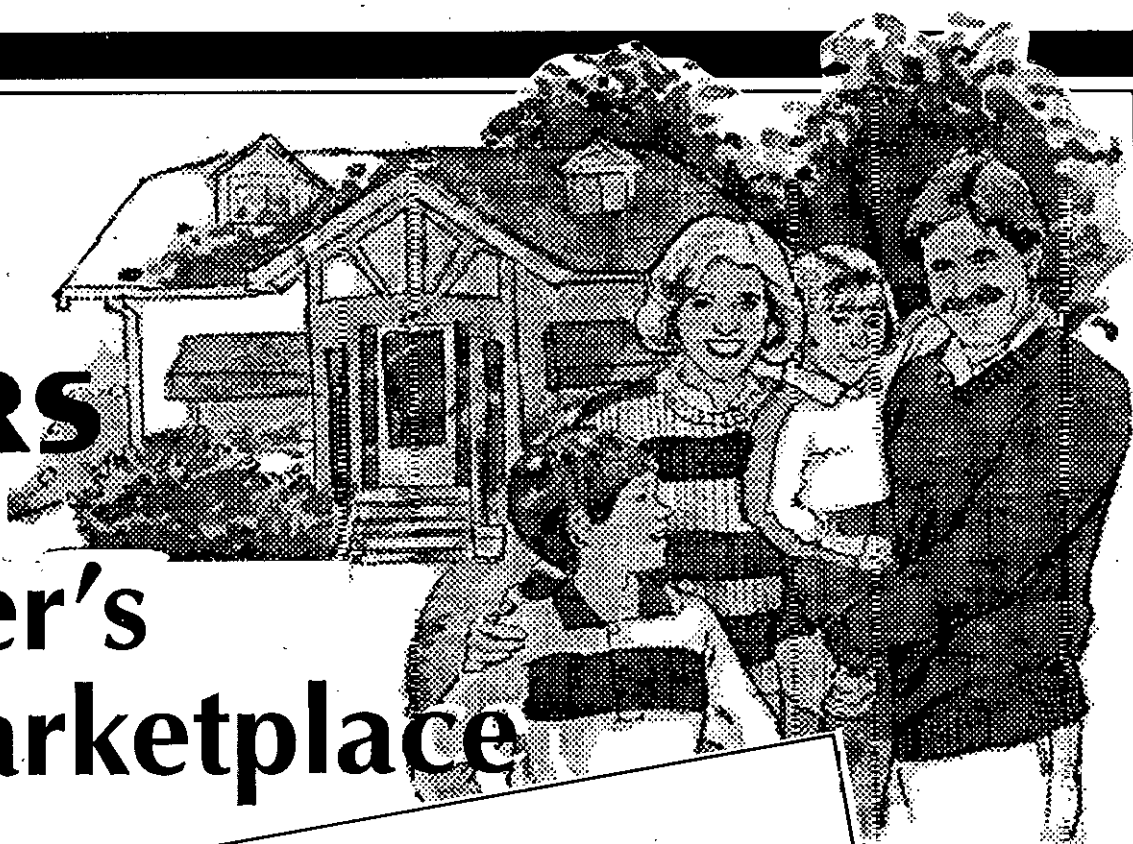
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THE Spotlight Sports

Delmar coed leads rowing team to victory

By Susan Graves

Lisa Babiskin's team had all their oars in the water this summer when they captured the gold in the men's masters C4 plus event at the Royal Henley Regatta in Ontario.

Babiskin, 18, of Delmar and a sophomore at Duke University, was the coxswain for the team. The coxswain is the only one who

faces in the right direction on a rowing team. The team has to rely on her to know where they are going.

Last spring, team members from the Albany Rowing Center Phil Hansen, Charles Touhey, Glen Olf and Bill Cromie contacted Babiskin at school where she was coxswain on the men's varsity crew team. "These four guys called me

at school and asked me if I'd be part of their team," she said.

That call paid off when the team won with a time of 3:18, fighting off challenges from the Argonaut Rowing Club of Canada and Espana from Mexico. This was the first time the local club won a Henley gold medal. More than 120 clubs were represented in the event.

A coxswain is like a psychologist and a coach, Babiskin said. "You tell them where they are, and you have to know what motivates each rower," so each gives his all in competition. "There's something about the sport (rowing). It engages you. It hooks you," she said, "I'm in love with the sport."

Rowing, she said, is a real test of inner strength. "It makes you see how far you can go... how much you have in you."

Babiskin said she got interested in the sport about three years ago when she visited the Albany center. When she saw the coxswain in action, she said, "I want to do that."

She said the only way to really learn how to do the job is by doing it. "There's no way to learn except



Team members include, from left, Bill Cromie, Glen Olf, Lisa Babiskin, Charles Touhey and Phil Hansen.

by experience," which she got through a lot of hours on the river and through observing other teams. "You learn as much as you want to learn."

This summer, the team was out every morning at 5:30 until 7 practicing for the Ontario event. "It's intense, invigorating and exhausting all at the same time," she said. Before Canada, the team won two silver medals at the Empire State Games.

Being coxswain on the Duke varsity team was harder than working with the Albany team, Babiskin said. "It's hard being a woman and a coxswain. It's harder to earn trust." Nonetheless, she will continue with the school team this year.

Babiskin also worked as an intern for Sen. Howard Nolan on her vacation this year. She is studying public policy and political science.

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College odyssey brings out the worst in parents

By Renée Hunter

Ask any college student if their parents did anything embarrassing on their voyage to college, and chances are you will hear a loud YES. At Cornell University, orientation counselors were asked to list the most embarrassing things their parents did. When I compiled the answers I realized that each individual event was traumatic enough, but I combined all the "wonderful" events into one big trip from hell for some unfortunate fictional college freshman.

So, in a few days or weeks when you think you are about to die of embarrassment when your parents pull some stunt as you move on to college life, remember that things could be worse. Your parents could start to use this as a script.

Caution: This compilation is not intended to give parents any ideas.

Once my mother videotaped the beginning scenes of her documentary on my departure for college, we all crammed into the car to head for school. Of course, my mom had to make "moo" sounds every time we passed cows. So eventually we stopped for lunch, where my parents started taking endless plastic utensils from the restaurant. After we crammed back into the car, my parents decided it would be cute if they started waving at every other car that was packed with college stuff. Dad even kept passing a car with a Cornell sticker that had a driver I thought was good looking. But that wasn't as bad as what Mom did—she held up a sign with my name and room number every time we passed another car headed to Cornell.

Of course we got lost. And, of course, my dad had to ask directions from a guy that didn't speak English. So, we were still lost, and this time when dad stopped to ask again, he had to get out of the car in all the traffic to ask a guy that was driving a tractor. Needless to say, he kept saying I was going to Cornell. They told that to everyone everywhere we stopped. I don't know what they expect people to do when they hear that.

But, that's my parents.

When we got to the hotel that night, I realized I forgot my pillow. But rather than swing by a store to buy one, they stole one from the hotel. With the first day of travelling completed, I figured my parents were probably running out of ideas on how to embarrass me. Wrong!!

My mom woke me up at 6 a.m. so we could get to the dorm at 9 when check-in started. They had this idea that I should get there at the earliest possible moment so that I could choose the best bed. Of course, every member of my family was wearing Cornell clothing for the occasion. Dad even had Cornell suspenders.

We couldn't find the dorm right off because my parents wouldn't believe me when I said they had to pull down this side road. We drove super-slow through campus, looking for a map. When dad asked directions this time, he couldn't just go to one of the traffic booths. He asked a bunch of fraternity guys who were outside playing football. And, of course my dorm turned out to be right next door, too, and the guys were all chuckling. But then rather than just follow their directions, Dad drove down a sidewalk, thinking it was a road.

So, I checked into the dorm and there were a bunch of students that unpacked the car for us. Still, Dad asked a stranger on the stairs to carry a suitcase for us, and Mom tripped over a luggage cart. I wanted to die. Then my father said that there must be a big mistake because when he went to Cornell, my dorm was not co-ed. That was just the beginning of his telling all the stories from his college days. So then mom started in on how wonderful her alma mater was.

So, we started to unpack some of my stuff and realized we left the key to the trunk at home. Dad then proceeded to ask everyone on the floor if they had one. Meanwhile, my mother started introducing

herself to everyone on the floor, as if I didn't want to meet anyone. Then Dad had to go to the bathroom, but he refused to believe that the bathrooms were co-ed in my dorm, so he walked all the way over to the dining hall.

When he came back, my parents decided to go for a stroll around campus. Mom really began to get film-happy now and Dad kept getting all teary-eyed whenever he saw that an old building from his college days had changed. He kept saying "when I was here..."

Then he started taking pictures of me in front of everything.

We went to the dining hall for lunch, and of course my parents pigged out. I think they ate more than they had in the last week. Then they kept raving about how wonderful the food was, and mom started putting food in her pocket book so they'd have a snack for the ride home.

When we went back to my room, my roommate had moved in, but

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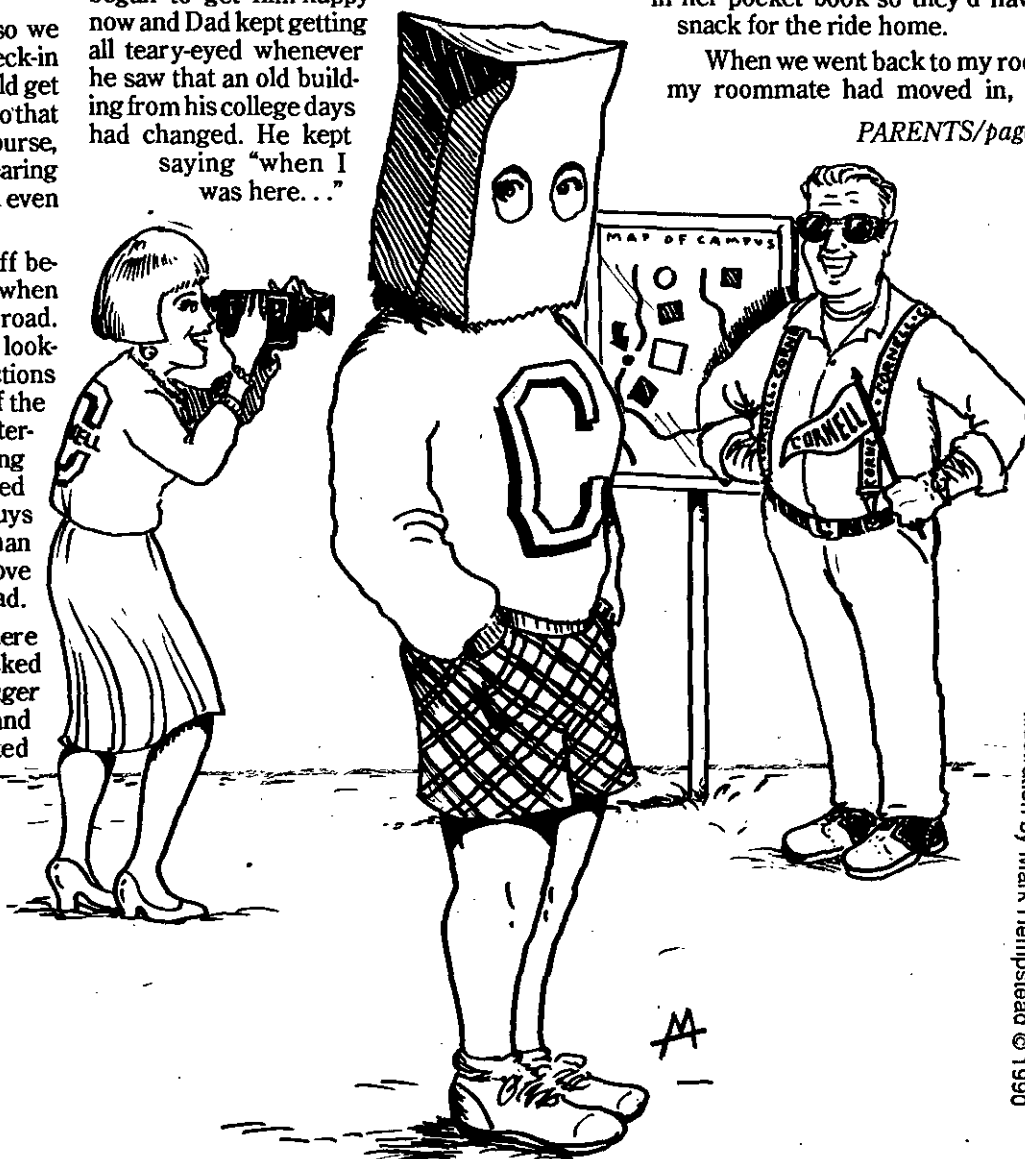


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Driving the big yellow bus is no easy job

By Sheila Davis

Last year, 43 bus drivers carried Bethlehem Central students in 55 buses over 43 routes for a total of 700,000 miles.

