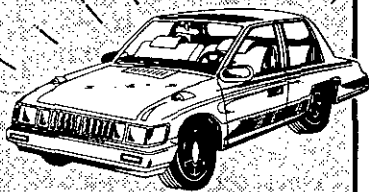


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## Community center moves to voters' hands

By Mike Larabee

On Nov. 6, Bethlehem voters will decide whether they want to build a \$6 million state-of-the-art community center at Elm Avenue Park.

If they vote "yes," they will have O.K.'d a 20-year debt obligation in the context of what is generally considered a looming recession. And, of more local concern, they will have agreed to the project even as Bethlehem embarks on property re-evaluation and with town officials frankly acknowledging that additional capital projects are just around the corner.

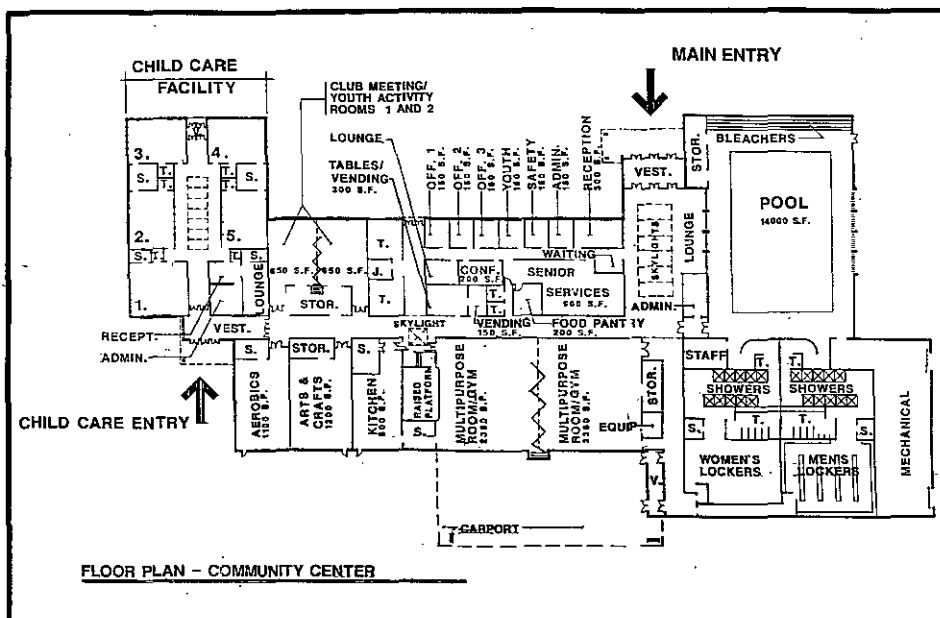
But a "no" vote would be a vote against a decade-long grass-roots push for a town community center. It would also be a vote against, among other amenities, what would be the only handicapped-accessible indoor pool in Bethlehem and a solution to what many regard as the gross unavailability of meeting space throughout town.

Few involved are willing to speculate publicly on the outcome of the vote, al-

though both passage and failure have been predicted privately. "I think it's close, I don't know how to call it," said Robert Lillis, a Delmar resident and member of both the town's earlier phase I and its present phase II Community Center committees. "If parents of school age kids are aware of it and take the time to vote," he feels, it will have a good chance of passing.

But as Lillis pointed out, the referendum sits within a peculiar general election slate, the implications of which "muddle the waters" for the community center. While Bethlehem traditionally boasts a high rate of voter participation, it's anyone's guess whether the town's Republican majority will come out to support Pierre Rinfret's faltering gubernatorial campaign. And, as Lillis noted, the other big ballot item — the state's controversial \$1.9 billion environmental bond act — could well seal the center's fate.

"There could be a tendency to vote 'no'



Concept layout for Bethlehem's proposed community center. Plan designs were done by The Saratoga Associates of Saratoga Springs.

down the line," Lillis said.

Town board members chose to put the center to a vote in July after lamenting "the bad timing" of what they all agreed was good project. Then, as now, town Supervisor Ken Ringler said the vote was needed because some residents may consider the project a "luxury." But at that time, Councilman Charles Gunner argued that the referendum should be broken down into two or more constituent parts, allowing voters make a choice on particular items — notably the swimming pool and day-care facility included in the proposal — without having to reject the entire plan. Gunner was overruled 4-1.

Since then, Gunner has continued to voice concern about the proposal (see

Page 6). In a press release last week, he urged voters to make an "informed" decision and called a town fact sheet detailing the center a misleading "best-face-scenario."

Gunner argues that with recession, re-evaluation, and "an additional multi-million bond issue for... necessary improvements in water, sewer, solid waste, highway, and building" facilities approaching, voters should think hard about committing to a bond that would add an estimated \$60 to the average homeowner's tax bill in 1991. The payments would continue for 20 years, decreasing annually.

"Everybody makes compromises with regard to finances. I'd rather have the

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Carol Rivers



Debora Blodgett

## Area women in Gulf

By Susan Graves

Bob Rivers, a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve, has become a house husband in Delmar. His wife, Carol, in the Coast Guard Reserve, was recently called to serve in the Persian Gulf.

"I expected to go, not her," he said last week. Rivers served in Vietnam. "Unless, there's combat, we're (the Air Force tactical unit) put on the back burner," he said.

Carol was notified Sept. 20 that she had been called to active duty. Twenty-four hours later she was gone. "She just came back (to Delmar) from two weeks of combat skills training," Rivers said.

The Rivers, of Brockley Drive, have two children, Nicole, a fresh-

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By Robert Webster Jr.

The reserves aren't the only ones being called up for service in the Persian Gulf, as 2nd Lt. Debora Blodgett found out when she was called to duty on Aug. 12.

"She was excited to be going over, but of course, a little apprehensive," said her mother, Maureen Wright of Delmar. "Truthfully, she probably feels better about it than I do."

Blodgett, who is a member of the Army's 27th Main Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, out of Fort Hood, Texas, was scheduled to leave for the Gulf on Aug. 19, her mother said. However, the troops' departure day kept getting pushed back, and even though the

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## Residents air views on senior zone

By Mike Larabee

"If this ordinance is made law, how does the town plan to balance the social gains made in the area of senior housing, with the financial losses suffered by the surrounding homeowners?"

In many ways, Marion Road resident Paul Fruscione's question was at the heart of last week's town board public hearing on the proposal to add a special senior citizens housing zone to Bethlehem's code. Fruscione and other opponents of the measure tried to show that the balance between the two is out of whack. They insisted the need for the zone is overstated, while the potential impact of a housing project built under its auspices has been minimized.

But supporters, including Town Supervisor Ken Ringler and members of the

town's senior citizens advisory committee, argued that local and national trends point to a substantial need for additional senior housing in upcoming years. In addition, they said statements about financial losses beg important questions, disputing the contention that the ordinance is a threat to neighborhoods and property values.

As expected, the Wednesday, Oct. 17, hearing was crowded — some in attendance were forced to sit on tables lining the back and side of town hall's main auditorium — and lengthy, finally coming to a close some three hours after it began. The earliest a vote on the plan now could be taken is the town board's Nov. 14 meeting, according to Ringler.

He said later he doesn't have a sense

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# Senior citizens chalk up good record behind the wheel

By Susan Graves

Contrary to what the under-60s set might think, "Driving Miss Daisy" isn't always the answer to how senior citizens should get around.

Older drivers, in fact, have proven their mettle on the road.

"What we've seen is that people in their 60s, 70s, 80s and even 90s are safe drivers," said Philip LePore, program analyst with the state Office for the Aging in Albany.

He attributes the good overall track record to good judgment on

the part of senior citizens who drive. Anyone who might doubt senior citizens' ability on the roads should think of Paul Newman, he said. "He's a senior citizen and an excellent race car driver. He could give Tom Cruise a run for his money."

Older drivers often monitor and adapt their rules of the road. "What we've found is that by and large, older drivers impose self-limits," he said.

Those limits can include tactics such as not driving after dark, or not driving during peak traffic times. Some older drivers also

avoid super-highways and don't go out in inclement weather. "They try to drive under the best conditions," LaPore said. Older drivers also tend to keep their cars in tip-top shape.

Francis Wrisly of Delmar, still a driver at 82, suggests, "If it's at all possible, stay by the lights." He said he arranges to do his errands in such a way to avoid having to cross traffic. "Arrange errands on one side of the street," he said.

Some drivers, however, voluntarily surrender their licenses. "I quit when I was 70," said Rita Klein of Delmar. "I just didn't feel com-

fortable" on the roads. She thinks it would be a good idea for seniors to be tested. "The reflexes aren't there," she said.

But many seniors keep their licenses, sometimes to the chagrin of family, doctors and the law. John Boffa, spokesperson for the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, said the Department of Motor Vehicles receives about 2,000 calls a year requesting evaluation of an older person's driving. "We'll call the person in for an interview," he said. And sometimes, following the interview, a person's license will be restricted or a road test will be required.

Boffa said the state is not interested in mandating testing for its over 1.9 million older drivers. "Rather than require retesting at any age, the focus is on changes in the driving environment."

In the few states (Oregon, Florida, New Hampshire) where retesting is mandated, "There is not

a lot of evidence the program reduces accident rates." One of the things the state has done is increase the stripings on state roads.

As state road signs are replaced, signs with larger lettering and enhanced reflective qualities are installed, he said. "We (members of the governor's task force) decided to make things bigger, bolder and better," he said.

One way for a driver to help assess his own skills is to take the 55-Alive American Association of Retired Persons driving course. "I would advise everybody over the age of 55 to take it," said Carolyn Wirth, outreach worker for senior services in Delmar. The course, in addition to offering a reduced insurance rate, "makes you more aware and gives you more insight" into driving skills, she said.

LePore also is an advocate of the AARP driving course. AARP has statistics that verify that older drivers who take the course improve their driving skills.

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# 3 vying for 102nd Assembly District seat

By Mike Larabee

The race for the 102nd Assembly District seat pits a two-term incumbent against a late-starting Democrat and a disenchanted Republican running on the Liberal line.

Republican Assemblyman John Faso, 38, of Kinderhook, who also has the Conservative endorsement, is facing a challenge from Pamela Jones, 45, Democrat of Catskill, and Joseph Laux, 35, Liberal of New Baltimore. The district encompasses the towns of Bethlehem and Coeymans in Albany County, all of Greene County, and a part of Columbia County.

Faso won a second term in 1988 opposed only by a Right-to-Life candidate after topping a field of four for the 1986 Republican endorsement to fill the seat long-held by C. D. "Larry" Lane. In the 1988 election, he went on to easily hold off Democrat Eugene Keeler and Conservative Shawn Marie Levine in the GOP-dominated district.

Faso said a call for "fiscal responsibility" in state government is the foundation of his campaign.

"The trouble that I have with all that goes on in Albany is that I read the bills," Faso said (he is one of the Republican minority's designated debaters). "A little bit of knowledge in Albany is a dangerous thing because you find out the outrageous things that are being done to the people of this state by our so-called political leadership."

Faso cites the 1990 \$1.9 billion environmental bond act, a clear point of disagreement between him



John Faso



Pamela Jones



Joseph Laux

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and his opponents. He maintains that an oversized allocation for land acquisition, the \$100 million outlay for the Manhattan's West Side Waterfront Esplanade and the inclusion of funds for many projects he said properly belong in the state's annual budget fatally flaw the act.

"The bond act is simply the governor and the leadership in the state legislature engaging in fiscal chicanery, which is part of the smoke and mirrors gimmick process which has just outraged me, and I refuse to be a part of it," he said. "I am just adamantly opposed to this kind of voodoo economics."

Jones, who argues the bond act is a "good buy," maintains Faso is "a Cuomo basher," and argues statements like the above have "closed doors" for Faso and, sub-

sequently, Bethlehem and the rest of the district. "Do you think the administration is going to be very open to John? Do you think various agencies are going to be very open to him?"

Laux also supports the bond act.

But Faso, who resigned from his position as gubernatorial candidate Pierre Rinfret's campaign manager in mid-September, is up front about his contention that Cuomo's fiscal policies have created problems for the state. He said that's one reason he initially decided to work with Rinfret.

"It's better to get into the arena

and fight for what you believe than to stand and never know victory or defeat," he said, citing Theodore Roosevelt. Faso said that "public spectacle" that has come to surround the Rinfret campaign is a "good indication" of why he resigned.

"I had great disagreements with the approach that was being taken, and frankly I felt that the time had come for me to leave," he said.

Jones entered the race in September after being selected as a replacement candidate for Peter Zwanig, who left the contest for personal reasons. Greene County's director of promotions and communications from 1981 to 1989, she currently owns and directs her own communications firm. A former teacher, Jones said the core issue of her platform is education.

"Education is the answer," she said. "Without education on anything we do in life, we're not going to make the right decision." She said that belief would be reflected in her voting record. "I would look to cut programs in other areas before I would cut areas in education."

Though convention says he is the third-party candidate, Laux said he doesn't think Jones will be a factor in the race. "I think it's a two-man race," he said. Laux has been a tax compliance agent with the state Department of Taxation and Finance since 1981 and previously was Republican Town Chairman in Westerlo, as well as the Republican candidate for the 105th state assembly district in 1986 and state Senate candidate twice prior to that.

Laux said he believes he can win the votes of GOP voters who are dissatisfied with what he termed Faso's far-right position.

"I think quite a lot of people are very disenchanted with the Republican party. I think quite a lot of Republicans are disenchanted with the direction the party is going," he said.

Specifically, Laux pointed to the abortion issue. Both Laux and Jones said they are pro-choice, while Faso said he is "personally opposed to abortion," but would not endorse a ban on abortions in the state should the U.S. Supreme Court overrule the landmark Roe vs. Wade. Faso has supported a ban on Medicaid-funded abortions and has co-sponsored a parental-

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# McNulty, Buhrmaster battle for Congress

By Patricia Dumas

Congressman Michael McNulty, Democrat candidate for re-election to the 23rd Congressional District seat, is in his 21st year of elective public office.

