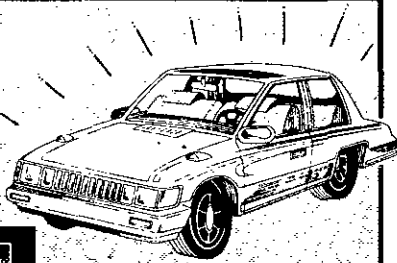


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HUD: Try again for housing

By Mike Larabee

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has denied an application to fund a senior housing complex on North Street in Delmar, putting off town review of the controversial plan for at least a year.

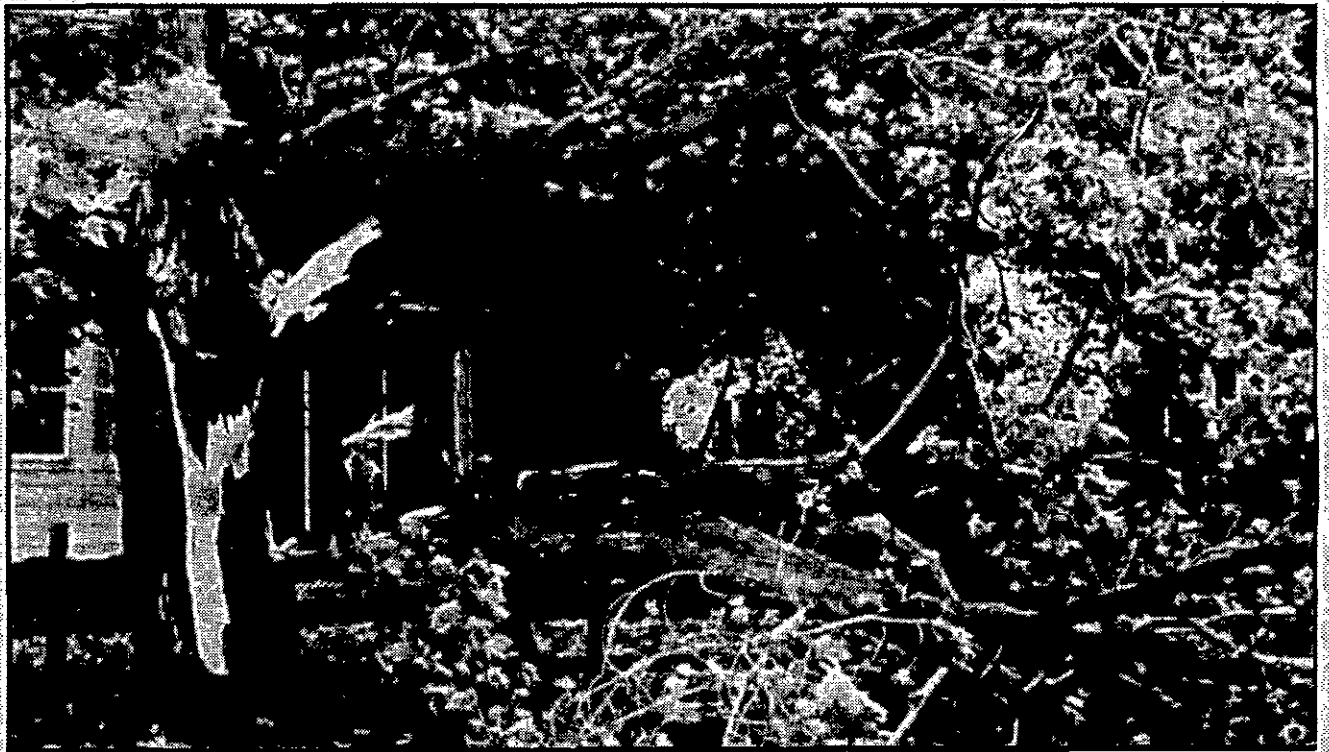
HUD's rejection of the application for the department's Section 202 senior housing grant money was not unexpected, a representative of project sponsor DePaul Management, Inc. of Albany said. In addition, a HUD official last week said he would "encourage" DePaul to apply again.

"The application competed very well with others that were submitted," said Robert Riftenberick, director of housing development at HUD's Buffalo offices. "It was ranked very highly. It competed very well, but it did not rate sufficiently high enough to receive funding."

DePaul, the development arm of the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese, applied in June for funds to finance the construction of a 50-unit, two-story low to middle income senior housing structure on 3.2 acres off North Street. At the same time, Bethlehem renewed its interest in add-

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An ill wind



This tree on Delmar Place was one of three felled in Delmar as a result of high winds on Thursday afternoon. Bethlehem Police got approximately six storm-related calls between noon and 2 p.m.,

according to a spokesperson. Two other trees fell on North Street and Adams Place, keeping the Delmar Fire Department busy. All three knocked down power lines.

Debi Boucher

Reval meetings scheduled

The town of Bethlehem and Finnegan Associates have announced the next in a series of meetings being held as part of the revaluation currently under way in the town.

Meetings have been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 23, at Bethlehem Town Hall, on Nov. 5, at the Slingerlands Grade School and Nov. 26, at the North Bethlehem Firehouse.

Robert Finnegan, president of Finnegan Associates, the firm hired by the town to conduct the project, will be available to explain the revaluation process and to answer any questions property owners might have.

The meetings are scheduled to coincide with the point in time that field representatives will be in these areas of town to conduct data collection activities. Other meetings are planned for the Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem areas to coincide with data collection efforts in those parts of town.

Boards agree to more water talks

By Susan Graves

The Bethlehem and New Scotland town boards brought the horse a little closer to water at a special meeting in Delmar last week.

Both towns are on notice of five-year cancellation of existing water contracts: Bethlehem from the City of Albany and New Scotland from Bethlehem.

Bruce Secor, Bethlehem commissioner of public works, gave a presentation to the boards on the existing water supplies in Bethlehem and an update of studies undertaken in the late 1970s when the board decided to buy about 2 million gallons of water a day from Albany.

At that time, Bethlehem opted for the

Albany water after examining two plans that would have been operated by the town. One would have used water from the Onesquethaw Creek and would have cost \$7 million and the other involved a filtration plant using Hudson River water, estimated at about \$10 million in 1978.

"Water is not the problem," Secor insisted, "it's money." Ever since the town was notified of Albany's intent to cancel the contract, Secor has maintained that economics rather than supply was at the root of the matter. "Money is definitely an object," he said.

New Scotland Supervisor Herbert Reilly outlined his town's progress in attempting to cope with several water-

related problems. New Scotland, like Bethlehem, has plenty of potential water supplies but no money to get that water to its residents. The Galesi Group, developers who initially planned a 500 home development in New Scotland, has spent "money proving there's 1 million gallons per day in untapped wells," Reilly said, one of which is located on Hilton Road near Route 85. He said his goal is for completion of a water district by July of 1992.

Robert Cook, chairman of New Scotland's water advisory committee, agreed water was available up to 1 or 1

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Coyne won't give up on airport deal

By Don Haskins

Albany County Executive James J. Coyne has announced a new management proposal for British American/Lockheed to take over Albany County Airport has been submitted for approval to the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington.

The new plan, submitted last Thursday with a cover letter from the county

executive's office, was described as a "do or die" effort by the petitioners to win federal approval for new airport management.

"We hope," Coyne said, "we'll get a final answer in six weeks. If they shoot it down, finally, they will do it then. If the answer is 'yes,' we've had success after three years."

The new proposal for management

control, rather than a sale or lease arrangement, is a sequel to what Coyne described as a "very positive" earlier Washington meeting with FAA in which the county learned the federal government is not now prepared, as a matter of policy, to permit private enterprise to buy or lease public aviation facilities or otherwise channel funds from them into private pockets.

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Board approves more tests on Clarksville water

By Debi Boucher

The New Scotland Town Board has approved an additional \$3,000 for another round of tests at the Clarksville Water District pumping station, in hopes of getting consistently low readings of nitrates that have been found to contaminate the well area.

Kevin Phelan of Dunn Geoscience Engineering Co. PC, and a Clarksville resident, told the board the additional testing will cost about \$2,000 over and above the \$5,475 already allocated to Dunn Geoscience for the project.

Phelan, who met last week with officials from the Albany County Health Department, recommended installing eight more test wells in addition to the nine that are on the site now. "Very extensive testing indicates we don't need to collect as many samples," noted Phelan. "We can cut back on the number."

Pre-test results showed a high nitrate zone of 35 to 40 parts per million in the area surrounding the pump house; surrounding wells got readings ranging from

20 ppm to 2 ppm. Some of the wells, Phelan said, were measuring less than 0.2, 1 or 5 ppm. The health department would like to see further testing, Phelan said, in which consistently low rates were shown.

The pumping for the test wells was done at a rate of 60 gallons per minute, then 45 gallons per minute, Phelan said, adding that 30 gallons per minute would meet Clarksville's water needs. The ultimate solution, he said, might be to pump three wells that have been getting clean readings at 10 gallons per minute each.

Phelan said the town had used about \$4,000 of the money allocated to Dunn Geoscience, plus about \$2,000 in lab fees, which are separate. As part of the Dunn Geoscience budget, Phelan purchased a test kit so that all the samples would not have to be sent to the lab; at about \$1 per test, the test-kit results do not exactly match the lab results, Phelan said, but have come close.

He estimated the additional testing would cost the town about

\$1,000 in lab fees and \$1,000 in services from Dunn Geoscience; the board decided to include an extra \$1,000 as a cushion.

Meanwhile, funding from the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), which provided a \$1.2 million grant for the project, has yet to be paid in full, according to Town Supervisor Herbert Reilly. He said FmHA officials want more information on the water testing project before releasing the remaining funds.

So far, he said, the town has received about \$800,000 of the grant money, plus a \$400,000 grant from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In addition, the town got a \$648,000 loan from FmHA at 6 percent interest over 40 years. Due to delays on the project caused by the discovery of nitrates, Reilly said, interest on that loan is mounting. Had the project come on line in December 1989 as originally planned, he noted, the district would have yielded \$11,000 in water use fees during the year to supplement the \$46,000 raised in

taxes to cover principal and interest on the loan. With interest now approaching \$100,000, he said, the town may have to try for more grant money to cover the project.

An audit of the water district, launched in July, should be completed within the next week or two, Reilly said, at which time the town will have a better handle on the project's total cost. Such audits are required by both FmHA and HUD, Reilly said, when a town receives \$100,000 or more in grant money in any given year.

Sierra Club hosts DEC speaker

On Thursday, Oct. 11, the Hudson-Mohawk Group of the Sierra Club will present a program on the Environmental Quality Bond Act, which will be on the Nov. 6 ballot. A representative from the state Department of Environmental Conservation will make the presentation and will be available to answer questions. The program will be held in the Albany Public Library auditorium from 7 to 9 p.m.

For more information, call 869-1034.

Blanchard post paper earns commendation

The monthly newspaper "Ten Forty Times" and its editor, Charles J. O'Hara, have received a certificate of merit from the Department of New York, American Legion, "for maintaining quality standards of professionalism in the production of a periodical publication for members of the Nathaniel A. Blanchard Post No. 1040" in Delmar. The editor was cited "for his continuing efforts in making his newspaper an outstanding American Legion publication." The certificate was presented at the post's October meeting, having been voted at the department's annual convention in Binghamton.

In previous years, awards to "Ten Forty Times" have included: President's trophy as "best publication" and "best publication from the standpoint of journalistic excellence," 1988, and the National American Legion Press Association certificate for third place.

BC senior commended

Bethlehem Central High School senior Davis Brewer has received commendation to U.S. institutions of higher education from the 1991 National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students.

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New Scotland sets special meeting

By Debi Boucher

The New Scotland Town Board will hold a special meeting on Monday, Oct. 15 at 7 p.m.

Originally designated as a working budget meeting, the session will serve as a supplementary board meeting at which several items tabled at the board's regular Oct. 3 meeting will be resolved. In addition to working on the tentative budget prepared by Supervisor Herbert Reilly, the board will:

- Decide how to respond to a change order from LaBerge Engineering asking for an additional \$2,800 to be paid to F.G. Compagni for construction of a water storage tank for Clarksville.

Reilly contended the town should have been notified of the change order prior to having the work done, and pointed out that LaBerge had already been paid \$4,000 more than the \$188,000 the town originally contracted to pay for work on the Clarksville Water District. "We weren't keeping a running tab," Reilly said later, explaining why the overpayment occurred. "That was their (LaBerge's) job to keep it." Approving the new change order, Reilly felt, would "legitimize" the earlier price hike that was never received by the town in the form of a change order.

Town Attorney Frederick Reister is reviewing the matter, Reilly said.

- Discuss filling a position on the planning board vacated by Samuel Stein, whose term expired on Oct. 7 and who did not seek reappointment since he is moving to Albany.

- Respond to letters from C.T. Male Associates and Percy Cotton Associates regarding a proposed

wastewater system for Swift Estates.

A routine transfer of funds, also tabled at the meeting, was scheduled for another special meeting yesterday, Oct. 9, according to Reilly, who explained that the transfers could not wait until the 15th, as certain financial obligations, such as employee health insurance, had to be met before that date.

Among items the board approved at its Oct. 3 meeting were:

- A contract with Software Consulting Associates, Inc. for computer consulting services. The \$1,800 contract, subject to Reister's approval, will cover a two-year feasibility study concerning possible computerization in town departments. The town used Software Consulting in computerizing its water and sewer department.

- A request from Five Rivers Environmental Education Center for a 15 mph speed limit. The request will still need approval from the state Department of Transportation before that speed limit can take effect.

- Appointment of William Wenzel as unpaid recycling coordinator for the town. Wenzel will attend an Oct. 16 recycling workshop.

- A document on the procedure for installation of required improvements by developers, as written by the planning board. Since the first public hearing on the matter several months ago, officials have debated whether or not to specify performance bonds as insurance that a developer will do the work required by the town for subdivisions, such as road construction, sewer and water installation. Reister pointed out that

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Neighbors

People, places and their stories



Alfred P. Restifo

To many, he's "Uncle Al," the kids' pal. Alfred P. Restifo has spent the last thirty years teaching in the Bethlehem Central School District. To date he has taught over 3,000 children.

"I was born in Albany. We moved to Elsmere (Rural Place) in 1931. I started kindergarten in 1932 at Elsmere Grade School and graduated from Bethlehem Central High School (the current Middle School building) in June 1945.

"I was the first Bethlehem Central teacher to go from kindergarten to graduation in the Bethlehem School District. Of course, there have been others since. I've been teaching Grade 6 Math in the Bethlehem Middle School since 1970."

If you happen to be one of the 7,000 people

in the Bethlehem that Al knows personally, then you know he has one speed—drive. He optimistically looks at life, especially when it comes to our youth.

Uncle Al considers the young people the "living hope" for our future.

The two most familiar words in Al's vocabulary are *hope* and *love*. He gives many parents hope when they fear there is none.

"I love this community. It has been a good place to grow up in and live as an adult. I hope to continue to teach as long as I can do a good job," says Al.

Al is recovering from surgery. So if you see him around town, ask him how he's feeling; it will be good for your health.

By Mary Ahlstrom

Planners weigh density issue on Orchard Street development

The Bethlehem Planning Board last week wrestled with a planning dilemma: whether an Orchard Street subdivision should be required to include internal roadways even though that would force developers to add lots to their plan.

The development is Orchard Estates. The initial proposal brought to the board last week by development group Orchard Street Associates called for 11 lots on a 42-acre plot tucked between Orchard Street and Meads Lane and directly across from the Orchard Street/Game Farm Road intersection at the western edge of town. According to representative Gray Watkins, developers hope "to attract the kind of person that will put up a higher priced home in their own secluded setting."

While the planning board clearly liked hearing that, they frowned on two other aspects of the proposal: the number of new

driveways it would add to Orchard Street and Meads Lane, and the number of keyhole type lots it includes. The board holds a general policy against approving keyhole lots, which are parcels connected to a road only by a long thin strip of property wide enough to carry a driveway.

"I really am not in favor of the plan because of all the driveways onto Orchard Street," said board member William Johnston. Orchard Street has been slated to become a main collector street as area development increases.

Both concerns would be addressed by short cul-de-sac streets, and Watkins showed the board an alternative proposal that included the installation of two, one each on either side of a large central lot. But the proposal called for the inclusion of five additional homes.

"To justify roads, we would frankly have to increase the number of lots," said Watkins.

Chairman Martin Barr said he was "torn" between the two options. The planners asked that the town engineering staff review both proposals with regard to their impact on Orchard Street and Meads Lane.

Another question is whether the development might disrupt future efforts to extend the Route 32 Delmar bypass. While a corner of the site lies on land tentatively eyed

for the informal proposal, Watkins said he didn't think it would be fair to delay the development for a project that may never come to fruition.

But Barr argued the bypass proposal should be examined. "The planning board has to be careful it doesn't make the Delmar bypass impossible," he said.

The proposal has been marked for preliminary review on an as yet unspecified future board agenda.

Mike Larabee

Coat campaign continues

WRGB's Coats For Kids campaign, which began Oct. 1, will continue through Saturday, Nov. 3. The station is asking viewers to donate warm coats, snowsuits and jackets in new and like-new condition. Donations from stores and manufacturers are also welcome, as are new hats and clean gloves, mittens, and scarves.

Working with WRGB are the Neighborhood Cleaners Association and 150 dry-cleaning establishments. Participating dry cleaners, identified by a colorful Coats for Kids poster, will accept donations and dry clean the coats free of charge.

In Voorheesville The Spotlight is sold at Voorheesville Pharmacy and Stewart's

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3 hurt in Feura Bush crashes

Two rear-end collisions within a half-hour of each other near the intersection of Feura Bush Road and Meads Lane sent three people to the hospital on Friday, Oct. 5.

According to Bethlehem police, Niall O'Gara, 29, and Geraldine M. O'Gara, 28, both of E. Kensington Ct., Gunderland, were hurt after their car was hit from behind by a truck driven by William H. Blake, 31, of Tenth Street, Rensselaer.

Travelling east, O'Gara had reportedly slowed to take a left turn onto Meads Lane at the time of the collision. The O'Garas were transported to St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, where they were treated and released, a hospital spokes-

person said. Blake was ticketed for following too closely, police said.

Twenty-six minutes later, Patricia A. Haftek, 27, of Main Street, Ravena, was injured after her car was hit from behind by a vehicle driven by Samuel L. Turnman, 49, of Osborne Street, Albany, police said. The accident occurred about 600 feet east of Meads Lane.

Both Haftek and Turnman were traveling west, police said. No tickets were issued in the accident.

Haftek was transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital, where she was treated and released, a hospital spokesperson said.

Recycling program set at Delmar church

Sharon Fisher, recycling coordinator for the Town of Bethlehem, will discuss current laws and issues regarding recycling and solid waste management at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Avenue, Delmar at 7 p.m.

on Wednesday, Oct. 10.

Residents are invited to bring questions, friends and their own mugs for refreshments.

For more information, call 439-9929.

Police make three DWI arrests over weekend

Bethlehem police arrested for felony driving while intoxicated Richard K. Glionna, 18, of Amsterdam on Saturday, Oct. 6, after he was stopped on Hudson Avenue in Delmar for traffic violations on Delaware Avenue, police said.

Glionna was arraigned in Bethlehem Police Court that night and remanded to Albany County Jail pending county court action. He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court Oct. 17.

To be charged with a felony count of DWI a motorist must have been convicted of DWI previously. Police would not release information regarding Glionna's past police record.

Amsterdam youth injured in DWI crash

A 17-year-old Amsterdam man was in the wrong place at the wrong time early Saturday morning.

According to Sgt. Joseph Sleurs, at about 4:45 a.m. on Oct. 6, Robert D. Rodriguez was in the process of being transported to the Bethlehem police station and was injured when a van crashed into Officer Scott Anson's parked cruiser as Anson was investigating an unre-

Bethlehem police arrested two motorists for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated last week.

Wendy L. Trenchard, 22, of Alcove, N.Y., was arrested for DWI on Sunday, Oct. 7, after she was stopped for traffic violations at the intersection of Lincoln and Delaware avenues, police said. She is scheduled to appear in town court on Oct. 17.

Michael C. Conahan, 29, of Elsmere Avenue, Delmar was arrested for DWI on Saturday, Oct. 6, after he was stopped for traffic violations at the intersection of Routes 140 and 85, police said.

He is scheduled to appear in town court on Oct. 17.

lated traffic incident.

Anson was bringing Rodriguez — a passenger of Richard Glionna, who was arrested for DWI earlier that night — to the station so he could telephone for a ride home, Sleurs said.

The cruiser was hit in the rear by a van driven by Charles K. Gardener, 31, of Carson Road, Delmar. Gardener was arrested and charged with reckless driving, reckless endangerment, and driving while intoxicated, police said.

Rodriguez was transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital, where he was treated and released, a hospital spokesperson said.