Gardiner Tanner, of Clarksville, has been director of transportation for the Bethlehem Central School District since 1970. Before that, he was a bus driver for 15 years and head mechanic for three years. Joan Keppler from Glenmont has just completed her 25th year as a Bethlehem bus driver—there are nine women drivers—and Don Blodgett from Delmar has been a driver for 27 years.

All bus drivers must pass a medical/physical exam every year. New drivers must pass a 20-hour basic course, and all drivers must pass a two-hour refresher course twice a year.

To be certified under Article 19A of the State Motor Vehicle Code, it is mandatory for drivers to pass certain other

behind-the-wheel-test, and annual defensive driving review and an annual interview to interpret driving attitudes.

"The interview determines whether the driver's attitude has changed" Tanner says, "and gives me an opportunity, through abstracts I obtain from the Motor Vehicle Bureau to review each driver's record."



In addition, Bethlehem drivers attend a safety meeting once a month based on some aspect of driving the bus or han-

dling the children. "Occasionally I call in the Bethlehem Police or State Police to put on a program for the drivers.

The equipment is also checked carefully. Each bus receives a complete inspection before the school year begins. Under the Bethlehem preventive maintenance program, if something looks like it's going to have to be changed in a short time we'll track that down and do that job in the summertime. On top of all that, each bus goes through a State Department of Transportation inspection conducted by DOT employees every six months."

"We've had minor, minor accidents, when someone has brushed a fender, or something like that, but no serious accident when there's been pupil injury" Tanner says. "I guess I view accidents like the insurance company does. I know some day an accident is going to happen. I just do everything in my power to avoid anything happening. It's just inevitable your

luck's got to run out some day. Every time I'm called to the scene of an accident I just hope and pray no one gets hurt. And that's the way it's been. We haven't had any personal injury since I've been here."

A typical day for Keppler begins at 6:45 a.m. at the bus lot, checking out 30 separate items on her bus. At 7 a.m., she leaves for the first run of the day, a high school run. Go right into the middle school run at 7:30 a.m. Enjoy a 15-minute layover. Do kindergarten run from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. Take morning kindergartners back home at 11:45 a.m. Pick up afternoon kindergartners and bring them to school by 12:45 p.m. Time out for lunch.

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BC teacher will bring inside view of politics to classroom

By Susan Graves

Dominick DeCecco could probably write a textbook about how he spent his summer vacation.

DeCecco, district social studies supervisor for Bethlehem Central schools, spent two hectic weeks at a Taft seminar at the University of Georgia. "I got an interesting perspective on politics," particularly southern Georgia politics, he said. In Atlanta, for example, the superintendent of schools is an elected position, which DeCecco said is a major problem in the system. "It becomes highly political. The person who does the best campaigning gets the job," he said.

Georgia, controlled by Democrats, is a very conservative state, and though much revolves around politics, it has the lowest rate of public participation in the voting process. But he said the GOP is making a "tremendous comeback," in Georgia.

Many of DeCecco's observations will probably be used in the classroom in his "participation in government" course at BC.

The 33-year district veteran got to meet some former political heavyweights, including former Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

"I got his autograph," DeCecco said.

He said Rusk is very outspoken and offered his observations on foreign policy. Rusk told the teachers that because of the collapse of the Berlin Wall, he envisions a new Europe, which could bridge the division that existed since the end of World War II, said DeCecco.

DeCecco said many of the speakers at the seminar gave him ideas he will most likely use in September. One topic was the use of the media in political advertising and the way candidates are sold by the agencies. One firm, he learned, uses negative campaign-



Dominick DeCecco, district social studies supervisor for Bethlehem Central schools, participated in a Taft seminar on politics and government this summer.

ing "to exploit the weakness" of the adversary.

The use of furloughed convict Willie Horton by President Bush

in his campaign against Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis is an example of negative campaigning, he said.

DeCecco also talked to Martin Hillenbrand, a former ambassador. Having had the opportunity to listen to Rusk and Hillenbrand, DeCecco said issues he discusses in class will be more real. "Teachers don't have that perspective themselves. You talk about it in class every single day, but to me it's more real now because I've talked to them (Rusk and Hillenbrand)," he said.

Students at BC, particularly seniors, get very involved in politics, he said.

In the past many have been "heavily involved, working for candidates and in campaigns." The participation in government course is in its third year, and according to DeCecco is still in an experimental stage.

Twenty-eight teachers from around the country attended the seminar. "It was very, very, very intensive," DeCecco said.

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Sound familiar? Across the area, adult and continuing education program administrators say, students over the age of 25 are appearing in classrooms in unprecedented numbers, while the competition for their tuition dollars has grown more intense.

"We value education more each year, I suppose," said Kevin Synott, assistant dean of the Sage Evening College, trying to explain the surge in adult education. "It's part of the need to know."

The reasons are complex, running the gamut from fun to profit, the administrators say. Some people find themselves back in the classroom to bring job skills in line with updated technologies. Others are there to meet state mandated licensing requirements, or just to socialize or have fun learning something new.

Regardless of the explanation, said Holly Christianson, dean of continuing education at Hudson Valley Community College, the increase of the number of adults adding to their education locally corresponds to a larger nationwide trend.

"Adult student enrollment has grown over the years," she said. "I think colleges in general have recognized that." Christianson said part of it is related to changing American demographics.

"Society is aging," she said. "And as we age we also know there's more value to older people, and we learn that your mind doesn't just go mushy when you reach 40, 50, 60, or 70."

Wendell Hallenbeck of Schenectady County Community College's continuing education program said the average age of the school's students has risen steadily over the last two decades, and currently sits at 33 for night classes and 28

overall. Hallenbeck, who was a returning student himself once, said he thinks adults have "enriched" the college experience.

"The younger students are really receptive to the older students," he said. "They mesh well together." Hallenbeck said that returning students often are often

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more motivated because they understand the value of education better than someone just out of high school. He added that returnees sometimes think they'll feel out of place on college campuses, but said that's usually not the fault of their younger classmates.

"I think we were more scared to go in there than they were to have us," he said.

With the boom adults represent to schools facing falling enrollment from 18 to 22 year-olds, goes a responsibility as well, Christianson said. She said colleges and universities have an obligation to see that adults with limited educational backgrounds are included in the exodus.

"The more education you have the more likely you are to go back for more," she said. She said that individuals who have negative associations with learning as children can benefit most from classroom time as adults.

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"That's the refreshing part of it," she said. "The whole reason the students take a class is because they want to learn the topic. No one is saying you have to take this class or that class. No one is there because they need the credit."

Similar to Knowledge Network offerings are popular adult education classes organized in local school districts.



Continuing education administrators say adults tend to make more conscientious students than those just out of high school, and thus enrich the college classroom atmosphere. Betsy Voetsch, above, is pursuing a degree at Russell Sage College Evening Division. Elaine McLain

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Bus safety

(From page 1)

Not everyone is able to drive a school bus, according to Tanner. It's definitely not something everyone can do. Some people can't stand kids in a vehicle at all while others are too lenient. If you're truthful and fair with the kids, they'll be the same way with you. That's what I've found. If you discipline them one day you still have to speak to them the next day—they're going to be on your bus and you have to say 'good morning' to them—just as though nothing happened the day before. No, definitely, everyone can't handle this job."

"You have to discipline kids. You have to teach them to ride the bus. But basically I don't think kids are any different than they were 30 years ago. If anything, they're better."

"If we could tell the kids one thing it would be 'stay in your seats.' If they're in their seats, that's half the battle right there," says Kessler. "I like driving kindergartners because we can start them out

right and know we're passing them on to the next driver. We'll see those kids for 12 years and we'll see them graduate."

"This is why I don't move drivers around from one route to another," says Tanner. "We really feel like part of the family."

Blodgett says, "I might have two or three kids a year who misbehave, swear or put their hands outside the bus window or spit from the bus. I give them several chances to straighten out and if they don't I talk directly to their parents." Blodgett takes the time to decorate his bus on holidays and knows most of his passengers on a first name basis.

Vandalism does occur but is "very minimal" according to Tanner. "If we can catch whoever ripped a seat or broke a window and prove who did it then we make them pay for the damage. A ripped seat may cost \$5 to \$25, a broken window \$10. Part of the punishment meted out recently for throwing soda around the bus was to have the offender come to the

garage and clean the bus.

The "name of the game," the drivers agree, is to put 60 students at your back, where you can't see beyond the third seat in the mirror, you're driving down a highway with lots of traffic, people are trying to pass you—no one wants to follow the school bus—and it's snowing. The "horrendous increase" in traffic, according to Tanner, is the biggest concern of bus drivers today.

The school district owns seven wagons, as well as buses that seat 30, 59, 65 and 81 persons, says Blodgett. The district owns four of the big buses, currently priced at \$75,000 each, with up-to-date safety equipment: seat belts, a public address system, backup beepers, flashing arms at stops and kevlar seat covers, which are fire retardant.

A unique bus safety program began five years ago for kindergartners. Two drivers, Keppler and Paul Kleinke, go to each school in the spring with a program to put on for 300 kindergartners and their parents. "We have a slide program that tells about the buses and their safety equipment. We take the children for a ride and show them how to use the seat belts. Then we come back to the school and show the children how to cross the street, which is of major importance. We have parents sit in the driver's seat so they can look out and see what visibility we have."

"Paul and I each take a kindergartner by the hand, walk him or her in front of the bus, point out the location of the lights and point to the seat where mom or dad is sitting! This is where the bus driver sits we tell them. 'This is where you must look.' You take 10 steps, you turn around, you look at the bus driver and the driver points at you and says 'You cross the street.' Then and only then do they cross the street."

"This is done right straight through high school" says Kep-

Traveling to school poses dangers

Nearly 20 percent of young people hit by a car this year will be struck while walking to or from school, according to the American Automobile Association.

As many as 20,000 children between the ages of one and 14 are hit by a car each year. While most accidents occur away from school, such as when a child runs into traffic after a pet or ball, school openings present a special risk.

"This month's school openings raise the level of exposure for children," said Mary C. Vedder, general manager. "They will be on the street when many motorists drive to work. Children will have their minds on school and many will be near traffic for the first time. It's every motorist's job to keep them safe."