His opponent in the 1990 election, Republican Margaret B. Buhrmaster, is running with a conviction that she can beat the statistics that traditionally give an incumbent the edge. She is packaging her campaign with a combination of high energy levels, enthusiasm, and small contributions that are piling up.

McNulty was elected to the House of Representatives in 1988 to succeed long-term Democrat Samuel S. Stratton who was retiring in ill health. He was soon honored by being chosen Freshman Majority Whip to represent the country's northeastern region. He later was named Majority Whip-at-Large and has continued to serve in leadership positions.

The 41-year-old Green Island resident comes from a family of active political office holders and was the youngest town supervisor of Green Island, serving in that post for eight years. He later was mayor of Green Island and in 1982 became a state assemblyman.

When a Democratic committee on vacancies named him the replacement candidate for Stratton, McNulty realized a long held ambition. He says he is "very happy" to be a congressman and considers his congressional appointments an honor for the people of his district.

Despite a busy schedule, McNulty has managed to get home to Green Island every week during the congressional sessions —



Michael McNulty

even if it means a quick stopover between airplane flights.

The major challenge Congress currently faces, McNulty notes, is "to enact a program of deficit reduction." He disagrees with President Bush on the deficit reduction program, planning to support "a program that is more supportive of the poor, elderly and middle class — one that will shift the tax burden to the people who have been getting a free ride since the 1986 tax reform bill — people who earn more than \$200,000."

One of the most interesting foreign policy changes that he has observed during his congressional service, McNulty says, is the democratization of Poland and Czechoslovakia and other Eastern European peoples.

The congressman recently sponsored a House resolution asking President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker to intervene on behalf of a Soviet Jewish person who has been trying to

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emigrate from the Soviet Union for more than 14 years. Anatoly Genis has been denied a visa reportedly because the Soviet Union claims he had access to state secrets through a former job. McNulty rejected that claim, saying that the man is "a victim of repression because of anti-Semitic cadres in the lower echelons of the Soviet government."

Republican Buhrmaster says, despite the odds, "My chances of winning are excellent if enough people can become acquainted with who I am and what I stand for."

She admits, though, that she is frequently reminded that tradition and experience favors an incumbent, even though her opponent has been in Congress only a short time.

Buhrmaster's grass roots campaign began last June when, after only 24 hours to think it over, she accepted the nomination challenge extended by the Republican county chairmen in the counties of Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, and Montgomery.

Although her decision to run came quickly, she brings to her campaign a background of 11 years in politics, management experience as a businesswoman, and work in the fields of health and human resource education.

She is owner/partner of Burch & Associates, an Image Development and Promotion consultant firm, which operates out of her Scotia home, and also is assistant to the executive director of Coni-



Margaret Buhrmaster

fer Park, the drug and alcohol inpatient treatment facility in Saratoga. She is a Schenectady County legislator and has served on that board since 1980 as its vice chairman and chairman of the Rules, Human Resources and Planning/Education committees.

Interviewed at her home, which she has turned into campaign headquarters, she pointed out that she has written a position paper on the Persian Gulf crisis, using a "Good News/Bad News" format to present her views on America's role in the Mideast. But, she said, her position paper got scant attention from the media.

"I've always been a student of life and government, constantly

keeping up to date on issues and evaluating them", Buhrmaster says.

In 1986, she participated in the Women in Leadership Conference held in Moscow and Leningrad, bringing together 50 women from the United States and the Soviet Union. Two years ago, she was a workshop leader for an International Women's Peace Conference in Dallas, Texas, and this year she again went to the Soviet Union for a conference of Soviets and Americans discussing physical and social environment of the 21st Century.

Buhrmaster is the second woman in 41 years to be elected president of the New York State Supervisors and County Legislators Association, which represents elected officials from counties and towns.

Buhrmaster has not accepted the help of Political Action Committees because she wants to be sure that such acceptance would not involve a commitment to support all of their views. "It's important to be flexible", she says.

Noting that most of her campaign contributions have come from individuals and have been in amounts of \$25-\$50 or less, she says:

"If I win, it will be a very important statement to this area and to the country that it is possible for people to be elected by people instead of by big money interests."

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# Nolan seeks return to Senate over Stuart

By Patricia Dumas

Republican Mark Stuart's contest to unseat incumbent Sen. Howard Nolan in the New York State Legislature marks his first try for election to a public office, but he is convinced that his career background ably suits him for the post.

Stuart, 28, is employed as research editor on the state senate's central staff, a job that requires him to supply legislators with the pertinent background, facts and figures they need in order to vote on bills, weigh special interest demands, and keep their constituents up to date on the state's problems and progress.

"I must deal with all issues of the Senate — which would not be the case if I worked with any individual senator," Stuart said.

Nolan, running for his ninth term, prides himself on being easily accessible to his constituents in the 42nd District, and plans, if reelected, to introduce a proposal for a shorter legislative session. He contends that lawmakers should be able to spend more time



Howard C. Nolan Jr.

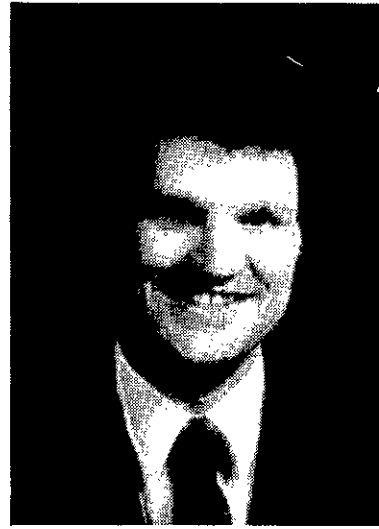
in their home districts being accessible to citizens, and also feels a shorter session would encourage people from all walks of life to run for legislative office. "We need a citizen legislature made up of people who are not full-time bureaucrats," he said. The Democrat has tried twice — unsuccessfully — to initiate the procedure for a constitutional amendment that would limit the length of legisla-

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tive sessions. Constitutional amendments, requiring voter approval, must first be approved by two separately elected legislatures. But although the procedure takes time, Nolan says his fellow legislators must soon face up to a decision. "Otherwise, we're heading toward full-time sessions," he said. His proposal would limit sessions to about three months.

The 57-year old Albany native and resident is a partner in the law firm of Cooper Erving, Savage, Nolan and Heller. First elected in 1974, he describes himself as "an independent thinker who appraises each issue on an issue by issue basis."

Stuart, a Delmar resident, joined the Senate staff in March, after working as a news reporter for *The Spotlight* and for *The Hudson-Register Star*. He counts his news training in objectivity as an asset for a candidate seeking to fairly represent a constituency.



Mark Stuart

"Newspapers", he says, "are as much a part of the political process as are politicians."

Early last May, he approached Republican party leaders in Albany County and asked for the nomination, which he received after satisfying them on his political views and career experience. His standing on the abortion issue is pro-choice because "although the abortion problem is alarming, one segment of the population should not use legislation to impose its morality on another segment."

Stuart favors the \$1.9 billion environmental bond proposal which will be voted on in November but warns that "we can approve bonding in good faith and then when the governor gets his hands on it, it may be a different story. The governor needs to be watched very carefully and my opponent is not likely to oppose Governor Cuomo's spending plans — that's why we need a Republican in the 42nd Senate district seat."

Stuart would like to see some of the bond money go toward dealing with Albany County's trash disposal problems, and claims that Albany's ANSWERS program is not being run correctly. Noting that the towns of Bethlehem, Colonie, and Guilderland are carrying out progressive recycling plans, he said, "We will never eliminate incineration but we can reduce the amount of toxic waste in our environment."

Nolan quotes the Environmental Planning Lobby as crediting him with the best pro-environmental record of any member in the state legislature.

Eight of the bills introduced by Nolan during the past session were signed into law, including a measure to authorize the state Dormitory Authority to construct and finance dormitories to be run through the VESTA Community Development program in Altamont. VESTA works with Father Peter Young to help recovering alcoholics and drug-abusers become self-sufficient. The dormitory assistance would provide affordable housing for rehabilitated persons who have completed treatment programs.

Ranking minority member of the senate's Codes and Mental Hygiene Committee, Nolan serves on other committees as well, including Tax and Government Operations and Agriculture.

Stuart plans, if elected, to work toward setting up economic development zones offering tax incentives and employment opportunities. He says he would, at his own expense, open two offices in order to keep in touch with his constituency. One would be in Albany's Arbor Hill region and one in Knox, providing opportunities for him to meet one-on-one with the citizenry.

One of his major proposals is a state study to look into the possibility of easing transportation problems by establishing a Capital District commuter rail system to offer commuter service between Schenectady, Clifton Park and downtown Albany. By linking into already existing rail lines, the service could ease the problems of wear and tear on area highways, cut down on traffic delays, automobile air emissions, and gasoline usage, Stuart points out. He cites traffic surveys that report there are approximately 600,000 vehicle trips daily being generated by commuter traffic. The proposed system would operate only during commuter hours and would be shut down at night to avoid crime incidences.

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# Marinelli, Stafford eye Surrogate Court seat

By Dev Tobin

The hottest race in Albany County this fall is for one of the more obscure public offices, judge of county Surrogate Court.

The Surrogate Court is responsible for probating wills, approving adoptions and appointing guardians for children, the elderly, the physically handicapped and the mentally retarded. Surrogate judges are also often cross-assigned to other courts to help relieve case backlogs in those courts.

The winner will serve a 10-year term at a salary of \$82,000, plus a stipend from the state Department of Taxation and Finance related to payment of taxes from estates.

Republican challenger Michael Stafford's strong performance in the Democratic primary, in which he garnered 47 percent of the vote against Democratic incumbent Raymond Marinelli, has made the surrogate's race a contest of the strength of the county Republican and Democratic organizations. The Republicans in Albany County have not won a county office since 1973, when now-state Supreme Court Judge Lawrence Kahn won the surrogate judgeship and now-Assemblyman Arnold Proskin was elected a County Court judge.

Stafford is also running on the Liberal line, and Marinelli on the Conservative line.



Raymond E. Marinelli

Marinelli was appointed to Surrogate's Court in March, 1980, by Gov. Hugh Carey, and then won election in his own right in November, 1980, to a full term.

Marinelli believes that the number one issue in the race is "who is best qualified to be the Albany County Surrogate Judge and who has the experience to function effectively."

Marinelli cites as the main accomplishment of his first term "bringing the Surrogate's Court into the 20th century," including installing a computer system to identify and track files, modernizing the court's facilities and conference rooms, restoring the courtroom, and processing all papers for probate within 24 hours.

Marinelli said he hopes to expand on what he's already done in a second term and work to "expe-

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dite the processing of documents to a greater extent."

Marinelli defends his appointments of guardians, which Stafford has attacked as political patronage. Stafford has called for a random selection of guardians, charging that nine out of the top ten recipients of guardian's fees in Marinelli's court are politically-connected Democrats.

"Guardians must fit the circumstances of each estate. In a large estate, the guardian must have the ability to analyze investments and report back to the Surrogate," Marinelli said. "With a random selection process, you have the possibility of a two-year practicing attorney being assigned to a \$25 million common trust. My practice is to appoint relatively new practitioners to those matters that are standard in form and substance."

Marinelli added that he chooses guardians from a list of qualified attorneys provided by the state Office of Court Administration.

Although 1990 may be a relatively dangerous election season for incumbents, Marinelli said the response to his personal campaigning has been positive.



Michael E. Stafford

"I've been going door-to-door for many weeks, and I haven't perceived any adverse reaction from the people," he related.

Marinelli, 60, and his wife Pat live at 33 Clermont St. in Albany. They have four daughters.

Stafford, a law clerk for state Supreme Court Judge Lawrence Kahn, said that the number one issue in the race is patronage.

"Patronage is a two-fold issue — one is the use of judgeships as patronage, and the other is the patronage available to the Surrogate Judge in awarding fees to guardians," Stafford said.

Stafford explained that his plan for random selection of guardians would start with the premise that every lawyer on the list is qualified.

"My opponent has ridiculed random selection, but nine of the

top ten fee recipients in his court are Democrats. Is that just a coincidence?" he asked.

Stafford noted that the Fund for Modern Courts, the Commission on Governmental Integrity and the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals have all advocated random selection.

"Surrogate judges have tremendous opportunities to award legal fees to whomever they please," he charged.

Aside from random selection, Stafford plans a major outreach effort to inform the public about the Surrogate's Court.

"The Surrogate's Court is there to help people in times when they have suffered the loss of a loved one," he said. "The court should be open, accessible and informative. People with small estates should know that they don't necessarily need a lawyer."

Stafford said that his campaign was going well.

"People have been very supportive and I have tremendous bipartisan support, but I expect the election will be very close. Every vote will count," he commented. "I've already worn out a few pairs of shoes, and will probably wear out another by Election Day."

Stafford, 40, and his wife Carol live at 188 Jay St. in Albany, and are expecting their first child on Nov. 6 — Election Day.

# Albany native, Schoharie judge in court race

By Susan Graves

The candidates in the race for state Supreme Court in the Third Judicial District shy away from mud-slinging. Judge Dan Lamont, running on the Conservative line and Judge Anthony Cardona, running as a Democrat, like and respect each other. Both, nonetheless, want the \$95,000 a year Supreme Court position which serves the seven counties of Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Ulster.

"The only issue I can think of is I have almost 12 years on the bench," Lamont of Schoharie said. Cardona has been Albany Family Court Judge since 1984.

Lamont's campaign got off to a rocky start. First of all, he didn't expect to have to run for the seat, which traditionally was cross-endorsed by Democrats and Republicans. But when it became apparent that cross-endorsement was not in the political cards for this year's election, Lamont was faced with a political hurdle he never expected. After being nominated by delegates as the Republican choice for the position, the State Board of Elections deemed him ineligible because the certificate nominating him as a candidate was filed one day too late. Certificates were due Sept. 25. Lamont's was hand-delivered to the board of elections by Michael Catalinotto Sept. 26.

"For days, I couldn't believe. I didn't get incredibly angry or burst into tears," over the mistake, he said. "I'm from a rural county — a dark horse to begin with, but it's a strange year," he said.