Man falls in sealer

A 23-year-old Albany man who fell into a tank of paving sealant while working at a New Scotland residence last Friday is in critical condition at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Roland Beattie, who apparently reached into the tank because of a problem inside, got caught in the auger blades and was drawn into the tank, where the auger forced his head down into the gooey substance. His head was submerged for approximately two minutes, according to Albany County Sheriff's deputies, who said Beattie was rescued by his boss, Anthony Luizzi, and an employee of another company working in the same yard, who jumped into the tank to save him. The pair kept Beattie's head above the emulsion until help arrived.

Paramedics from the Town of Gunderland, Voorheesville ambulance personnel and Deputy Sheriff Michael Lambert provided emergency medical treatment at the scene.

Beattie, who suffered injuries from inhaling the sealer, was listed in critical condition on Friday, was upgraded to serious condition that night, but was again listed in critical condition yesterday, a hospital spokesperson said.

Beattie's employer, Luizzi Brothers of Albany, was working at a home on Miller Road when the incident occurred, at about noon.

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Author enjoys creating new worlds

By Mike Larabee

To Joyce Hunt, a Delmar resident and elementary school teacher in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District, the idea of creating new worlds has always been exciting.

"Fiction is my thing," said Hunt, who recently had her second book published. Hunt writes stories aimed at young readers in grades three to seven.

"It's just something that I think is in me for some reason," Hunt said. She said she's been writing since she was very young, but began to think seriously about getting her work published about 12 years ago. Hunt said the allure of fiction is the feeling of "creating a whole new world, an actual setting and whole story that's never been lived before."

Her new book, "The Four of Us and Victoria Chubb," was published in August by New York City-based Scholastic Inc. Her first, "Eat Your Heart Out Victoria Chubb," was printed in January by the same publishing house.

"I guess it was my dream in life to have a book published, so to get two so quickly was wonderful," said Hunt, but acceptance into the publishing world has its not-so-wonderful side as well. "It's funny," she said, "You worry all these years and suddenly you're published and then you have a whole new set of worries."

The worries her characters face may be less complicated, but they are certainly a lot more common — she said she writes very much about the lives of "Delmar-type kids."

In "The Four of Us and Victoria Chubb," Gina, the book's 12-year-old narrator, and three of her friends arrive for the first day of school to find been they've mysteriously committed to something called a Creative Social Studies Project. As the plot unfolds, they learn they've been signed up by their know-it-all classmate, Victoria Chubb, who they'll be forced to answer to for the next 10 weeks.

The kids have decisions to make. Should they quit, or should they stay on the project, which gets them out of social studies class three times a week but presents a host other problems on its own.

Hunt said that in important ways Victoria Chubb is the central char-

acter of the stories — something she hadn't realized until a Scholastic editor pointed it out. "I guess she could be perceived as a negative character, and yet she's a catalyst for a lot of good things that happen." Though she's pushy and manipulative, many of Victoria's ideas turn out to be good ones.



Joyce Hunt

"She's sort of a person that a lot of people know, someone that can drive you crazy but still has their good points," she said.

While Hunt admits that the characters in her books are "idealized," she said the teacher in her always adds something educational to the story. In the first book, the students open a luncheonette, only to learn some hard lessons about health codes. In the second, Gina gets a crash course in basketball after she begins coaching a team of grade schoolers as part of the social studies project.

"The other part of it is just that the characters grow in terms of their own understanding of themselves and each other," said Hunt. "I hope they're kids that readers can relate to."

Currently teaching second grade, Hunt has taught in Ravena schools for the past nine years. A morning writer, she said it took about a year to write the first Victoria Chubb book but only around six months for the second. In addition to the novels, she has had short fiction and non-fiction pub-

lished in *Highlights for Children*, *Child Life*, and *Cobblestone* magazines.

While Hunt has taken sometime off to write and visit schools to promote her books — "kids treat you like a celebrity," she said — she doesn't think she'd like to write fulltime.

"I don't know," she said. "It's very solitary. I do enjoy the interaction with people. You could really hole up and never be heard from again."

My birthday was ruined

"I don't believe it!" Lizzie shouted. "Did I just hear you invite Victoria Chubb to your birthday party?"

"She made me," I said weakly. "I don't know exactly how, but she made me invite her."

Lizzie scowled. "How could she make you?"

"You know how," I said sharply. "The same way she made us do the Creative Social Studies Project. It wasn't really my fault."

"Maybe your mother won't let her come," Lizzie suggested.

But my mother was no help. "If you've already invited her, you can't very well take back the invitation," she said. "But don't invite anyone else. Four friends are enough."

My birthday was ruined all because I couldn't keep my mouth shut. "I'm not having four friends at my party," I grumbled. "I'm having three friends — and one Victoria Chubb."

Board to review cable company

The Cable TV Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting on Oct. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in room 106 at Bethlehem Town Hall on Delaware Avenue, Delmar, and interested residents are invited to attend.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive comments on the serv-

ices offered by the Adams Russell Co. Inc., which is franchised to operate the cable TV system in the Town of Bethlehem. The franchise, executed originally by the Town on Aug. 1, 1976, for a 10-year term and renewed for an additional five years, expires next year.

For information, call 475-1619.

Delmar's Bill Galloway retiring to Florida

William G. Galloway, a resident of Delmar for the past 20 years, leaves today for Melbourne Beach, on the east coast of Florida, where he will make his home. He retired Sept. 30 as director of the standards and systems bureau in the Department of Transportation's traffic engineering and safety division. The bureau's responsibilities include traffic-control devices and investigation of locations with high rates of accidents, seeking means of improving traffic flow there.

Before coming here, he served for 18 years with the Kentucky department of highways following two years' service in Japan with the Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean war. A 1950 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering, he completed advanced study in traffic engineering at Yale University. He is a member of the Institute of Traffic Engineers and the Transportation Research Board.

In Delmar, he has been an elder of the Delmar Presbyterian Church and a member of the board of managers of the Woodgate Condominium, of which he was treasurer. A daughter, Sarah, is a Delmar resident, and another daughter Leah, lives in Lexington, Ky. In Florida, he expects to "do what new retirees do," including listening for reports on winter weather in upstate New York.

Scouts to meet

Elsmere Cub Scout Pack 258 will hold a pack meeting at Bethlehem Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 11. All Cub Scouts and parents are encouraged to attend.

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Scrap the scraps pickup

In times when the cost of all services is rising pitilessly, an opportunity for a community to pickup \$150,000 in savings ought to be seized by the throat and shaken for all its worth.

That's the case with the suggestion that Bethlehem withdraw from its expensive collection of food scraps. As Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor mentioned in bringing forth the recommendation of a solid waste task force he chairs, the town's collection has "outlived its usefulness." The town's pickup was begun 36 years ago to replace a pig farmer's obliging services up to that date. But times change, now as they did then—and we have to live with what's called "mandatory recycling," a prohibition on burning your leaves, and other refinements of the late 20th century.

Generosity recognized

Every day thousands of meals are brought to vulnerable residents of our region who are homebound and unable to care for themselves. This is a volunteered responsibility of Meals on Wheels, one of the prime activities of Senior Service Centers of the Albany Area, Inc.

Several times over the years, Meals on Wheels has had to confront the unhappy prospect of arbitrarily limiting the number of meals it can deliver, even in the face of the ever-growing population of the elderly in need of such service (which in many instances enables them to remain at home rather than being institutionalized).

The agency's ability to prepare and deliver enough meals has been rescued in each of

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One of those refinements is the garbage disposal unit that sits beneath the sink. Many of the households that now use the town's service presumably have these devices, or can acquire them. And a large proportion (72 percent) of those who rely on the town to pick up food wastes already are serviced by trash haulers who will also carry away kitchen refuse.

In other words, reasonable alternatives exist for most homes. Everyone else should receive ample notice—perhaps six months—to make new arrangements. But let the economy begin—and good for the public officials who will put it into effect.

those dilemmas by the extraordinary generosity of Irving Kirsch's philanthropy.

In recognition of such vital assistance and of numerous other benefactions on behalf of senior citizens, next week Mr. Kirsch will receive the coveted June Bonneau Award from the Senior Service Centers. The award, which in past years has gone to few other distinguished citizens — Arnold Cogswell, Stanley B. Ringel, and Albert J. Abrams — is to be presented by Albany's Mayor Whalen, a past president of the agency.

The occasion — a reception on Tuesday evening at the Washington Park Lakehouse — will be happily shared by Mr. Kirsch's friends and associates. The event itself will provide additional funds for Meals on Wheels.

The cake's false illusion

Governor Cuomo unfortunately has only one gimpy leg to stand on when he belatedly comes out with a muffled blast at the proposed coal-burning power plant in Halfmoon.

Having killed the nuclear power plant already built and ready for operation at Shoreham far out in Suffolk County, our governor now edges into the camp of the Sierra Club and many others who oppose the

Halfmoon plant. These controversial plants were built or planned to help meet a certain shortage coming in electric generation for the state. Especially in the oil-supply crisis, neither the governor nor the public can have it all ways in the name of security. Here's a classic example of eating cake but yet having it: Taking always the popular pose but shrugging off the potential consequences—"freezing in the dark."

The judge draws a fine line

The impulse of many citizens, we believe, it to applaud Supreme Court Justice Lawrence Kahn and, secondarily, the court's appellate division, for their steadfast insistence on protecting the interests of just plain taxpayers against an arrogant intrusion by the imperial State of New York.

The powers-that-be in state government want to make certain that voters will approve the "Environmental Quality Bond Act" on the Nov. 6 ballot. They've printed tons of "literature" about the proposal in terms that are less educational than argumentative. (As an idea of the dimensions, the state says it has distributed 5.5 million pamphlets, with a million

more printed but not sent out.)

Justice Kahn ruled that the material is objectionable because it, as he said, crossed the line between merely informational intent and twisting the voters' arm (or mind). The state highhandedly kept plowing ahead, anyway, but then the appellate judges slapped some wrists.

It is not the role of government to spend the public's money to persuade us to give it what has deemed desirable. We should thank Justice Kahn for seeing the distinction and drawing the line in the sands of bureaucrats' obfuscation.

'Desert Shield' names sought

That's a commendable effort Blanchard Post of the American Legion is considering for the benefit of any Delmar area men and women who may be serving in the Persian Gulf/Saudi Arabia region.

Having established a "Committee That Cares" in the Vietnam era which served as a bridge between the home front and armed forces personnel overseas, the post is ready

to reactivate the operation. To date, however, the search for identities of local service people in the Middle East has been unavailing.

Residents who know of such military personnel now serving in the Gulf area are requested to get in touch with the post commander, Robert G. Conti, before the next meeting, Nov. 5.

Community center vote —what about cost, tax?

Editor, The Spotlight:

Do the majority of citizens in Bethlehem want their taxes raised again to finance a new community center? On Nov. 6, this proposition will be on the ballot, and one can vote for or against this plan, which carries a bonding cost of \$6,027,000.

Assuming that the center's bonding resolution were approved by qualified voters, the bond financing would be \$706,000 for the first year, decreasing to \$630,000 per year in the fourth year and would total \$11,244,000 over the 20-year period of the bonds, at a bond interest rate of 7.6 percent. In addition, there would be furnishings, equipment, yearly staff salaries, plus maintenance cost estimated (by Mr. Philip Maher) at \$71,000 per year.

This year our own town taxes have increased by 11.97 percent and our school taxes by 7.95 percent. Further taxes are in the offing. Properties in our town are

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being reassessed. The cost of waste disposal is escalating. Our sewage disposal plant at Cedar Hill is about 19 years old and will need updating. The needs for tax increases are many.

The proposed community center is quite an ambitious plan. According to an article in the Aug. 1 *Spotlight* it would include "a multipurpose gym, child-care area, meeting rooms, a teen-activities room, a kitchen, pool with locker facilities, aerobic room, arts and crafts room, and offices to house senior and youth-employment services with space for additional offices."

Are we ready for this additional expense? Vote on Nov. 6!

Maurice and Gwen Groves
Delmar

How the valedictorian qualifies in Class of '91

Editor, The Spotlight:

Last week a student at BCHS expressed her displeasure that a student who "is not a member" of the Class of 1991 was ranked "valedictorian." The student in question is indeed a member of that class, not the Class of 1990 as the letter states. In fact, she is only 16 and will be 17 when she graduates.

The confusion stems from the fact that during her middle and high school years she accelerated in all subject areas. This meant that when she came to BCHS as a sophomore she took all junior classes, which gave the impression she was a member of the Class of 1990. But there was never any intention of her graduating last year; her goal was always to round out her education by spending a year studying in Spain, which she completed in July, passing all her courses at the top of her class and serving as an excellent representative of the Bethlehem district.

It is true that she transferred to Bethlehem, but this is her third

year in the district. Her high school "track" may not have been the most conventional, but its diversity—and her achievement—should be applauded rather than criticized. Not only did she face the disruption of entering a completely new school environment during her sophomore year, but she actively sought new chal-

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lenges such as overseas study and succeeded in every one of them.

As the father of the student in question, I am very proud of her achievements in and out of school. Being ranked "valedictorian" is not something she ever sought, yet in the opinion of this BCHS parent it is an honor she well deserves. And I know from the congratulations she has received that it is a view shared by many of her fellow members of the Class of 1991.

Paul Block
Delmar

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UNCLE DUDLEY

A little tribute to innocence

Bob Casey, who was one of the great reporters and story-tellers of his time, told the following on himself. While he was covering gang wars and similar municipal activity for one of the many daily newspapers then published in Chicago, he was assigned to help cover a 1919 World Series game at (the now defunct) Comiskey Park. This was destined to become the infamous "Black Sox" series during which the Chicago players did their very best—to throw the games to the Cincinnati Reds. Of one game he watched, he later recalled:

"The performance seemed amateurish, not to say putrid. I marveled at the way fly balls bounced out of the glove of Shoeless Joe Jackson, and I decided the White Sox had to be a fourth-rate baseball team—but I saw no evil.

"About the fourth inning of that game, the newspaper's baseball writer, Joe Foley, and I got a telegram from John Eastman, the publisher: 'Have incontrovertible evidence this series fixed/Stop/What about it?'

"My reply was a fine tribute to my innocence and credulity:

"Such things are not done in the big leagues."

That yarn somehow came to mind within recent weeks as I was reflecting on a morsel of political gossip circulating not in Chicago or Cincinnati but in our own backyard.

The story goes something like this: After the Republican and Democratic parties of the County of Albany held their respective judicial conventions late last month, many of those partaking

of the proceedings adjourned to more informal quarters, the Steuben Club, where they might partake further, with embellishments.

This event was in itself unusual, for the parties had just nominated different candidates for the Supreme Court vacancy. (This of course being for the New York judiciary, not for the Supreme Court that Judge Souter is joining). Custom of many years past has limited such joint celebrations to the occasions when both parties have happened to select identical nominees—by coincidence, of course.

Don't believe those stories you'll hear of political guile

Sitting in on the fellowship hour were representatives from other counties in the judicial district (the story goes). One of these kibitzers was delegated to file with the State Board of Elections the necessary certification naming a Schoharie County judge and surrogate as the Republicans' nominee for the Supreme Court bench.

"Remember," he was cautioned, "this must be done tomorrow. Don't delay—do it tomorrow! Without fail!"

But, somehow, the kibitzer forgot the instructions within the next 18 hours. The papers were filed—but a day late. The Republican Party therefore was left without a candidate for the court, and a perfectly qualified judge was left with only the Conservative Party's line from which to seek higher judicial office.

Now then, how do you suppose that such a straightforward and exceedingly vital duty like that could elude the effective attention of a veteran political operative who knew the score only too well?

You may hear the answer from some cynics who are suggesting that a brazen deal was involved, with a variety of covert machinations which, in times when the word "skullduggery" was used, would have been called exactly that. Too many cooks were stirring the broth, and their singular concerns and ambitions put the interests of that Schoharie judge at the bottom of their priorities. You may hear, even, that a joint effort of Albany County Democrats, Ulster County Republicans, and Rensselaer County powers of both parties put together the arrangement giving each of them something of value—at the expense of the credulous Albany County Republicans and their hapless non-candidate.

Someone may try to tell you that not only did the Albany Democrats gain a Supreme Court nominee who will run virtually without opposition, but that the careers of certain would-be judges (for other courts) were advanced. As were the hidden agendas of men frequently referred to as "leaders" of their parties. Not to be excluded among possible motivations are some as varied as revenge and a Saddam-like display of brutal power.

But I hope that if you should hear of such things you will forget them promptly. I am confident that, in paraphrase of the immortal words of Bob Casey, "such things are not done in the big leagues."

educational) and, of course, leaves. One of the latter two features is wordless but consists of five magnificent color shots by Carr Clifton of the riot of hues (not merely of maples and birches, but also smartly of ferns as they too are altered in color.)



The second leaf story is, likewise, and wisely, almost all photo (in fact, the title is "Photo Synthesis"). But these are all monochrome—and for good reason. They are, actually, of dried leaves.

As the photographer, Amanda Means, explains in her very brief text: "I set aside my camera and began printing the leaves in a manner related to that used in making photograms—working

directly from the leaves. No camera and no negatives were used. As I did this, I saw light passing through the leaves in the darkroom, but it was a very different kind of light from sunlight, and it caused a very different sort of change—not in the leaf, but in the light-sensitive silver salts in the photographic paper beneath it. This change resulted in an impression of the leaf which seemed very direct and very raw...much closer to the pictorial intimacy I had been searching for." The starkness of the shapes and the network of veining proves to be very effective and satisfying.

It would be unfair not to quickly review as much of the text material as possible. I was well informed by a short analysis of the Northern Forest Lands Study, a project of New York and three northern New England states. Like me, you might well find interest in a piece by a former "bad boy" at a since-disbanded experimental work-school in Paradox Valley; very sensitively recounted. As a 15-year-old whose ambition was to be a marijuana dealer, the writer found there "a glimpse of life lived for pure and simple pleasures in an uncomplicated, unpretentious way." (Ben, later of Ben and Jerry's, was on the staff.) The school was closed soon afterward

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Our environmental future: be counted

The contributor of this Point of View is executive director of the Environmental Planning Lobby, an advocacy agency based in Albany.

By Lee Wasserman

Point of View

New York State's environment stands at a critical juncture. We have dealt with many of the environmental problems that were easy to identify and remedy, such as dumping trash at the corner lot or allowing unlimited amounts of toxics to be discharged into our air and waterways. Currently, we face problems that are much more intractable and difficult to resolve.

Most of the state's population is finding that the quality of their drinking water is getting worse. We are producing ever-greater amounts of refuse as our landfills close and our recycling efforts fail to keep pace. And much of our critical habitat and last-remaining open space is being lost to inappropriate development and abuse.



Against this backdrop, the state's environmental community went to Governor Cuomo last Fall and asked him to propose an environmental bond act to address these pressing issues. Showing courage and foresight, he took up the challenge and introduced what has become the 21st Century Environmental Quality Bond Act.

Despite what you may have heard from disgruntled Adirondackers, the bond act is about preserving and improving the state's environmental quality for the next generation. It is *not* some misguided "land grab" on the part of the state.

Without the bond act, local governments must find the financing independently.

The following are some of the critical environmental problems New York must resolve—and how the bond act will help.

Drinking Water Quality

Problem: Currently, no state funds are available to protect lands crucial for providing clean and safe drinking water to millions of New Yorkers. The most important of these lands must be kept from being further degraded to prevent pollution of underground aquifers and surface reservoirs.

Solution: The bond act provides the needed funds to help preserve these protective lands before water quality becomes worse, rather than trying to clean our water after the fact through use of costly water-purification plants.

Solid Waste

Problem: There is presently no state funding for solid-waste management. The costs of closing unsafe landfills that threaten public health and implementation of urgently needed recycling programs are staggering, and will have to borne by local taxpayers as things now stand.

Solution: Funds from the bond act provide the desperately needed aid to local government for landfill closure and recycling. Without the bond act, local government will be forced to find the financing independently.

Sewage Treatment

Problem: Many of the state's sewage treatment plants are inadequate and outdated; some communities do not even have sewage treatment facilities.

Solution: Funds from the bond act will obtain an additional \$900 million in matching federal funds to help build and modernize sewage treatment plants. Without the bond act, New York will lose the federal money and the entire burden will eventually fall on localities.

Parklands and Special Places

Problem: New Yorkers are tired of seeing state parks overcrowded and overused. Use of parklands has increased dramatically.

Solution: The bond act will provide funds necessary to protect our state and municipal parks, lakes, and shorelines; wildlife and endangered species areas; working farm and timberlands; and historic sites.

We will have the chance to be counted as supporters for New York's environmental future by voting yes for the 21st Century Bond Act on election day, Nov. 6.

CONSTANT READER

North Country pleasantries, well met

"Adirondack Life" magazine emerges from the minute hamlet of Jay, up in Essex County (a bit northeast of Lake Placid) every other month, and I have been remiss in failing to note its pleasant-tries more frequently. So here is an effort to make amends, with apologies for past sins of omission.