Vedder urged parents to teach children about traffic safety. They should make time to walk with children along the route they will take to school and point out potential hazards.

Parents should remember small children cannot see around or over cars as easily as adults. Children also may not have the ability to judge speed and direction and they may believe the safest way to cross a street is to simply run across.

In addition, drivers must watch for children at intersections, between parked cars, near schools and other places they might run into traffic, Vedder said.

She also asked drivers to cooperate with AAA School Safety Patrol members stationed at key intersections.

Safety patrol members can be identified by their brightly colored belts and have been trained to guide children safely through traffic.

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Beth Finkelstein from Hamagrael says safety on the bus is a good idea, but the older kids flip over the seats and misbehave. Beth says she tries to be good and doesn't feel stupid doing so. Mark Economides from Elsmere School points out there is a group of about 12 big kids who push people at bus stops, then yell at people from the buses.

Kindergarten hosts ice cream social

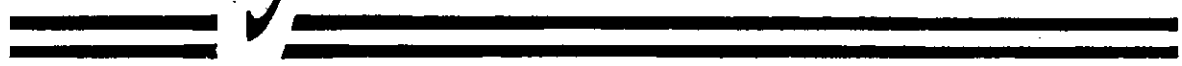
Incoming kindergartners at St. Pius X School in Loudonville are invited to meet their teachers and classmates at an ice cream social on Thursday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 p.m.

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Students preparing for the SAT/PSAT, their parents, and their guidance counselors are invited to come, but reservations are required. For information and reservations, call 458-8552.



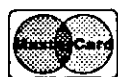
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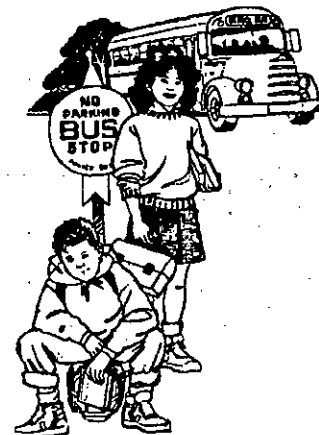
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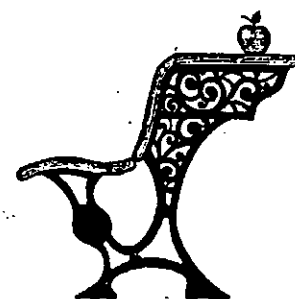


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Parents

(From page 1)

wasn't there at the time. My parents started looking through all her stuff. Then after my roommate came back and while she was introducing herself, dad burped—really loud, too. My resident advisor then came around, and my parents decided it would be oh-so-swell to have the two of us pose for a photograph outside the dorm. A picture of me and my RA? Please!!!

When we went back upstairs, my mother called and made an appointment for me at the academic advising office. Classes hadn't even started! No wonder they had plenty of open slots for appointments. But when I complained to my parents that I didn't need to go, they kept reminding me of how much they were paying in tuition and that I'd better get something for their money.

I soon met my orientation counselor, and dad asked him to take me out. I wanted to kill him right then and there. I survived only because I knew that within the hour my parents would be leaving.

So, mom soon started crying—

she used a whole box of tissues. My dad started giving me all the responsibility lectures and kept reminding me of how different college was from high school, but then decided it was pointless giving me advice because I probably knew it all anyway. Of course he said that quite loudly so that everyone on campus heard him.

Well, zillions of embarrassing moments later, it was finally time for my parents to leave. Mom kissed the wrong kid goodbye. It was such a fitting ending to the trip from hell.

St. Rose offers help for math anxiety

The Adult and Continuing Education Office at the College of St. Rose will offer a math course called "Managing Math Anxiety" on six consecutive Thursdays, Sept. 13 through Oct. 18, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The fee is \$30 per person. For registration information, call 454-5144.

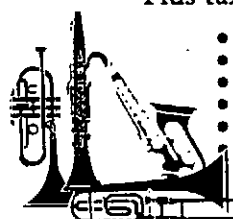
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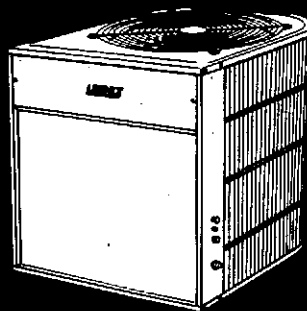
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Wednesday, Sept. 5, — first day of classes for North Colonie district.

Thursday, Sept. 6, — first day

of classes for Bethlehem, Voorheesville and South Colonie districts.

October

Monday, Oct. 8, — Columbus Day, no school for all districts.

November

Tuesday, Nov. 6, — Election Day, no school for North Colonie District.

Monday, Nov. 12, — Veteran's Day, no school for all districts.

Thursday, Nov. 22, through Friday, Nov. 23, — Thanksgiving vacation, no school for all districts.

December

Monday, Dec. 24, through Tuesday, Jan. 1, — holiday vacation, no school for all districts.

January

Monday, Jan. 21, — Martin Luther King Day, no school for all districts.

Continuing ed courses offered at BCHS

Bethlehem Central High School in Delmar has released listings for its continuing education courses for 1990.

The fall session will include such courses as ballroom dance, auto mechanics, bridge, chair caning, conversational French and Spanish, defensive driving, dog obedience, SAT review, swimming, pottery and yoga. Additional courses will be offered to any group of 12 people who share a common interest.

Most courses will meet for 10 weeks, beginning on Monday, Sept. 17, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Residents of Bethlehem Central School District will have first preference.

All registrations must be made in advance. To register, visit the school at 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar between 1 and 2:30 p.m. daily from Sept. 5 through Sept. 18. Registration may also be made by mail. No telephone registrations will be accepted.

Fees are \$28 per course. Non-residents will be charged an additional \$5. Fees for materials and supplies are not included with the registration fee, but will be given to the instructor at the beginning of the course.

For information, call 439-4921, Ext. 248.

North Colonie schools distribute textbooks

The North Colonie Central School District will distribute textbooks to students attending private and parochial schools in grades K through 12, from Monday, Aug. 27, through Thursday, Aug. 30.

Students may pick up their textbooks at the Shaker Junior High

School Cafeteria on those dates, from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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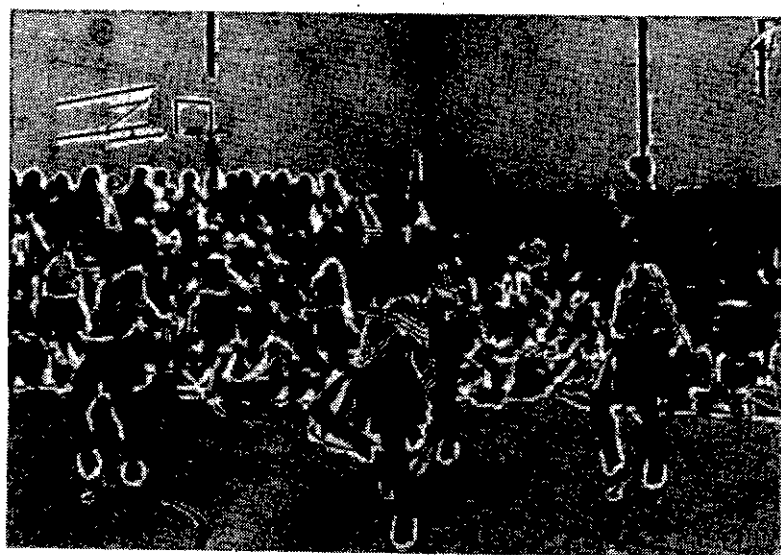
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The year at a glance



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March

Friday, March 22, — staff workshop, no school for North Colonie, Bethlehem, and Voorheesville districts.

Friday, March 29, — Good Friday-Passover, no school in all districts.

April

Monday, April 22, through Friday, April 26, — spring vacation, no school in all districts.

North Colonie offers continuing ed

The North Colonie Central School District has announced course listings for its fall 1990 Continuing Education Program.

The program offers such classes as "Hunter Training," "Private Pilot Ground School," "Basic Pet Care," "Intermediate Automotive Maintenance," "Video Camera Hints," "Folk Art," "Porcelain Painting," "Aqua Rhythmics," and "Spanish."

Registration is open to all residents of the North Colonie Central School District who are 16 or older. Senior citizens 65 or older may attend classes free of charge.

Those interested must register by mail by Friday, Sept. 7. For registration information, call 785-5989.

St. Rose sponsors after-school program

The College of St. Rose will offer its free after-school tutorial program for elementary school-aged children beginning in the fall, on Tuesdays, from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m.

The program is designed for children who could benefit from individualized instruction in reading and language arts, whether the child is gifted and needs enrichment or is falling behind in school and needs extra instruction. The after-school tutorial program also provides a creative boost to maintain existing skills.

Registration will be held from 4 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, from Sept. 17 through Sept. 20, in the campus center lobby at 420 Western Ave., Albany. The program begins on Tuesday, Oct. 2.

For information, call 458-5333.

May

Monday, May 27, — Memorial Day (celebrated), no school in all districts.

June

Thursday, June 20, — last day of school for the Bethlehem district.

Friday, June 21, — last day of school for South Colonie, North Colonie, and Voorheesville districts.

North Colonie picnic planned

By Robert Webster Jr.

The North Colonie Parent-Teacher Association Council, the board of education and the staff of the North Colonie Central School District are sponsoring their 10th annual Newcomer's Picnic on Tuesday, Aug. 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Shaker High School, Route 155 in Latham.

The picnic will be held, rain or shine, to welcome new families and their children to the district. Mayra Levenson, the new district superintendent, members of the board of education, new and old staff members, secretaries and many other school staff members will be on hand to inform parents what will be in store for the new school year.

A picnic supper will be followed by recreational activities for the children, such as swimming, magicians, gym activities, a story hour and babysitting services for the younger set. For the adults, there will be a program giving an overview of the district and its educational programs and goals.

"It has been extremely successful in past years. We usually have about 800 people," said PTA Council President Maggie Gay. "The

picnic is for people who have just moved into the district, or for those whose children are entering district schools for the first time."

"Anyone who has a child entering North Colonie is invited," said Gay. Invitations were mailed out to parents who have registered their children for the first time in the North Colonie district.

The North Colonie Central School District is celebrating the 40th year of its incorporation. Because of this, a collection of photographs and pictures chronicling the history of the district will be on display in the foyer of the auditorium at Shaker High School.

"The whole idea of the program is to target new families, to make them aware of the programs available to their children," said Gay. "We want them to be active in the child's education, to play a role in the process with us."

The picnic offers a chance for the parents to meet in an informal atmosphere the people they will

be dealing with throughout the school year, "such as the secretaries, the nurses, the teachers—the first people they see when they come to the school," said Gay.

New members of the school community who have not received an invitation should call Shaker High School at 785-5511 for information.

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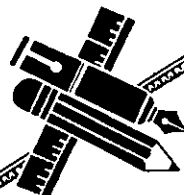
The Adult and Continuing Education Office at the College of St. Rose will offer American Sign Language courses throughout the fall, winter and spring.

The fall session will be held from Sept. 10 through Nov. 5; the winter session will be held from Jan. 28 through March 22; the spring session will be held from April. 8 through June 3.

Each session, courses vary in proficiency and experience. All courses meet from 7:15 to 9:15 p.m., and will be taught by both hearing and deaf instructional staff.