Cardona agrees this election year is unusual. "The nomination was late and I had scheduled cases for October through November." Consequently, he schedules campaigning around his court responsibilities. He enjoys what campaigning he does, which is mainly attending political functions and



Dan Lamont

meeting people. "If I could, I'd talk to every one of the voters in the district," he said.

"It's a tremendous responsibility and honor," he said of the Supreme Court seat.

That's precisely the way he views his current job as Family Court Judge in Albany. As a judge, he said the important thing to keep in mind is people. "The bottom line is, I think, dealing with people." He believes the individual behind the case always should be considered.

One difference between Family and Supreme Court, Cardona explained, is that he would be working with a jury. "In Family Court, I'm dealing with families in times of crisis," he said, adding that he would miss Family Court if he were elected.

Lamont, 48, has also been attending a lot of political functions and fund-raisers. He became a Schoharie Family Court Judge in 1978. He also presides in county and surrogate court cases and has worked in the state's judicial transfer program. "I enjoy criminal and county court," he said. This year, he presided in three felony cases in Sullivan County. During his



Anthony V. Cardona

career, he said he has charged at least 100 juries.

According to Lamont, becoming a judge was an early ambition although he didn't expect to be one at the tender age of 36. "My great-great grandfather was a county judge. I didn't think it would happen (to me) so soon." He compares his responsibilities in the family, county and surrogate courts to his counterparts in Albany. "It's like being Marinelli, Keegan and Cardona rolled into one." (Raymond Marinelli is surrogate judge and Thomas Keegan is county judge.)

Early in his career, Cardona, 49, said he hadn't considered becoming a judge. Throughout his career as an attorney, he said he worked as hard as he could to develop expertise in working with juries. By 1984, Cardona said he thought he could contribute more as a judge. And, "I have loved it ever since."

For Cardona, being a judge is a way to make a contribution to society. "It might sound corny, but as a judge you can make a difference."

Both candidates have impressive credentials: Cardona gradu-

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ated from Christian Brothers Academy in Albany and Manhattan College. He earned his law degree from Albany Law School. A native of Albany's South End, he and his wife, Aline, live in Delmar and have

four children.

Lamont graduated from Cobleskill High School and Hamilton College. He also earned his law degree from Albany Law School. Lamont and his wife, Beth, have four children.

The district seat is being vacated by Justice T. Paul Kane, who is retiring.

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# Matters of Opinion

## Days of stringency

These are days of stringency for everyone—in their homes, in business, certainly in governmental bodies which can lay early claim on one's assets. Economic seers predict greater stresses ahead.

Special propositions are to go before voters within the next two weeks, calling for long-term commitments of expenditures that would demand more and more from private purses. But additionally the annual projections are upon us of projections of operating budgets by municipalities, school districts, and other administrative units. It behooves residents of each tax-levying area to pay attention to what is being proposed—before they may find cause to regret inattention.

The multiplicity of budgeting and taxing and collecting (and spending) bodies only adds to the possibility of separately arrived-at "good ideas" that would obli-

## October's bright blue

A man we know—who's been around for a very great number of Daylight Saving Time's last-weekends—will arise leisurely next Monday morning, and take his time about shaving, breakfasting, and walking the dog before strolling off to the shop. He annually saves his "extra hour of sleep" until Mondays, keeping on with a DST schedule on Sundays.

Whether or not you may be inspired to do the same, this is a reminder that the last weekend of October is at hand, and with it comes brighter mornings—and darker evenings. So turn the clocks back on Saturday night, unless you want to be an hour early for church on Sunday. Or turn them back Sunday night; perhaps the extra day will enable you to figure out how to re-set those digital timepieces to just the proper hour and minute (and day and month).

The suddenly shadowy late afternoon hours come upon us, unfortunately, just ahead of All Hallows' Eve, when goblins and spooks and, this year, turtles, will be out on the streets. That requires an extra caution for everyone moving a vehicle during the evening.

But times continue to change; Halloween once meant devilry such as overturned privies, and buggies on the schoolhouse roof. More recently, sprayed shaving cream and other aerosols became the funsters' recourse,

## 'American Lit' and the stringer

The retirement, after 416 reports on activities in and around Voorheesville, of the faithful correspondent Lyn Stapf will create an adjustment for us here at *The Spotlight* (which has published some 200,000 words she wrote) but provides an occasion for thoughts on the irreplaceable role of the "stringer" in weekly newspapers.

The job historically goes way back into the earliest days of colonial journals. As the rural and suburban press flourished along with the country, word of doings in the farther reaches of the countryside, the crossroads and the hamlets, became part of the weeklies' lifeblood.

Read for generations by candlelight or the lamp's flickering beam, the recountings of the comings and goings of the hardy people who had moved on ahead of most of civilization's comforts and conveniences, became over the years a substantial aspect of the nation's communications network—long before the word "media" was dreamed of. Homemakers, teachers, storekeepers, spinster aunts,

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gate further demands on the citizenry. Washington is not the only locale for concerns about priorities in fiscal practice.

This month, the New Scotland Town Board is enmeshed in the draft of a 1991 budget. In Bethlehem, a public hearing is scheduled for tonight (Wednesday) on a tentative budget that is 4.7 percent greater than the present year, with tax rates increasing all along the line—general, highway, water, and sewer funds.

Meanwhile, school districts are at work on their forthcoming spending and taxing proposals—and interested individuals might well find it advantageous to query the boards sooner rather than moan later.

while the toddlers were escorted by Mom or Pop door-to-door for what rightly should be called "Treat or Trick." The most recent development seems to be organized partying arranged by volunteer groups. Which is probably just as well.

The end of October also marks the passing of another summer mainstay—the farmers' markets, which traditionally close in the coming week. For the four months they're here, they provide a pleasant variety in each week's schedule, as well as bringing us homegrown delicacies excellent for the palate and the diet and the economy.

October 1990 has lacked a stock market collapse, an earthquake, or a disastrous blizzard (though it did carry along the comic circus in Washington and the tragedy of errors in the Middle East. In our area, we were blessed with benign weather most of the month, with temperatures reported to be several degrees above normal (a happy break in the heating situation). It seems timely enough to close these reflections with a few lines from Helen Hunt's justly noted celebratory lines:

*"O suns and skies and clouds of June  
And flowers of June together,  
Ye cannot rival for one hour  
October's bright blue weather."*

and—occasionally—hopeful young and ambitious sprouts, labored on many a kitchen table to spin the yarns of what was doing... from grandmotherly visitations to church suppers.

Traditionally, payment was by the column inch, and the country correspondents were required to paste up (or perhaps pin together) the list of items, week by week. Hence, the name given to them—"stringers."

*The Spotlight*, of course, was quick to join the agreeable practice, and for years past has offered its far-flung readership the news from roads less traveled, in effect. Lyn Stapf, we are proud to say, was one of those needed writers for precisely eight years. She carried on despite a multitude of other duties. These days, *The Spotlight* and her sister paper, *The Colonie Spotlight*, make good use of the contributions of several such correspondents—including, of course, Lyn's successor, Susan Casler, whose first Voorheesville column appears in this week's issue.

## But only what's needed, is advice

By Charles A. Gunner

The Town of Bethlehem referendum for a Community Center is the right project at the wrong time. I voted "No" on adopting the report as submitted by the Community Center Committee because I could not embrace the report in its entirety. I believe serious socioeconomic problems could be generated for many citizens and the community as a whole if the proposed plan is adopted as proposed by the committee and the majority of the Town Board at this critical time.

I suggested a cautious phased plan of implementation of the Community Center because I had concerns about important unanswered questions regarding: the survey and comparisons used to develop the report, the immediate need for a third indoor pool in our community, the operational procedure for the child care program, and questionable estimates of revenue and operational costs.

I like the concept that the committee forwarded to the Town Board. The vision for future development has merit. However, I did not like the "all-or-nothing-at-all" way the committee recommended and the way the majority of the Town Board chose to adopt and implement the plan.

(However, I did vote "yes" to place the referendum before the people for their informed choice and vote.)

Some town officials and committee members decided to campaign for passage of the referendum with a best-face-scenario "fact sheet," ads, and fund-raising to sell the referendum. I, therefore, feel

obligated to inform our citizens of some of the downside potentials in this referendum.

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## Community Center Nov. 6 proposition

Qualified voters in Bethlehem will have a local proposition on which to vote at the Nov. 6 election. They will be asked to vote "Yes" or "No" on a proposed bond resolution.

To help town residents become further acquainted with both the pros and cons of the proposition, *The Spotlight* is publishing statements representing both approaches. This article by Town Councilman Charles A. Gunner expresses several reservations about the proposal. Next week's editorial page will include a statement in favor of it.

The specific language of the proposition is: "Shall the qualified voters of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, approve the bond resolution adopted by the Town Board on August 22, 1990, which resolution authorizes the issuance of \$5,725,650 Serial Bonds and \$301,350 Capital Notes of said Town, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, to finance the acquisition and construction of a community center, and estimates the maximum cost thereof to be \$6,027,000 and authorizes the expenditure of \$6,027,000 therefor."

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Letters from candidates or supporters of candidates that meet the above criteria will be accepted for publication through the Oct. 31 issue. Letters that raise new subjects will be considered for publication only if opposing candidates can have an opportunity to respond, either in a letter or in a news story, in the same issue.

The normal deadline for letters is 5 p.m. Friday for publication the following Wednesday. However, letters submitted for either of the issues of October 24 and 31 must be received by 10 a.m. on the Friday prior, so that the editors may solicit responses as necessary.

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UNCLE DUDLEY

## Where are our 'great' people?

For reasons that I'll explain in another column, I have been reading some letters nearly 130 years old. They were written home by a Union soldier from Upstate while he was stationed in Washington helping to guard the nation's capital from rebel attack. One paragraph struck me particularly:

"I am living close by the Capitol, and can—whenever I please—visit that splendid building, and listen to the debates of the great men of the country."

A bit later in the same evening I was reading an Op-Ed page comment in *The New York Times*, and the sense of it was quite different from the respectful reference to "the great men of the country."

It mentioned the notion "that the people who run the government are completely out to lunch." Through cable TV, which permits us "to watch actual deliberations on the House and Senate floor," we can see that "the average debate in Congress bears a remarkable resemblance to a kindergarten classroom when the teacher has been called away."

What's wrong? Where did those "great men" go? I suspect that a combination of negative elements has been at work for many years. As a country, we have persistently done our utmost to discourage potentially "great" men and women from seeking public office, specifically including the national legislature. In fact, the very attitude on the part of the public that there's something fundamentally wrong with "politicians" sharply limits the

willingness of many capable people from going into public life. Money necessarily is another major factor—either the possession of it or the desire to acquire it. On the one hand, we have a Congress increasingly composed of wealthy individuals (among whom a

### We can break up the gridlock of the 'iron triangle'

Rockefeller is only the most recognizable); and on the other hand the number of legislators who've gone to prison provides sorry testimony as to the greed existing at the trough. The immense pensions that members vote themselves—the figure of \$75,000 comes to mind—is often supplemented by private grabs such as retaining for personal use money that was contributed to political campaigns.

In other words, a sense of privilege is the backdrop for the functioning of our Congress. And the natural-enough culmination of that sense is that "It's my job—for life, if I want it that way." That's how it works; just witness the almost 100 percent reelection rate of legislators. In virtually all instances, it becomes next to impossible for a challenger to unseat one of these privileged life-tenured incumbents.

The slowly dawning recognition of this on the part of the voting public—and the resentment at the disgraceful way the political process is working right now—is be-

hind the movement to limit the terms of public officials. As you know, voters in Oklahoma recently approved a limit on elected officers' terms, and propositions to that effect will be voted on next month in California and Colorado.

I had a letter the other day from an adopted Coloradan, Bo Callaway (whom people with long memories may remember) and he's an enthusiast on the subject. Limitations on terms of office, he says, would provide a rein on the power of special interests and political careerism—"a way to bring back responsive, responsible, representative government." Opinion polls in Colorado show the plan ahead by more than 3 to 1. Not only the governor and state legislators are included within the scope of the proposal, but also U.S. Senators and Representatives. "If Colorado approves term limits for them by something approaching 3 to 1," he says, "and other states follow Colorado's example, we could in short order break up the 'iron triangle' of career politicians, career bureaucrats, and special interests that has gridlocked Washington."

(I assume that the U.S. Constitution would have to be amended to permit a change in how members of Congress are elected.)

I read a letter in *The New York Times* recently whose writer called "political careerism the true bane of democracy." I concur, and would like to write again on this intriguing subject.

CONSTANT READER

## Fiscal fiasco: fixing the blame

I've remarked before on the excellence of *U.S. News and World Report* in its present incarnation under the rather surprising editorship of Mortimer Zuckerman, who owns it. The issue that I've just finished reading is an excellent example of the quality of the information and commentaries that are offered, and also of the relative value of the publication. It bears a cover price of \$1.95, but of course there are a variety of subscription deals available.

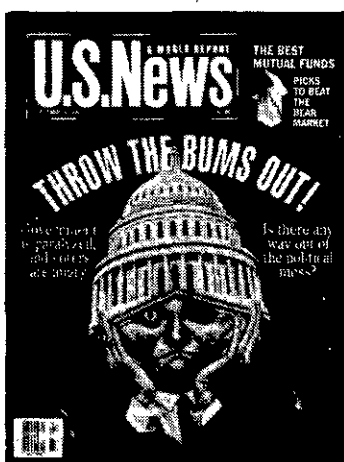
The issue in question bears the date of Oct. 22, so it has been superseded by this time. However, the content is such that it's well worth looking up a copy.

As the accompanying cover illustration shows, the heavy emphasis in this issue is on the troubled United States government, and the problem of assessing the blame for the state of affairs.

The cover lines: "Government is paralyzed, and voters are angry; is there any way out of the political mess?" pretty much sums up the thrust of the coverage, but that's really only the beginning. *U.S. News* devotes seven pages of penetrating insights into the nature of the problem—and takes a dim view of the prospects for remedies.

As a major article written by Gloria Borger (along with a group of 10 other staff writers) concludes: "Any new (reform) efforts can always be mined for loopholes, unless the political value system itself is ready for a change. If that

is not the case—and the voters still decide to throw the bums out—they will find they only have a new batch of bums in their places."