I am looking at the September/October issue, which I find to hold numerous items of worthwhile interest. In its 88 slick pages, five major features are listed, and each of them has its own merit, but I must add that I consider some of the more numerous articles among the "departments" to be at least equally informative, not to say compelling. Before I proceed further, perhaps I should insert a disclaimer: I am not a North Country buff by inclination or occupation, but I do like to know about a wide variety of things, especially when they happen to be as well told as is the case with "Adirondack Life." And certainly a substantial portion of the magazine's attractive contents are of real interest to lots of people of our region who may also happen to be readers of this weekly column.

Part of the appeal of "Adirondack Life" is pictorial. In this issue, three features, particularly, are most striking—relating to certain local flora; mushrooms (nicely

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through intervention of overly zealous state bureaucrats.

Government intervention again figures in a longer article about the problems of an 84-year-old man who is going to have to find a way within the next year (exactly a year from today) to salvage his painstakingly built log cabin on land that the state has acquired. A major article, "Upstairs/Down-

stairs at Sagamore" tells about the times some 70 years ago when Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt was allowed to play with a caretaker's daughter at the family's 1,500-acre Sagamore Lodge near Raquette Lake. I found this of less interest despite the six-page spread.

An article on "the hot spots and cold realities of Blue Line real estate" asks the cogent question, "Is the current soft market just the end of a cycle, or the end of the run on the limited pool of Adirondack real estate?" Very useful, I can

imagine, if you're interested in acquiring or disposing of property up that way. And it's nicely illustrated in exceedingly sharp color by Nancie Battaglia, well remembered from earlier contacts. (That's not a pun.)

The advertising in "Adirondack Life" has to be one of the magazine's attractions, conveying as it does a sense of place—and of time. I am particularly fond of a colorful Nimo ad labeled "Honk if you love hydro power," with art that features dozens of geese in

flight and on water.

The leaf art that accompanies this essay is the cover of the current issue, even though you may not be able to distinguish the title. (I imagine that turned out to be less than an asset for single-copy

sales; it's \$2.95, with subscriptions at \$17.95) through this magazine is semi-monthly, there is a seventh issue, newly instituted, which is billed as the 1990 Outdoor Guide. Perhaps Constant Reader will find space for it one of these weeks.

Reasons for supporting bond act outlined

Editor, The Spotlight:

In response to your recent editorial on the 1990 Environmental Quality Bond Act, I thought I would provide some answers to a few of your questions.

1. Yes, it is necessary and proper to include monies for the purchase of acreage in the Adirondacks as well as the rest of the state. These monies are designed to be spent state-wide to protect open space, farmland, productive timberland, wildlife habitats, waterways, and shorelines, through either direct acquisition or by purchasing conservation easements. The lands will be there for all to enjoy, and protected, for generations to come.

2. The 1986 Environmental Quality Bond Act was primarily designed to fund the herculean task of cleaning up hazardous waste sites throughout New York. The state will fund the cleanup when an unwilling or unable responsible party is involved, then attempt to be reimbursed through the courts. Bonds are only sold annually based on the current needs of the

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program. Locally, many sites are being investigated with state monies, including portions of both the Albany and Colonie landfills.

3. Contrary to your editorial's statement, the areas of expenditures have been determined for the bond act. They include not only monies for open-space protection, but also recycling, landfill closures, improving water quality, improving our parks, historic sites and recreational areas, and stewardship.

Republican and Democratic legislators, with the Governor, agreed on this format and passed the required legislation to bring it before the voters.

A "Yes" vote on the 1990 Bond Act is a vote to preserve and protect the environment for today and the future.

Michael J. Komoroske

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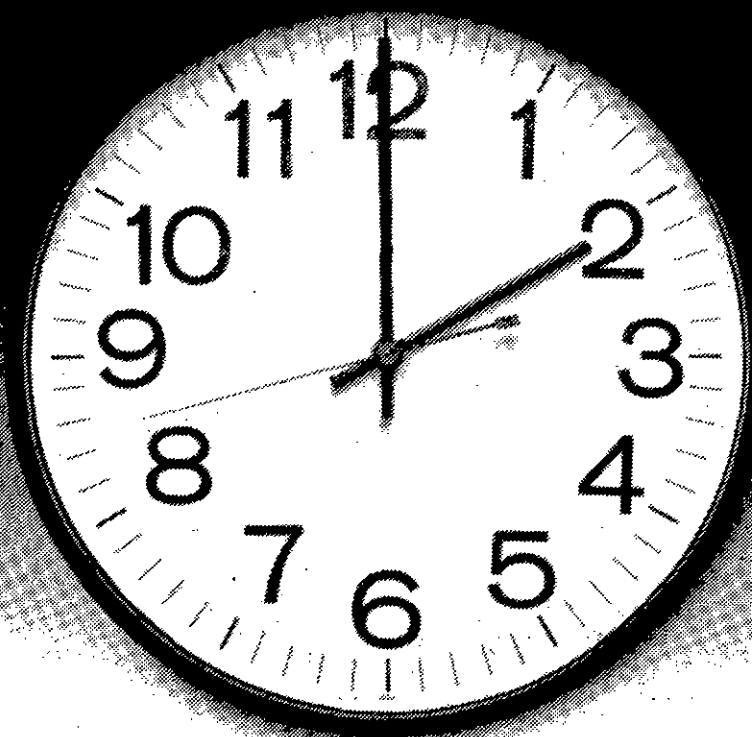
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Floating zone hovers over numerous areas

Editor, The Spotlight:

Before your readers glance at this letter and say, "Oh, it's another one from those Hudson Avenue — North Street residents," I urge you to read on, because wherever you live in Bethlehem, if you now have a few undeveloped acres in your neighborhood, this concerns you.

At some time, between last March and now, this became a "floating zone issue." The Town Board, Planning Board, and Senior Citizen Committee have emphasized numerous times that this is not specifically designed for North Street. They propose to let this "floating zone" hover over all of Bethlehem and drop wherever they may choose.

If such is the case and your neighborhood is vulnerable, please take heed; this could affect you.

Among some areas that could fall under the "floating zone" shadow are Murray Avenue, Union Avenue, McMillen Place, Stratton Place, Kenaware Avenue, Dumbarton Drive, Devon Road, Bender Land, Frederick Place, Brockley Drive, Orchard Street, Surrey Mall, Middlesex Drive, Stockbridge Road, Font Grove Road, Mayfair Drive, Elm Avenue, Cherry Avenue, Evelyn Drive, Morningside Drive, Westphal Drive (and how about Delaware Avenue adjacent to the library?)

While you are pondering this, keep in mind that under the Senior Citizen Residence District Proposal, the Planning Board has set as criteria, under "Lot and Bulk requirements": Minimum side and rear yard: The minimum side yard and rear yard setbacks shall be 50 feet, measured from the property line.

This means you could very well have a two-story, 50-unit apartment complex sitting 50 feet from your

side property line or possibly 50 feet from your back fence.

I urge you again, please, to attend the Town Board public hearing on Oct. 17. Find out what the "floating zone" means for all residents of the Town of Bethlehem!

Kerrilyn Rooney

Main Square festival nets \$1,000 for pantry

Editor, The Spotlight:

Food, folks, and fun! With apologies to McDonald's, their advertising slogan sums up perfectly the third annual fall festival at Main Square, Sept. 30.

There's not enough room to thank all who worked to make this festival a success, so a collective "thanks" is offered — with one special thanks to Grando, the Bethlehem Police dog, who was a big, big hit with young and old.

Donations of money and food to the Bethlehem Food Pantry reached an estimated value of \$1,000. Our appreciation goes to all who attended.

Dennis Corrigan

Scoreboard's in place; Boosters make the goal

Editor, The Spotlight:

The following letter has been sent to Franz Zwickbauer, business administrator of the Bethlehem Central School District.

"I would like to thank you and Bruce Houghton for your assistance and cooperation in the installation of our new football scoreboard. Your effort is a testimony to what can be accomplished by the joint efforts of the school administration and the various sports boosters working for a common goal—the good of our student athletes.

"As you know, the Bethlehem Football Boosters have worked

very hard in attaining the capital to purchase a scoreboard. Our intent was to have it operational for our first home game, on Sept. 29. Due to construction problems, it appeared very doubtful that this goal would be achieved. That is when Bruce Houghton met the challenge and, working with Jack Black of the Football Boosters, completed the installation in time.

"The Football Boosters' yearly fund-raiser is the sale of Christmas trees. We hope to continue to raise money to help you help our children."

D.E. Pratt

Delmar

Good Samaritan is full; rent issues now settled

Editor, The Spotlight:

There have been many controversial letters and articles in *The Spotlight* concerning our senior population and their housing needs. As the chief executive officer of The Good Samaritan Group, I have followed our policy regard-

ing public statements. That policy is to keep a low profile unless it directly affects our operation or clientele. This letter is not meant to be an exception.

However, the board of directors and I (the management of the Rockefeller Road housing) do feel


compelled to clarify certain salient points recently published. Please understand this is not a letter of rebuttal; for the most part everything written regarding our housing project and the program has been accurate — it just didn't go far enough to give a complete picture of all the facts or the complexity of the process.

The facts are: we did have well over 200 persons applying for our housing. Yet as of Sept. 5 we did have seven apartments vacant. However, as of Oct. 3, there are no vacancies; all 36 units are leased. It is necessary to take into consideration that this was a brand new program, we were the first project completed, and many details needed to be worked out. One such item which delayed rent-up was how exactly to determine the "net" income. We lost approximately three weeks due to this.

Secondly, our managing partner, Seiden and Sons, has had not only primary responsibility for the project, Paul and his staff had the awesome task of teaching us the business of public housing. Had it not been for this, the apartments most likely would have been completely rented by opening day.

Even so, renting 36 units with complex qualification factors in

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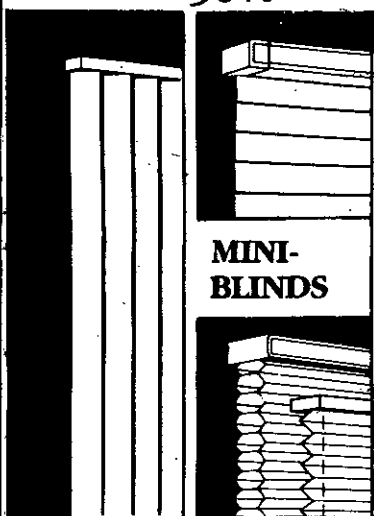
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Matters of Opinion

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awesome task of teaching us the business of public housing. Had it not been for this, the apartments most likely would have been completely rented by opening day.

Even so, renting 36 units with complex qualification factors in about three months is really not a bad record.

As to advertising — yes, we did place ads in papers other than *The Spotlight*. We went to the *Times Union* and the *Schenectady Gazette*. Both can be purchased virtually anywhere in Bethlehem.

As to our organization inquiring with the state to raise the income levels, we asked the state to do away with the "corridor" segment of qualifications. We had over 20 applicants from Bethlehem who fell just below this corridor but who

otherwise would have qualified and were paying higher rents where they are living.

That all our tenants are not from Bethlehem is true. However, of the 36 families, 12 are from the town, two are returnees, three have children in the town, and several other have close ties to the town. We have tenants from other nearby areas such as Ravena, Selkirk, and Clarksville.

Concerning the North Street project: we do not have a position on that specific project or its location.

However, with the reputation and track record of the DePaul Management Group one would have a difficult time betting against them. Considering the furor this project has brought about, one would think they were planning

on placing a landfill there rather than a residential setting for senior citizens.

We do have a position on the need for an increase in senior housing. That need is justified by the study completed for us by an independent group and, yes, by our more than 200 inquiries. Over 200 persons or families requested applications and responded. Inquiries were actually over 300.

Probably the biggest disservice resulting from this disagreement is in mixing two issues: that is, the North Street project and the so-called floating zone. These are distinct issues and need to be addressed separately. To combine them will only add confusion to a complex and serious problem: How to best serve our elder generation to whom we all owe so much.

Thanks offered many for help and prayers

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our family, friends, and neighbors for all your thoughts, cards, gifts, and (most of all) prayers during our recent time of need.

Ryan has progressed to a full cast and is now getting around on crutches. He is improving every day and is now attending kindergarten at Becker School.

All your kindnesses meant more than you will ever know. They helped us get through a very traumatic time. Thank you.

Teri Staats
Chuck Rudolph, Jr.

Selkirk

Editor's note: A previous letter published in the issue of Oct. 3 related Ryan's accident and injury and the effective services of the Delmar Rescue Squad and Bethlehem ambulance crew.

Leon A. Bormann
Executive Director,
Good Samaritan Group

Words for the week

Buff: One who is enthusiastic about a given subject. Originally, a New York volunteer fireman, hence an enthusiast; so called because of the firemen's buff uniforms. (Buff is a soft, thick, undyed leather, whose natural hue gave its name to the color we call buff. The word also applies to the coat of a uniform made with that leather.)

Putrid: Extremely objectionable; vile. Corrupt, morally rotten. In a decomposed, foul-smelling state. Many years ago, sportscaster Ted Husing caused a national stir by employing the term about a team's execution of a play.

Skulduggery: Crafty deception or trickery. Despite its graphic quality, the origin of the word is unknown. In use since the 1850s.

Painstaking: Extremely careful and diligent work or effort.

Crosswalk disregarded by drivers, walkers

Evidently a little educational campaign is in order at the Delmar postoffice, where a crosswalk has been newly installed for pedestrians coming from the far side of Delaware Avenue. I note two problems there: too few people bother to make use of the crosswalk, but continue to jaywalk as before. And drivers are disregarding the crosswalk by parking directly across it, thus discouraging its proper use by those on foot — and violating the New York State highway traffic rules.

And, of course, all drivers proceeding along Delaware Avenue in either direction need to be aware that every crosswalk exists to give safety and protection to pedestrians.

Alexander J. Woehrle

Delmar

JCA sponsors health day

To promote a positive attitude toward health-related issues, Sage Junior College of Albany will sponsor "Health Awareness Day" in the Sage Albany Campus Center, 140 New Scotland Ave., on Oct. 17. The program will feature a series of lectures on various health topics including AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, alcohol and substance abuse, and child abuse. "Health Awareness Day" is free and open to the public.

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Coyne

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Responding to public criticism that he has unduly favored British American/Lockheed plans for the airport over those put forth by two other bidders, Coyne said that "what I have to do as county executive" is determine what is best for the county, and "when I find one plan has so much more value, I have to support it."

All three original proposals for an airport takeover, Coyne said, were based on similar lease or sale arrangements which the federal government has found unacceptable. So the alternative, he said, "has been that we've had to turn to some sort of management plan."

While the specific details of the management proposal weren't made available, the Washington meeting between FAA, county and British American/Lockheed representatives two weeks ago was described by Coyne as "very positive."

"There was a large gallery there," he said. "When we talked about a management agreement, we said we would try to mirror others in the country. Whatever these other airport management agreements reflect, we'll do. We don't want any more, or any less."

The reference was to the fees that might be charged for airport management. It was earlier reported, and denied, that British American/Lockheed had sought 10 percent of gross airport revenues from all sources. Coyne said at the time that no agreement would be put into effect until after it was determined who would run the airport.

The two other active bidders for airport takeover have been a non-profit consortium of area corporate executives led by Victor Riley, Keycorp chairman, known as the Capital Region Airport Development Corporation, and the

Capital District Transportation Authority.

The project manager for the former group, Marshall Arnold, last week released a Sept. 26 letter from Russell B. Vachon, director of the Aviation Division, NYS Department of Transportation, to Frank J. Comisso, chairman of the Albany County Legislature's mass transit committee. The letter said a review of the corporation's proposal for running the airport "has revealed nothing that would appear to be in conflict with current NYSDOT policy."

"This pro-forma approval, however, should not be construed as the department's endorsing one proposal over another."

Citing the fact that the state and federal agencies' concerns over airport control are basically the same — that private interests should not prevail over public benefit — Arnold hailed the state approval as an encouraging development for its own proposal, on which the FAA in Washington has yet to report. The FAA also has been silent on the application of CDTA to take over the airport.

The Vachon letter to Comisso indicated the volume of red tape remaining to get an airport agreement into place even after federal approval is given.

In Clarksville The Spotlight is sold at the Clarksville Quik Shop

Sculptor to donate work to BC

By Sheila Davis

Sculptor Marian Austin of Delmar will leave a piece of her work entitled "Commitment" to the Bethlehem Central School District. Austin has notified Sheila Fuller, president of the Bethlehem Board of Education, that the sculpture is to honor both Fuller and Bernard Harvith, longtime board member, for their dedication to education.

The announcement was made at last week's board of education meeting.

Austin, who is suffering from cancer, plans to make arrangements for her various works of sculpture. She said there would be no wake after she died; instead Tebbutt Funeral Home will display her work in a memorial art show. Following the show, "Commitment" will be presented to the Bethlehem Board of Education and dedicated to Fuller and Harvith.

Austin began her involvement with education in Bethlehem in 1972 when she worked on a 944-name, six-foot long nominating petition to allow Harvith's name to appear on the ballot as a candidate for the board of education. Harvith is currently serving his 19th year on the board. Fuller has served on the board since 1978 and is president for the seventh year.

"Commitment" is a metallic sculpture composed of aluminum,

copper and other metals; Austin said it "represents a person locked into institutional programming. The real successes in life come when one commits with the heart," she said. "The stove pipe legs, hands, and head represent the programmed part of our life. The heart represents your feelings about life and thus your 'Commitment.'"

Austin feels people need to have "more individual freedom." Her aim has always been "to work in school election campaigns to ensure a broad spectrum of people would represent the community." She ran unsuccessfully for the Bethlehem Board of Education in 1974 but was proud "the youth of the community ran my campaign."

Young people must be involved with education issues, as well as parents and teachers, Austin feels. "We must find situations in which they can serve best."

A native of Essex near Lake Champlain, Austin received a bachelor's and master's degree in education from the State University at Plattsburgh. She was an instructor in creative media for 12 years at Hudson Valley Community College and art instructor at Helderberg Workshop. She created "Commitment" while a student of Edward Mayer at The University at Albany.

Austin has been involved with the Elsmere Parent Teacher Association, Tri-Village Nursery School and Citizens' Budget Advisory Committee. She and her husband, Dr. Gerald B. Austin, have four children educated in Bethlehem Central Schools.

Fuller said she was "flattered and pleased and appreciative" at the honor. Said Harvith: "It touches my heart. It's nice to know someone remembers all the good things we tried to do."

In other business, the board:

- approved change orders with Niram Construction for the removal of asbestos.

- approved a budget for the census enumeration to accurately reflect the costs involved with the procedure being used this year.

- approved a whale watch field trip to Mystic, Conn., and Provincetown, Mass.

The next board meeting will be at 8 p.m., Oct. 17 in the educational center in Delmar.

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Fire company to hold hot harvest event

The Voorheesville Fire Department will sponsor its annual Harvest Dance on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at the firehouse on School Road. Music will be provided by the "Crystal Image." The public is invited; cost is \$10 per person and includes beverages and snacks. Tickets will be available at the door the evening of the event.

Pep rally scheduled

Area teens will be kicking up their heels on the dance floor this weekend when Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School holds its annual Pep Rally/Bonfire on Friday, Oct. 12 on the Village Green. The program will begin at 7 p.m. with speeches from all fall sports groups, followed by a bonfire and then a dance. The annual event is free and sponsored by the school's student council.

Library group to meet

Friends of the Voorheesville Public Library will hold their an-

Voorheesville News Notes

Lyn Stapf 765-2451



nual membership meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 16 in the library's community room at 7 p.m. Dedicated to furthering the services provided to library patrons, the group always welcomes new members. For more information about the Friends, contact the library at 765-2791.

Village walking tour set

Village Historian Dennis Sullivan will lead a walking tour of historic Voorheesville on Saturday, Oct. 13, sponsored by the Voorheesville Public Library. The group will depart from the library at 9:15, and will return at approximately 11 a.m. for refreshments. Those interested in taking part in the tour may contact the library at 765-2791 to register.

Rug hooking demonstrated

Local craftsperson Lois Alkenbrack will demonstrate authentic rug hooking and wool dyeing methods from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20 at the library. Assisted by her students and members of the Hill and Valley Rug Hooking Guild, she will be on hand to answer any questions concerning this traditional art. A display of hooked items will also be featured at the library during the month of October.

Library to show film

The movie "To Sir with Love" will be showing at the library on Friday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. All are invited to the free viewing.

Garden club to meet

The Helderview Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 11 at 6:45 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Center in New Salem. The public is invited to attend the program, entitled

"Putting Perennials to Bed" by Nancy Douglass of Willowspring Perennial Farm. For further information, contact club president Marybeth Portanova at 765-4544.

Senior trip set

The Town of New Scotland is sponsoring a trip to Schoharie on Tuesday, Oct. 16 to see the Iroquois Indian Museum and the Old Stone Fort. Town residents over age 60 may call Lois Crounse at 765-2109 to check the availability of seats on the bus.