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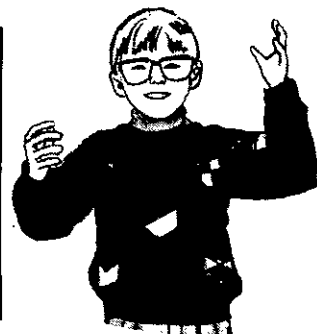
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Converted schoolhouse retains historic flavor

By Allison Bennett

The historic schoolhouse at 381 Loudonville Road has had a checkered career in its long life. It was originally built on the lands of the Patroon Stephen VanRensselaer, and it is said that his seven children attended school in this building.

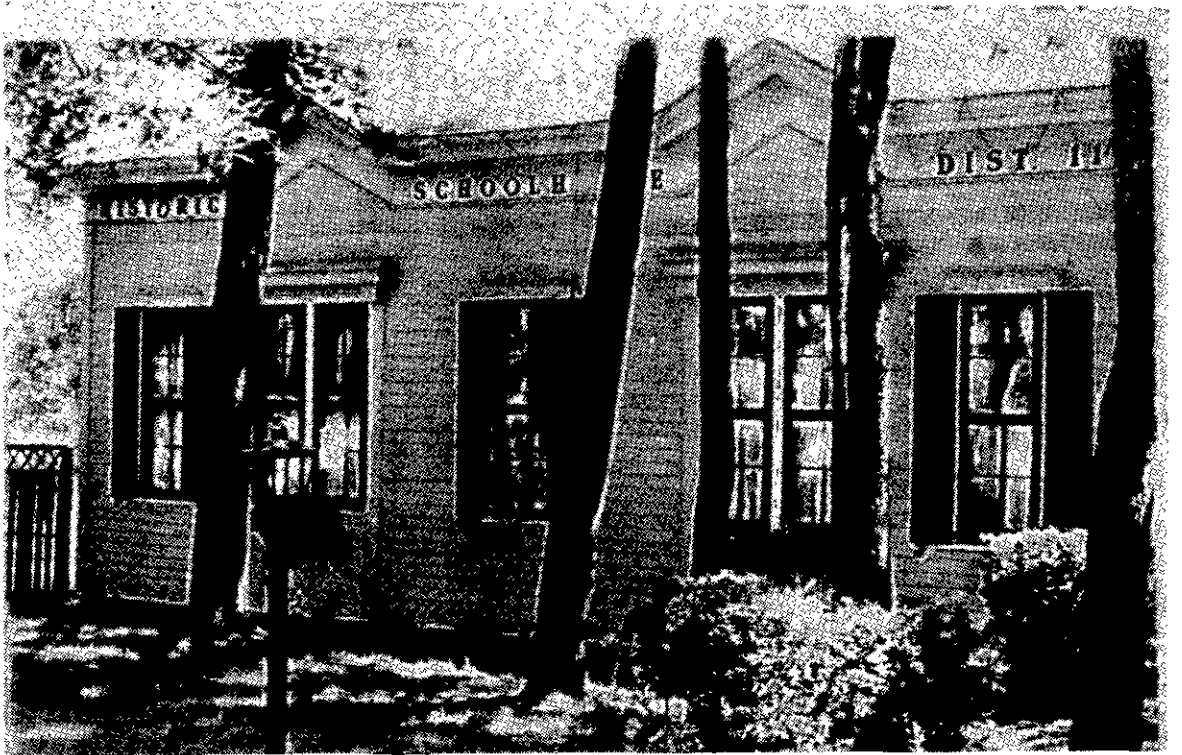
Constructed in 1813, it served School District No. 11 in the Town of Watervliet, the second oldest school district in the state of New York. From 1840 to 1888 it housed the first library in the area, and when the present Loudonville School was built in 1921 the old building became a tea room operated by the Weaver sisters who resided in the house next door.

The house was sold to other owners who converted it into a residence. The present occupant, who has lived there for 20 years, is Marcia Bates Smith, a real estate agent in the Loudonville area. Since her ownership, the building has been painted yellow with black shutters and trim, and it was Smith

who put the black letters on the front that proclaim the building's date and its status as part of the old District No. 11. Smith chose this house for her own out of the many that she has seen as a real estate agent because she enjoys "non-traditional design."

The front part of the house is the earliest and built of wood. The back part of the building is much larger than it looks and is constructed of brick, built in the 1850's to provide another classroom. This extension is rectangular in shape, quite high and with long windows with differing window ledge treatments. According to Smith, that was probably because several men worked on the building, each using his own technique. There is a lovely stone terrace along the south side of this extension and to the rear, beyond the driveway and garage, the land falls away into a ravine.

The entrance hall of the house is floored in what are said to be the original slate blackboards of the



This historic schoolhouse on Loudonville Road, dating back to the days of Patroon Stephen VanRensselaer, has been converted to a modern residence by its current owner, Marcia Bates Smith.

Elaine McLain

school building. They have recently been given a coat of preservative and shine like black jet. The front and oldest part of the schoolhouse is now used as the living/dining room and is most unusual in its architectural treatment. The 18-foot ceiling has exposed dark beams and the woodwork is also dark. It would seem that the walls have been given a different treatment than when the building was used as a schoolhouse as they are of rough plaster, similar to a Spanish type building, as are the arches that lead into the rear sections of the house.

The fireplace is also an obvious

addition and is done in a similar hacienda style, with rounded opening and dark stained beams. The room is 20 feet deep and 40 feet long and it provides both a spacious living room area and dining space. The dining area is furnished with heavy oak furniture in a Jacobean style that looks as if it could have come from an English manor house.

Behind the dining area is the kitchen, also decorated in a yellow color scheme, and this is located in what was once part of the cloakroom of the old school. From the kitchen a door leads out to another

stone terrace. There is also a butler's pantry that leads one back again into the hallway. This hallway leads to three bedrooms and a bath located in the 1850 section of the building. One of the rooms is used as an office for the real estate business conducted from the house.

The flavor of the old school is still obvious in the tall windows and the old school desks and benches and even a teacher's bell that Smith has scattered among her furnishings. Breathing new life and new uses into an old building are what preservation is all about.

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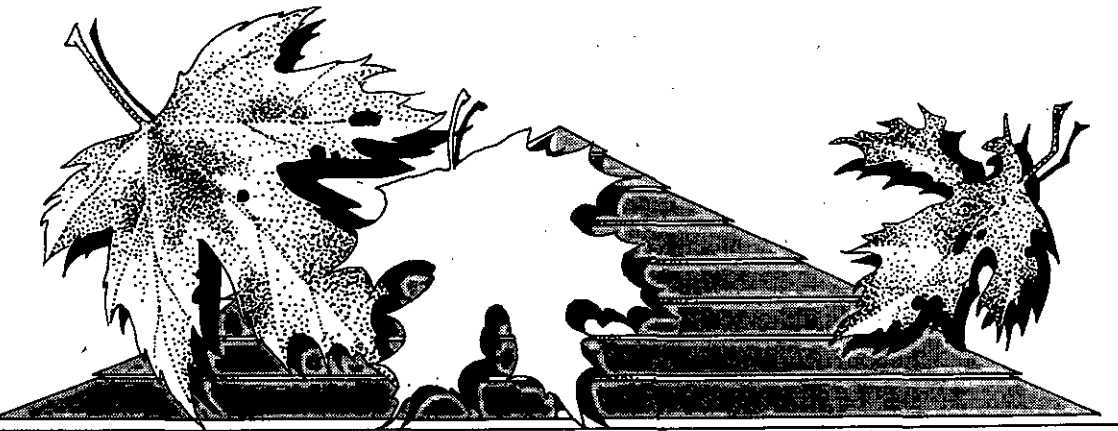
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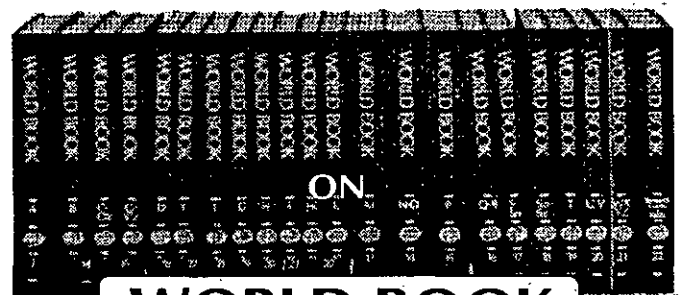
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Is talent pool drying up?

It's far too early to initiate the Hot Stove League debating society, but several recent articles and TV discussions on the quality of major league baseball invite comment.

The theory that the caliber has declined over the past 25 years comes into sharper focus in the light of the announced expansion of the major leagues in 1993. The thesis is simply this: if the quality of play has deteriorated so noticeably since mid-century, is further dilution in the best interests of the baseball community?

There is abundant documentation to support the argument that the overall quality of baseball at its highest level has degenerated. There are also several solid explanations, none of which changes the basic precept.

One of the burdens of reaching an advanced state of senior citizenry is the tendency to relate the pace and perspectives of the present to those of the past. In many categories the conclusion, whether real or imagined, is that things were a lot better in the old days. Your correspondent has to endure this affliction.

I recall a delightful occasion a few years ago when four relics found ourselves in an impromptu forum on baseball then and now. The pivotal question was: can you name 35 current players who would make a major league team in 1950-1960?

I cannot remember the number we ended with, but the geezer consensus was a few under 35. Another dozen were granted marginal status.

That might seem like a sorry situation, especially in the light of football and basketball. Neither of those athletic expressions can approach baseball as America's national pastime, yet each of those has enjoyed a tremendous upgrading of player talent and skills. To

Nat Boynton On Baseball

wit: Bronko Nagurski would be a star in the NFL today, and perhaps Jim Brown, but how many others? Could George Mikan, Bobby Davies, Dolph Schayes, Al Cervi or Bob Cousery be a superstar in the NBA today? Would Wilt?

In direct contrast, where is there a batting order in 1990 that would more than mildly bother the everyday pitchers of the Sixties?

The most obvious explanation for baseball's retrogression is, of course, dilution of talent by expansion. In addition, many astute observers (as contrasted to us geezers) blame the pitching. Runs and home runs are approaching new highs in both major leagues, blowout games are noticeably more frequent, and many teams have been shuttling alleged pitchers in and out of games like paper napkins. (The Red Sox used eight starting pitchers in the first three weeks of the season, and no fewer than 19 pitchers have been credited with winning decisions for the Pirates this season — so far.)

A comprehensive piece in *Sports Illustrated* offered several theories. Among them: Kids don't throw as much, don't play catch in the side yard hour after hour. There is a dearth of competent coaching at all levels, Little League through college. Aluminum bats, barred in pro leagues, lead to bad habits by young pitchers. Top athletes choose sports other than baseball.

There are other explanations for the avalanche of runs. The

strike zone has shrunk. Pitchers are being babied. Good ballplayers prefer positions other than pitching. No one is willing to credit good hitting (mainly because there aren't very many hitters these days who cause fear).

In this context, it seemed appropriate to seek the wisdom of Russ Meyer, the Mad Monk of baseball, perhaps the only bowling alley proprietor who ever became a professional pitching coach. Monk, a familiar figure the past two seasons at Heritage Park, won 93 games for six teams in the big leagues between 1946 and 1959. For 11 of those years he was exposed to a succession of the National League's pre-expansion sluggers. Today, at 66, he bears shrapnel wounds from the pastime's heaviest cannons, including a couple dozen who became Cooperstown legends.

"There's been a lot of changes," Monk said the other day in the A-C clubhouse. "Only a few teams have depth (in their pitching staff), maybe one or two good starters. In my day there were four or five. Every team had a couple of big guns. Today it's Oakland, the Mets, but not many of the others."