In this respect, the article notes that "The post-Watergate changes, after all, produced the current political-action committee (PAC) mess." Elsewhere, it is reported that "The number of such committees grew from 608 in 1974 to 4,268 in 1988; their giving rose from \$73.9 million to \$448.4 million in that time." Incidentally, the 405 incumbents running for reelection have collected \$177.5 million in contributions, compared with \$14.8 million collected by their challengers. Incumbents, cash reserves will give them a 33 to 1 spending edge in the final weeks of this campaign. The biggest PAC givers are: Realtors, teamsters, letter carriers, doctors, A.T.&T., state workers' union, auto workers, and the carpenters union.

I found this colorful quote interesting: "The Congress is full of model local sheriffs happy to tie the system in knots on behalf of parochial interests. There are now 51 committee chairmen and 244 subcommittees, allowing otherwise ordinary Democrats to claim importance."

And, "The 101st Congress has passed 794 useless commemorative bills that are entirely symbolic and has not finished work on laws relating to clean air, crime, housing, child care, and immigration."

Read it and weep: "The current battle is sending a shuddering signal that Washington will never get out of the deficit quagmire. Whatever budget agreement Congress and the administration eventually reach will be fundamentally disappointing. They will attempt to wrap it in a pretty bow, and the Fed chairman will go out of his way to call it credible and drop interest rates a notch. But the last several months have shown that all they will deliver will be smoke and mirrors and nothing substantive."

Editor Zuckerman says of Congress: "To cover up the fact that they stand for nothing except reelection, they resort to dishonesty, duplicity, and public perfidy. Too few Americans are shocked by this deceit. It's time for a reckoning. No wonder our cover reads, 'Throw the Bums Out!'"

Note: This issue of *U.S. News* contains numerous other good, meaty, informative articles.

## Deficit, taxes, S&L—and that 'surplus'

The contributor, a writer on governmental policy issues, is director of the New York Institute for State Policy Analysis. The institute, which is not affiliated with any government, is based in Altamont.

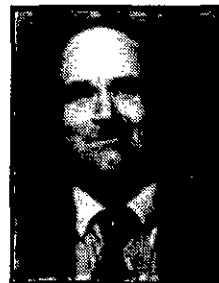
By Gordon E. Cannon, Ph.D.

The loon population is stable in The Adirondacks, but the loony census may be rising in Washington.

### Point of View

The political establishment's credibility is now very low. It's probably a case of a group of men, products of the "Peter Principle," becoming too involved and too active.

The recent Washington comic-tragedy is rooted in a desire to cut the budget deficit by \$500 billion over five years, in order to meet the Gramm-Rudman Act's requirements. It might have made more sense to have the budget summitters repeal Gramm-Rudman, declaring it unconstitutional and unnecessary.



For the moment, let's examine this thing called the "deficit." Yes, there will be a "unified budget" deficit ranging from \$100-150 billion annually, through 1994. A Harvard economist, Lawrence Lindsey, (*The Growth Experiment*) projects a surplus beginning by 1995. This surplus would be based on the existing tax rates; a 4 percent inflation rate; a low GNP growth rate of 1 percent; and expenditures "frozen" at inflation-rate (4 percent) increases. If the politicians were to do nothing (a good thing in most instances), the deficit would solve itself by 1995.

All right, you say, even if the above scenario proves to be correct, isn't it necessary to deal with the short-term deficits? Well, without ambiguity, yes. And no.

### It's unnecessary to cut the deficit by \$500 billion. That's too much and could create a severe recession.

It's probably wise to attempt to cut the deficit by \$30 to 50 billion annually—or \$200 to 250 billion over five years. This would send a signal to the Federal Reserve Board and Wall Street that Washington is being responsible. (Would Wall Street then reciprocate?)

But it's also unnecessary to cut the deficit by \$500 billion. It's too much to cut; it couldn't be done without severely cutting entitlements, such as Medicare, or by increasing regressive consumption taxes; and it would convert what now is probably a mild recession into a severe one.

It's also not necessary to develop a five-year plan. This time-frame is too long and is very dysfunctional to the game of politics. If Bush were defeated in 1992, the new President would not want to be locked into Bush's program and money priorities for three more years.

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Two major problems do need attention: The Social Security (SS) retirement fund surpluses and the Savings and Loan (S and L) bailout. Because these items are included in a "unified budget," the real deficits are in the \$250 to 300 billion range. It is this figure that is used to frighten the Washington establishment.

The Social Security retirement fund surplus is both a budget problem and a moral one. Lyndon Johnson wanted SS money to be put into a "unified budget" in order to hide the costs of the Vietnam war. In the early 1980s, Reagan/Stockman and company contrived a SS crisis; convened a panel; and supported higher payroll tax rates, lower benefits, and later retirements. As a result, the SS retirement trust fund will generate annual surpluses of over \$50 billion for the next 30 years. By 2025, the accumulated surplus would be \$9 trillion. After that time, the surplus would diminish, approaching zero by 2040.

The payroll tax was increased from 6.05 percent (1978) to the current 7.6 percent (with an equal amount being paid by employers). It has been a highly regressive flat-rate tax paid by all wage-earners earning up to \$51,000. Since the 7.6 percent paid by employers is a substitute for higher wages, workers are actually paying a 15.3 percent payroll tax. This large payroll tax increase redistributed income upward during the 1980s. This payroll tax now provides 36 percent of total federal revenues, compared to 45 percent for the income tax. While the Washington establishment reduced to three the income tax rates, it also raised the SS tax. This was a shell game detrimental to the middle class.

The SS surpluses ideally should be kept in a safe deposit box for the next 40 years, and then used to pay benefits to the

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babyboomer retirees. But that's not what the Washington establishment is doing. Instead, the Treasury is allowing Richard Darman to borrow these surpluses to be incorporated into a "unified budget" to lower the deficit. Without this surplus, Darman's deficit would be around \$200 billion this year. With the surplus, the paper deficit is reduced to the \$125 — 150 billion range.

The moral issue comes into sharp focus around the year 2015. At that time, the baby boomers will not be able to redeem the surpluses supposedly built from the high payroll taxes levied during their work years. The Treasury won't have the surplus funds because these were loaned to Darman. It will then be necessary for the Washington establishment to convene another commission to deal with the crisis.

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Our state's Senator Pat Moynihan is perhaps the most knowledgeable politician on this subject. He wants the retirement trust funds to be taken out of the deficit calculation, and converted into a pay-as-you-go model. He advocates a six-year reduction in the payroll tax from 7.6 to 6.1

percent; and a tax rebate of \$160 billion to workers. Because his bill would reduce revenues, it needed a two-thirds vote in the Senate, which it so far has failed to attain.

The Savings and Loan (S and L) bailout is the second major issue. Even while the estimates keep increasing, it is now projected that the bailout will cost \$500 billion. In 1990, it will cost between \$50 and 60 billion. These monies are part of the "unified budget," and will increase the deficit by \$70 to 100 billion each year for the next 30 years. If you wanted to be terribly cynical, you could conclude that the middle class's SS surplus is being diverted to bail out that nefarious network, the coterie of crooks, Mob, CIA bagmen, and politicians that perpetrated the S and L scam.

The remedy here is similar to Moynihan's call for removing the SS trust fund from the "unified budget." The S and L bailout expense should be removed from the formal budget, and converted into an "off-budget" item. The bailout should also be the burden of the money-speculator class, through a securities transfer tax and/or surtax on the highest 5 percent of taxpayers.

Now, the only task left for us is to vote the Washington ins out, and the outs in.

## Gunner

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The fact sheet released by the town does omit some important facts and, in my opinion, makes some erroneous and debatable statements of which each voter should be aware.

- Although you will be voting on a proposal of \$6.2 million for construction costs, true cost to the taxpayer is over \$11 million when debt service is included.

- The Town Board is considering an additional multi-million bond issue for 1991 for necessary improvements in water, sewer, solid waste, highway, and building improvements. These improvements may be more critical than the swimming pool and saunas in the proposed Community Center.

- A positive vote on the referendum will increase the Town Tax line in the Bethlehem General Property Tax Bill of the average homeowner by approximately 80 percent to 100 percent. The cumulative raise in the Town Tax line, as well as increased taxes for water, fire, sewer, highway, and county tax, along with increases in our school tax bill, will result in substantial tax increase. The \$60 to \$65 increase suggested in the fact sheet is misleading.

- We shall be one of the rare town governments, if not the only one, in Albany County to construct and operate an indoor pool. We presently have two indoor pools in our schools.

- The impact of re-evaluation of our land value will cause additional increases in the taxes of many of our taxpayers.

- We may be required by law to replace the parkland we use for the Community Center with additional purchase of land.

- The membership and activity fees for the Community Center may cause some hardship for the less affluent in our community at this time of anticipated recession.

- The child care facility is expected to be able to handle only 75 of the 300 children whose parents, we are told, may apply. How will these 75 be selected?

- There will be some loss of existing soccer, softball, and baseball fields unless we construct new fields at additional cost.

- Although the fact sheet states that the referendum does not mean you are voting for specific programs, what else could facilities such as the pool, child care center, and saunas be used for?

- There was a lack of program base for teenage youth in the reports submitted to the Town Board.

I urge you to be as informed as possible, to buy what we need, but

not be sold on desires that may impinge on our socio-economic freedom and necessities — then, exercise your right to vote, no matter what your decision may be.

Charles A. Gunner  
Councilman,  
Town of Bethlehem

## Bethlehem Lutherans shared their joy

Editor, The Spotlight

On behalf of the congregation of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, I would like to thank you for your reports on our open house, celebrating the completion of our new church addition.

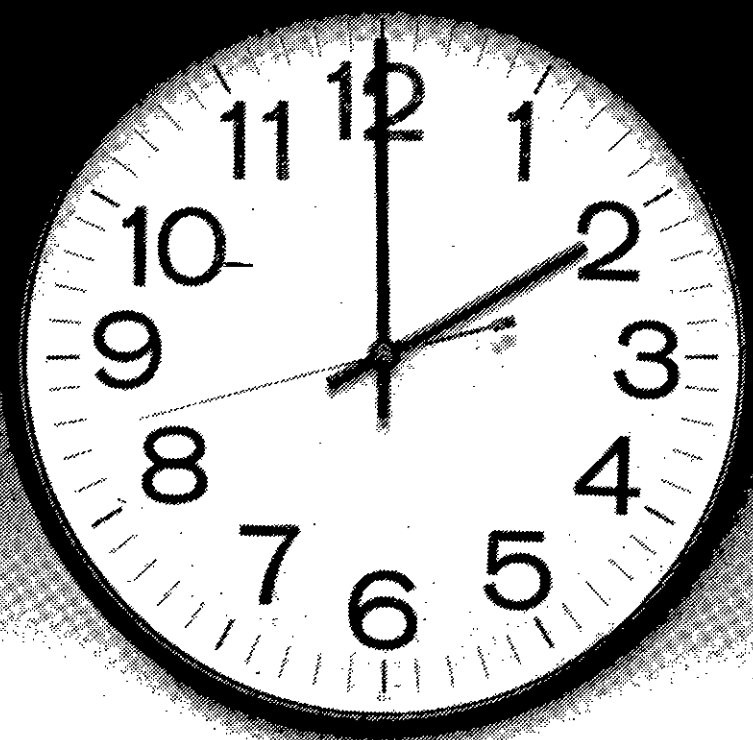
It was our desire to share our joy and this new facility with the community, and thanks, in part, to your fine coverage we had a wonderful turnout. We exist to serve and minister to the people of this community, and our new addition is dedicated to this vision.

(Rev.) Warren Winterhoff,  
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Delmar

If the writer of the recent letter signed "Really Annoyed" will identify himself or herself in a further communication, The Spotlight will be glad to consider the letter for publication.

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# Your Opinion Matters

## 'Full value' assessing is outrage, extortion

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a resident of New Scotland I am chagrined but not surprised that there will be another heavy tax increase, as reported in *The Spotlight* of Oct. 3.

However, an item in the budget is nothing less than outrageous. Town residents are being asked to pay \$190,000 for a property revaluation study. This is not different from being mugged and having the criminal tell you he is stealing an extra \$100 to help pay for the weapon he used to rob you!

Mark my words: this study will be used as a justification to raise everyone's property taxes. Don't give me this garbage about "equality in taxes"; the whole thing is just a money grab.

But it's a "state ordered" study. Who asked them? They need to be voted out of office too.

Wake up, people! Don't you see what is going on? It has been said that one sure way an ordinary citizen can build wealth is in the value of a properly cared-for home. The home appreciates in value because of (government-caused) inflation, so now government wants to tax that inflation. That is what "full value" assessment really is. A way to tax the increasing value in your home. It isn't enough for them to tax everything you earn, buy, or use; now they want to tax the value of your home you have worked to buy and improve.

We will soon see extortion added to the outrage. When the "valuation consultants" (hired shooters, who are strangers) come in, you will be asked to let them into your home. Representatives of government, going into your home, without a warrant! But, you don't have to let them in. Sure; but just guess what happens to your "valuation" if you have the temer-

## Is community center a Knick Arena replay?

Editor, The Spotlight:

Does anyone get a sense of déjà vu in the Bethlehem bond vote for a \$6-million unneeded community center? Is there a touch of Jim Coyne's magnanimous Knick Arena in here somewhere?

Granted, we county taxpayers never had a shot at a vote on the Coyne Mahal in its proposal stage, but this time we in Bethlehem are thankful that we do in this local monstrosity. Granted, we needed

some kind of a Knick Arena in Albany, perhaps a 7,500-seater, not 17,000. And let's say we need some kind of a civic center in Bethlehem, although that's highly arguable.

We have two indoor swimming pools. Several gymnasiums are available for indoor athletics and aerobics. There are adequate facilities for senior citizens in the town hall, and ample public rooms for meetings and community organizations in the library, town hall, and schools.

And is anyone naive enough to think that teenagers, who widely ignored soft-drink discos, folk singers and other activities in the former Bethlehem Coffeehouse on Adams Street and failed to support a youth "canteen" in the Middle School rathskeller, will pay any attention to a facility on the

outskirts of town that they can't bike to after dark?