Driving course open

Local seniors are also welcome to participate in a 55 Alive mature driving course on Oct. 23 and Oct. 30 at the Wyman Osterhout Center in New Salem. Sponsored by the AARP and the New Scotland Senior Services, this refresher course will help participants secure a 10 percent reduction in their insurance rates. To register, call Lois Crounse at 765-2109. The fee is \$10 per person.

Legion holds breakfast

the Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493 on Voorheesville Avenue will host a ham and egg breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 21 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Cost for adults will be \$3.50; for children, \$2.

Legion auxiliary schedules meeting

The monthly meeting of the Voorheesville American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1493, Dept. of New York, will be held on Thursday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the post meeting room on Voorheesville Avenue. For information, call 765-4306.

New day care opens

The Dandy Lion Day Care at the VA Medical Center, 113 Holland Ave. in Albany, recently opened its doors as an independent day-care center.

Children from 34 months to five years are welcome, and registration for the fall season is being conducted.

For information, call 462-1425.

Altamont holds dance

The 1890-1990 Altamont Centennial dinner dance will be held Oct. 20 starting at 7 p.m. The evening events will be held at the Peter Young Center (formerly La-Salette). Dinner will be followed by special presentations, guest speakers and a video of Altamont's history.

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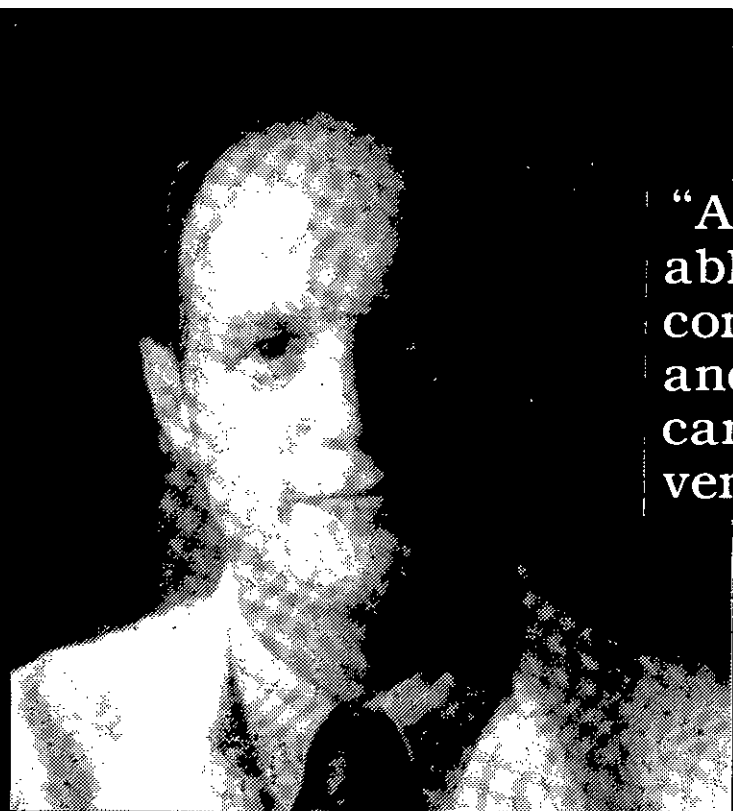
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The PARP program will run for five weeks, during which children and parents who participate will have signed a contract to share 15 minutes of reading together each day.

As part of the program, speakers will be visiting classrooms, a book fair will be held, and all students are invited to join a parade dressed as their favorite book characters on October 31. An awards ceremony and finale will take place on Nov. 16 to congratulate the students.

Dinner theater set

Tickets are going fast for the production of "A Rose for Emily" at the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church on Oct. 19 and 20. Based on a short story by William Faulkner, the play features nine area residents and is directed by Lorraine Loucks.

A meal will be offered before each performance. On Friday, Oct. 19, dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and a luncheon will be served

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before Saturday's performance. Reservations are limited and are available by calling the church office at 767-9953 or by sending a check to Robert Owens, RD 2, Box 216, Selkirk 12158. Reservations must be made by Oct. 12.

PIE group to meet

Partners in Education (PIE) will meet in the RCS Middle School library on Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m. There will be a presentation on cooperative learning given by Judy Bartosik, middle school guidance counselor, as well as presentations by several middle school teachers. Parents are urged to attend.

History talk scheduled

Historian and Bethlehem Historical Association member Martha Dickenson Shattuck will address the topic, "Mother, Wife and Tavern Keeper: Women and the Law in 17th Century Albany," at the Schoolhouse Museum, Route 144 at Clapper Road in Selkirk at 8 p.m. Oct. 18.

Shattuck, currently a doctoral candidate working on her thesis, "Beverwyck, 1652-1664," at Boston University, is one of the editors working with the Bethlehem Bicentennial Publication Commission. Her mother, Ruth Dickenson, was founder and first president of the Bethlehem Historic Association. The public is invited to attend.

DAR marks centennial

On Sunday, Oct. 14 from 3 to 5 p.m., the Hannakrois New Scotland Daughters of the American Revolution will celebrate its centennial with a tea and fashion show at the Pruyn House on Old Niskayuna Road. Mrs. Ronald E. Newton will be narrator. Other local chapters — Gansevoort, Mohawk, Old Helleberge and Tawasentha — will join with Hannakrois to celebrate.

Fire company wins

Congratulations to the Selkirk Number 1 Fire Company, which placed first in the 1990 Northeast Extrication Competition held in September in Tully, N.Y. The team competed against 15 other companies from all over the northeast including Canada. Team members were Bill Aspiro, Chuck Wickham, Terry Rita, Thomas Neri, David Borger and Dan Hotaling.

Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

"Tin" cans are actually made out of 99 percent light gauge, low-carbon steel, coated with less than 1 percent tin to help resist corrosion. (Rust on a can indicates that the fine coating seal has broken and moisture has leaked into the steel.)

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ucts from raw ore.

The Town of Bethlehem's program will accept cans of all types: aluminum, bi-metal, and tin-plated steel. Also acceptable are cans with painted on labels, such as coffee and tomato cans, cans with the white coating inside, such as some cat food cans, and metal tops of cans, (some of them are valuable aluminum, for example: cat food pull tops and peanut can lids.

Crushing your cans saves space but it is not as necessary to do that as it is to make sure that the cans have been rinsed clean. Use a bottle brush for those food remnants or, if you run a dishwasher, cans can fill up the empty spaces.

Labels must be removed. This can be easily accomplished by running a butter knife up the can on the opposite side of the glued area. Glenmont Elementary School collects Campbell Labels so they can acquire audio-visual equipment through the Labels for Education Program.

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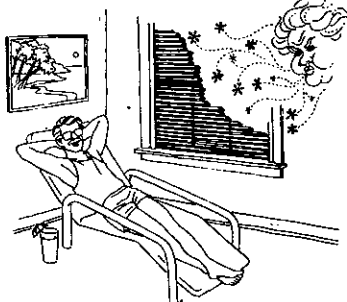
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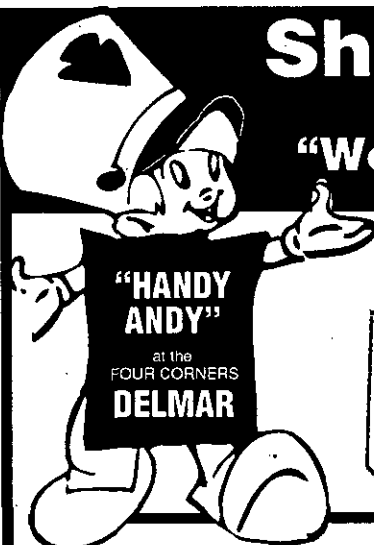
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ing a senior citizens residence district — a special zone designed to bring senior housing into town — to its zoning code.

The proposal was met with immediate resistance from North Street neighborhood residents. Residents argued that the senior district — a floating-type zone permitting up 10-units per acre in areas not marked for high density housing — is arbitrary and would diminish neighborhood property values.

The senior zone, now before the town board after an August endorsement by the planning board, is slated for public hearing Oct. 17.

Rifenberick said this years denial in no way precludes DePaul from applying when the department sends out Notice of Funding Applications (NOFA's) next year — "In fact, we would encourage it," he said — and emphasized how tight the competition for Section 202 funds has become.

"Funding under 202 is always limited. We always receive more applications than we can approve," he said, adding that as a result "some very good proposals are unable to be funded."

"And this is one of them," he said.

Sister Grace Diaz, DePaul's executive director, said she was not surprised by HUD's rejection of the project. According to Diaz, HUD had funds this year for only

240 new senior housing units across 48 upstate counties.

"That would be approximately five buildings," she said. "I think that the issue that needs to be addressed is that there are so few units for such a wide area." She said that one area DePaul project — St. Jude's in Wynantskill, Rensselaer County — was turned down three times before it was approved.

Completed this year, the St. Jude's grant totalled \$2.4 million, Diaz said. Overall costs for the North Street proposal would be comparable, she said.

Town Supervisor Ken Ringler also said the HUD denial was predictable. "It's very unusual for an application to be approved on the first try," he said. Ringler said he thought the timing of HUD's deci-

sion on North street would help clarify the upcoming hearing on the senior zone.

"I hope it does," he said. "I've said all along that these are totally distinct issues." He said he felt attention generated by opposition to the North Street site has created confusion about the larger senior zone issue, which would have lasting implications regardless of the fate of any particular site.

Joseph Duclos, president of the Hudson Avenue Neighborhood Association, was apparently the first person involved to learn of HUD's formal decision on North Street, finding out after he phoned the department early last week. Vocal in his opposition to both the North Street plan and the senior zone, Duclos said HUD's denial, while gratifying, was not all the neighborhood association is concerned about.

"A lot of people did a lot of work to get this far, and the job's not done until we defeat the floating zone," Duclos said. "When we do that we'll be satisfied."

Rifenberick said that while previous applications do not necessarily work in an applicants favor, HUD is willing to advise DePaul on how to increase the proposal's chances of approval. "We are willing to offer technical assistance," he said.

Diaz said DePaul would apply again as long as the town remains interested in the facility.

Clarksville holds giant garage sale

A town-wide garage sale will take place Oct. 20 in Clarksville, starting at 9 a.m. and continuing throughout the day. Parking will be available at the Community Church. For more information, call Mrs. Hendrickson at 768-2101.

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and a half million gallons a day, "and maybe more."

But he said, "Just because it's there doesn't mean you can get it out of the ground."

Bethlehem Supervisor Ken Ringler asked the New Scotland board to what extent, if any, it was interested in participating in a study currently under way.

Reilly responded that he would be interested.

J. Kenneth Fraser Associates, P.C. have been retained by Bethlehem to update the earlier studies.

"It's down to economics for both of us. We should be talking together," Ringler said.

Reilly said there were a lot of things a consultant should look at.

"I agree we should sit down and discuss the scope and costs of the study," Ringler said.

Earlier in the meeting, he outlined the measures the Bethlehem board agreed to. Bethlehem could do four things, including renegotiate the contract with Albany. In addition, the '70s studies could be "dusted off." Ringler said he also contacted County Executive James Coyne to determine whether there was interest in a county-wide water supply, but so far has received no response. The Thursday meeting with New Scotland covered the fourth point in the board's attempt to determine what the future water supply should be.

Science club offered

A Science Club is being formed at the Voorheesville Elementary School. Interested parents are invited to attend an organizational meeting on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school. For further information, call 439-9955.

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cash payments or letters of credit are not necessarily safer than performance bonds, since they too can easily be tied up by courts if a conflict occurs. In the end, performance bonds were left in the document, which gives the planning board authority to decide what improvements must be made, rather than leaving it up to the developer.

- A payment to D&H Railroad for the sum of \$494.29, the result of litigation by the railroad over its 1985 tax assessment.

- Ratification of a payment to D&H railroad for the right to drill beneath its tracks for the Font Grove Water District. The \$2,700, which has already been paid, includes \$2,000 to cover anticipated inspections and maintenance, \$250 to prepare a license, and a \$450 annual fee, according to Reister.

- A contract Reister drafted for three residents who are paying to become part of the Font Grove Water District. Under the contract, the residents and the company they are working with will post \$250,000 as security to the town, to be paid back after the boring for the wells has been completed. Reister explained that while the town would still purchase some of the materials for the project, it was still less expensive to have the residents take care of the work, rather than have them pay to have the town have it done.

Following the reading of corre-

spondence, Town Clerk Edita Probst read into the record a letter she had addressed to Reilly. The letter was apparently in response to a verbal conflict between the two that concerned the budget procedure.

Probst was angry that Reilly had not met with her while drafting the tentative budget and that she first saw the document on her desk on Monday morning. Reilly responded that he had worked on the budget all weekend, wrapping it up past midnight Sunday, and had left it on Probst's desk because it was legally due to her by Monday morning, and he had an appointment that kept him from being at town hall first thing Monday. He said he had intended to meet with Probst on Friday, but that meetings with other department heads had run longer than he had anticipated. The meetings, he added, were not routine procedure, but were instituted this year to explain a complex budget.

There were grumblings in the audience over the airing of grievances between Reilly and Probst, and several people objected to the inclusion of Probst's letter in the agenda. "Some correspondence should not be aired in public," said one, contending that such conflicts were a waste of the board's time. "If this is what my tax dollars are paying for," she added, "I understand why I'm getting a 35 percent tax increase."

Reilly apologized to the audience and the board, and said he

would "make every effort" to work with the town clerk.

He explained later that since board members had received copies of Probst's letter, he felt suppressing it from the agenda would leave him open to criticism. He expressed regret that the incident occurred.

Poplar Drive development discussed

The planning board last week reviewed a proposal to build a 29-lot subdivision on an undeveloped plot in the heart of residential Elmsere.

Construction of the development, known as Colonial Woodlands, as it is currently planned would mean the completion of Poplar Drive, according to an informal proposal presented to the Bethlehem Planning Board by Delmar surveyor Lindsay Boutelle. Poplar Drive is currently divided in half by the 11-acre Colonial Woodlands plot.

Twenty-five homes are planned for the west side of a City of Albany water line easement splitting the Colonial Woodlands parcel. The remaining lots fall on the Woodridge Road side of the easement.

Developers Carl Paulson and Swift Development Corporation,

The budget was also the subject of complaints from board members who said they had read about the budget in the newspaper prior to seeing it. Reilly said copies of the budget had been in each board member's mailbox on Monday and that they had failed to pick them up.

both of Albany, also plan for the construction of two additional streets between Greenleaf Drive and the proposed new section of Poplar. Boutelle said the "general pattern" of Colonial Woodlands is similar to a never-built layout that went before the planning board in the 1950s.

"This has been around a long, long time," he said.

Greenleaf Drive resident Paul Galanka asked that the board consider water problems in homes immediately adjacent to the development site. Galanka said his and other residents' basements flood routinely and was worried the new development would intensify the problem.

But Boutelle and Planning Consultant Alvin Wirth said they feel the proposed developments storm water drainage plans would ease flooding problems.

Mike Larabee


Man dies from fall

The 41-year-old proprietor of a tree service company died on Thursday, Oct. 4, as a result of injuries sustained when the tree he was working on fell, Bethlehem police said.

According to Lt. Fred Holligan, Frederick S. Tomkins of Selkirk, owner of Northeastern Tree Service, was in the tree at 5 Old Coach Road, Colonial Acres in Glenmont, when it snapped at the base and fell. Two workers were on the ground, said Holligan.

Tompkins was transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital by Delmar Ambulance, Holligan said, admitted at 3:01 p.m. and taken to the operating room with internal injuries. He was pronounced dead at 4:40 p.m., Holligan said.

Although the incident took place at about 2:30 p.m., shortly after high winds caused several trees to fall in Delmar, Holligan said it was uncertain whether the storm was responsible. Trees on Delmar Place, North Street and Adams Place were reported down between 1:30 and 2:30, according to a Delmar Fire District spokesman.



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THE Spotlight Sports

Eagles shutout 18-0 in homecoming game

By Michael Kagan

Homecoming was a week too late for the Bethlehem Central football team.

Two weeks ago, in the Eagle's first game, BC won 34-6 against Columbia. After a week of build up for last Friday's game, though BC lost to a dominant Burnt Hills team, 18-0.

The game started out well, as the Eagles started in good field position following the opening kick off, and drove deep into Burnt Hills territory. But then the Spartan defense toughened up and brought about a fourth and 10 situation for Bethlehem. BC had its specialist, Adam Perry, attempt a field goal, but he missed.

On Burnt Hills' first two offensive plays following the missed field goal, the Eagles' defense was dominant. But then on third down, the Spartans completed a short pass, which after two broken tackles, was turned into a touchdown.

BC punted after picking up little yardage on its next drive. Burnt Hills drove, aided by multiple Eagle penalties, close to the BC 20, but then fumbled into the arms of Tim Mooney.

Bethlehem could not take advantage of the turnover, and on the Spartan's next possession, they scored a field goal. Perry, who

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played the first half at quarterback for BC, was picked off near midfield to end the Eagles' final first half drive.

The Spartans punted after receiving the kick off, bringing Bethlehem's second half quarterback, Mooney, onto the field. The QB change helped little, as the team turned the ball over on downs. Burnt Hills punted on its next possession, but then Mooney was intercepted on BC's subsequent possession.

The Spartans again drove deep into Eagle territory, but this time only to have a field goal blocked. BC continued to sputter on offense, botching a pitch. The Spartan recovered and ran in for the easy touchdown, and then were successful on the two point conversion try to end the scoring.

Mooney was picked off again when Bethlehem got the ball back, and then after Burnt Hills punted, the Eagles gave the ball up on downs. On the next Burnt Hills punt, Scott Gilchrist called a fair catch, but dropped the ball and the Spartans recovered. Mercifully, they could not capitalize.

Late Scotia goal edges Eagles

By Laurel Ingraham

The Bethlehem Varsity girls field hockey team lost a 2-1 heartbreaker at Scotia on Monday. After battling to a 1-1 tie through almost the entire game, Kari Boteford scored with less than two minutes remaining in the game to edge out the Eagles.

Mersa Clark of Scotia scored with 9:59 left in the first. BC replied with a goal by Julie Hwang assisted by Sr. Captain Kassie Jeram with 7:45 left in the first half.

Kathy Kalendek made some great steals and tackles while Colleen O'Neil, the goalie for BC, had several good saves. The players of the game were Kerry Fitzpatrick and Julie Hwang.

The team played again on Wednesday at Shaker. Throughout the game the score was tied 0-0, both teams battled until Erika Kutzer scored for Shaker with 1:40 left in the second half with no assist.

On Friday they played at home against Columbia. The final score was 6-1. Chris Nally from Columbia scored four goals.

Bethlehem's record now is 2-9-1.

V'liet bombs Birds

By Nat Boynton

In the debris on the Watervliet football field after a 54-0 loss, there were, believe it or not, some bright spots for Voorheesville's beleaguered Blackbirds.

One was that Trampus Talavera was back in action, giving his impersonation of a battering ram. Another was the competitive debut at quarterback of Jimmy Kelly, the last of the football-playing Kelly boys, a sophomore. And third, we don't have to see any more of Watervliet until next fall.

"We just couldn't stop 'em," said Chuck Farley. "We were down 35-0 at halftime, they ran back a couple of punts on us for touchdowns, and it was hard to get the boys up for the second half. They had an excellent team, excellent, well coached. There wasn't much we could do."

The second half was mostly for exercise, and even that was absent on the two long punt runbacks, 52

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and 64 yards. The Cannoneers played the last two periods with second-stringers in the backfield, keeping some starting linemen in for protection. Farley got everybody in, including next year's possible quarterback. Kelly threw five passes, completed two for 25 yards, and ran a couple of keepers.

The week's medical report consists of John Burns, a knee injury, and Jack Brennan, who got a free trip to the hospital with a concussion. At the time, Brennan wasn't sure where or who he was, but now he does, and both these operatives should be ready for Rensselaer this Saturday.

That game will be on Buckley Field with a friendly crowd. The Rams like to throw the ball, which promises good action.

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Adams bright spot in Birds dark week

By Bob Hagyard

"Maybe Rich Adams' true calling is stopper," said Voorheesville coach Bob Crandall.

He was joking, but it was no joke that the senior co-captain held Colonie's Jack Apanowicz to one weak shot and no points through the second half of Saturday's non-league morning game. Playing up front the first half, Adams averted a shut out for his side on a fine two-touch goal in traffic with 2:10 left.

The day before, from his usual position on attack, he ran up his first hat trick of the year as VC toyed with Cohoes, 7-0, and improved its Colonial Council record to 7-1.

A smallish player who obviously worked long and hard during the off-season on his ball skills, Adams' hustling, clean style of play is drawing attention. After the Oct. 1 loss at Schalmont, the Sabre players singled out No. 4 as the Blackbird who impressed them the most — not Bjoern Joergensen, the Danish exchange student, or Christian Clark or Todd Rockmore, each of whom has twice the varsity experience of anyone on the VC roster. Adams now has 9 goals, third best on the team behind Rockmore (13) and Joergensen (10).