"Now there's the bullpen, so a starter has to go only six or seven innings. They have four or five specialists on every team, middle relievers, closers. And with the DH, a starter doesn't have to come out early."

The visitor wanted to know if the modern scenario tends to "baby" pitchers.

"Well, we used to have a four-man rotation; now a guy starts every fifth day. The conditioning was tougher in the old days; we used to run 20-25 minutes every day, and run hard. Now the conditioning is more sophisticated. We had to work a lot harder, and I think we were in better shape. We

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didn't have all these people on the DL (disabled list)."

What about the strike zone?

"Yeh, that's different. It used to be from the letters to the knees. Now its waist to below the knees. The hitters couldn't get around on the high stuff, especially inside. Now you have to keep the ball low to get strikes."

That got me thinking about the quality of today's hitters. Our geezer panel pushed aside the tape-measure home runs, searching for dependable contact hitters who can deliver clutch line drives in the eighth with the go-ahead run on second? (Can you name 10?)

"Yeh, there are a lot of soft spots (in today's batting orders)," Monk

conceded, implying that in the NL of yore you had to be just as careful with the Nos. 7 and 8 hitters.

Those guys were born 30 years too soon. They'd like to be in there now, when a guy hitting .267 can sign for a million five and never have to face the likes of Hubbell, Grove, Gomez, the Deans or Spahn more than two or three times a year.

The big picture, however, never changes. Baseball is still a game of exquisite beauty, the epitome of grace in an athlete. The teams and games are ever competitive, the thrill of the key play continues to be exciting, the tense drama on the field always gripping.

Next week's essay will be the last for this season. After that, we'll raise a toast to Bucky Walters, Bob Gibson and others to be remembered.

Basketball club holds registration

The Bethlehem Basketball Club will hold registration for 10- to 13-year-old youths at Bethlehem Town Hall on Thursday, Sept. 13 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Club membership for the 1990-91 season is open to all residents of Bethlehem and students of the Bethlehem Central School District.

New players should bring a non-returnable xerox copy of their birth certificate at the time of registration. The registration fee is \$40 (\$60 for a family with more than one child enrolled). Enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis and is limited to 48 youths in each age division (10, 11, 12 and 13 years of age). For additional information, call 439-7284 or 439-5320.

Spotlight on the Service

Army Capt. Mark L. Welch has arrived for duty at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington. He is a dermatology resident.

Welch is the son of Lewis P. and Muriel H. Welch of Slingerlands.

Welch graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and received a doctorate from New York Medical College.

Capt. Glen C. Stagnitta has graduated from the Army's Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Stagnitta graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and Siena College.

His is the son of George S. Stagnitta of Selkirk.

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class John T. Geel, son of Barend G. and Alice M. Geel of Feura Bush, recently returned from deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans while serving aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Vincennes, homeported in San Diego.

Geel is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Army National Guard Major Seford R. Olsen has graduated from the Army's Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Olsen graduated from The Albany Academy, and received a master's degree from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond.

Center plans recognition dinner

The presidents' recognition dinner honoring past and present Albany Jewish Community Center board members and presidents will be held at a 75th anniversary event, Sept. 12, at 6 p.m.

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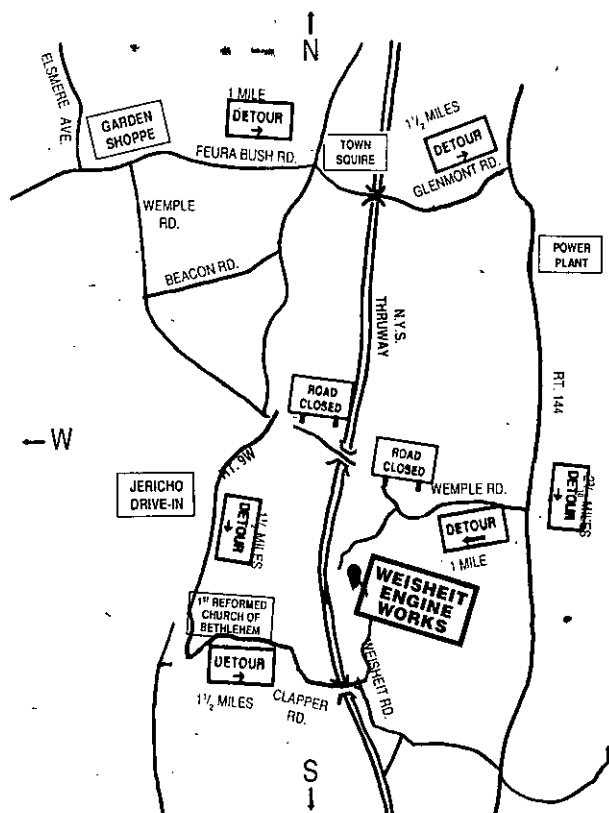
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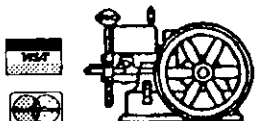
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Obituaries

William Weisheit Sr.

William H. Weisheit Sr., 94, formerly of Selkirk, died Thursday, Aug. 2, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Albany, he was the owner and operator of the Ideal Food Store, Albany from 1929 until he sold the market and retired in 1962. He then moved to Selkirk and lived there with his late wife for 23 years.

Mr. Weisheit was a life member and past president of the Bethlehem Historical Association, a past president of the Capital District Retail Grocers Association. He also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Mountaineer Lodge 321 in Albany, the Ancient Temple Lodge 14 F&AM of Albany and the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, Albany.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Trudy Adair of Coeymans Hollow; a sister, Mrs. Emile Suelz of Selkirk; two brothers, Thomas Weisheit of Union Lake, Mich.; and Dr. Henry C. Weisheit of Selkirk, several grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home. Burial was in Holy Spirit Cemetery, Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Good Samaritan Nursing Home Chapel Fund, Rockefeller Road, Delmar.

Gloria M. Brownlee

Gloria M. Brownlee, 64, of Guiderland, died Thursday, Aug. 2, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, she had lived in Guiderland for several years. Mrs. Brownlee had worked for the New York State Higher Education Service for 19 years and for the past eight years she was the secretary for the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, retiring several months ago. She was a volunteer for St. Peter's Alcohol Recovery Council for several years.

Survivors include a daughter Mrs. Lynn Safarik of Guiderland, a granddaughter and a great-grandson.

Services were from Applebee Funeral Home and Church of St. Thomas the Apostle with burial in Jerusalem Cemetery, Feura Bush.

Contributions may be made to Honor Court, 283 Central Ave., Albany 12206.

Women's group hosts riverboat tea party

On Sunday, Aug. 26, from 2 to 4 p.m. the Capital District Women's Political Caucus will host a special Afternoon Tea Party aboard the Dutch Apple II to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment that gave women the right to vote.

The benefit boat ride will leave promptly at 2 p.m. from Albany's Snow Dock. The cost is \$25 for adults, \$10 for children five to 12 years old, and free for children under age three. The price includes refreshments, music and door prizes.

Advance reservations are required and are due by Friday, Aug. 24. Tickets will be held at the boat. For reservations, send a check, payable to CDWPC, to: CDWPC, PO Box 7157, Albany, N.Y. 12224. For information, call 283-8416 during the evening.

Slide, swing give way to 'creativity'

By Debi Boucher

Once upon a time, playgrounds were simple and predictable: swings, slides, seesaws and jungle gyms. These days, they're more apt to include towers and tunnels, and to incorporate more wood than steel.

Voorheesville is winding down a year of fund-raising efforts to put a "creative playground" at its elementary school. In Delmar, two mothers have launched a campaign to bring the same sort of playground to the Elm Avenue Park.

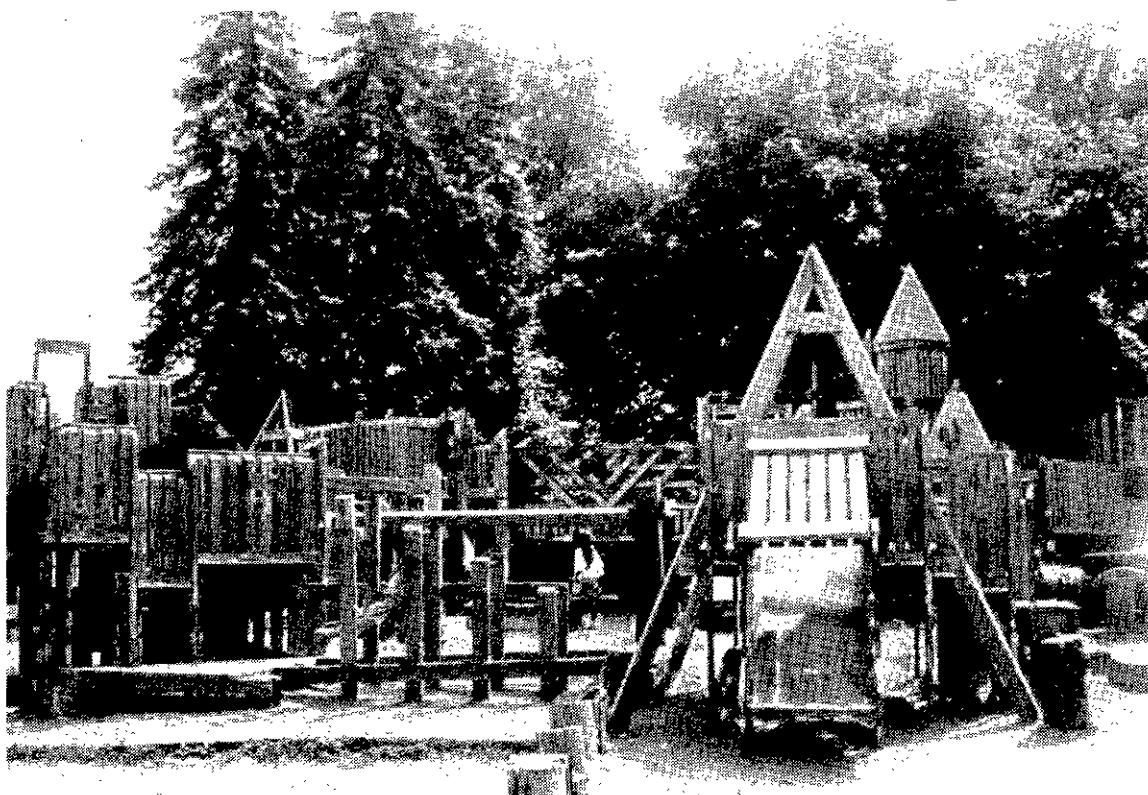
Intrigued by a creative playground they visited in Clifton Park, sisters-in-law Lisa and Lauren Finkle decided they'd like to see a similar setup closer to home.

Creative playgrounds are "a growing trend," said Lauren Finkle. The all-wooden structures often resemble castles, she said, and are "very safe" as well as fun. "There's a million directions a kid could take on it," she said, adding that there are often moveable parts and tires incorporated into the design of the playgrounds, each one unique because it is designed by the community it serves.

Having spoken to people involved in the organization of the Clifton Park playground, as well as with organizers in Voorheesville, the Finkles contacted the Robert Leathers Company of Ithaca, which has been responsible for many of the unconventional playgrounds springing up in the area.

Along with general information and a promotional video, the company sent detailed information on how to organize fund-raising for the playground, which will cost between \$80,000 and \$100,000, Lauren Finkle said. She said the Leathers company, accustomed to dealing with community fund-raising, provided instruction on the types of committees needed, including how many people should serve on each one.