Who needs this new center? Voters should note that Jim Coyne, who insisted on a major-league-sized arena that this winter, in its first full season of pro basketball and hockey, may have to struggle to average 4,000 per game. Special exhibitions, circuses, shows and such may fill the seats occasionally, but it's the home teams who have to cover the bills.

There is also a strange footnote here. Picture a town, the most affluent in Albany County, having a multi-million-dollar community center, yet forcing its taxpayers to pay private haulers for trash pickup? Its smaller and more rural neighbor, New Scotland, provides full trash and garbage pickups and maintains recycling dropoffs for newspapers and plastics. Interesting.

Perry M. Galt

Delmar

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ity to annoy a government representative. That's the extortion.

I don't know what the answer is. But, I know what I am going to do in the voting booth. They are all history.

Philip K. Raeder, Jr.

Feura Bush

## Fund near one-third for handicapped bus

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., we thank the Bethlehem Police Officers' Union for a donation of \$150 toward purchase of a second handicapped-accessible vehicle to transport the elderly of Bethlehem. The money was raised at a special raffle at the Bethlehem Police annual steak-roast.

Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., works with the town's Municipal Senior Services Depart-

ments to help the elderly remain as residents through funding or sponsoring additional services and programs.

Thanks to Tony Arduini, president, and the police union's generous contribution, the total raised to date is \$12,000, almost one-third the cost of the bus.

Jane Bloom and

Todd Tobin, co-chairpersons  
Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.  
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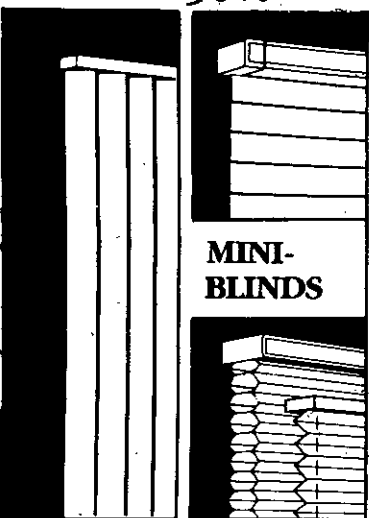
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# Matters of Opinion

## BC Schools' 'late' bus is now truly late

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was surprised to learn in September that there would no longer be a "late" bus from the high school after sports practices and other extra-curricular activities. Like many other Bethlehem parents who encourage their children to participate in after-school activities, we agree with Bethlehem's educational philosophy that learning occurs not only in the classroom, but also on the practice field and on the stage. Because we have always trusted our elected school board members to provide quality education and are willing to pay increased taxes if necessary, we never noticed that the late bus was discussed during the spring budget meetings.

Why no late bus? When I called Sheila Fuller, president of the

Board of Education, she told me the bus was cancelled because "no one" took that bus — all the students at BCHS had their own cars. I asked her to please find out the definition of "no one."

It turns out that up to 60 students from the five elementary schools took the late bus last year. As to the matter of saving money, Mrs. Fuller acknowledged that 90 percent of local busing costs are reimbursed by the state.

Who does this decision affect? It affects anyone in our school district who does not think that every child should be given a car on his or her 16th birthday so he or she can drive home from school; anyone in our school district not living within walking distance of the schools (often a financial decision); any family with two wage-earners

or even headed by a single wage-earner (not everyone can leave jobs by 5 p.m.); anyone who thinks that our national consumption of gasoline should be decreasing (we now have traffic jams at 5 p.m. on Delaware and Cherry); anyone with an infant or toddler at home who has a cold and is cranky at 5 p.m.

Mrs. Fuller was sympathetic, and interested in hearing from other parents affected by this decision. I urge such people to call her, at 439-6156, or to call any other school board member. Or call me, so I can list parents to contact when the issue is discussed next spring. Please call the school board even if you're not personally affected now — maybe you have a child in the middle school who looks forward to being on a high school team, or older children who already have graduated from high school and you remember how important that bus was to your family.

Betty Z. Glick

Glenmont

## Food-scrap collection called still useful

Editor, The Spotlight:

The collection of food scraps by the town has not "outlived its usefulness." Perhaps its usefulness is not fully understood. If the town does discontinue the food scrap collection, those who currently rely on it are left with two legal alternatives. They can either let the food scraps sit around the house (or in the yard where raccoons can spread it all over the neighborhood) and accumulate until they have the time for the trip to the Rupert Road facility, or they are forced to contract with one of the trash removal services operating in the community.

Since most people (as well as their neighbors) do not want a month's worth of food scraps accumulating, they will probably hire a trash removal firm. Once the trash collection industry realizes that there is no longer a viable alternative for Bethlehem residents, they have us where they want us and are free to increase fees without fear of losing customers. The town government should be looking out for the interests of

its citizens; not the interests of the trash collection industry.

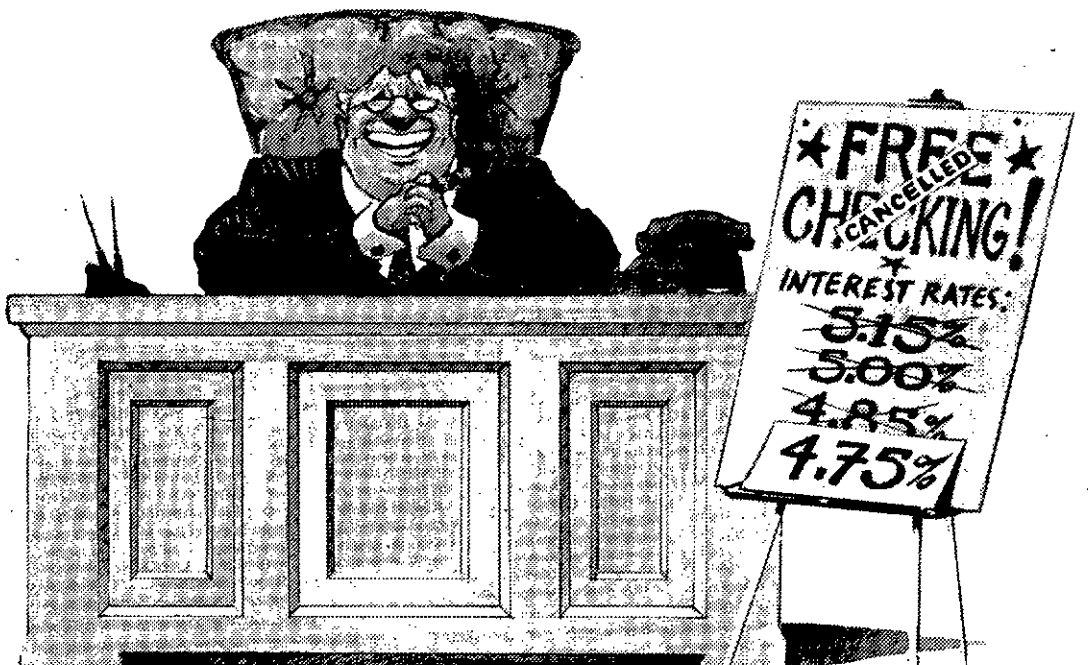
Your Oct. 10 editorial implies that most Bethlehem residents have garbage-disposal units. Delmar has changed a lot in the last 10 years, but plenty of residents on fixed or moderate incomes do not have all the latest conveniences or even the room to put them.

The termination of food-scrap collection by the town may result in open-ended increases in solid-waste disposal costs to town residents who are forced to contract with disposal companies. It may also result in health concerns due to uncollected food scraps being accumulated by those who choose not to, or cannot afford to, pay a private trash removal firm. Either way, the community loses. Perhaps we should think of the food-scrap collection by the town as a type of insurance; very similar to police and fire protection. Not every resident uses it, but we may all miss it if it's gone.

Charles Riedel

Delmar

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# Your Opinion Matters

## Pool, other aspects of center questioned

Editor, The Spotlight:

Several facts about the proposed \$6 million community center, not made known in the fall Bethlehem Report or in the Community Center Committee's fact sheet being distributed at Parks and Recreation programs, should be known by taxpayers before voting.

An indoor pool sounds like a great idea but consider that in addition to the tax payments of \$60 per year there is an additional annual maintenance cost, which like all maintenance fees is subject to increases. A \$300 family membership fee would entitle a family to unlimited free swim sessions and a reduced rate on program fees. But with lap sessions in the early morning, pre-school and senior programs during the day, after-school lessons, and laps again for people on the way home from work, you'd better hope your free time coincides with the free swim schedule. Keep in mind also that the pool will not be like outdoor pools for small children and non-swimmers. It is designed for formal lessons and laps. An indoor pool is not a recreational-use pool like an outdoor pool complex with grassy areas and playgrounds.

They also plan to include a combination gymnasium and multi-purpose room, including a

small stage. Isn't it possible the new additions to our school facilities could meet these community needs?

Five day care rooms which will also be used for meeting rooms and community organizations are planned with the hope of a management company renting the space to operate it. Have you ever gone to a meeting in a nursery school room? It's fine for your child's open house, but to conduct adult meetings?

I have no doubt that the Parks and Recreation Department needs additional office space and parking. There is probably a need for an aerobics room, arts and crafts center, and a meeting room. But we need to remember the construction and maintenance costs were calculated prior to the oil crisis. The cost to the taxpayer is based on assessments that will be unknown until 1992 and it is in addition to the school bond. With predictions of an economic recession, do we really need to spend this \$6,027,000?

Selkirk

Beth A. Fuchs

## GE and others win thanks on playground

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to GE Selkirk and the employees for the fantastic playground we now have for our children to enjoy in the new Town of Bethlehem "pocket park" located off South Albany Road in South Bethlehem. GE provided a large grant and most of the manpower for this project, completed on Oct. 6.

We also acknowledge the generosity of the following additional businesses and organizations who assisted: Selkirk Elfun, R.B. Wing, Capitaland Marketing, Chris' Coffee Service, Price Chopper, K-mart, Good 'n' Plenty, Ramada Inn, Van Allen Farms, Stewart's Selkirk, Cumberland Farms, CVS, Bagelicious, Bonfare, Grand Union, Vermilyea's, Deli Plus, Selkirk No.3 Ladies Auxiliary, F&F Maintenance, Andy's Subs, Northern Nurseries, and Feura Bush Tavern.

Furthermore, we recognize the participation and dedication to this worthy project of Kevin Hotaling of GE and Dave Austin of the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Dept.

Diane F. Capron  
Marybeth Haskell

Selkirk

## Orchard St. resident rues homestead loss

Editor, The Spotlight:

Goodbye, Oliver homestead! Who won't remember the old Oliver farmhouse, that once-fine house which stood sentinel for so long at the corner of Orchard Street and Fisher Boulevard?

This homestead, a unique architectural example, was demolished in the Oct. 6 weekend, but not before part of the rooftop, the fine mantels, and other unusual architectural specimens were removed to become part of the State Museum's collection.

How we walkers, joggers, bicyclists, and just plain enjoyers of rural Orchard Street (including this neighbor) would have liked to stop at a picnic table placed under an old tree in the front yard. We would have savored the history of the restored homestead, and perhaps taken a tour of the interior, made into a small museum or history center. It is sad that only a pile of rubble now remains, and it will be soon replaced by yet another subdivision.

We are thankful that at least part of this historic building will be preserved for posterity in the museum. But it is an empty feeling for those of us who yearn to see

Bethlehem's historical buildings refurbished and maintained. Many towns receive funds for this purpose. Hopefully, the Town of Bethlehem will also apply for funding to help preserve our rich history instead of letting it be destroyed.

Roberta Ponemon

## Slingerlands firemen's feats seem slighted

Editor, The Spotlight:

Over the past few weeks I have been watching the local editions of Firefighters Corner. I have found a problem with a few of the things happening locally. Last week it reported a local department winning an award at a function. However, it was not reported that the Slingerlands Fire Department also won an award at the very same function. Then this past week it reported a man's falling into a tank of pavement sealer yet once again it was not reported that it was actually Slingerlands Rescue that performed the extrication from that tank along with members of other departments. Now I don't understand what the problem is but I do think that these people deserve some recognition.

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Candidates realize impact of Family Court

By Sal Prividera Jr.

Both candidates for the Albany County Family Court seat up for election this year agree the judgeship is of great significance in the family life of the people who come before the court with problems. Both recognize the far-reaching impact on innocent people of decisions in this particular court.

Judge Thomas A. Breslin, 44, of Albany, the Democratic incumbent, said a Family Court judge should be "somebody who wants to help resolve problems."

Republican challenger James P. Walsh, 57, of Delmar, feels such a judge "should be absolutely committed to fairness."



Thomas A. Breslin

Breslin began serving on the family court bench four months ago, after being appointed by Gov. Mario Cuomo and confirmed by the state Senate, when the court was expanded. He believes that, in the admittedly short time he has been on the bench, he has proven himself "a caring and concerned judge, who works hard on every case."

Breslin said he thinks a judge should make sure the proper assistance agencies are involved once a family decision is made. He added the situation should be monitored and brought back in court, if additional action is required.

"I look at it as a series of opportunities. It's easier to come to work with a smile that way," Breslin said. "I look at each case as a chance to find a solution, not as a problem."

Walsh, who is in private practice in Albany, specializes in serving on teacher-tenure trials throughout the state. For 14 years, he has served as chairman of three-member panels deciding cases where charges have been brought against teachers by a school district. Additionally, Walsh has been a hearing officer responsible for reviewing determinations made by school district committees on special education.

An attorney since 1961, Walsh

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said he has practiced in family courts. He believes his experience has made him "one of the best judicial candidates" running this year. Walsh sees little difference between his service for the state Education Department as a hearing officer and a judgeship because in both cases the job requires determining issues and credibility.

Walsh has run a limited campaign in a race typically known for little campaigning because work commitments have him out of town frequently. However, he was very critical of the process for electing judges, believing the bench should be non-political. He was equally critical of his own party, which he claimed "asked me to run and then disappeared."

Breslin, in addition to serving as Family Court judge, is a partner in the Albany firm of Breslin, Breslin and Breslin and is corporation counsel for the City of Watervliet. He has also served as a trial lawyer for both the Albany County Public Defender's Office and the District Attorney's office. He received his law degree from the University of Toledo. He and his wife, Judith, have two children.