One play drew a rave review from Mayfield coach Bill Stewart last Wednesday. With VC behind 1-0, Panther goalie Ron Feuer punted long to the side near the

scorer's table where three teammates converged. Adams sprinted back, cut in front, slammed on the brakes and, sitting down, deadened the lob on the fly with a half-bicycle. The ball rolled softly about six feet to Adams' right, the one spot where the three opponents Adams couldn't see couldn't get at it. He immediately sprang up and led a break up the sideline with no one to challenge him.

Boys' soccer

Quick unexpected breaks don't happen like they used to. The Birds have slowed up and, to no one's surprise, suffered their worst week of the season, three losses in four games.

And straight ahead this Saturday is the long-awaited confrontation with unbeaten Albany Academy and Blaine Legere. Early this season, VC blew away three opponents by scores of 5-1, 7-2 and 8-0. By then, Legere had scored 21 goals for Academy, one more than the VC total.

So far the Birds have seen only one comparable player, Colonie's Apanowicz, who can fly. When

Apanowicz goes to college next fall he'll go on a track scholarship. Legere is an Apanowicz with ball skills: he will play college soccer next fall for the team of his choice.

Saturday, Apanowicz broke loose for two uncontested goals in the last seven minutes of the first half to carry his team, 2-1.

"That may have been my fault," Crandall said later. "I gave Eric (Logan, the team's regular stopper back) no instructions on 11 (Apanowicz)." When Adams switched to stopper, Logan took a turn at midfield.

It's one of many backfield/midfield switches Crandall has tried lately: Kevin Relyea for Bill Stone as sweeper, Stone for Logan at stopper, Logan for Clark at center half (when a staph infection sidelined Clark versus Mayfield), Brad Rockmore for Mark Mirabile at wing halfback, Adams for Todd Rockmore at another halfback slot — anything to shore up a defense that has given up too many up-the-middle goals lately.

Only three home games remain on the schedule: tomorrow (Thursday) versus Cohoes, then Saturday's contest, which will kick off at 10 a.m. Waterford, the team

that gave the Birds a hard time Sept. 28, will visit the afternoon of Oct. 19.

The team will travel to afternoon games at Lansingburgh next Monday and Watervliet next Wednesday.

BC frosh go 1-2-1

In a week full of exciting games the two freshman teams came away with one win, one tie and two losses.

Oct. 1 — Bethlehem freshman A 4, Scotia 2. Bethlehem got two goals by Rob Kind, and one each by Tim Wenger and Willie Sanchez.

Steve Dorman and Willie Sanchez combined in goal for seven saves.

Oct. 3 — Burnt Hills 4, Bethlehem freshman A 1. Stopper Steven Ciccio scored for Bethlehem in the fourth quarter for a final score.

Oct. 5 — Shenendehowa 3, Bethlehem freshman A 0

Oct. 6 — Bethlehem freshman B 1, Voorheesville 1. Dan Baum scored for Bethlehem in the sec-

Eagles to face Shaker for Gold title

By Tim Kratz

The Eagles are just a heartbeat away from the Gold Division championship after winning their last two matches.

The Bethlehem girls tennis team played a very close game against Gunderland, and the five to four win boosted their record to 6-1. Winners in singles were Kristen Jones, Tory McKenna, Karen Yaffe and Valarie Maeder. In doubles, Kelly Many and Sara Novick won in a very close match.

On Wednesday, the Eagles won five and a half to three and a half over Niskayuna. Yaffe, McKenna, Jones and Maeder all won again. In doubles Becky Smith and Hilary Barron won their match in two sets. McKenna won a key match that went into a tie breaker. Jones won in two sets.

In exhibition matches Lauren Boyle won in straight sets eight to four and eight to two and Jokinen won seven to three. In doubles Mari and Jen Coon won eight to four. Next week the Eagles will play Shaker at home for the Gold Division Championship.


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Ladybirds capture council 2nd

By Kevin Taylor

The Voorheesville girls tennis team captured second place in the Colonial Council by defeating Holy Names last week.

The Ladybirds just barely missed being seeded second in the upcoming Class C team Sectional competition. The Birds would have clinched second, if it were not for a loss to Cobleskill in a non-league match earlier in the season.

In the showdown for bragging rights to second place in the Colonial Council, the Birds took it to Holy Names right from the word go. Cortney Langford and Nancy Timmis both recorded 8-1 victories before Darcey Langford was defeated 8-4.

Heather Horan and Laura Genovesi picked up the slack though and both won very tight matches

by the score of 8-5, ensuring the victory and a lock on second place.

Last week, the Birds won against Cohoes with Cortney Langford leading the way once again. She won 6-1, 6-1. Her little sister Darcey didn't fair so well losing 7-6, 6-0. Timmis continued her strong play en route to a 6-1, 6-0 decision. Horan closed out the scoring by "bageling" her opponent 6-0, 6-0.

The match against Cobleskill was cancelled due to inclement weather the following day. This was disappointing to Coach Tom Kurkjian, who upon looking back thought that if the Birds had won this match, if it were played, it might have changed their seed in the tournament.

The Ladybirds then demolished Watervliet, beating them 7-0. The Cannoneers won only one set in

the seven matches. Cortney Langford won 6-2, 6-4. Darcey Langford won 6-1, 6-0. Timmis won 6-1, 6-1. Horan lost a set, but pulled out a three setter, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2. Genovesi completed the singles sweep with a 6-0, 6-0 win. There are four teams competing in Class C, with the fourth team being Maple Hill, who takes on Cobleskill. The match against Chatham is today at Maple Hill High School. The consolation and final matches are scheduled for Thursday Oct. 11 at 3:30 p.m., but it could be at a variety of sites depending on who wins the initial matches.

On Oct. 4, the seedings were announced for the singles and doubles draws for individual sectionals which are scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m. Oct. 17 in Central Park in Schenectady. Cortney Langford took her undefeated record to the meeting and came away with a well-deserved 7th seed. Langford is still undefeated and has yet to have anyone win a set off her. There were 60 girls who entered the singles draw. Darcey is also going to the tournament to represent the Ladybirds.

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Delmar golfer aces Colonial Acres

Marty McDonagh, of 55 Longmeadow Drive, Delmar aces the 100 yard ninth hole at Colonial Acres on Sept. 16. It was his first hole-in-one. He used a nine iron and the shot was witnessed by Maryanne Gushue and Peter Gundrum.

Pop Warner Report

Saturday both the Bethlehem PeeWees and the Junior Midgits continued to face undefeated opponents. The Falcons lost to the South Troy PeeWees 21-7. Adam Van Duzer scored the Falcons TD while Justin Marshall, Brian Cheeseman, and Sean Demarest anchored the offensive line. Josh Lawrence, Willie Regan, and Tomy Walmsley had solid games of defense. The Junior Midget Hawks were shut out by the Colonie Knights. The offense got crisp blocking from Brian Cohen and Kevin Fournier, while both Kevin Gilmore and Mike Follis played solid defense. Mike D'Aleo had an outstanding game, despite the score.

On Sunday, the Jr. PeeWee Condors played to 6-6 tie with Gunderland in their season opener. Robbie Nagel blasted over on a two yard TD run. Dan Santola, Joe Donnelly, and Bobby Piel led in blocking, while the defense was spared by Sean Battle. The Midget Eagles rebounded with a 26-7 crushing of Inner City Albany. Kevin Dunnells guided the offense with three TD's and Eric Domermuth added a fourth TD.

Star Bowlers

Bowling honors for the week of Sept. 30, at Del Lanes in Delmar, go to:

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Women — Gena Reed 230, Fran Schoenlein 571 triple.

Major Boys — Matt Reed 167, 469 triple.

Major Girls — Heather Selig 226, Traci Layman 537 triple.

Jr. Boys — Jeff Dievendorf 593 triple, Jason Wagner 168, 447 triple.

Jr. Girls — Melinda Person 181, 454 triple.

Prep Boys — Rich Petri 195, 485 triple.

Prep Girls — Danielle Pope 130, 319 triple; Kristen Hook 131, 314 triple.

Bantam Boys — Joe Van Valkenburg 126, 298 triple.

Bantam Girls — Kim Brown 103, 258 triple.

Junior Classic League

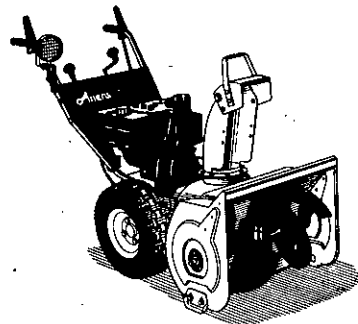
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The streak isn't everything

By Nat Boynton

Readers of these lines will know what this typist couldn't at Monday's press deadline — the winner and score of yesterday's (Tuesday) Guilderville-Shaker swim meet.

Guilderville, defending Sectional champions, went into the shootout with a 30-meet win streak over two undefeated Aqua League seasons and four meets into a third. Their coach, Larry Dedrick, was more realistic than pessimistic when he conceded that he saw no way to get past the Bison, even in the home pool which precludes diving.

"Even with Jennie Houle, we don't have the power to beat Shaker," he confided on the weekend. "I think we'll give them a run for their money in the relays, and we may pull a surprise or two, but that's not going to be enough."

Jennie might have given GV a first in the 500, but now she's a spectator on crutches. She also would have been productive in the relays, where this year's addition of a third relay, the 4x50, puts new pressure on freestylers and helps the larger teams. Shaker has 32 swimmers, GV 20.

Dedrick planned to use his first-line medley relay quartet for the first time this season in a dual meet. Cathy Jo Dedrick, Maggie Bintz, Nicole Leach and Amy Hilton went

1:58-low at the New Hartford Invitational a week ago. Nicole and Amy have replaced Becky Hilton and Angela Washburn, who gave the team an unbeatable relay before last June's graduation, but in cakewalk wins over four of the league's weaker teams. Dedrick has been splitting his relays to give more swimmers more experience.

Two of those romps came last week over Niskayuna and Scotia-Mohonasen by identical scores of 57-29. Lori Newkirk, a Guilderland freshman in her first year of swimming, delighted her coach with a 1:10 in the fly against Niskayuna, and Linda Cheng, a junior, surprised everybody in the breaststroke. "That's Linda's favorite stroke, and she's been struggling," Dedrick said. "All of a sudden she knocks five full seconds off her personal best, 1:26 or .27."

Linda's new PB of 1:21.44 against Scotia qualified her for the Sectionals.

Dedrick also sent his daughter into the 500 for the first time this year and the second time ever. Cathy Jo, a premier backstroker, had lost to Scotia superstar Richelle Depold in the 50 free, and Dad saw no point in another fruitless chase in the backstroke. As it turned out, Richelle, New York State's fastest scholastic swimmer who can win any event she enters,

set new pool records in the 50 (23.92) and backstroke (1:01.72).

This week and next brings on the toughest part of the schedule, Saratoga Friday, Troy next Wednesday, then Shenendehowa and ever-dangerous Burnt Hills. All are on the road.

Button club to meet

The Half Moon Button club of the Capital District will meet on Wed. Oct. 10, at the Bethlehem Public Library in Delmar. Phyllis Sweeney of Johnstown will present a program on "Buttons and Stamps." The hostess will be Phyllis Colpitts of Cobleskill.

For information, call 283-4723.

Library to sell books

As part of the SUNY Albany Parents' Weekend celebration, the Friends of the Libraries will have their annual book sale on Oct. 27. The sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in front of the university library on the uptown campus. Donations of books for sale will be accepted between Oct. 10 and 25. Those who wish to donate books should call 442-3583.

Eagle swimmers face busy week

This is a busy week for Bethlehem Central's swim team, with two dual meets and a major diving competition. The girls follow yesterday's (Tuesday) trip to Troy by hosting a strong Burnt Hills team Friday, and Saturday brings an early-morning trip to Skidmore College for the team's divers.

Up to now, the Eagles have been scheduled for only one meet per week, but now the action accelerates with three competitive dates each week for the rest of October. The lone outing last week was a 113-70 defeat by Shenendehowa in a meeting of two young teams. Like the Eagles, the Shens are staffed primarily by freshmen and sophomores in the lanes with only three seniors, but with 29 swimmers they had more firepower than the locals.

Led by the talented Toms sisters, Bethlehem stayed within striking distance in the early events. The Shens took 1-3-5 in the medley relay, but Barbara Toms came back to win the 200 free and Sarah Toms got a first in the 1M. BC was down by only 28-18 after

three, and when Georgia Butt and Anne Byrd went 2-3 in the 50 and the divers added 13 unchallenged points, (Shen's "home" pool in Mechanicville has no boards) the Eagles were ahead by one at 38-37.

From there on it was all Shenendehowa. Byrd got a third in the fly and Barbara Toms a second in the 500, but the visitors pulled off a 1-2-3 sweep in the 100 free, went 1-3-5 in the 200 free relay and got another sweep in the backstroke. Sarah Toms's first place in the breaststroke and a second in the final relay salvaged consolation points and some respect.

Without the Tomses it would have been worse. Sarah, a junior, won two events, led the medley relay foursome to second place (with sister Barbara, Byrd and Butt), and anchored the 200 relay to another second place. Barbara, a ninth grader, added two second places and swam a strong opening split for the 4x100 relay combo that also placed second.

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Hunt for fire hazards at home

By Michael J. Rutnik

Michael Rutnik is fire prevention and education officer for the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Company in Clarksville.

Each year roughly 80 percent of all fire fatalities in the U.S. occur in homes. Nearly 5,000 people died in home fires in this country in 1988, according to the latest fire loss report published by the National Fire Protection Association.

"We are dying in fires that occur in places we feel safest," said NFPA President Robert W. Grant.

This year's Fire Prevention Week theme is, Make Your Place Firesafe: Hunt for Home Hazards.

During Fire Prevention Week, the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Company urges you to plan and carry out a family walk-through of the home, to make sure everyone knows what to do in case of a fire and what kind of dangers to look for. Go on your own "Hunt for Home Hazards." The following is a sample check list:

- Test all smoke detectors, and change the batteries. More than one half of all smoke detectors have dead batteries installed in them.

- Inspect all exits to ensure they are clear of obstructions. Make sure all doors and at least one window are easily accessible in case of fire. Family members should know at least two ways out of each room.

- Check your heating equipment. Has it been serviced by a qualified person within the last year? Is trash or other items stored near the furnace or water heater? Do you turn off space heaters each time you leave the room? Are the power cords to these heaters in good shape? Make sure all heating equipment is kept at least three feet from furniture, bedding, walls, or anything that can burn. Heating equipment is the number one cause of home fires in the U.S.

- Do you have overloaded electrical outlets, fuses of improper size, cracked or frayed electrical cords, cords run that across traffic areas, under carpets and furniture, or pinned tightly to the wall by furniture? Do not plug more than one appliance into an extension cord. Replace damaged or worn electrical cords and consult an electrician if you the cord is part of an appliance.

- Look around the kitchen: Is the stove loaded with cooking utensils? Spilled food or grease buildup on the stove or in the oven? Small appliances left plugged in? Kitchen fire safety starts with the cook. Never leave your cooking unattended and make sure that all pot handles are turned in so they won't be knocked off the stove. Know how to put out a small stove top fire by placing the lid back on a pan or pouring baking soda onto the fire. Never pour water on a grease fire.

- Inspect the garage, basement, and attic for improperly stored flammable liquids. Always store combustible and flammable liquids in tight, labeled metal containers, away from heat or flame. Never store gasoline inside the house; keep on hand only the quantity needed for the lawn mower or similar equipment. Be sure gas is stored in an approved safety can with a spring closure valve, vapor vent, and pour spout.

- Consider purchasing home fire extinguishers and training every family member in their use. Post the telephone number of your local fire department next to each phone for easy access in the event of an emergency.

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Fire Fighters Corner

Isabel Glastetter

A town-wide fire prevention demonstration will be held at Delaware Plaza on Friday, Oct. 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. Representatives from Slingerlands, Delmar, Elsmere, Selkirk and North Bethlehem fire departments will be on hand, as will members of the Delmar Rescue Squad Ambulance and Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance.

On Sunday Oct. 14, members of the Delmar Fire Department will be out working on their annual calendar drive, beginning about noon. Try to be home to meet the men and women who volunteer their time to make Delmar Fire District a safer place to live.

Members of the Elsmere Fire Co. will also be conducting a fund drive on Sunday Oct. 14. They will begin visiting homes in the Elsmere Fire District about noon; try to be home to meet the members who serve you.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Delmar Fire Department will hold its monthly meeting on Oct. 11 at 8 p.m. at the Delmar Firehouse.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Elsmere Fire Department will hold its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. at the Elsmere Firehouse.

Members of the Delmar Rescue Squad will have their monthly training at the firehouse on Wednesday Oct. 17 at 7 p.m.

There will be an open house at Selkirk Fire Station No. 2 in Glenmont to let the public view the new ariel ladder pumper. The event will take place Sunday, Oct. 21 from noon till 5 p.m.

On Sept. 25, at 12:09 a.m. members of Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance delivered a 7 pound, 9 ounce baby girl. Mother and daughter are doing well. The crew members were: Isabel Glastetter, Gary Osterhout, Alan Fuchs, and Sam Gardiner of Bethlehem Ambulance. They were assisted by four Ravena crew members.

Company wins contest

Seven members of Selkirk Fire Department's Company 1 attended the 1990 Northeast Vehicle Extrication Competition and Learning Symposium in Cortland Sept. 14 through 16.

The event was organized to teach fire departments and emergency medical personnel proper patient removal from vehicle accidents and to share new extrication techniques.

The five-member team won first place competing against 14 other teams from the U.S. and Canada. The teams were judged on safety, technique, organization and time.

Company No. 1, located on Maple Avenue in the Village of Selkirk, specializes in vehicle extrication for the Selkirk Fire Department. Team members were Francis Asprion, captain; Terry Ritz; Thomas Neri; Daniel Hotaling and David Borger.

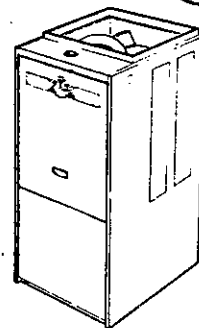
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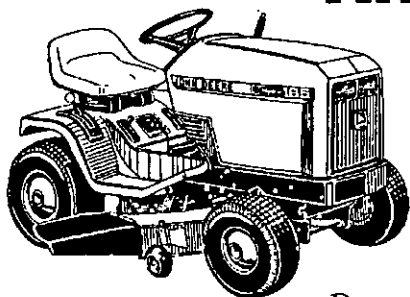
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Obituaries

W. Alfred Baker

W. Alfred Baker, 77 of Quincy Road in Glenmont and a longtime Mason, died Friday, Oct. 5, at his home.

Born in Albany, he was a graduate of Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Mr. Baker was vice president of the Northeastern District of Borden Inc. for 10 years, retiring in 1968.

He was past president of the Cyprus Temple Shriners AAONMS; a member of the Masters Lodge 5, F & AM in Albany; the Albany Scottish Rite, Temple Chapter 5, RSM; Albany Unit 48 of the Caberi; Albany Court 77, Royal Order of Jesters; Greater Albany and the Columbia County Shrine clubs; the University Club of Albany; and the Second Milers Club in Bethlehem.

He was a member and former deacon of the Delmar Reformed Church and was a volunteer senior citizens van driver in Bethlehem.

He was husband of the late Grace Higley Baker.

Survivors include two daughters, Ardelle McGray of Racine, Wis. and Karen Shufelt of Spartanburg, S.C.; a brother, Craig Baker of Slingerlands; and four grandchildren.

Services were from Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home in Albany and the Delmar Reformed Church. Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children or the Memorial Fund of the Delmar Reformed Church.

Harriet Morse

Harriet Welpen Morse, 66, of Bethlehem Terrace Apartments in Slingerlands died Saturday, Oct. 6 at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a graduate of Albany High School and Green Mountain College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Mrs. Morse worked for the state legislature for more than 30 years. She began her career as a part-time secretary for the Joint Legislative Committee on Motor Vehicles. She later became the executive director of the Senate Health Committee before retiring two months ago.

She was also secretary to the Health Care Financing Council and staff member of the executive committee for the National Conference of State Legislators.

Mrs. Morse was a past board member of the Eddy Memorial Foundation in Troy.

Survivors include her husband, Daniel Morse; a son, David Morse of Philadelphia; a daughter, Robin Edwards of Oakland, Calif.; and three grandchildren.

Services were from Levine Memorial Chapel in Albany and Temple Israel Cemetery in Guilderland.

Contributions may be made to the American Lung Association in Albany.

Thomas Longtin

Services were held Monday for Thomas F. Longtin, 62, of New Scotland Road in New Scotland. Mr. Longtin died Friday, Oct. 5 at the Albany Medical Center Hospital.

A pharmacist for the Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospital in Albany, he retired in February. He was also the owner of the New Scotland Pharmacy.

He was born in Utica and moved to New Scotland in 1959.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Carr Longtin; two daughters, Kathleen Frisbee of Austin, Texas and Deborah Longtin of Feura Bush; two sons, Stephen Longtin of East Greenbush and Keith Longtin of Albany; a sister Marie Emery of Utica; a brother John Longtin of Cassville, Oneida County; and a granddaughter.