To get the project rolling, the pair has planned an informational meeting for Aug. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, to which the public is invited. After showing the video provided by the Leathers company, Lauren and Lisa hope to begin organizing a network of committees.



This creative playground, located at the Kenwood Child Development Center on Route 9W in Albany, is the kind two Delmar residents would like to see constructed at Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park.

Elaine McLain

Lauren said their goal is to raise \$100,000 from the community, relying heavily on corporate donations and donated material.

After the Aug. 28 meeting, the Finkles plan to bring the project before the town board for approval. So far, they have been collecting signatures on a petition and have consulted with David Austin, Bethlehem's director of parks and recreation.

Austin said he supported the project, provided the funds came entirely from the community. "We do have a decent playground now, and there are a lot of other priorities," he said. If a creative playground was built at the Elm Avenue Park, it would replace the existing conventional playground, because the new one would render the old one obsolete, he said.

"I've seen some of Leathers' playgrounds and they are exceptional," Austin said. "They're very well designed, and the kids seem really interested in playing on them."

That may be because they have had a hand in designing them. One

of the basic premises of creative playgrounds is that they involve the entire community, including children, in their design. Voorheesville had its "design day" this spring while school was still in session, according to coordinator Elaine Burns. "The entire school day revolved around design day," she said, with the architect visiting each classroom to get ideas on what features the children wanted to see incorporated in the new playground. One of the many committees formed early was a children's committee, Burns said.

A myriad of other committees are involved, as well, many of them part of the fund-raising process. Since the Leathers Company is accustomed to situations in which the community must raise the funds to pay for a playground, Lauren Finkle said, there is an entire section in the information packet the company provides devoted to organizing such efforts.

"They'll help you every step of the way," she said.

Burns said coordinating the Voorheesville playground, tentatively slated for construction in May, was a time-consuming job, especially at first. Once all the committees were established and had begun their work, she said, it became easier. She said the Leathers' company was "very efficient, very organized," helpful and "receptive to questions," throughout the planning process.

The community's involvement doesn't end with planning the playground, however. Construction takes about five days, with volunteers assembling the pieces. "We already have our plans," said Burns. "This playground is going to be really something."

And the children who will use it are sure to be enthused, since, as Burns put it, "It is their playground."

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The service was conducted by the Rev. Roger Eernisse in the Delmar Reformed Church.

Kelly Beeler was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Victoria Morrell, Mary Beth Lawton and Sandra Miller.

William Seymour was best man. Ushers were Eric Wilkinson, David

Morrell and Kevin Myers. Benjamin Wilkinson was ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, State University of New York College at Cortland and State University of New York at Albany. She is a second-grade teacher in the Greenville Central School.

The groom, a Bethlehem Central alumnus, is a graduate of the State University of New York at Cobleskill and Virginia Tech, Virginia. He is employed by North Atlantic Millwork, Chicopee, Ma.

The couple will reside in Delmar.

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Births



St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Suzanne Michelle Thorman, to Patricia and Art Thorman, Voorheesville, Aug. 8.

Girl, Kristin Lindsay Wood, to Sharon Marie and Bryan Philip Wood, Selkirk, Aug. 13.



Michelle Zinzow and Gregory Deso

Deso—Zinzow

Darlene and Gerald Zinzow of Ravena have announced the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Lee Zinzow, to Gregory Michael Deso, son of Gloria and Donald Deso of New Baltimore.

The bride graduated from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High

School. She is employed by the state comptroller's office. The groom, also a graduate of RCS High School, is employed by Nolan Bottle Gas, Ravena.

A wedding is planned for May 4, 1991.

Downing-Krause, Kintz wed

Patricia Jean Kintz, daughter of Joan Kintz and Donald Peters of Beauford, South Carolina, and Corporal R. Thomas Downing-Krause, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Krause of Clarksville, were married July 20.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by Catherine Peters, sister of the bride.

Catherine Krause was maid of

honor. Paul Kintz was best man.

The groom is the grandson of Mrs. Theodore Kiburz Sr. of Middleburgh and Mr. and Mrs. William Krause of Schoharie. He is currently a weapons instructor for the U.S. Marine Corps stationed at Parris Island.

After a honeymoon at Hilton Head Island, the couple resides in Burton, South Carolina.

Burglary investigated

Police are investigating the burglary about \$475 worth of varied articles from a Kenwood Avenue duplex sometime between the evenings of Saturday, Aug. 11 and Monday, Aug. 13.

According to police, thieves made off with \$40 in cash, a Huffy girls bicycle, one quart of gin, one piece each of gold and silver jewelry, and four Nintendo videogame cartridges.

Some of the material has been recovered, police said.

Woman injured

Laura M. Robilotto, 28, of Route 9W, Glenmont was hurt in a two-vehicle accident on Elsmere Avenue on Tuesday morning, Aug. 14.

Robilotto's car was struck from behind by a vehicle driven by Donna A. Thornberry, 21, of Gladwich Road, Delmar, police said.

No tickets were issued in the incident.

Robilotto was reportedly transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment.

Forest management topic of walk

The New York State Forest Practice Board will sponsor a "woodswalk" along the Viomankill on Thursday, Aug. 23 at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, at 1 p.m.

The trail walk will focus on

proper forest management methods. Included will be examples of wildlife habitat improvement, thinning, forest insect and disease control, and firewood and timber production.

For information, call 943-4030.

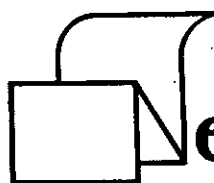


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Five Rivers sponsors Viomankill walk

Summer heat beating you down? Looking for a way to cool off? Well, get your feet wet on a tour of the Viomankill stream at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, on Thursday, Aug. 30, at 9:30 a.m.

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Scottish Games are a Highland fling

By Meg McNiff

The day will begin with a colorful Parade of Tartans and a procession of pipe bands proudly sounding their Celtic rhythms. At some point, the world record holder for the caber toss will show his prowess.

For those who've seen it before, there's instant recognition that, once again, it's time for the annual Capital District Scottish Games. They're scheduled this year for Saturday, Sept. 1, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Altamont Fairgrounds.

Dancing, singing, Scottish sports and food, and dog and horse shows will all be featured throughout the day.

The Scottish Games will be the site of both the Northeastern U.S. Pipe Band Championship and the Northeastern U.S. Open Highland Dance Championship. These lively contests attract pipe bands and dancers from throughout the northeast and Canada.

The Seann Truibhas, Highland fling, sailor's hornpipe, and sword dance are just some of the dances to be performed. Spectators will be treated to demonstrations of Irish dancing as well.

The games should be of interest to those from all walks of life, according to Don Martin, chairman of publicity. Martin said, "We try to make this a family-type activity. There's something for everyone."

Martin said a four-man instrumental and vocal group called the Brigadoons, very popular with last year's audience, will perform. The Brigadoons play traditional Scottish and Irish ballads, and much of their music involves audience participation: The Porters, a Capital District quintet, will also be performing. The Porters play Irish music, Scottish music, and oldies from the 50s and 60s.

The Highland Athletics, contests of traditional Scottish sports, will take place in one section of the fairgrounds. In the caber toss, one of the main events, a log 17 to 20 feet long and weighing 80 to 140 pounds is tossed end over end. The challenge of the toss is to allow the caber to go 180 degrees, landing in a straight line from the point from which it was thrown.

Among the other sports is a "putting the stone" throw, which involves a 22-pound stone, and a "throwing the weight" contest, in which an individual uses an iron ring to propel 28 and 56-pound stones over a bar. The bar is similar to that used in a pole vault. In "tossing the sheaf" a burlap bag full of hay is thrown over a bar, but this time with a pitchfork.



A competitor in the "tossing of the sheaf" category at the Scottish Games gears up for his throw.

Ted Dandrow, athletic events coordinator, said many of those participating in the sporting events are professional athletes who travel and compete in Scottish games competitions throughout the country. Other athletes are schoolteachers,



The caber toss is one of the most exciting and dangerous events at the games. This participant prepares for his turn.

businessmen, and doctors. There are two levels of competition in the athletic events, the Master's, for those 45 and older, and the Open, for those under 45. Martin said the youngest athletes are generally about 22 years old.

There also will be sporting contests for children, including a tug-of-war and a hay-pile search.

Another event that is sure to be a great crowd-pleaser is the Scottish dog show. Diane Martin, chairman, explained there will be 14 Scottish breeds to see, including three Dandy Dinmonts. Martin said the Dandy Dinmont is very difficult to find, and that this is the first time they have been shown at the Capital District Scottish Games.

After the dog exhibition the Albany Obedience Club will do a demonstration of basic and advanced techniques. Martin said there will also be an obstacle course for dogs and handlers, and a shared theme costume contest for dogs and handlers. "They must be dressed," Martin explained, "and it must be a shared theme,

for example, Holmes and Watson, or Batman and Robin."

The final event of the dog show will be a parade, led by a Scottish piper. Martin stressed that the parade is open to all dogs attending the games, to make sure none feels left out. She said anyone with a Scottish breed who wishes to enter the costume competition or the obstacle course must register beforehand and for further information should contact Martin at 785-5951.

The world-famous Clydesdale horses will be appearing at the games. The Clydesdale originated in Scotland, where it developed into a large, very strong workhorse. Clydesdales are known not only for their size and endurance, but also for their quiet temperament.

Scottish foods of all sorts will be served — shepherd's pies, bridies, fish 'n' chips, and Scottish shortbreads are just a few of the foods that will be available. For the less adventuresome traditional American

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PBS show brings reading to mall

By Mike Larabee

A public television program that aims to open doors by teaching children to open books will make an area appearance next week.

On Tuesday, Aug. 28, WMHT/Channel 17 will sponsor a return visit of the Reading Rainbow traveling show to Crossgates Mall in Guilderland. The show is an extension of the PBS children's series Reading Rainbow, which airs on WMHT weekdays at 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., and Saturday mornings at 8:30 on WMHX/Channel 45.

Last year, over 1,000 children and their families visited the display during the one-day event, according to WMHT. While Reading Rainbow host LeVar Burton won't be present at the day-long Crossgates gathering, WMHT publicist Glenda Bullock said, nearly everything else from the program will.

Children will be able to view selected episodes of Reading Rainbow, listen to stories read from books featured on the show, and browse through more 500 children's books. In addition, there will be drawings for special prizes at intervals throughout the day.

"It's really a charming event. It makes you feel great to be a part of

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Riverfront Park raises the big top

By Robert Webster Jr.

Lions and tigers and bears, for sure! You may not get to see the Wizard of Oz on this trip, but you'll see these animals, and more, at the Great American Circus as it arrives in the Capital District on Monday, Aug. 27.