Breslin has also been involved in the community, having served as chairman of the Pine Hills Youth Center Board, as a member of the Kenwood Day Care and Child



James P. Walsh

Development Center board of directors and as president of the Bishop Maginn School Board. He is currently serving on the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee of the Albany School District and is a sponsor and manager for the Westland Hills Little League.

In addition to his 25-five year private practice, Walsh served as an assistant state attorney general for three years. He and his wife, Cynthia, have three grown children.

Walsh's community involvement includes past service as president of the Albany Montessori School, coach for Bethlehem Girls Softball and as a teacher in the St. Thomas Religious Education Program. He is also a member of the St. Thomas Choir.

Open meeting set  
on community center

The Community Center Committee will hold an open public meeting on Thursday, Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall. Information on the proposed community center will be provided followed by a question and answer period.

Elks plan contest

Bethlehem Elks Lodge will host its annual "Hoop Shot" contest on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Peter B. Coeymans School in Ravena. Boys and girls from ages eight to 13 may enter.

Library to host  
art exhibit

The Bethlehem Art Association will hold its semi-annual members show at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar from Nov. 1 to Nov. 30. For gallery hours and information, call 439-9314.

Police nab 2 for DWI

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

Earl W. Laporte, 56, of Selkirk was arrested for DWI on Monday, Oct. 15, after he was in an accident at the intersection of Route 9W and Feura Bush Road, police said. One man was injured in the crash.

Laporte's car allegedly collided with that of Kenneth Price, 65, of Morris Street at the intersection at about 7 p.m. Harold Price, 50, one of four passengers in Kenneth Price's vehicle was taken to St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, where he was treated and released, a hospital spokesperson said.

Laporte is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Nov. 5.

In addition, Samuel D. White, 64, of North Swan Street Albany, was arrested for DWI on Sunday, Oct. 21, after he stopped and asked for directions from a patrol officer near the intersection of route 140 and 85, police said. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Nov. 5.

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In the courts



William K. McCarthy, 19, of Dunbarton Drive, Elsmere, arrested July 27 for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Aug. 7 and was fined \$250 with a 90 day license suspension.

William B. McGee, 55, of Hawthorne Ave., Delmar arrested Aug. 8 for DWI and resisting arrest,

pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Aug. 21 and was fined \$250 with a 90 day license suspension.

Peter Stevens, 41, of Woodlake Road, Albany, arrested April 13 for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Sept. 18 and was fined \$250 with a 90 day license suspension.



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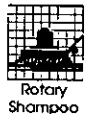
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# Conners, Ryan compete for 104th District seat

By Patricia Dumas

Democratic Assemblyman Richard Conners isn't resting on his laurels in this year's election, even though he has performed the formal chore of pounding the gavel 719 times to officially keep the New York State Assembly in session.

"This is not a world in which we can take anything for granted," he said. Conners, 80, is campaigning just as he always has.

His opponent for the seat in the 104th Assembly District, Peter D. Ryan, said he decided to run because he believes, "People are tired of the tax and spend policies of the current Democratic administration."

A Republican representative in the county legislature from Guiderland and real estate broker/builder who has operated his own business for more than 10 years, Ryan said, "I believe government has gotten too big, and I would look for every possible avenue to reduce state spending and lower taxes."

"People and businesses are fleeing New York State to avoid taxes and this trend needs to be reversed."



Richard Conners

Ryan admits he's facing tough odds against the popular Conners, but, he said, "As an underdog, I feel if I can get my word out to the voters, I have a chance to pull off a major upset in this campaign."

Conners, nonetheless, is tirelessly campaigning as he always has and notes that his visits in Albany County's hill towns remind him of the proud heritage of the hill town inhabitants.

## STATE ASSEMBLY 104TH DISTRICT

"This is where the heartline of democracy is — in the towns and villages," Conners notes, and points out that people who moved into the hill sections in the '60s and '70s exhibit the same pride of heritage as do the descendants of the rebellion days.

Conners is loyal to his party and to commitments, often turning down social invitations in order to attend public functions. "You can't un-accept an invitation you have accepted," he said.

The veteran politician was a member of the Albany Common Council for 20 years and served as its president for 15 years before his election to the Assembly. An insurance broker, he now devotes full time to his assembly duties. He is chairman of the Assembly Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs, ranking member of the Cities Committee and of the Real Property Taxation Committee and serves on the Insurance, Tourism, Arts and Sports Development committees.



Peter Ryan

During the 1990 legislative session, 11 bills Conners introduced were signed into law. They include a measure designating June 25 as Korean War Veterans Day. The law was enacted in time for the observance this year on the 40th anniversary of the invasion by the North Koreans.

Ryan, who has served four terms, sits on the county

legislature's Health, Penal, and County Improvements committees. He has sponsored and supported legislation to establish health department satellite clinics, to eliminate sales tax on home heating fuel, to study reorganization of the county jail and to continue public auctions of tax delinquent property.

He is against "excessive bonding which puts taxpayers further in debt and obligates future generations."

Ryan, a self-declared watchdog protecting taxpayer interests, launched a lawsuit to prevent any bond money for repaving a street in Green Island when the legislature moved to include some village and city streets in its county road improvement project.

Ryan, 44, is a former business analyst with Dun and Bradstreet.

## Delmar man promoted

Erik M. Dullea, son of Henrik N. and Ann Marie Dullea of 49 Tamarack Dr., Delmar, has been designated a Naval Aviator. The presentation of the "wings of gold" on Sept. 26 marked the culmination of 18 months of flight training.



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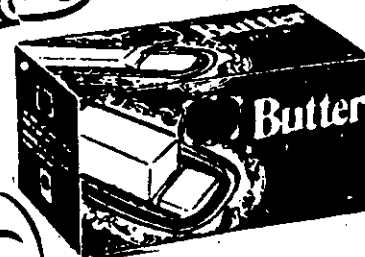
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# BC board reviews new schedule

By Susan Wheeler

The Bethlehem Central School District Board of Education got some input from a group of high school seniors about a change in the school day schedule, which went into effect in September.

The board, in an 5-1 vote with one abstention, approved a change in the language of the teachers' contract to reflect the change from a modular schedule to an eight-period day.

About 30 students, from John Piechnik's government course, silently sat taking notes at the recent meeting until board member George D. Sussman mentioned the lack of time for students at the high school to change classes. When Sussman said students have barely enough time to get books at their lockers, or to use the lavatories between classes, the onlookers applauded. They now have four minutes between each class.

Sussman's comment on the school day schedule came out of discussion of an agenda item that the board approve the Bethlehem Central Teachers Association contract language change.

Superintendent Leslie G. Loomis said the three-year BCTA contract, which was adopted in 1989 and expires June 30, 1992, is worded in accordance with the modular schedule system the high

school followed last school year. Loomis said the BCTA wanted a change in contract language to make it consistent with the eight-period day the high school now follows.

According to Loomis, last spring the school district designed the eight-period day to allow more "flexibility" in scheduling courses. In September, the high school changed from a modular schedule to the eight-period schedule.

Sussman said that he does not "see a compelling argument" for a change in the schedule. In addition to lack of time to change classes, the new system allows students to sacrifice their lunch period to take an extra class. He said he does not think it a good idea to encourage students to go nearly seven hours without a meal.

Loomis, citing the advantages of the system, said that students who schedule an extra course "can make arrangements with teachers" to bring lunch to class, and that the new schedule allows rotating classes.

Board member Bernard E. Harvith suggested adding one minute to passing time. The students first applauded, but groaned when Loomis said this would be possible if the school day began seven minutes earlier.

Harvith agreed that the school

day should be lengthened because with the new schedule instructional time for the students is lost.

"I have no problem changing from mods to periods," Harvith said. "But I'd rather increase the class day."

"I'm a strong believer in longer instructional periods," he added. "The solution is to lengthen the school day."

Harvith said that one advantage with the new schedule is that lunch period for teachers has been increased from 30 minutes to 43 minutes.

After discussion of the item, Loomis said the "question tonight is to approve the contract language as worded."

Sussman abstained from voting. He said, "There are policy issues involved here that should've been brought to the board separately."

Harvith said, "I'm voting no, but I would vote yes if it was for one year only." He said he wanted the changes in the contract to be in effect for one year only, so that the school district and board has a chance to review the schedule "to at least get as much instructional time as possible."

In other business, John Flanagan, town building inspector, gave a presentation of the BC school district fire inspection report.



Four Elmsmere Elementary grade schoolers display Helping Hand logos with Bethlehem Officer Joseph Mosca. From left are Katie McKee, Allison McKee, Sondra Conti, and Lauren Conti.

## Program helps kids stay safe

The Town of Bethlehem has proclaimed this week Helping Hand Week. Helping Hand is a program sponsored by the Tri-Village Welcome Wagon in cooperation with the Bethlehem Police Department.

Helping Hand is a year-round program designed to aid children encountering difficulties when they are on their way to or from school or when they are playing away from home. A child who becomes afraid when away from

home is taught by the Bethlehem Police, who visit the school, that they can turn to the adult in a house displaying the Helping Hand logo for assistance. The logo features a red hand on a white background.

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## Knights to host benefit for youngster

The benefit jam to help four-year-old Ryan Clemens will be Sunday, Oct. 28 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Ravena K of C Hall. Ryan was injured last spring in a lawn mower accident. His leg is now in a cast, and he is attending kindergarten with the aid of crutches.

To help defray additional medical costs, the Knights will host the event featuring Mirinda and her Steel Blue Band, Uncle Steve Crocket and the Log Cabin Boys.

Admission is a donation at the door. Checks can also be sent to Trustco Bank, c/o John P. Fulgan, 191 Erie Blvd., Schenectady 12305.

### Card party planned

On Thursday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m., the Bethlehem Historical Association will hold its annual card party at the Bethlehem Elks Club. The public is invited. Chairperson Mary E. Tinney is planning a busy evening with door, table and raffle prizes of various merchandise, a boutique and gift table, entertainment and apple pie and coffee. Guests are invited to bring cards or games of their choice. Tickets

### News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem

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are \$3 each. The Historical Association acknowledges the work of members Evelyn Alford, Richard Spaulding, Mary E. VanOostenbrugge Harry Huckins, Lois Dillon and Barbara Muhlfelder.

### Author to visit

Local author Kevin Reed will visit the A.W. Becker School this week as part of the Parents as Reading Partners program. He will hold workshops dealing with writing and reading skills for all grade levels.

### RCS celebrating

This is National Middle Level Education Week and the RCS Middle School is celebrating. Parents are invited to spend a day going to classes with their child and being a guest for lunch. For information or to arrange a time to

visit, contact the guidance office at 756-2155, ext. 373.

### Meeting tonight

Tonight at 7 p.m., there will be an informational meeting at A.W. Becker school on the Odyssey of the Mind program, sponsored by REACH. Teams of students and adults will be solving a variety of problems during the program.

### PTA clothing drive

From Nov. 1 through Nov. 14, the A.W. Becker PTA will sponsor the Native American Clothing Drive. Clean, warm winter clothing will be collected to send to Indian reservations in northern New York.

### Group plans craft fair

The Westmere Fire Department Auxiliary is planning a craft fair to be held on Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire station on Western Avenue in Westmere, a half mile west of Crossgates Mall. There are still tables available for craftspeople for \$17.50. For more information, call Huguette Bushey at 456-4560.

## Library sets busy children's schedule

By Anna Jane Abaray

The Children's Room calendar for November begins with three pre-school films on Friday, Nov. 2, at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. "The Amazing Bone," "Strega Nona," and "Mole and the Umbrella" will be shown.

"Tickle Your Funnybone" takes place on Thursday, Nov. 8. Children in kindergarten through grade 2 are invited to attend a laughing session featuring funny stories, jokes and a craft at 4 p.m. Registration is required.

Sessions two and three of the Babysitters' Club will be held for registered students Saturday, Nov. 10 at 10:30 a.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Nov. 12, 2 p.m., School's Out film, "A Girl of the Limberlost." Elnora Comstock, a turn of the century farm girl, is determined to go to school despite the objections of her unsympathetic mother. Stars Annette O'Toole. Based on the book by Gene Stratton Porter. Grades 4 and up.

The gift of good literature will be the topic on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the community room. Holiday gift-giving time is near; let us help you with your selections by offering a display of books, tapes and recordings suitable for children of all ages. We

will tell you about some of our favorites, old and new. Registration is required.

The week of Nov. 12 through 16 is Children's Book Week. Look for special things happening during this week.

On Thursday, Nov. 15 at 4 p.m., EBA, Inc. will hold a creative movement workshop based on the story "James and the Giant Peach" by Roald Dahl. Children in Grades 2 and 3 are invited to register.

Stories with Grandma and Grandpa are featured on Sunday, Nov. 18. A special story hour for children ages 2 to 5 and their grandparents will be held at 2 p.m. If you have no grandparent to bring, you can adopt one to come with you. Registration is required.

Family films will be shown on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 10:30. In "The Mouse and the Motorcycle," a reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in Room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling. Based on the book by Beverly Cleary.

In "Winnie the Pooh and the Blustery Day," a blustery wind sweeps through the Hundred Acre Wood, toppling Owl's tree home and making Pooh and his friends very uneasy. Based on the stories A.A. Milne. Both films suitable for children in grades Kindergarten and up.



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# Writer pays tribute to predecessor

*The Spotlight*, Voorheesville community and I will truly miss Lyn Stapf's commentary of the happenings in Voorheesville. I hope I am able to fill her position as well as she has for the past eight years.

I hope being a resident of Voorheesville for 18 years qualifies me partly for this position of "roving reporter." I also have a daughter, Jenn, who is 14 and in the ninth grade and a son, Greg, who is 12 and in the seventh grade, and they are both very active. When I am not busy with them, I enjoy bicycling, golfing, aerobics and racquetball. I am employed at the New York State Thruway Authority and have enjoyed working there for two years. I hope to be able to report to you all of the activities of Voorheesville. If at anytime you have news that you want printed in *The Spotlight*, please give me a call.