Services were from St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville and arrangements were by Reilly and Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Burial was in New Scotland Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to St. Matthew's Church or the American Cancer Society.

Anthony A. Consolo

Anthony A. Consolo, 70, of Maple Ave. in Voorheesville, died Thursday, Oct. 4, at his home.

Born in Italy, he lived in Voorheesville for six years, for 13 years in Slingerlands and before that on Long Island.

He worked for Manor Homes Realty Corp. in the Albany area at the time of his death.

Mr. Consolo was a member of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Rita Petschauer Consolo; three daughters, Christine Roberts of Valencia, Calif., Rebecca Freer of Plymouth, Mass. and Mary Ann Shields of Clifton Park; three sons, Anthony J. and Joseph C. Consolo, both of Rotterdam, and Thomas O. Consolo of Slingerlands; two sisters, Annetta Amunategui of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Frances Levy of Pine Plains, Dutchess County; and five grandchildren.

Services were by Hans Funeral Home in Albany and St. Matthew's Church. Burial was held in the Bethlehem Cemetery in Elmsire.

Leo J. Bissonnette

Leo J. Bissonnette, 84, of Werner Road, Voorheesville died Wednesday, Oct. 3 in St. Mary's Hospital in Troy after a long illness.

Born in St. Hermegilde, Quebec, Canada, Mr. Bissonnette moved to the Albany area in 1946.

He was a member of Knights of Columbus Council 3394 in Colonie.

Mr. Bissonnette was a carpenter, working out of Carpenters Union Local 370 in Albany, retiring in 1970.

He was husband of the late Albertine Courtmanche Bissonnette.

Survivors include two daughters, Pauline M. Baldwin of Berlin and Muriel B. Oswald of Waterford; four sisters, Isabelle Richard of St. Petersburg, Fla., Elizabeth Pivin of Berlin, N.H. Florida Bissonnette and Armand Dupuis of Ithaca, Quebec, Canada; six grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Services were from Philip J. Brendese Funeral Home on Broad Street in Waterford. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Waterford.

Church schedules fair

The First United Methodist Church in Delmar, located on Delaware Ave., will present its annual Autumn Fair on Saturday, November 3 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featured will be crafts, a Christmas boutique, jams and jellies, plants, books and a gift-wrapping service. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless. For more information, call 455-2886.

Historical Association sets meeting

The Town of Bethlehem Historical Association is holding a meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18 at the Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144, Clapper Rd., Selkirk. Martha Dickinson Shattuck will lecture on "Women's Role in 17th Century Albany." For more information, call 439-8289.

RCS holds forum

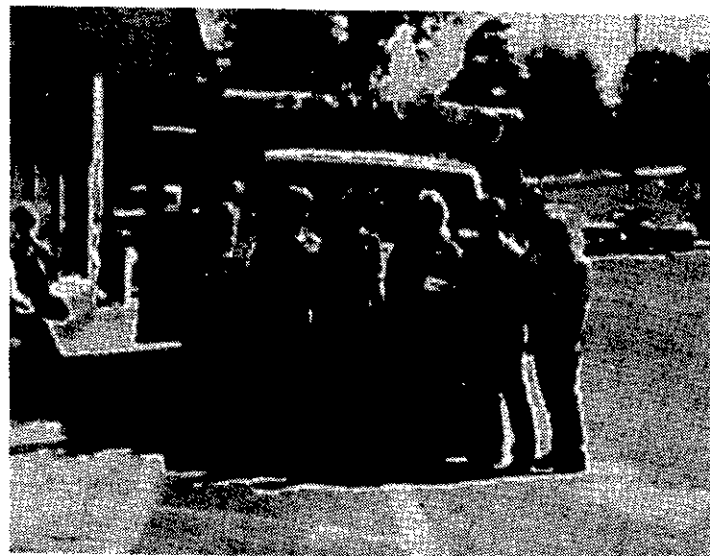
The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District Board of Education will host a public forum on Monday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the A.W. Becker School, Rt. 9W, Selkirk.

The session will provide an opportunity for community residents to find out more about the school and its programs.

AARP meeting set

Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1598 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its regular monthly meeting on Oct. 16 at the First United Methodist Church, on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar. Social time will begin at 12:30 p.m. Robert Strong, vice president of Finnegan Associates, will discuss the revaluation of real estate in the Town of Bethlehem.

K-Mart supports ambulance service



K-Mart of Glenmont presented a \$250 check to the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service on Saturday, Oct. 6. The check was presented by Kathy Redmond, assistant manager of K-Mart, to David Pratt, service vice president, and Herbert Parisi, captain. Proceeds will be used to purchase pediatric equipment. From left are EMT's Isabel Glastetter, Jerry Hallenbeck, and Connie Parisi, Redmond, Herbert Parisi, and EMT Lou Smith.

Merit program commends BC seniors

Bethlehem Central High School has been notified that 17 of its seniors have been designated as commended students in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Each will receive a letter of commendation in recognition of outstanding academic promise. These BC seniors placed in the top 35,000 of more than one million partici-

pants in the 1991 Merit Program:

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Bull, Partridge wed

Jennifer Kirsten Bull, daughter of Patricia and Capt. Jeff Bull of Selkirk, and Dwight A. Partridge, son of Frances and Alfred Partridge of East Durham, were married Aug. 5.

Rev. Albert M. Brockway of the Scotia Methodist Church conducted the service in the Glen Sanders Mansion, in a garden wedding by the Mohawk River.

Pamela Mojica was matron of honor. Rebecca Bull, Theresa Standish, and Nancy Leverenz were

bridesmaids.

Eric Partridge was best man, and Lowell Partridge was usher.

The bride is a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School, Rochester Institute of Technology and Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine.

The groom is a graduate of State University College of Environmental Science and Forestry. He is a land surveyor in the Catskill Mountains.

The couple resides in Ithaca.



Community Corner

Delmar church hosts annual fair

The First United Methodist Church, located on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar, will hold its annual Autumn Fair on Saturday, Nov. 3 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Featured will be craft items, a Christmas boutique, homemade baked goods, jams and jellies, plants, books, a gift wrapping service, and much more. A pancake breakfast will be served to kick off the event at 8 a.m.

A portion of all proceeds will go to the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless.

For information, call 439-3192.

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Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Brian Robert, to Tina M. and Kenneth R. Brower, Ravena, Sept. 15.

Boy, John Clifford, to Deborah L. and Jeffrey C. Mudge, Delmar, Sept. 13.

Boy, Spencer Richard, to Amy Getsloff and Bruce N. Gyory, Delmar, Sept. 11.

Spotlight on the Service

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Thomas C. Knickerbocker, son of Charles H. and Kathleen L. Knickerbocker of Delmar, recently returned from deployment to the Mediterranean Sea while serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Class of '90



University of Michigan — Paul Mitchell Schenkel, Delmar.



Nancy Boyle

Boyle — Myers

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Boyle of Slingerlands have announced the engagement of their daughter, Nancy P. Boyle, to Daniel B. Myers III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Myers of Morris Plains, N.J.

Boyle is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Fairfield University. She is currently employed by The Bank of New York.

Myers is a graduate of Fairfield University. He is presently employed by New Jersey Bell.

A September wedding is planned.



Charles Casey and Barbara Meacham

Casey — Meacham

Mrs. June Grinter of Rotterdam and Mr. Clifford Meacham of Glenville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Meacham, to Charles Casey, son of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Casey of Voorheesville.

Meacham, a bachelor of arts graduate of Hartwick College, is a

special events coordinator for Skidmore College.

Casey, also a graduate of Hartwick College, is a public relations editor for Union College. He was a reporter for *The Spotlight* in 1984 and 1985.

A Dec. 1 wedding is planned.

Simpson — Bardin

Janet and Richard Simpson of South Bethlehem have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mindy Suzanne Simpson, to Robert B. Bardin Jr., son of Rosemary and Robert B. Bardin Sr. of Selkirk.

Simpson is a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School, and is employed by Sports Medicine Albany.

Bardin is also a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School, and is manager for Service America Corp.

A July 1992 wedding is planned.



Mindy Simpson

Addario — Doling

Mrs. Rhonda Zini of Delmar has announced the engagement of her daughter, Martha Ann Addario, to Mark Allen Doling, son of Ann and Stuart Doling of Albany.

Addario is a graduate of Colne Central High School and is

assistant manager of Ups and Downs in Crossgates Mall.

Doling is a graduate of Albany High School and is a sound systems technician with Wise Sound Systems.

A June 1992 wedding is planned.

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Folk songs sweet way to learn heritage

By Mike Larabee

For Andy Spence, founder of Guilderland-based Old Songs, Inc., member of the board of directors, and an obvious true believer, the music of our heritage still has plenty to say.

"Folk music has a theme for every day in your life," she said, as she sat on a stool in the Old Songs' corner of her Wormer Road traditional music retail and mail order shop.

Folk music continues to inform and enrich no matter what particular style or subject, and, she said, offers a rich alternative to the bland product music of today's mass market.

"Whether you're protesting conditions in coal mines, or writing about the dust bowl, or Nicaragua, or war, or love," said Spence, "if it's a good song, it will survive."

"It moves on its own through many years, sung over and over, even to the point where the author is totally forgotten and it moves by itself," she said.

But the music can also get a helping hand, via aficionados like Spence and the rest of the volunteers who make up the heart of Old Songs. Started in 1977, the corporation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving and encouraging interest in traditional music and dance. That's done through regular concerts, country dances, instructional classes in everything from guitar to mountain dulcimer to clawhammer banjo, and the Old Songs' centerpiece, an annual three-day summer festival.

All that, Spence said, goes a long way toward creating some alternatives to mainstream radio's standard musical menu.

"This music *means* something to people," she said, frowning on the here-today-gone-tomorrow promotionalism of today's most popular music. "Without the alternative, all you get is what the mass media gives you, and that's no way to live."

"So what's the meat and potatoes?" she asks. "We're the meat and potatoes."

This time of year, then, the meat and potatoes can be had regularly at St. Mark's Community Center in Guilderland Center, where Old Songs holds its roughly twice-per-month concerts. Upcoming featured performers include The House Band, an English folk trio, on Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. and Peggy Seeger, half-sister of famed singer-songwriter Pete Seeger, on Oct. 15 at 8 p.m. Spence said Seeger, who to her own credit has over three dozen solo albums and six-dozen albums with the late folksinger Ewen MacColl, was a kind of coup for Old Songs.

"It's a real treat," Spence said, relating that Seeger, who lives in Great Britain, will only be in America for a short time this fall. "That's why we have three concerts this October. I would present her any opportunity I could," Spence said. "She's a very important figure in music and in song writing and in life, period."

The jewel of the Old Songs mission, this year's festival was its tenth since a 1981 debut in Guilderland's Tawasentha Park. Now convened at the Altamont Fair grounds, the 1990 version attracted more than 6,000 people to see more than 37 separate acts and other attractions associated with traditional and folk music and dance. Included were about 1,000 children, Spence said, marveling at an event that can keep that many kids safe and "busy and happy."

"This is a family festival where children are learning how to do things, learning to play instruments," she said. "It's a very, very happy circumstance."

And for the children who will become the musicians of the future, Spence believes an exposure to traditional music early on will help build a solid foundation.

"To be a good musician in any field you have to go back and study the masters," she said, arguing that mainstream music would be well advised to examine its roots more often. "If we don't keep it alive, we



The House Band, an English trio specializing in traditional music, will appear Oct. 22 in an Old Songs concert at St. Mark's Community Center in Guilderland Center. The musicians are Ged Foley, Chris Parkinson, and John Skelton. Peggy Seeger will be at the same locale Oct. 15.

lose the bottom. When the bottom falls out, what do you have at the top? You have mediocrity."

But mediocrity is the one thing you won't find on today's folk and traditional music circuit, she said. "I have a lot of respect for the people who play music today on this level," said Spence. "It be-

comes a part of their life, a way of life, and that's why they do it."

St. Mark's Community Center is on Route 146. To get there go west on Route 20, take a left on Route 146 toward Altamont to a traffic light. St. Mark's is a white church one-quarter mile past the light. Dances are at Guilderland Elementary School on Route 20. Fall instructional classes have already begun, but class listings for the spring will be compiled in upcoming months, Spence said.

For information, call 765-2815.

Celebrant Singers to perform at St. Stephen's

The Celebrant Singers will perform a contemporary Christian music concert on Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Delmar at St. Stephen's Church at the corner of Elsmere Avenue and Poplar Drive.

Jane Compton, chair of the event, said she heard the group back in 1980 and then about a year ago in Colonie, and was so impressed she was determined to bring the group to her church. She told St. Stephen's pastor, Father Darius Mojalali, "You've just got to hear them." She gave him a tape of one of their concerts and he agreed.

This month's concert will feature 10 singers and a 12 piece orchestra. Jon Stemkoski's group is headquartered in Visalia, Calif., and performs throughout the U.S. and abroad. Members of the group are not salaried and rely on goodwill offerings from concertgoers. Admissions to their concerts is free. St. Stephen's families will play host to the group for their overnight stay.

Admission is on a first-come, first serve basis and according to Compton, "We can squeeze 300 into St. Stephen's."

While similar groups have had an exclusively Protestant audience, the Celebrant Singers have a following among people who practice many faiths.

In 1934, they performed in Rome and were granted an audience with Pope John Paul II.



The Celebrant Singers will perform in concert at St. Stephen's Church in Delmar on Oct. 23 at 7:30

p.m. The group performs throughout the U.S. and abroad.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

TOTALLY COOL

Examines issues related to substance abuse, Swyer Theatre, Empire Center, Albany. Oct. 10, 5 p.m. Information, 462-4531.

I AM THE WAY

Opera on the life of Christ, Palace Theatre, Albany. Oct. 12, 14, Fri. 8 p.m. Sun. 3 p.m. Information, 465-4663.

AMADEUS

Tony award-winning play, Schenectady Civic Players, Oct. 12-13, 17-21, Wed.-Fri. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m. Information, 382-2081.

MASK ENSEMBLE

Columbia Greene Community College, Oct. 16, 7 p.m. Information, 828-4181.

THE GIN GAME

Tragicomedy, optional dinner/theater package, The Home Made Theater, Saratoga. Now through Oct. 20, Fri.-Sat. 8:15 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 587-4427.

DISTANT FIRES

Kevin Heelan's play, Siena College, Oct. 10-13, Wed. and Thurs. 8 p.m.; Fri. and Sat. 9 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

THE SCANDALOUS ADVENTURES OF SIR TOBY TROLLOPE

Bawdy, spirited farce, Capital Repertory Company's Market Theatre, Albany. Now through Nov. 4, Information, 462-4531.

SPIDER'S WEB

Agatha Christie's mystery-comedy, The New York State Theatre Institute, The Egg, Albany. Now through Oct. 21, Fri., Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 442-5373.

MUSIC

FOUNDER'S CONCERT

Music of Martha Beck Carragan, Friends of Chamber Music, Inc., Emma Willard School, Troy. Oct. 14, 3 p.m. Information, 273-8135.

JAZZ AT THE HALL

With Ahmad Jamal, pianist, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Oct. 13, 8 p.m. Information, 273-0038.

THE FABULOUS FORTIES

Carol Lynn Youtz, Joanne Rautenberg, University Performing Arts Center, Albany. Oct. 13, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

PEGGY SEEGER

Folk music, Old Songs Concerts, Guilderland, Oct. 15, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

DO'AH

Blend of jazz, classical and improvisation, The Eighth Step, Albany. Oct. 12, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

LET'S DO IT

Gary Aldrich and Anne Turner, Siena College Chapel, Loudonville. Oct. 12, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

OUT OF CONTROL

Rhythm and Blues Band, Pauly's Hotel, Albany. Oct. 12, 10 p.m. Information, 372-5607.

L'AMICO FRITZ

By Pietro Mascagni, presented by Touring Concert Opera Company, Inc. Sponsored by Greene County Festival of Opera. Now through Nov. 30, Fri. and Sat. 7:30 p.m.; Sun. 3 p.m. Information, 851-6778.

CLASSES

CORN HUSK DOLLS

Make a doll in Iroquois exhibit, Junior Museum, Troy. Oct. 13, 14, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information, 235-2120.

FINE ARTS CLASS FOR CHILDREN

Printmaking, The Hyde Collection, Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, Tues. 3:30-5 p.m. Information, 792-1761.

MONET AND BEYOND

Fine arts class for adults, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Nov. 8, Thurs. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Information, 792-1761.

LIFE DRAWING

Fine arts class, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 10-Nov. 14, 4-6:45 p.m. Information, 792-1761.

MONOTYPE PRINTMAKING

Fine arts class for adults, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 10-31, 7-9 p.m. Information, 791-1761.

WORKSHOP

A SURVEY OF AMERICAN QUILTING

How to make, preserve and date quilts, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

WATERCOLORS, OILS

Intermediate and advanced students, Greenville Arms, Oct. 14-20, Information, 966-5219.

THE SPACESHIP IN THE GREEN LAGOON

Science workshops for children, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 13, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 474-5801.

PUZZLES AND PATTERNS

Math workshops for children, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 13, 27, 10:30-noon. Information, 474-5801.

DRAWING NATURALLY

Four-part workshop, State Museum, Albany. Now through Oct. 27, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

FINE ARTS WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Fluorescents workshop, ages 4-7, scratchboard drawing, ages 8-12, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 13, Information, 792-1761.

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

And Design, State Museum, Albany. Now through Oct. 23, 7-9 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

THE RAILWAY IN AMERICAN LIFE

Relive the great railroad era, State Museum, Albany. Now through Oct. 23, 7-9 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

FESTIVAL

ARTS MANAGEMENT CAREER DAY

For high school students, sponsored by The Sage Colleges, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Oct. 16, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 270-2248.

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Clearwater Sloop Singers, Steve Stanne (Betty & the Baby Boomers), Daniel Einbender, Rick Nestler, Pete Seeger, Bob Zentz, Davis Bates, Tom Winslow, Jay Mankita, The Eighth Step, Albany. Oct. 13, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

OKTOBERFEST

Traditional harvest festival, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Oct. 30, Information, 474-5877.

FILM

DRUMS ALONG THE MOHAWK

Henry Fonda and Claudette Colbert, State Museum, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

PETE'S DRAGON

Walt Disney fantasy, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 13-14, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

MARKED WOMAN

Bette Davis, Humphrey Bogart, The State Museum, Albany. Oct. 16, 8 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

James Baldwin's autobiographical story, Siena College, Loudonville. Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m. Information, 783-2431.

ABSTRACT ART

Series on the lives and work of seven major artists who transformed modern American art, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Oct. 21, Sun. 2-3 p.m. Information, 792-1761.

SHOW

THE SHANGHAI ACROBATS

And Imperial Warriors of the Peking Opera, Proctor's, Schenectady. Oct. 13, 2 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

TOLE AND DECORATIVE PAINTERS

Local chapter, National Society of Tole and Decorative Painters, demonstrations and sales, Pruyn House, Newtonville. Now through Oct. 31, Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 783-1435.

READINGS

BRET LOTI

Greyfriar Living Literature Series, Siena College, Loudonville. Oct. 11, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

ANAGRAMS

By Lorrie Moore, book discussion, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar. Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

VISIONARY LANDSCAPES

Literary series, Brin Quell, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Oct. 11, 7:30 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

VISUAL ARTS

NACAN SCULPTURE COURT

Arts Awareness program featuring works by State sculptors, One KeyCorp Tower, Albany. Now through Nov. 2, daily 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 463-3332.

ELM TREE ART GALLERY

Bronze sculpture by Judith Weller, new works by G. Roda Boulanger, Now through Oct. 31, Mon. through Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thurs. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun. noon-5 p.m. Information, 785-1441.

NATURE AND SPIRITUALITY

Exhibit by three artists from Boston area, The College of Saint Rose, Albany. Oct. 14-Nov. 11, Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. Lunch with the artists, Oct. 17, noon. Information, 432-6960.

GROUP EXHIBITION

Chris Crowhurst, Frank Giorgini, Anthony Kropilak, wooden and ceramic sculptures, GCCA Catskill Gallery, Oct. 13-Nov. 10, Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 943-3400.

EXPRESS GALLERY TOURS

Architecture of the ALHA's Buildings, Albany Institute of History and Art, Oct. 12 and 14, Fri. 12:15 p.m., Sun. 1:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

FACULTY EXHIBITION 1990

Bennington College Usdan Gallery, Now through Nov. 15, Mon.-Fri. 1-5 p.m.

CITYSCAPES

Etchings by Frederick Merzhimer, Greenhut Galleries, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany. Now through Oct. 27, Mon.-Fri. 10 A.M.-9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun. noon-5 p.m. Information, 482-1984.

ANDREA SALKOWE

Oils on paper, monotypes, reconstructions, t.o.b. Galleries, Albany. Now through Oct. 31, Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m.

FLORA AND FAUNA

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

CONCEPTIONS

Albany Institute Art Program at HBC, Albany. Now through Nov. 30, Information, 463-4478.