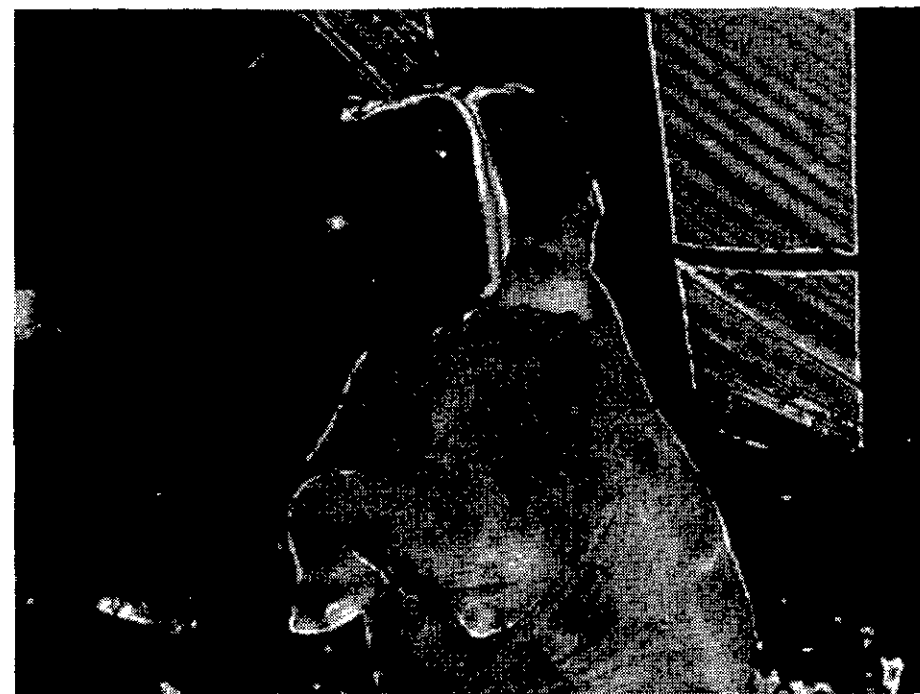
The Allan C. Hill presentation of the Great American Circus at the showgrounds in Rensselaer's Riverfront Park on Broadway is sure to please children of all ages with its variety of animals, show acts and clowns, all in the traditional three ring-format.

The day begins with the giant tent being raised at 8 a.m. The public is invited to marvel at the elephants as they play a major role in raising the tent, which nearly covers a football field. Asian elephants Janet and Irene will "supervise" the proceedings, as man and elephant come together to raise the big top.

Of course, it wouldn't be a circus without clowns, and the Great American Circus delivers. With their spirit for fun and ability to make others laugh, clowns have always been the highlight of any circus, especially for the children.

The clowns of the Great American Circus are no different, and their comic interpretations of "The Wadher Woman," the "Strongest Man in the World," and the "Honey Bee," will cause laughter for one and all.

The elephants are another extremely popular attraction, due not only to their



One of the many elephants that will be at the Great American Circus performs the sit-down maneuver under the direction of trainer Tim Frisco.

size, but their docility. The elephants in this show will prance about the ring with all the grace they can muster as they perform bows, headstands and rolls under the careful direction of Trainer Tim Frisco.

New to the circus are four baby African elephants, each barely a year old. Their small size in comparison to their

fully-grown counterparts is enough to make even the grouchiest person smile after a tough day.

Other spectacles include aerial artistry with the circus acrobats, wild and exotic animals, Ra Ra Tonga and her Jungle Cats, and savage lions and tigers.

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**Wednesday
August 22**

BETHLEHEM

PUBLIC HEARING

on application of Robert Mitchell, 20 Hallwood Rd., Delmar; Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

BETHLEHEM HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION

for new students, through Aug. 24, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 439-3650.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Delmar, 2-4 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Bible Study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

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

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MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH

evening service, 7:30 p.m.; Bible study and prayer, Rt. 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

every Wednesday, Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem. Information, 765-2109.

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meets second and fourth Wednesdays, 22 South Main St., Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

**Thursday
August 23**

BETHLEHEM

"WOODSWALK"

sponsored by Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 1 p.m. Information, 943-4030.

"POLLYANNA"

film, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Delmar, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM 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.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Thursdays, Bible Study, 10 a.m.; creator's crusaders, 6:30 p.m.; senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

BOWLING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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film, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., Voorheesville, 2 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

CLARKSVILLE TABERNACLE

890 Delaware Ave., Clarksville, 7 p.m. Information, 768-2733.

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB

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

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

**Friday
August 24**

BETHLEHEM

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

FARMERS' MARKET

Fridays through Oct. 26, St. Thomas Church parking lot, Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 439-2493.

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, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

**Saturday
August 25**

BETHLEHEM

CHABAD CENTER

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

**Sunday
August 26**

BETHLEHEM

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday worship service, 10 a.m.; Tuesday Bible study, 7:15 p.m. Meetings held at the Auberge Suisse Restaurant, New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Information, 475-9086.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday School, 8:30 a.m., three-year-olds through adult, morning worship service, 9:30 a.m. nursery care provided, evening fellowship, 6 p.m. Information 439-3135.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

continental breakfast 8:30 a.m., worship service, 9:30 a.m. Nursery care available during worship services. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH

church school and worship, 9 and 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

worship and nursery care, 10 a.m.; lemonade on the lawn, 11 a.m. Information, 439-9252.

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Worship, Sunday school and nursery care, 10 a.m., followed by a time of fellowship. Retreat House Road, Glenmont. Information, 463-6465.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

ELICA, morning worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school and Bible class, 10:15 a.m., 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont. Information, 465-2188.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

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

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

church school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; youth group 6 p.m. Rt. 9W Selkirk. Information, 436-7710.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

of Delmar, worship 9:30 a.m., church school, 9:45 a.m., youth and adult classes, 11 a.m., nursery care 9 a.m. to 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.

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SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

worship service, youth forum, 10 a.m., Fellowship hour and adult education programs, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. Information, 439-1766.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Rd., Delmar. Information, 438-7740.

BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL MUSEUM

schoolhouse and Toll House museums open, through August, Rt. 144, Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 2-5 p.m. Information, 436-8289.

NEW SCOTLAND

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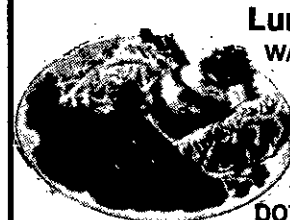
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worship, 9:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., Sunday school.

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worship, 10 a.m. church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85, New Scotland. Information, 439-6454.

UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH
worship, 9:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, 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. Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

Monday August 27

BETHLEHEM DELMAR KIWANIS
meets Mondays at Sidewheeler Restaurant, Days Inn, 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.

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP
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first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

NEW SCOTLAND 4-H CLUB
meets first and third Mondays, home of Marilyn Miles, Clarksville. Information, 768-2186.

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

Tuesday August 28

BETHLEHEM OPEN HOUSE
for prospective students, A. W. Becker Elementary School, Selkirk, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

COMMUNITY EFFORT PLAYGROUND
meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 475-1272.

DUSK WALK
outdoor study of the natural world in twilight, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Parks and Recreation Office, Delmar, 2-4 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

DELMAR ROTARY
meets Tuesday mornings at Days Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont. Information, 482-8824.

BETHLEHEM LODGE 1096 F&M
first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

MEDICARE FORM AID
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NEW SCOTLAND BETHLEHEM SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
membership meeting, first Tuesdays, Clubhouse, Dunbar Hollow Road, Clarksville, 8 p.m. Guests welcome.

Wednesday August 29

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Parks and Recreation Office, Delmar, 2-4 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

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., Elmsire. Information, 439-7864.

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

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

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

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

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH
evening service, 7:30 p.m.; Bible study and prayer, Rt. 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

Thursday August 30

BETHLEHEM PROJECT WILD WORKSHOP
for teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Information, 453-1806.

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Games

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fare can be found, including hot dogs, hamburgers, and a chicken barbeque. A variety of domestic and imported beverages will be available.

Vendors will be displaying Scottish and Irish crafts and specialties, including kilts and woolens, Celtic jewelry, musical items, maps and books. Scottish clansmen will be on hand to discuss family

Big top

(From Page 25)
"Its old-time family fun under the big top," said Karen Woish, advertising director for Allan C. Hill Entertainment. "The circus has something to offer for all ages."

Showtimes are at 5:30 and 8 p.m., but the gates to the show open at 4:30 p.m. to allow visitors to tour the grounds before show time. Bring the children early to enjoy elephant, camel and pony rides, a moonwalk ride, and other circus displays.

The circus is sponsored by the Rensse-

laer City Youth Bureau. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 12 and under, and can be purchased at the door prior to the show.

Tickets can be purchased at the gate, and cost \$8 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-12. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Great American Supermarkets, the Community Box Office, and at Holmes and Watson in Troy. Tickets bought in advance cost \$6 for adults, and \$2 for children ages 6-12. Children under the age of 6 will be admitted free. Parking is available at the fairgrounds at no cost.

In celebration of the circus, *The Spotlight Newspapers* is offering free children's tickets to subscribers. Look for the insert in this issue for tickets to the show.

Free children's tickets are also available while they last at K-Mart, 1867 Central Ave. in Colonie, and Sears, at Colonie Center.

Additional information can be obtained by calling the Rensselaer City Youth Bureau at 462-5488.

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Looking for some good clean fun? You are invited to participate in a day of activities aimed at giving young people an alternative to drug abuse. The day of events will take place at Grafton Lakes State Park at 1 p.m. on Aug. 24, and will include athletics, dinner, a dance, live broadcasts by WFLY-FM and a live band. In addition New York Giants Tim Sherwin and Andy Selfridge, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute hockey captains Bruce Coles and Joe Juneau will make appearances. For information, call 747-5777.

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If you have an item exclusively for area teens, send it to TEENSCENE, Spotlight Newspapers, 125 Adams St., Delmar, 12054.

Weekly Crossword

"TAKE ME OUT TO THE MALL GABE!" By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- Hoops-hoops, cabbage patch dolls, eg.
- Sacred rite
- Bacteria
- pie: Darling
- Region in Italy
- Understanding words
- Female theater attendants
- Follows rat
- Punched
- To soak flax
- Mr. Beatty and others
- Compass pt.
- Cigarette substitutes
- Motors
- Thing: Latin
- Ominous
- Marquis de Sade, eg.
- KGB antithesis
- Gambling choices
- Far out
- Legislative
- Burno
- RED SPA!
- Birch
- A short yonder
- Pungent
- This is what you get: 3 wds
- Follows "MAN": Madman
- Heavenly body
- CIA, NEA, or FBI, eg.
- Subtle distinction
- Word with run: lose self control
- Nightingale's bailiwick: 2 wds
- Word with May or Horn
- Follows "GEN": The beginning
- Girls in Paris
- Follows "ENSE": On the attack
- Time periods: Abv
- Man's nickname
- Wrestling floor
- SO RAT!
- Bullock
- Andrew, McGuire, or Lennon eg.
- IT GANG!
- ____ Lauder
- Scans
- STEM!
- BUCS!
- Blue pencils
- Leafy vegetable
- Head: French
- Large deer
- Governmental protection org.
- Vis-a-____: In relation to
- Women's org.
- Bees in the bonnet
- I LAND CARS!
- Diamonds
- Gnawed
- Dick and Jane's dog
- Nat. Training Inst.
- "This can be ____ series"
- Play part
- EKE ANY!
- Second owner
- Grownup girl
- Basketball slang
- "Either use a wooden bat ____ an aluminum one!"
- Language of Western Siberia
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- Passing grades
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National Park Service, Lindenwald, Kinderhook, Aug. 25, 8:30 p.m. Information, 758-9689.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Family classic, Park Playhouse Inc., Washington Park, Albany, Wed.-Sun., through Aug. 26, 8 p.m. Information, 434-2035.

PINOCCHIO

Starlite Music Theatre, Latham, Aug. 23, 11 a.m. Information, 783-9300.

ALICE IN WONDERLAND

The Mac-Haydn Children's Theatre, Chatham, Aug. 24-25, 31 and Sept. 1, 11 a.m. Information, 392-9292.