## Directors named

The new directors of St. Matthew's Youth Group have been selected for this year. They are: Joanne St. Denis, Laura Reed and Sue Dougherty and are truly volunteers.

The youth group will be having a Halloween Dance on Friday, Oct. 26 from 7-10 p.m. at the church on Pleasant Street. All students in grades seven through 10 are welcome. Costumes are optional, and a DJ will be providing all the latest music. Admission is \$3 and chaperones are always needed to volunteer.

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## BC concert set

The Bethlehem Central High School music department will present its annual Pops Concert on Monday, Nov. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. A \$2. donation is requested.

The program for the evening will include selections by instrumentalists in the orchestra, symphonic band, wind ensemble and jazz ensemble. Vocalists will perform in the concert chorus, choralers, and the sound system singers.

The evening will also include selections by the jazz quartet, with students Teige Sheehan on baritone sax, Adam Price on alto sax, Kathryn Dorgan on soprano sax, and Jennifer Matuszek on tenor sax.

## Delmar student honored at NYU

Brian A. Caulfield of Delmar has been named New York University Scholar for 1990. He is one of a number of students from the Class of 1994 who have been designated academic scholars at the university.

Some 280 students were chosen from more than 2,000 freshman in this year's entering class. NYU scholars are chosen from across the United States on the basis of high academic standing, personal achievement, and dedication to helping their community.

## Tribal dancers perform at BC

The Chadi K'azi Native Dance Theatre will perform tribal dances at the Bethlehem Central High School football field on Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. There will also be a performance for the seventh grade on Oct. 23 at the middle school. The free performance is open to the public.

## Voorheesville News Notes

Susan Casler 765-2144



party and he will be entertaining all ages. Come in costume.

On Monday, Oct. 29, at 4 p.m. the library will show the film "Grinning Ghosts and Scary Scarecrows" and afterword the children will enjoy creating crafts. Halloween makes October a fun month for kids.

On Oct. 31 (Halloween Night), at 7 p.m. the library will have some "Friendly Ghost Tales." Children can come in costume and listen to bedtime stories.

Voorheesville Friends of Library will be planting spring bulbs around the library on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 10 a.m. Volunteers are needed for planting. For information, contact the library at 765-2791.

Voorheesville Boy Scout Troop 73 is sharing the profits with Stewart's store in Voorheesville. For every ice cream cone bought at Stewart's, they will donate 50 percent of the cost to the troop in order for them to raise money for future trips. Coupons are available from any troop member or at Stewart's. So come into Stewart's, enjoy and help Troop 73.

## School holds book fair

Bethlehem Central Middle School is holding its annual Book Fair through Oct. 26. The event, which began yesterday, features a wide selection of quality reading for young people. Scheduled to run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Oct. 24, 25 and 26, the fair is open to the public.

## Things that go "boo" at library

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., will have a scary movie, preferably for adults on Friday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. entitled "Fail-Safe." This drama stars Henry Fonda and centers around nuclear weapons and Moscow.

## Family fright fun

There also will be "Spooktacular Fun" at the library on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 2 p.m. for the entire family. Mike McCreary, a juggler/magician will be the guest at this

## Art contest winner announced

The winner of the Crossgates Mall and Colonie Art League sponsored "Winter in New York" art competition was announced recently at a reception held at Crossgates Mall.

The piece chosen was entitled "Winter Village" by Barbara Wooster of Delmar. The watercolor was chosen by invited area media and business people from among 47 entries.

Wooster received a prize of \$1,500. Ten artist's proofs will be framed and given to local charities. Limited edition lithographs will be printed of the piece and

given as a gift-with-purchase with a \$250 Crossgates Mall gift certificate purchase made from Thanksgiving to Christmas 1990.

## Firemen host party

The Slingerlands Fire Department will host its annual Halloween party and haunted house on Wednesday, Oct. 31, at the firehouse on New Scotland Road from 7 to 9 p.m. There will be candy, cider and doughnuts.

In Delmar *The Spotlight* is sold at Elm Ave. Sunoco, Handy Andy, Tri Village Drugs and Stewart's

# Special permit raises questions

Before granting a special permit to Chester and Sharon Boehlke to build a home in an industrialized portion of New Scotland Road South, the New Scotland Planning Board was faced with a question concerning the range of its responsibility.

Planning Board Attorney John Bailey expressed concern that sale of the 2.36 acres to the Boehlkes left land belonging to the former owner, Frances Bishop, virtually landlocked, since it now lacks the required 50 feet of frontage. Bishop still owns about 8 acres adjoining the lot now owned by the Boehlkes.

But planning board members pointed out that the sale had already taken place. Sharon Boehlke said she and her husband had explained the frontage issue to Bishop. "That's exactly why we had her lawyer draw up the papers," she said.

The Boehlkes intend to buy the rest of the land from Bishop, she added, but Bishop is not willing to sell at this time. "We would buy it from her tonight if she would sell it to us," said Sharon Boehlke, adding that Bishop indicated she might

sell the couple more land in the future.

"Inasmuch as the Boehlkes already own the land, there may not be anything we can do," said Bailey. He pointed out that issuance of a special use permit mandates the board to determine if it would constitute any adverse effects on adjoining property. Construction of a home would not adversely affect Bishop's property, he conceded; it was the sale of the two acres that had already adversely affected it.

Said board member Ann Richards, "I don't think we have any choice. The deed has been written and the land has been sold."

Said Bailey, "You're staring at something that represents very poor planning."

Chairman Robert Hampston asked, "Do we have an obligation to at least confer with her on what she's done?" Bailey said that since Bishop had been notified of the hearing, the board had no further responsibility.

The special permit was granted by a vote of five ayes, with Hampston abstaining.

## Library offers books by mail

People who live too far away from the library, or have difficulty getting there during library hours, can have books mailed to them. The Books-by-Mail program is operated by the Southern Adirondack Library System and Upper Hudson Library System, of which Bethlehem Public Library is a member, for residents of Albany, Rensselaer, Hamilton, Warren, Washington, and Saratoga counties who may not have access to a library.

The free program serves children as well as adults. Participants who register for the program are sent a catalog from which they can choose from a wide selection of materials including bestsellers, popular fiction, non-fiction, romance, young adult, and large print books, as well as audio cassettes and even toys. The items are sent to them by mail.

To register and to receive a free Books-by-Mail catalog, write to the Southern Adirondack Library System, 22 Whitney Place, Saratoga Springs, New York, 12866.

If you live in the Bethlehem Central School District and are unable to come to the Bethlehem Public Library you may be able to use the library's own Books to People service. Adults or children who have a physical disability or medical condition, even a temporary one, can request the library van to deliver materials to their home every two weeks. The service is free. Call the reference desk for more information.

## Benefit to aid boy

Recording artists Mirinda and Grand Ole Opry and Uncle Steve Crockett and his Log Cabin Boys will team up to help 4-year-old Ryan Clemens, recently injured in a riding mower accident, at a benefit concert.

The event will take place at the Ravena Knights of Columbus from 2 to 6 p.m. on Oct. 28. Tickets are \$5 per person and there will be refreshments. For further information, call 767-2744.



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# New Scotland board at impasse over clerical staff salaries

By Debi Boucher

After voting to approve a freeze in salaries for elected officials and appointed department heads, the New Scotland Town Board reached an impasse over salaries for clerical employees during its second budget workshop on Monday.

After arguing at length about pay raises for certain clerical workers proposed at last week's budget session, the board convened to executive session, after which Supervisor Herbert Reilly said a decision had been made to schedule a longer executive session for the sole purpose of discussing salary issues. That session has been scheduled for tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

The move to freeze salaries for elected officials was made by Reilly, who said he was endorsing a suggestion made by a citizen at last week's meeting. Board member Peter Van Zetten made the motion to include appointed department heads in the freeze as well. Town Clerk Edita Probst spoke against the move, saying, "a garbage man coming off the street would be making more than a department head."

Craig Shufelt, the lone dissenter in the board's 4-1 vote, said he felt some of the appointed people needed raises.

The discussion triggered disputes about the number of hours employees should work, compensation for overtime, and job descriptions—which do not formally exist at present. Board Member John Sgarlata said a committee set up to develop a new employee handbook (which has been completed, but has not been formally adopted by the town) had addressed the issue of job descriptions, but "whatever we do, somebody's got a problem with it." He suggested having the county Civil Service Commission come in to do an evaluation and work up job descriptions for the town's clerical employees.

Resolving another issue raised at last week's session, the board voted to maintain in the budget Reilly's suggested figure of \$14,400 in funding for Project Hope, a treatment program for troubled youths. Shufelt, who last week proposed

the funding be cut on the grounds it should be paid through the school districts, voted against the resolution, and John Sgarlata abstained because of his work with the county.

Richard Decker, vice president for Project Hope, came to the meeting to defend the program after reading reports of last week's session, in which Shufelt said town funding created inequities. At this session, Shufelt again stressed he was not criticizing the program itself, but only the funding structure, under which, he said, "People in Feura Bush (can be) paying for a kid in Voorheesville." Reilly responded, "We might pick up a boy or girl from Berne or Knox, but simultaneously, the Bethlehem school district might pick up a boy or girl from New Scotland."

Decker said the program, launched in 1980 and now operating in all Albany County towns, is funded by each town, but gets its primary funding from the county. "If you believe it should be funded in a different manner," he said, "I don't believe the few weeks you have to put together a budget is the time to do it."

Van Zetten agreed, saying, "Within another year, if we feel it should be funded another way, then we can work with the school districts on it."

## Zone

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for whether the new zone will get the three votes it needs to become law, while North Street resident Joseph Duclos, a vocal opponent of the measure, said he thinks the vote remains a "toss-up."

At the hearing, Town Planner Jeff Lipnicky presented an overview, followed by a statement in support of the measure by Eric Yaffee of the senior services advisory committee. Taking the tack that the zone addresses a statistically self-evident social need, Yaffee said the proposal was "more conservative" than the committee itself might have written.

"It provides so many controls on a developer or builder that it will have positive, but limited use,"

On the revenue side of the budget, the board dropped its expectation of mortgage tax income from \$80,000 to \$70,000, after financial consultant Peter Luczak cautioned that revenues from that source were "sliding — and sliding fast."

Reilly said sales tax revenues were also flat, but his proposed budget reflects conservative estimates for that income source.

Another kink in working out the budget, which as proposed would raise taxes 39 percent for New Scotland residents, was Reilly's announcement that additional funds would have to be raised to pay for the newly completed Onesquethaw Creek Bridge. The town had set aside \$14,000 for the project, Reilly said, which is now expected to cost approximately twice that amount.

The next regular budget meeting, Reilly said, has been tentatively set for Nov. 8, but whether the board sticks with that date will depend on the outcome of the Oct. 25 executive session, he said. The only other sticking point besides salaries is the \$190,000 revaluation project, for which Reilly included \$100,000 in the proposed 1991 budget, with the expectation of funding it over two years. Shufelt last week proposed it be spread over three years, instead.

said Yaffee. "Due process for the public and protection for landholders in the immediate area are obvious to the objective analyst."

But Duclos, who is president of the Hudson Avenue Neighborhood Association, John Smolinsky, president of Bethlehem Citizens for Responsible Planning, and Brian Danforth, president of the Coalition of Bethlehem Neighborhood Associations, disagreed. Danforth said that as a floating-type zone, the senior zone would undermine the "consistent zoning needed for a stable neighborhood," and offered the results of a coalition survey. One of many speakers who tried to poke holes in a 1988 town sponsored study, Danforth said that his group found senior citizens are most likely to leave Be-



Under the guidance of Cub Scoutmaster of Pack 23 Bill Vincent, scouts Matt Reufer, Matt Tulloch, Brendan Mooney, Andrew Loomis, Brett Vincent and Scot Richman constructed a typical 1900 town in New York state. Their project will be on display in the governor's office for the month of December.

Elaine McLain

## Sheriff's deputy apprehends escapees

Three youths who escaped from the Division For Youth Camp Cass Residential Center in Rensselaerville were apprehended in New Scotland on Oct. 18.

Deputy Phillip Sperry of the Albany County Sheriff's Department, who spotted the three on Route 85 at about 6:15 a.m., ascertained they had escaped from Camp Cass the night before. While in the hamlet of Rensselaerville, they had apparently entered a vehicle parked in a private driveway off Route 85 and had pulled wires from under the dashboard in an attempt to start it. When this failed, the trio continued traveling on foot in and out of the woods east

of Route 85 until being apprehended by Sperry at approximately 8:30 a.m.

Dennis Young, 16, of Stony Point, was charged with escape 1st degree, a felony, and attempted unauthorized use of a motor vehicle 3rd degree, a misdemeanor. Ronald Haniff, 16, of Brooklyn, was charged with escape 2nd degree and attempted unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. Both were taken for arraignment before Rensselaerville Town Justice Peter Isaacson and remanded to Albany County Jail without bail. The third youth, a 15-year-old, was turned over to Camp Cass to be charged in family court at a later date.

lehem because of new development and not, as the town survey reported, because of financial reasons or problems maintaining large homes.

Smolinsky said the ordinance was both too "broad" and "premature," and recommended the board wait until the town's in-progress master plan is complete to consider a senior housing zone.

"There's a lot of work gone into it, but I think a lot of work needs to be done," he said.

And Duclos brought flyers in opposition to the proposal signed by more than 300 town residents. "These signatures represent votes," he said, asking, "In what way does this ordinance represent the wishes of the town?"

Time and again, opponents of the senior zone stressed they were not against the provision because it was related to senior citizens but because it would provide a new mechanism for rezoning residential neighborhoods to allow large apartment buildings and other high-density developments. But Ann Reardon of Nathaniel Boulevard, Delmar, was skeptical. "They keep saying that they're not against seniors," she said. "I don't recall what author it was that said look out for their protesting a little too loudly."

Reardon was one of a smaller group that spoke in favor of the proposal. "I'm definitely in favor of it because I'm in favor of anything that will help seniors," she said.