DUTCH VILLAGE

A planned community, Albany Institute of History and Art. Now through Nov. 11, Information, 463-4478.

PHOTO CONTEST

Photos taken in Greene County representing fall 1990, Greene County Council on the Arts, Catskill. Entries must be received by Oct. 31, Information, 943-3400.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

Keith Metzler, Mark Schaming and Frank Vurraro exhibition. Now through Oct. 26, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sun. noon-4 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

PICASSO LINOLEUM CUTS

From the Metropolitan Museum of Art, State Museum, Albany. Now through Nov. 4, Information, 474-5877.

IROQUOIS OF NEW YORK STATE

Featured at The Junior Museum, Troy. Sat.-Wed., 1-5 p.m. Information, 235-4478.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

August Sena, Keith Metzler, Mark Schaming, Frank Vurraro. Now through Oct. 26, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sun. noon-4 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS

A centennial celebration of the National Association of Women Artists, Albany Institute of History and Art. Now through Nov. 4, Tues.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m.; Sat. noon-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

ALBANY: CAPITAL CITY CROSSROADS

Exhibit and video on history of Albany, Albany Urban Cultural Park Visitors Center. Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Weekends by appointment. Information, 434-6311.



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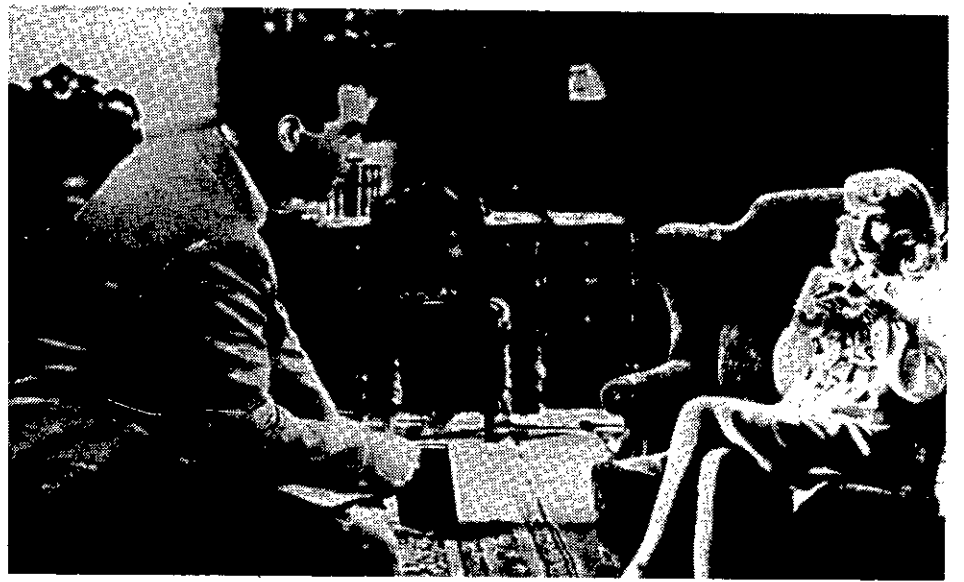


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Heart group to meet

The Mended Hearts of the Capital District will meet Oct. 14 at 2 p.m. in the Cusack Auditorium of St. Peter's Hospital.

The program will feature the Capital District Mental Health Players, doing improvisational skits with audience participation.

Mended Hearts is an organization for people who have undergone heart surgery and their families. Members offer support to each other as well as visiting pre and post-operative patients in the hospital. For information, call 463-1674.

Adoptive parents meet

The Capital Region Foster and Adoptive Parent Association will meet Oct. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Albany County Building on State Street in Albany. All foster and adoptive parents are welcome to attend. For information, call 767-3090.

Astronomers to meet

The Albany Area Astronomers will hold their monthly meeting on Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. This meeting is one of a continuing series on the design and use of different types of telescopes. This month, club member Robert Mulford discusses the Newtonian telescopes. For information, call 374-8460.

Volunteer group to meet

The Albany unit of United Voluntary Services will hold an open meeting on Oct. 13 at 1 p.m. at Roessleville Presbyterian church, North Elmhurst and Central avenues, Albany. Members are asked to bring a covered dish for the buffet. The subject of the lecture will be Australia. For information, call 459-75-22.

DINE OUT

SCHENECTADY

SCOTTISH DANCING
Salvation Army, Smith St., Schenectady, 8-10 p.m. Information, 783-6477.

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

Tuesday October 16

ALBANY

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

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

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

PERSON TO PERSON
support group for kidney patients and families, meets every third Tuesday, National Kidney Foundation, 4 Airline Dr., Suite 102, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4666.

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 October 17

ALBANY COUNTY

SQUARE DANCE
sponsored by the Single Squares, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden St., Cohoes, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Information, 664-2353.

Wednesday October 10

ALBANY COUNTY

ELECTRICAL WORKSHOP
Albany YWCA, Colvin Ave., Albany, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

MUSIC MOBILE
children's program, Corner No. Lake and Sheridan, Albany, 4 p.m. Information, 462-8714.

SQUARE DANCE
sponsored by the Single Squares, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden St., Cohoes, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Information, 664-2353.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING
Russell Sage College, Sage Hall Counseling Center, Troy, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

SCHENECTADY

LEGAL ASPECTS OF PHOTOGRAPHY
lecture, sponsored by the Schenectady Photographic Society, First Methodist Church, Lafayette and State St., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

Thursday October 11

ALBANY

MUSIC MOBILE
children's program, So. Pearl and Mt. Hope Dr., Albany, 4 p.m. Information, 462-8714.

FINANCIAL PLANNING WORKSHOP
Albany YWCA, Colvin Avenue, Albany, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

WOMEN'S HISTORY LECTURE
Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, 5:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

ENTREPRENEUR SURVIVAL WORKSHOP
Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

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

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

SCHENECTADY

GULF CRISIS LECTURE
College Center Auditorium, Union College, So. Lane, Schenectady, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6508.

Friday October 12

ALBANY

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

SCHENECTADY

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

BEYOND THERAPY
comedy play, Nott Memorial theater, Union College, So. Lane, Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Saturday October 13

ALBANY

CHAMPIONSHIP RACES
Adirondack Association, Championship and 5K fitness challenge, Albany's Corning Preserve, 10:10 a.m. Information, 434-6116.

SCHENECTADY

BEYOND THERAPY
comedy play, Nott Memorial theater, Union College, So. Lane, Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

Sunday October 14

ALBANY

SCOTTISH DANCING
Unitarian Church, Washington Ave., Albany, 7-10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

HEART SURGERY PATIENTS MEETING
St. Peter's Hospital, So. Manning Blvd., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

DEDICATION OF POOL
YMCA, Washington Ave., Albany, 4:30 p.m. Information, 449-7196.

Monday October 15

ALBANY

CHILD ABUSE IDENTIFICATION SEMINAR
St. Peter's Hospital, So. Manning Blvd., Albany, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Information, 454-1174.

CHILDREN'S DIETARY LECTURE
Albany YWCA, Colvin Ave., Albany, 7-8 p.m.

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

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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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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.

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

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

RED MEN

second Wednesdays, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m.

SECOND MILER'S LUNCHEON MEETING

First United Methodist Church, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-6003.

BETHLEHEM OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

general meeting, 3:30 p.m., everyone welcome. Information, 439-6885.

LITERARY LECTURE

Pere Goriot discussed by Honore Balzac, 7:30 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9314.

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

meet second Wednesdays, Delmar Firehouse, Adams Place, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

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

NEW SCOTLAND ELKS LODGE

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

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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

Thursday
October 11

BETHLEHEM

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m., Information, 439-9314.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

C.H.P. DELMAR HEALTH CENTER

open house, second Thursday of every month, 250 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 6 and 8 p.m. Information, 783-1864.

BETHLEHEM WORK ON WASTE

meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 449-5568.

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.

DELMAR FIRE DEPT. LADIES AUXILIARY

regular meeting, second Thursday of every month, at firehouse, 8 p.m.

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.

BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL V.F.W. POST 3185

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BOWLING

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NEW SCOTLAND

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, meets every Thursday, Jerusalem Church, Feura Bush, 7-8 p.m.

Friday
October 12

BETHLEHEM

RECOVERY, INC.

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

"TO SIR WITH LOVE"

film, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

Saturday
October 13

BETHLEHEM

BOTTLE DRIVE

Hamagrael Elementary School, McGuffey Lane, Delmar, for returnable bottles. Information, 475-9441.

CHABAD CENTER

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

ROAST BEEF DINNER

Grace United Methodist Church, 16 Hillcrest Dr., Ravena, servings at 5 and 6:30 p.m., information, 767-3412.

NEW SCOTLAND

WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC VOORHEESVILLE

led by historian Dennis Sullivan, departs from Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., at 9:15 a.m., returns to library at 11 for light refreshment. Pre-registration required. Information, 765-2791.

Sunday
October 14

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

family worship, 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Sunday school and Bible classes, 10 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, church school, nursery care 10 a.m.; coffee hour and fellowship 11 a.m.; adult education programs 11:15 a.m.; family communion service, first Sundays. Information 439-9252.

EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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, 10 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.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Eucharist followed by breakfast, 8 and 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Poplar and Elsmere Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-3265.

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

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THE YOUTH NETWORK

More food for thought

As a continuation of the topic discussed in last week's column, the following was excerpted from an article by John Rosemond that appearing in the October 1989 issue of *Better Homes and Gardens*.

Tips for happy mealtimes

- Keep the emphasis on positive communication and encourage your children to contribute to the conversation. If a youngster voices negative comments, direct the conversation to a more positive topic. Ask, "What did you do today?"
- Encourage everyone to participate in preparing the meal. That way, a child may be less inclined to complain about the food or menu.
- Schedule the meal at a time when everyone can be there. If evening activities keep getting in the way of everyone's being able to sit down to a relaxed meal, consider cutting back on the family's outside commitments. Or, make a house rule that on certain nights of the week, everyone must be home for dinner.
- Don't turn meals into etiquette drills. Set a good example and correct children's bad manners in a low-key way.
- Make conversation, not eating, the focus of the meal. Discuss your day, world events, plans for the weekend, and future goals. Share your thoughts and dreams with everyone at the table.



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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE

worship, 10 a.m., church school, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2895.

MOUNTAIN VIEW EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Bible hour for children and adults, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service, 7 p.m., nursery care provided for Sunday services, Rt. 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

adult Bible study class and Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., service at 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85 and Rt. 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-7112.

ONESQUETHAW CHURCH

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

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW SCOTLAND

worship, 10 a.m., church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 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. Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

Monday October 15

BETHLEHEM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

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

BETHLEHEM CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBLE PLANNING

first fall meeting, will discuss current planning issues, room 106, town hall, 7:30 p.m., all welcome, Information, 475-1054.

MOTHERS TIME OUT

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

meets Mondays at Sidewheeler Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Days Inn, 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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TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

NEW SCOTLAND

OILS AND WATERCOLORS

by Dorothy McDonald of New Salem, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., through Oct. Information, 765-2791.

4-H CLUB

meets first and third Mondays, home of Marilyn Miles, Clarksville. Information, 768-2186.

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

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Tuesday October 16

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

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

BETHLEHEM LODGE 1096 F&AM

first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

MEDICARE FORM AID

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

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

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

THE DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB

The Annual Fall Banquet will be held at the Colonie Country Club. Social hour, 5:30 p.m., dinner, 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., starts at 7 p.m., new members welcome.

Wednesday October 17

BETHLEHEM

PUBLIC HEARING

Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on the applications of: Joseph Tannatta, 7:30 p.m.; Betty Williams, 7:45 p.m.; John and Joyce Thomas, 8 p.m.; Thomas M. Saba, 8:15 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-4955.

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB

the antique study group will meet in the Bethlehem Public Library community room, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, at 1 p.m.

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.

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 Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

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Thursday October 18

BETHLEHEM

CABLE T.V. PUBLIC MEETING

the purpose is to comment on the running of the cable system in Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m. in room 106 at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, Information, 439-4955.

Friday October 19

BETHLEHEM

EARLY BIRD SALE

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7-9 p.m. with a \$5 donation. Information, 439-6528.

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Other lectures in the series include: "Endangered Species in the Adirondacks" by Barbara Loucks, research scientist with the state Department of Environmental Conservation, on Oct. 23; "Ex-

ploring the Adirondack High Country" by Edwin Ketchledge, professor emeritus at the State College of Environmental Science and Forestry, on Oct. 30; "Birds and Animals of the Adirondacks" by Gerry Lemmo, a professional photographer from Glens falls, on Nov. 6; and "An Adirondack Nature Photographer Looks at the Canadian Rockies" by Vernon Lamb, a well-known outdoor photographer.

All the lectures are free of charge and open to the public. They will be held in Lecture Center 7 of the SUNY/Albany campus, 1400 Washington Ave., at 8 p.m. For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Clearwater pumpkin festival and concert slated

A fall tradition returns to the Capital District as the Hudson River sloop Clearwater docks in Rensselaer's Riverfront Park Sunday, Oct. 14, from noon to 5 p.m.

The Clearwater, built and maintained as a non-profit educational project committed to cleaning up the Hudson, is a 106-foot replica of the sloops which used to ply the waters of the Hudson in the days before steam ships. Every fall, it journeys up and down the Hudson from its home port of Poughkeepsie carrying a cargo of colorful pumpkins to ports of

call along the river. Its visit to the Capital District marks the beginning of the 1990 Pumpkin Cruise.

On Saturday, Oct. 13, the Clearwater Sloop Singers will present a concert at the Eighth Step coffeehouse at 362 State St. in Albany at 8 p.m. Folksinger Pete Seeger, who founded the Clearwater, and his musical crew will entertain with traditional river music. The concert was a sell-out last year, so reservations are recommended. Tickets are \$8, \$6 for children and seniors.

ANNUAL HARVEST DANCE

Saturday October 13th

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SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

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MONDAYS: Residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands and Bethlehem go to Delaware Plaza.

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

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We, at the Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, invite you to be with us for "Friend Day" on Sunday morning October 14.

Please join us for coffee and danish at 9:30 a.m.

Our worship service will follow at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Russel will speak on the subject: "Living with Confidence."

Our building is located on route 155 in Voorheesville. We hope you will join us!



Voorheesville, NY (518) 765-3390

Comic merchants to meet

Albany's comic book and collectibles convention will be held on Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Albany Marriott, on Wolf Road in Albany. Featured at this convention are thousands of old and new comic books, comic collectibles and science fiction material. Collectors of all ages are invited to buy, sell, and trade. For information, call 788-6845.

Jail seeks book donations

The Albany County Jail is seeking donations of quality literature books to boost the facility's meager library. Since legislation mandates that inmate libraries must have law books, there are no funds available to provide recreational reading. Donations can be left at the Bethlehem Channel's Bethlehem Public Library studios from now until Nov. 1.

For information, call 439-0583.



Irish pianist John O'Connor, regarded as one of the world's leading classicists, will perform in concert at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall on Oct. 23 at 8 p.m.

Gift shop holds parties

Peace Offerings gift shop, located on Central Avenue in Albany, will host two game playing parties this week, offering guests a chance to learn how to play some of the old and new non-competitive games the store sells.

The first party, being held on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m., will feature games for older children and adults, such as Untrivia, Community, Our Town and Earth Game.

The second party will be held on Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. At this party, younger children and their parents will have a chance to play some cooperative games geared to their age group, including Funny Face, A Beautiful Place and Harvest Time.

Employees host fair

This year's State Employees Federated Appeal will be held in the North Concourse of the Empire State Plaza on Oct. 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event provides an opportunity for people to learn more about the agencies and the services they provide.

Weekly Crossword

"STATELY NICKNAMES"

By Gerry Frey

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- 1 Over the hill
5 "___ State": Hawaii
10 "___ me State": Missouri
14 One of the tribes of Israel
15 Center of attraction
16 Promise
17 Paradise
18 Choleric
19 Combining form meaning bone
20 "Granite State" Capital
22 "Garden State" Capital
24 Cheer for the matador
25 English measurement
26 Burn badly
29 Oldsmobile, eg
30 Corresponded with
34 Dawn
35 ___ fly
36 Bay of ___
37 Exist
38 "___ State": Louisiana
40 Devoured
41 Work on the hedges again
43 "___ no to drugs!"
44 Besmirch
45 Trick's companion
46 2,000 pounds
47 Yanks and Mets, eg
48 Willy ___: Miller's salesman
50 Mr. Marvin
51 "Grand Canyon State" Capital
54 "___ State": North Carolina
58 Precedes "PIDES": Greek dramatist
59 Rows
61 ___ China
62 Bell output
63 Ms. Taylor
64 Blood vessel
65 Centerpiece for Arizona, Nevada, Colorado and Idaho
66 Chemical compound
67 This: Spanish
- 3 Kiln
4 "Cornhusker State" Capital
5 In flames
6 Jack ___: of Hawaii 5-0
7 Wood sorrel
8 Mad ___: Alice's friend
9 Lively
10 "___ State": Oklahoma
11 Biblical has
12 Mr. Preminger
13 At what time?
21 "___ Dominion State": Virginia
23 Senator Sam from Watergate
25 "Badger State" Capital
26 Intelligent
27 Apple tool
28 Mountain ridge
29 Sacramento's St.
31 City in "Sunshine State"
32 Ms. O'Neal
33 Ogles
35 "___ State": Idaho
36 "___ State": Massachusetts
38 Mountain climbing tool
39 Word with tin
42 "Tarheel State" Capital
44 "___ State": Utah
46 For hire cars
47 Combining form meaning trice
- 49 Bishop's hat
50 Word with printer or surgery
51 South American country
52 French eight
53 Precedes "MENT": Christmas decoration
54 "Pine ___ State": Maine
55 Chemical suffixes
56 Blue pencil
57 "___ Star State": Texas
60 Noun suffix

Solution to "Columbus Discovery"

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SPOTLIGHT TEENSCENE

By Juliette Braun

Sports, athletics and more sports give getting active in your community this week a new meaning.

If you're a sports enthusiast or just a fan of sports greats Larry Bird Joe Montana, Jose Canseco, Michael Jordan or Wayne Gretzky, come to the the Colonie Youth Center's Baseball Card Convention and Sports Memorabilia Auction at Colonie Central High School on Oct. 20. From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., you'll have the opportunity to bid on memorabilia items from the aforementioned individuals and many more.

Menands Youth Committee is sponsoring a six-week ski program at Jimminy Peak Ski resort in Hancock, Mass. The program will run on consecutive Tuesdays beginning Jan. 8. Buses leave the Menands School at 3:30 p.m. and return by 10 p.m. Total payment (\$104.50) isn't due until Oct. 22 but space is limited, so call 449-2222 for information or to register.

Keep the ball bouncing! Registration for Menands Youth Basketball will be held Oct. 13 at 7 Tillinghast Ave., between noon and 3 p.m. Don't forget a photocopy of your birth certificate and \$15 for a uniform. The league needs registrants and is open to individuals through grade 12. For information, call 449-5612.

Join the Boy Scouts as they compete in various survival and sports oriented activities, as well as campfire fun. Over a thousand Scouts will gather at the Colonie Town Park in Colonie from Oct. 12 through Oct. 14. Even if you're not a Scout it is sure to be an event you will never forget.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, an election for qualified voters of the Selkirk Fire District, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, will be held on October 23, 1990 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at Selkirk Fire House No. 2, Glenmont Road, Glenmont, New York for the purpose of voting Yes or No on the following resolution unanimously adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Selkirk Fire District on October 2, 1990:

"The Selkirk Fire District shall establish a Service Award Program of a Defined Benefit Plan for the volunteer firefighters of the District. The effective date of the plan shall be January 1, 1991. It will provide \$20.00 per month for every year of past service (maximum of five years) for every participant as of that date, plus \$20.00 per month for every year of future service with a maximum benefit of \$600.00 per month or 30 years total service. Based upon the present records of the District, the estimated annual cost will be \$136,445.10 which includes an administration fee of \$772.00, future service cost of \$58,268.10 and an amortization of past service cost of \$77,405.00. This represents an average cost per firefighter of \$1,156.31. The future service cost of \$58,268.10 includes the purchase of a pre-retirement death benefit for each of the participants except those 65 years of age or older. The entitlement for benefits is 65 years of age and completion of 1 year of plan participation. Payment is guaranteed for a period of 10 years."

Dated: October 2, 1990
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK
s/Frank A. With Secretary

October 10, 1990

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 1990, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of John R. and Joyce Thomas, 7 Normanside Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for a modification of a previously granted Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy; Article XVI, Front Yards; Article XVIII, Rear Yards, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for the construction of a deck encroaching into the rear yard set-

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Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
October 10, 1990

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 1990, at 8:15 p.m., at the Town Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Thomas M. Saba, 2 Saybrook Drive, Glenmont, New York for Variance under Article XVII, Fences and Walls, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem to maintain three (3) sections of six (6) foot stockade fence already erected at premises 2 Saybrook Drive, Glenmont, New York 12077.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
October 10, 1990

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BOND RESOLUTION

Bernard Harvith moved and William Collins seconded the following:

A RESOLUTION of the 3rd day of October, 1990 authorizing the issuance of serial bonds of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, New York in the principal amount of Two Hundred One Thousand (\$201,000) Dollars for the purchase of school buses.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK: SECTION 1. Serial bonds of the Bethlehem Central School District in the amount of Two Hundred One Thousand (\$201,000) Dollars are hereby authorized to be issued for the purpose of raising funds to pay the cost of the purchase of five school buses.