MY FAIR LADY

Lerner and Loewe's musical, The Mac-Haydn Theatre. Now through Sept. 2, Wed., Thurs., and Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 5 and 8:30 p.m.; Sun. 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 392-9292.

ALBERT HERRING

Benjamin Britten's comic chamber opera, The Alice Busch Opera Theater, Aug. 23, 8 p.m. Aug. 19, 21, 2:30 p.m. Information, (607)547-2255.

MUSIC

CHARLIE DANIELS

Performing at the Starlite Music Theatre, Latham, Aug. 26, 8:30 p.m. Information, 783-9300.

HARRY BELAFONTE

Performing at the Starlite Music Theatre, Latham, Aug. 28, 8:30 p.m. Information, 783-9300.

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Innovative composer, percussionist and collaborator, Art Awareness, Lexington, Aug. 25, 8 p.m. Information, 989-6433.

CHICAGO

Featured at Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Aug. 26, 8:15 p.m. Information, 587-3330.

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Featured at Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Aug. 27, 8:15 p.m. Information, 587-3330.

SING ALONG

Concert presented by Ruth Pelham, Elm Avenue Park, Delmar, Aug. 26, 7 p.m. Information, 482-9154.

DENNIS D'ASARO

Irish and folk music, West Capitol Park, Albany, Aug. 23, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information, 473-0559.

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New York folk music, West Capitol Park, Albany, Aug. 24, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Information, 473-0559.

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DANCE

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Guest on "Public Radio Book Show", WAMC-FM (90.3, Albany), Aug. 26, 2 p.m. Information, 442-5620.

WORKSHOPS

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For children and their grandparents, exploring a wide variety of art media, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Aug. 28, Tues. 10 a.m. Information, 792-1761.

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Ages 6-15 work with professional teacher and performer Edgar Acevedo, The Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, August, twice a week. Information, 392-2245.

DANCE CLASSES

MUNTU DANCE THEATRE OF CHICAGO

Liz Lerman from the Dance Exchange, Skidmore College Field House Studio, Saratoga, Aug. 26, 11 a.m. Information, 584-2225.

LECTURE

TURN OF THE CENTURY CAREER CRIMINALS

By John Burch, Shepard Park, Lake George, Aug. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 668-2616.

AUDITIONS

THE BUTLER DID IT

Five males, five females ages 20-50, The Village Stage. Early Nov. production, Aug. 23-24, 30, 7-9 p.m. Information, after 6 p.m., 439-0536.

VISUAL ARTS

MARY JABLONSKI, ANDREA CANHAM

Charcoal figure drawings and monotypes, Elm Tree Art Gallery, Latham, Aug. 20-Sept. 30, Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Thurs. 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Information, 785-1441.

REGIONAL RETROSPECTIVE

The Rice Gallery, Albany. Now through Sept. 1. Information, 463-4478.

LES BALLETS 1933

Exhibition, and Shaping the American Dance Dream, The National Museum of Dance, Saratoga. Now through Oct. 7, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. noon-4 p.m. Guided public tours, Sun., 1 p.m. Information, 584-2225.

PAUL KOLNIK

Exclusive exhibit and sale of photos of the New York City Ballet, National Museum of Dance, Saratoga. Now through Oct. 7. Information, 584-2225.

DOLDRUMS

Showcases the work of arts faculty, Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany, Wed.-Fri., noon-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m.; Sat., noon-3 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

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.

Reading

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it," said Bullock, adding WMHT was "delighted" by how well-attended the show was a year ago.

Bullock said it's not necessary for people to feel they need to arrive by the event's 10 a.m. starting time. "It sort of is a continuing show," she said. "So no matter when someone comes they'll be something going on."


In its seventh year on PBS, Reading Rainbow is aimed at children between the ages of three and eight. The program is designed principally to encourage early readers to keep learning. It features celebrity narrators — past episodes have included Bill Cosby, Peter Falk, Madeline Kahn and James Earl Jones — and on-location settings that illustrate themes suggested by the show's feature books. Other features include animation, music

videos, dances, songs, book reviews by children, and "kid on the street" interviews.

Bullock said the program tries to keep kids interested in the world of written words after the initial excitement of learning to read begins to wear off.

"When children get started reading they're very excited," said Bullock. "But then, especially in the summer, they can lose some of their enthusiasm. And they can lose some of their skills too." Bullock said one reason for the show's success is that it uses a medium which captures kid's attention easily — television — to introduce them to books.

The Reading Rainbow travelling show runs from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on in the first-floor foyer outside Filene's Department Store in Crossgates.



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SQUARE DANCE

sponsored by Single Squares, St. Michaels Community Center, Cohoes, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Information, 664-2353.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

for the Schenectady Urban Cultural Park Visitor Center, Schenectady Museum, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady, 10 a.m. Information, 382-7890.

**Thursday
August 23**

ALBANY COUNTY

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

part 1, sponsored by the Safety and Health Council, 845 Central Ave., 6:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 438-2365.

HEAR MEETING

self-help group for the hearing impaired, Room K226, Albany Medical Center, 7 p.m. Information, 445-4535.

**Friday
August 24**

ALBANY COUNTY

SENIOR LUNCHES

Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 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 Room, Schenectady, 10 a.m. Information, 346-8595.

SINGLE PARENTS' DANCE

Woodlin Club, Glenridge Road, Glenville, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Information, 885-1354.

**Saturday
August 25**

GARAGE SALE

to benefit Parents Without Partners Chapter #65, Niskayuna Dr., Schenectady, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 869-5515.

**Sunday
August 26**

ALBANY COUNTY

DUTCH APPLE TEA PARTY

sponsored by the Capital District Women's Political Caucus, departs from Snow Deck, Broadway, Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 945-2866.

SARATOGA COUNTY

JEWELRY EXHIBITION

National Museum of Dance, S. Broadway, Saratoga, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 438-2090.

**Monday
August 27**

ALBANY COUNTY

SENIOR LUNCHES

Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 4:45 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

RECOVERY, INC.

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

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**Tuesday
August 28**

ALBANY COUNTY

EARLY PREGNANCY CLASS

Woman's HealthCare Plus, Western Ave., Guilderland, 7-9 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FAIR

Empire State Plaza, Albany, noon-10 p.m. Information, 474-5986.

SENIORS LUNCHES

Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

ALBANY COUNTY

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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
August 29**

ESSEX COUNTY

ARCHAEOLOGY WORKSHOP

Crown Point, 4 miles off rts. 9N/22 at Champlain Bridge, Crown Point, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

THE YOUTH NETWORK

Ideas for parents and children

Here are some ideas from The Parent Institute you can use daily from now until the end of the summer to increase positive interaction with your children.

August 22: Have your child choose an interesting job. Try to visit where your child can talk with people in that job.

August 23: Look in the newspaper for the coldest place in the U.S. Plan an imaginary vacation to that spot.

August 24: Plan a reading dinner tonight. Have everyone bring the words to a favorite song, and talk about them.

August 25: Make a recipe together. Have your child use measuring cups to learn about fractions.

August 26: Visit a park. Look for insects and draw pictures of some of the interesting ones you see.

August 27: Visit the library. Find a book about an artist.

August 28: Check each other on math facts. Make up math problems for each other. You play, too!

August 29: Review telling time. Then plan a clock hunt in your house or neighborhood. Write down where you found clocks.

August 30: Have your child write a letter to a relative or a friend. Tell about what happened this summer.

August 31: Plan a reading dinner tonight. Have everyone share favorite thoughts about summer.



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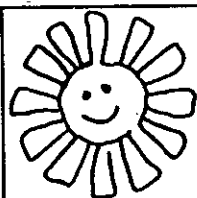
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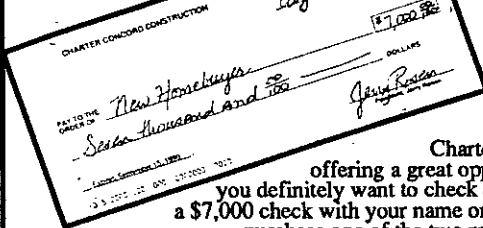
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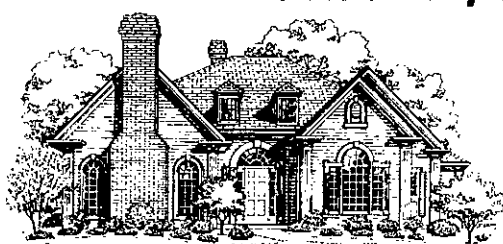
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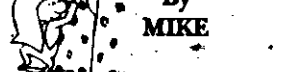
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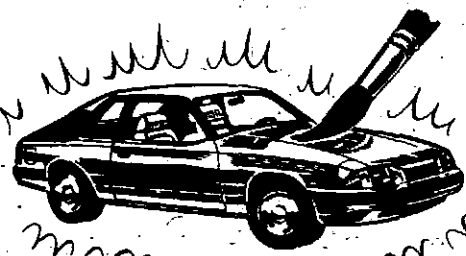
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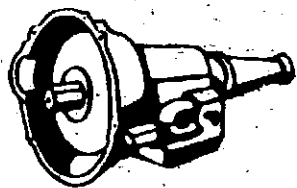
For older cars that have endured a few years on the road and have a little finish wear to show for it, this technique is also being used as an alternative to touch-up paint treatments for spiderweb scratches, old swirlmarks, nicks and dings.



Incidentally, pigmented sealant suppliers say that the most popular colors they sell are maroon, dark blue and black. Others in descending order are medium blue, red, white, silver, dark brown, dark grey and tan.

The liquid sealant goes on like a car wax. After washing to remove dirt and other road contaminants, pour a small portion on a cheesecloth or other clean cloth and apply in short strokes. Wait ten minutes and then wipe it off. No rubbing or buffing is needed. Check your favorite auto supply store for more information on pigmented sealant, the latest way to fix those nicks.

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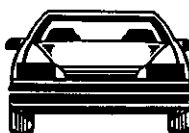
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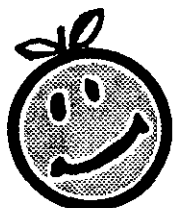
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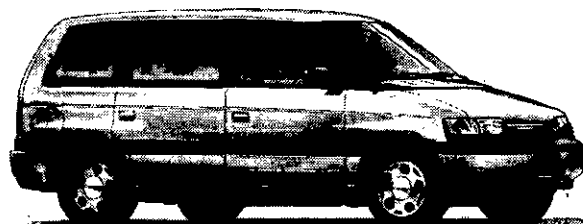
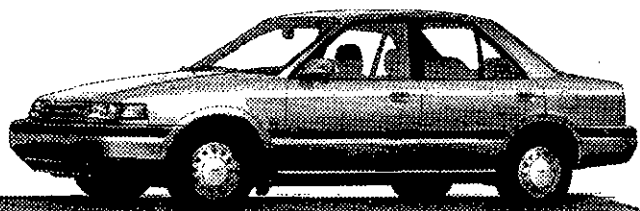
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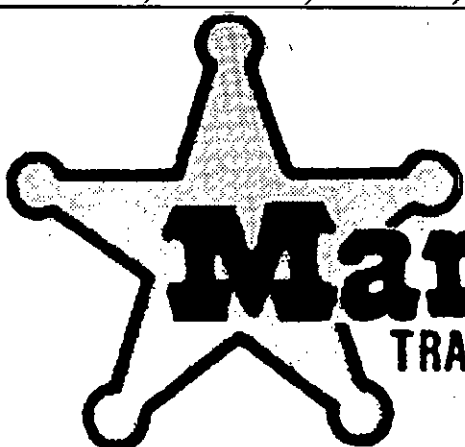
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