SECTION 2. The estimated maximum cost of the purchase of such school buses is the sum of Two Hundred One Thousand (\$201,000) Dollars. The plan for the financing of such object or purpose consists solely of the issuance and sale of serial bonds herein authorized to be issued in the principal amount of Two Hundred One Thousand (\$201,000) Dollars.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that the object or purpose for which the said serial bonds are to be issued is set forth in subdivision 29 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law and that the period of probable usefulness of such object or purpose is five (5) years.

SECTION 4. The President of the Board of Education is hereby

LEGAL NOTICE

authorized to designate these bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The School District does not reasonably expect to issue in excess of \$10,000,000 of its general obligations in the calendar year ending December 31, 1990. The School District covenants it will take any necessary action, do all things and not take any prohibited action to insure that the interest on the bonds will be exempt from Federal income taxation at all times.

SECTION 5. The validity of the bonds herein authorized may be contested only if:

1.) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District is not authorized to expend money;

2.) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or

3.) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

SECTION 6. Pursuant to Title 6 of Article 2 of the Local Finance Law, the Clerk of the Bethlehem Central School District is hereby directed by the Board of Education as the Finance Board of such Central School District to publish this resolution together with the notice required by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law at least once in each of the officially designated newspapers of the school district.

SECTION 7. This resolution takes effect immediately.

The foregoing resolution published herewith has been adopted on the 3rd day of October, 1990, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York.

FRANZ K. ZWICKLBAUER, Clerk
Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District

October 10, 1990

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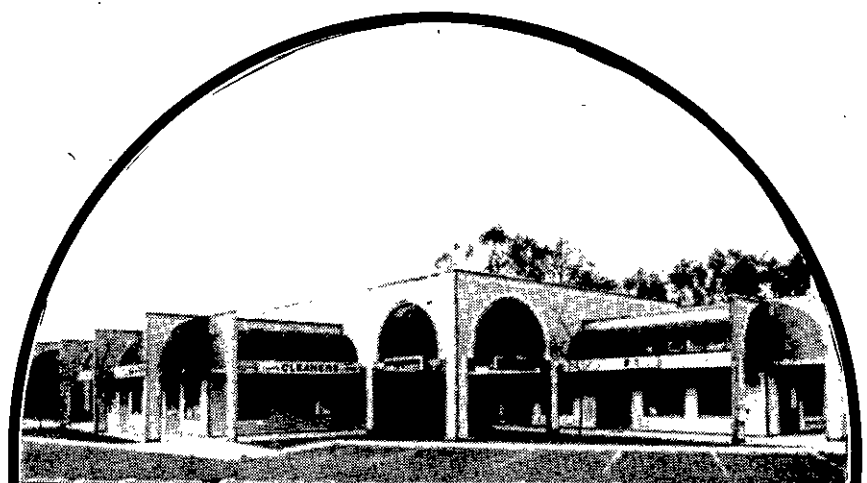
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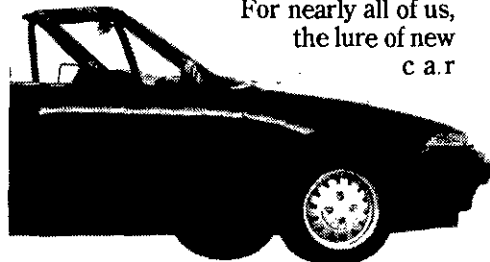
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Buyers: Beware of new car pitfalls

By Don Haskins

So the old buggy is beginning to cost money! The repair and refurbishing shops are taking increasingly large bites of your dollars to keep the car in reasonable condition. So you're a little envious, watching the latest models roll by. And you don't have one!

For nearly all of us, the lure of new car



ownership translates into a choice of three courses of action:

- Those who have the money trade in what they have every year, or two, or three, on a regular basis for a new vehicle.
- Those with fewer resources buy new cars sporadically, as the money becomes available perhaps from a raise, a new job or inheritance. They turn, meanwhile, to the used car market, stepping up not to "new" but

something better.

• Then there's the third group — the ones who simply ignore the new car hype and shun the lure — telling themselves and all who'll listen they'd never go for a new one. You've heard their argument: "It isn't worth it. They lose a lot of value the minute you drive them off the showroom floor."

While current world unrest and economic conditions may have dampened the new car market, auto dealers say it remains lively. The American public continues its love affair with its cars, and both pride and practicality have a motivating role in new car purchases.

But consumer groups stress caution. Once you've decided you can and will have a new car, unless you're so well off you don't care, there's a check list of do's and don'ts. They amount, for the most part, to the exercise of common sense.

Step one is to decide how much you can afford and where the money's going to come from.

How much is your present vehicle's value as a trade-in, compared with what you might get if you sell it independently? Is the difference great enough to take the

(trouble (and expense) of running a classified "car for sale" ad or ads? And having to deal with sometimes unpleasant callers or visitors who insist it's worth only half of what you're asking?

A good first step is to visit your friendly banker (if you have one) or auto dealer and have checked the "blue book" or "official" value of your car. Don't forget its accessories, or lack of

them, make a difference. Use that figure for your asking price, and be reasonable about it. Do you want to move the car? Or try to make a killing by not having to turn it in as a trade? Generally, you'll get more selling your old vehicle directly than by using it as a trade-in. Dealers want to make a profit on the trade-in as well as the new one they sell you.

Once you're past the hurdle of how to dispose of your current vehicle, it's time to shop around among the dealers. For the moment, forget the money, the new car costs, the trade-in allowances, and concentrate on two things — the dealer's general reputations and, just as important, the size and quality and activity in the service departments.

You can find out the first by reading or watching their advertisements. If they look or sound like carnival midway con jobs, beware. Secondly, find some customers to talk to; ask around among friends and neighbors. Reputable dealers are usually willing to supply references, so ask them directly.

The importance of adequate and professional service facilities for the new car cannot be ignored. Some new car dealers are in business, still, simply to sell cars. Strange as it seems, they offer minimal service and we've all heard tales of, or experienced, sometimes shoddy service.

Once again, before you buy, go to the dealer, observe what's going on in his service areas, and talk with those who've been there. The investment you make in a new car these days makes it important to be confident about the kind of care your car is going to get, and who's going to be responsible for it.

So now you've settled on the financing, and you've found, or at least know how to find, a dealer you can trust. What kind of a new car do you want? What make? What model? What accessories? What color? These personal decisions establish the "style" of car you're going to buy. Your insistence on one or all of these categories

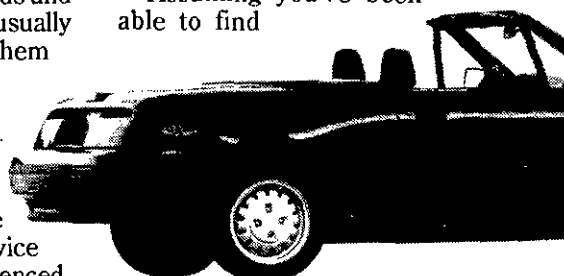
— beginning with the make — will determine how much trouble you're going to have in getting what you want.

The extremes run from the purchaser who insists to his dealer that he "must" have a specific sports model, yellow, with stick shift, no radio, no cruise control and the most powerful motor made, to the buyer who wants something new, period, and possibly aside from make, couldn't care less about the details.

Dealers will do their best, they inform you, to produce the exact kind of new car you want, the right color, equipped exactly the way you want it. But the reasonable buyer knows that such a car may not exist, and dealers are not about to order one from the factory unless you're willing to wait a few months and pay a custom price for all that trouble.

Once again, the password is, "be reasonable."

Assuming you've been able to find



the new car you want at a dealership you can trust, we come to the final segment of the equation — closing the deal.

It may sound strange, but the best way to begin final negotiations for new car purchase is with the presumption they're going to fail. The reason is that so many vital questions should be answered for the buyer, and it's rare that a first negotiating session satisfies.

The buyer should be satisfied about the "bottom line" purchase price. Law requires that auto sales contracts spell out all the numbers — the down payment, the balance due, the taxes and fees involved,

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Dealers showing off new models

By Dev Tobin

One way to avoid preparing the old car for another winter is to buy a new car. Many 1991 models are in the showrooms now, and just about every make and model of domestic automobile is available in the Spotlight area.

Due to the constraints of space and time, this article will highlight only what is new for 1991 — new models or substantial improvements on older models.

Chevrolet has redesigned its top-of-the-line Caprice for 1991, according to Dave Bardin of DeNooyer Chevrolet on Wolf Road in Colonie. The 1991 Caprice has a new, distinctive aerodynamic design that is longer and wider than the 1990 model. It also features a standard four-wheel anti-lock brake system and a driver's side air bag. The price range for the 1991 Caprice is \$17,000 to \$20,000.

Buick is reintroducing a classic, full-size model, the Roadmaster, this year. Available now as a station wagon, and in the spring as a four-door sedan, the Roadmaster will appeal to those who want V-8 power in a rear-wheel drive car, according to Ron Coons of Northway Buick in Latham.

Oldsmobile is celebrating 50 years of the Ninety Eight, their flagship sedan, in 1991. The two new models of the Ninety Eight — the Regency Elite and the Touring Sedan — represent a complete redesign of the Oldsmobile flagship, according to Marty Friedman of Otto Oldsmobile in Colonie. The new Ninety Eights are now longer and wider, with more rear leg room and trunk space.

Oldsmobile is also introducing a new model, the Bravada — an all-wheel drive sport utility truck that seats five and meets a growing demand for multi-purpose vehicles. The base price for the Bravada is \$23,795.

While Cadillac has no new models for 1991, there are several improvements in General Motors' luxury automobile. According to Eric Park of Otto Cadillac in Colonie, every Cadillac model will come with anti-lock brakes as standard equipment. In the de Ville and Fleetwood models, command computer drive, to adjust the suspension for the speed of the car, and rear-seat heat ducts are new for 1991.

Pontiac has enhanced both performance and value for 1991, according to Lee Smith of Smith Pontiac in Latham. There are new models for the Sunbird, Grand Am and Grand Prix models that feature lower 1991 base stickers than in 1990.

And Pontiac is also introducing a new 24-valve Twin Dual Cam V6 engine for the Grand Prix model line.

For Ford, the news for 1991 is a total redesign of its top-selling Escort compact. Tom Selkis of Latham Ford notes that the Escort is totally new, with a streamlined exterior that makes it look like a mini-Taurus.

Lincoln-Mercury reintroduces the sporty Capri for 1991. A two-seater convertible with an optional removable hard-top, the new Capri will go head-to-head with the Mazda Miata at a lower price, according to Mauro Schifino of Lazare Lincoln-Mercury on Wolf Road. There is also a new Capri XR2, with a 16-valve turbocharged engine. The price range for the 1991 Capri is \$13,000 to \$16,000.

Chrysler has no new models for 1991, having completely redesigned the Fifth Avenue and Imperial lines in 1990, according to Greg Goldstein of Goldstein Chrysler-Plymouth in Latham. But Plymouth has totally redesigned the interior and increased the aerodynamics of the Voyager, and introduced a new Sundance America, the lowest-priced domestic car at around \$8,000.

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A new entry in the sport utility vehicle class for 1991 is the Oldsmobile Bravada, shown here in exterior and interior views.

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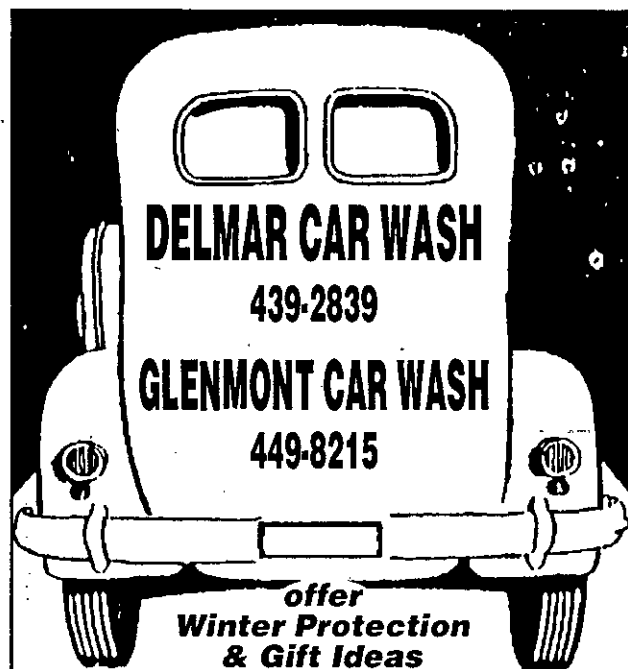
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the schedule of paying the balance, the amount of each payment, the amount of finance charges.

The law does not know, however, what promises about equipment or charges or anything else the salesman may have made in urging you to purchase, and it's important that the buyer be satisfied that all this is reflected in the contract form. Any buyer who is unhappy with any portion of what he sees on his contract to buy should not sign it until whatever question exists is straightened out. The fix can be a matter of minutes or days.

With proper attention to detail, and a knowledge of possible pitfalls, new car buyers can be confident they'll end up happy. But they must insist in their contracts on such things as promised rebates, promised interest rates and promised warranties. After all, a new car purchase today rates among the highest cost items in American life, along with a new home.

There is one final chapter in the saga of new car purchasing, and it's a very important one for consumers.

You've bought the car of your dreams, and had it a while, when you find there's something really wrong. It frequently won't start, or the motor fails every now and then when you stop at a light, or it won't shift properly.

Obviously, the first step is to go back promptly to the dealer and tell him what's

wrong. In most cases, he'll do his best to fix your new car. Or he should. But there are times when a dealer either cannot, or will not, do what's proper and/or necessary to repair your vehicle.

New York state consumers in such cases can take advantage of the state's "lemon law." Both the Consumer Protection Bureau at 99 Washington Ave., Albany, otherwise known as One Commerce Place across the street from the Alfred E. Smith office building, or the Consumer Frauds Bureau of the state attorney general's office on the second floor of the Capitol, can provide full information about how to take advantage of this program. It has provided relief for thousands of consumers whose recoveries have been in excess of \$60 million, according to the attorney general's office.

Generally speaking, under this law the defect or condition must impair the vehicle's value and cannot be, or hasn't been, fixed.

Consumers are required to keep a record of whatever attempts are made to have the car repaired by the dealer where it was purchased. The vehicle should not be taken elsewhere. Proper maintenance procedures must have been maintained.

Lemon law remedies become available if the dealer has not corrected the same defect after four attempts, or the vehicle is out of service for repair of one or more defects or conditions for a total of 30 or

more days, according to a consumer protection board booklet available to new car buyers.

Effective in January of this year, however, according to the attorney general, new legislation went into effect if you report a major defect to a dealer and he refuses or fails to make repairs. In such a case, you now need wait only seven days, after which you can inform the manufacturer of the problem directly by certified mail. The manufacturer then has 20 days to begin the requested repairs. If he doesn't, the consumer is entitled to either a refund or replacement available under the lemon law provisions.

Generally, an arbitration procedure is required as a first step for relief, and indeed the lemon law is referred to as "arbitration" legislation. But if nothing works, there are other alternatives for which the state recommends legal counsel. These include revoking acceptance of the vehicle, or rejection of the vehicle. In the latter case it must be done within an unspecified "short time" after delivery, and also after the dealer has been given the opportunity to make repairs.

Attorney General Robert Abrams says New York's lemon law procedure has proven itself "The largest and most successful ... arbitration program in the nation."

Lemon law rights

Last March, New York State's lemon law was upheld by the Second U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in a suit by domestic and foreign auto manufacturers that argued less stringent federal regulations have precedence when complaints arise.

On Monday, Oct. 1, the U. S. Supreme Court, responding to the manufacturers' appeal of that decision, called on the Justice Department for its comments on the automakers' contention that state laws such as New York's illegally conflict with federal legislation.

The federal legislation permits auto manufacturers to require complaining consumers to pursue only an arbitration procedure before they can sue for relief. States began passing their own lemon laws when the federal legislation proved ineffective, particularly in cases of chronically defective cars. New York's law was first adopted in 1983 and amended in 1986 to strengthen its consumer support provisions.

Attorney General Robert Abrams has urged the Supreme Court to let states set the stricter standards, arguing that the federal statutes haven't solved the problems and that manufacturer arbitration procedures often leave consumers dissatisfied.



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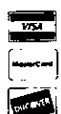
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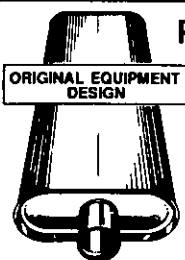
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- Good brakes are especially important in winter, and they should be checked before the snow flies.

- Extended idling in cold weather and slow-moving traffic increases the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. Have your mechanic check for any holes or leaks in your exhaust system and have them filled or repaired.

- A proper tune-up, with the air, oil and transmission filters changed, can not only increase fuel mileage but can help your engine to last longer as well. Fluids are your car's lifeblood, so oil, battery, radiator, transmission and brake fluids should all be checked and filled if necessary.

- Faulty windshield wipers and low windshield wiper fluid levels can spell big trouble. Have the windshield wiper blades replaced if they streak or smear, and be sure to have a full reservoir of de-icer fluid.

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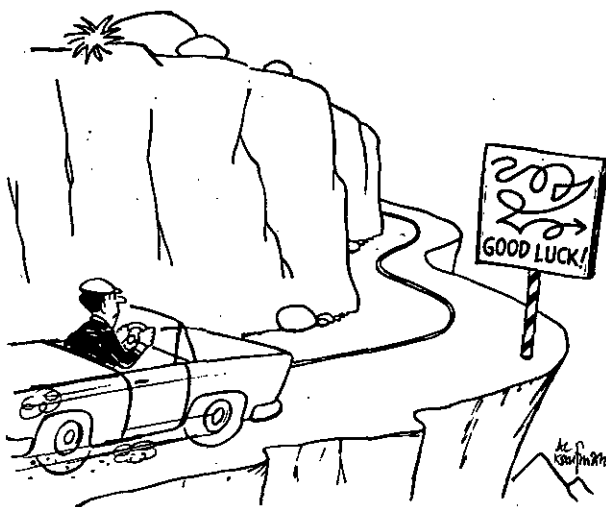
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By Robert Webster Jr.

Often, it is the simplest things that can make a difference in one's life, and the same can be said for your car. A few simple maintenance steps taken early in your car's life can keep it looking and running up to form, and it can help keep your older car up to snuff as well.

One of the first things that most people notice in a car is how good, or bad, it looks. Most people take pride in a

good looking car, and keeping your car looking shiny and new takes only a few relatively simple, but regular, steps.

For the exterior, a good wash and wax is usually recommended about once a month, and subsequent washing as needed between waxings. A regular wash is important in all seasons to keep the road tar, construction dirt, tree sap, winter salt and mud from setting into your car's painted surface.

Over time, it will become more difficult to remove and could possibly even blemish the paint's surface. Many local drive-through car washes also offer a rust inhibitor service for a few extra dollars a wash.

Since most of the owners' time is actually spent inside the car, maintenance in this area is important as well. Over time, the sun, heat and various spills and accidents can cause your interior to take quite the beating.

A good commercial vinyl cleaner can be purchased at almost any major department store, and its use on dashboards, back decks and any other vinyl and leather surfaces will not only clean, but protect the surface from future spills as well. If your car has a cloth interior, there are numerous types of spray-on protections for seats and carpets to keep stains from setting in, as well as many professional shampoos and cleansers to remove the already-offending marks.

If cleaning your car isn't your idea of an entertaining Saturday afternoon, there are numerous locations throughout the Capital District that specialize in customized car care. They can be located in the Yellow Pages under Automobile Detailing or Car Washing and Polishing.

However, even with a fresh coat of wax, your car is not quite ready to hit the road. Unfortunately, as the saying goes, looks won't get you everywhere, and your automobile will get you nowhere if it isn't running properly. A well-kept engine is your car's greatest asset, and a properly running car can take a load of worries off your mind.

One of the most basic preventive measures, and often the most overlooked, is the simple procedure of an oil change. Dirty and used oil can not only wear down an engine over the long haul, but it has short term effects of causing the engine to run poorly, poor starting ability, increased fuel consumption, and the possibility of engine seizures which can lead to an expensive engine overhaul. Oil changes are recommended for most automobiles every 3,000 or about three months.

The last thing that can be done in the way of preventive maintenance is a radiator flush and fill. Because of the corrosive nature of radiator coolant, over time the interior of a radiator will show signs of rust. A flush and fill loosens up and removes the rust, preventing leaks that could call for repairs, or possibly even a new radiator further down the road.

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