## Commission holds hearing on cable TV

About 30 people, including residents, representatives from Bethlehem Central School District and from Bethlehem Public Library, turned out for last Thursday's informational hearing on cable television. Held by the Bethlehem Commission on Cable Television, an advisory group formed to review the performance of Ca-

blevision of Rensselaerville, whose contract will expire Aug. 1, 1991, the meeting was designed to gather input from the public.

She said the commission would incorporate the comments into its report, which it hopes to present to the town board sometime in December.



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# THE Spotlight Sports



Allee Rosenfield varsity captain of the Bethlehem Central girls field hockey team demonstrates her technique to Jackie Blickman of the Netherlands. Blickman conducted a workshop for the junior varsity and varsity field hockey teams at the high school.

Elaine McLain

## BC back to winning strokes

By Nat Boynton

Bethlehem Central swimmers picked the rare occasion of a double-dual meet to break into the win column for the first time this season — not once, but twice.

The Eagles, struggling and winless as a young team building for the future, hosted Niskayuna and Scotia last Wednesday, and knocked off both of them. They defeated the Niskies easily, 67-25, and had little trouble with Scotia, 64-27.

It was like old times.

Onlookers also got a bonus in the presence of Richelle Depold, not only the fastest teenage swimmer in New York state, but perhaps the best scholastic swimmer yet produced in this proud state. The versatile Scotia-Glenville junior, who collects pool records as easily as supermarket coupons, set two more for the Bethlehem pool, making four in total, and when she comes back next year she'll run it to six just for the fun of it.

Apart from Depold, last week's meet was all Bethlehem. The Toms sisters were unbeatable in their two respective individual events and in two relays each. So was Anne Byrd, who won the 50 free (28.4) and 'fly (1:13.3) and swam in two first-place relays. Stefani Bobo won the backstroke in 1:12.3. Chrissie Mann and Carrie

Whitaker went 1-2 in the diving. Georgia Butt and Jen Mallery each had a second, and Joyce Aycock and Stacey Rosenblum added two third places each.

There was plenty of open water in the three relay events as BC jumped off to long leads. The medley went to Sarah Toms, Nina

Teresi, Byrd and Butt by nearly six seconds, the 200 free to Byrd, Rosenblum and the two Toms by nine full seconds, and the 400 free to Butt, Rosenblum, Barbara Toms and Aycock by nearly 10 seconds.

The third side of the triangular meet was the only close one of the day. Niskayuna edged Scotia by 45-41.

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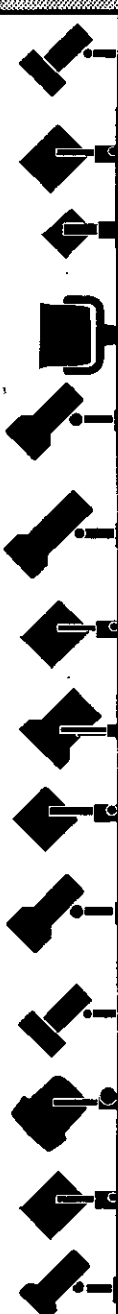
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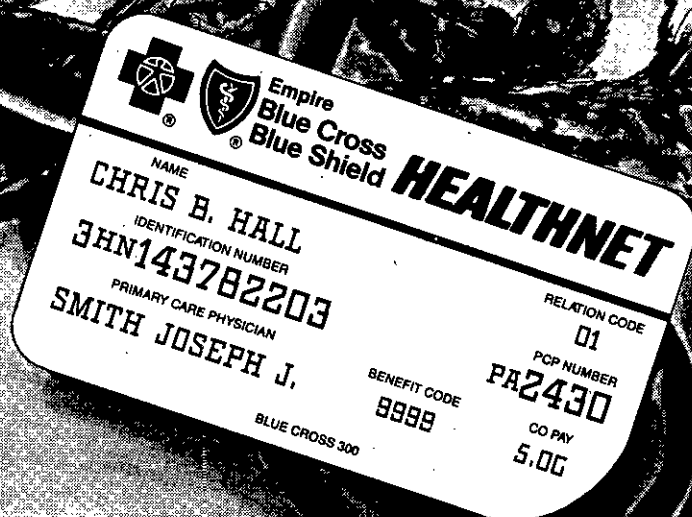
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# Ladybird kickers make history

Because of an editing error, Matt Hladun's article was not published last week. The Spotlight apologizes to the Blackbirds and their supporters.

By Matt Hladun

"It's been a long time," was all that coach Jim Hladun had to say after his team pulled off the biggest victory of the program's history when they knocked off undefeated Mechanicville, 1-0.

The victory snapped the Raiders' impressive 24 game winning streak in the Colonial Council.

Hladun, who may just have been the happiest man alive last Wednesday said the victory was a total team effort.

The game was decided with just under four minutes to play. The always dangerous Nicole Solomos received the ball at half field. She proceeded to beat two defenders, then avoided the sweeperback in the penalty box. Goalkeeper Monica Hipwell came out to try to shut down Solomos, but she slid the ball underneath her into the right corner of the goal.

"It all happened so fast," added Hladun, "I didn't even know it went in until the crowd erupted."

The game was completely dominated by the 'Birds, as the Raiders continuously backed down to them. The Raiders were limited to only a few opportunities early in the first half. The Blackbird defense shut down Mechanicville's top scoring threats Joell Cavotta, who scored the two goals in the Raiders' previous victory against the 'Birds, and Christy DeChiro. Stopperback Pam Harms hounded Cavotta all game, as the striker appeared frustrated in the second half. Kate Ramsey was equally impressive shutting down

DeChiro. As usual, sweeper Kate Depasquale was solid in the backfield, killing all possible scoring threats.

However, Hladun was quick to admit that Mechanicville did not appear to be the same team they played over at the Raiders' home field. He said that they appeared very timid and did not pass the ball well.

It seemed as though the Blackbirds were going to take the early lead when Lynn Meade broke free on the left side and blasted a shot past Hipwell, but the ball careened off the post.

The Blackbirds outshot their opponents 12-6, while Donna Zautner made five saves in posting her fifth league shutout.

The win enabled the Blackbirds to move into a tie for first place in the league. Both teams find themselves with a 9-1-1 record. It should also help the 'Birds obtain a high seed in sectional play.

The week was not over after the victory, as they had to travel to Cohoes. The Blackbirds showed no signs of letting down as they knocked off the Tigers 3-1. Solomos scored twice, while Laura Pierro added the other goal. Dana Blackmer got her first point of her varsity career, as she assisted Solomos's first goal.

## Scouts sell cookies

Local Girl Scouts will be selling cookies from Nov. 9 to Nov. 30. Girl Scout cookies sell for \$2.50 a box and the proceeds go toward providing Scouting opportunities to girls in Albany. For ordering information, call the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council in Delmar at 439-4936.

# Guilderville swimmers on track

By Nat Boynton

Guildervilleswimmersare back to their accustomed winning ways, but it took a bit of doing and there's another major roadblock just ahead.

Sobered by two straight defeats after a string of 30 triumphs, two league titles and a Sectional crown, Larry Dedrick's mermaids won both their meets last week. They polished off Troy, 51-41, in a lackluster performance, then took Shenendehowa, 48-38.

That brought their season to 7-2, good for third place in the Aqua League with three meets remaining. Two are in the league, including a trip this Friday to the six-lane tank at Burnt Hills and a confrontation with one of the league's powers. Burnt Hills has lost only to undefeated Shaker, and may have too much squad depth for Guilderville to overcome.

Dedrick, however, is encouraged by his team's comeback against the Shens, and is pushing for an upset on Friday. At Troy last Wednesday, his swimmers took enough firsts and seconds to win the meet, but the times were slow.

"We didn't swim well," he said. "I don't think the girls were ready for this meet, but I don't know why."

Charge it to a natural letdown after the losses to Shaker and Saratoga, or to repairs to the Troy pool that forced a shift of venue to a bandbox tank at the Troy Middle School hardly able to seat the two teams, let alone a spectator.

But two days later, facing a team that could push them hard, they rebounded with gusto. "We cer-

tainly woke up," Dedrick said after the Shenendehowa junket. "There was a lot of team spirit, they were active on the bus going up and at poolside. They had a great meet."

To gauge the difference, witness the medley relay. At Troy, Cathy Jo Dedrick, Maggie Bintz, Nicole Leach and Jen Cooper opened with a cold 2:06. Against Shenendehowa and with Amy Hilton swimming the freestyle split, they went 1:57.82, their best clocking of the year.

Hilton then won the 200 free in 2:05.90, her best this season, and Dedrick and Bintz went 1-2 in the IM for a 17-7 lead. But the Shens won the 50 free, took 1-3 in the 'fly despite Leach's 1:09, and were first in the 100 free. That closed the gap to 25-20.

Guilderville then turned on the afterburners and took the next four firsts. Hilton won the 500 and teamed with Lea Foster, Leach and Nichole Weston to win the 200 free relay. Dedrick's first in the backstroke was automatic, and Bintz, fighting an illness, clinched the meet with a first in the breaststroke.

Dedrick and teammates were

apprehensive on Monday when Bintz was scheduled for medical tests. Having already lost a first-line swimmer to a fractured ankle, Guilderville can ill afford to lose another top performer with Burnt Hills and the Sectionals coming up.

## Eagles get first win

By Michael Kagan

The Bethlehem Eagles defeated Shaker, 3-1, last week for their first victory this season. Keith Lenden, a senior, scored his first career goal on a penalty kick. Dave VanGelder and Antonio Caparros also scored.

Caparros, assisted by Chris Munzella, scored one goal in a game against Shenendehowa in a 3-1 loss last Thursday. Only three other schools have scored on Shenendehowa.

Scotia beat the Eagles, 1-0, on Saturday.

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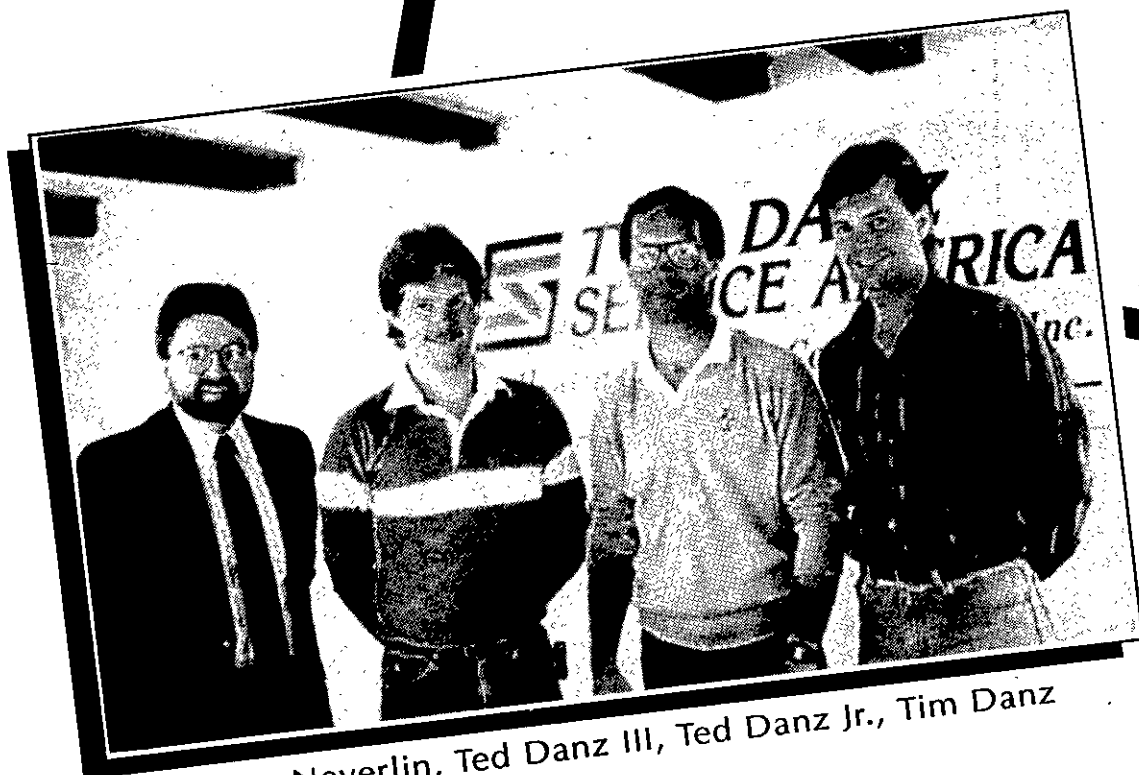
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# Bird booters nails second

By Bob Hagyard

Voorheesville nailed down second place in the Colonial Council boys' soccer standings by outscoring Lansingburgh, Watervliet and Waterford, 12-1, last week. The regular season ended Tuesday at league champ's Albany Academy; Blackbirds entered that contest 11-2 in league play, 11-5-1 overall.

Class CC sectionals begin Saturday. Among the likely opponents:

- Hoosick Falls: Defeated Voorheesville for the 1988 Class CC title, Cobleskill for last year's crown; this year's probable No. 1 seed.

- Cobleskill: Historically the dominant school in this bracket (14 titles, 25 straight tournament appearances); eliminated VC in last year's opening round and in the 1987 semifinals.

- Schoharie: Probable No. 2 seed and owners of an embarrassing post-season losing streak dating to 1980 (they beat Voorheesville).

- Cairo-Durham: Voorheesville last played this school in the 1981 and 1982 opening rounds, losing both.

Game dates and times will be listed in the daily papers tomorrow (Thursday).

"We definitely won't draw a bye this year, and that's good for us," said Bob Crandall, VC coach. "We skipped the first round in 1987, took a week off, ran into Cobleskill and looked terrible."

Bjoern Joergensen, a Danish exchange student, injured a knee when he collided with two Lansingburgh players in the team's 3-1 win Oct. 15. He sat out all of the 6-0 game at Watervliet and the first half of the Waterford game (a 3-0 win). A reluctant Crandall sent him into the lineup after halftime and he scored on his first shot.

The goal was Joergensen's 16th of the season, and it set a new standard at Voorheesville. Since 1979, the year VC moved up to Class CC, the top individual season scorer was Jeff Smolen who in 1987 scored 15 goals in 19 games. Last week another 1990 player, Todd Rockmore, tied that mark at Watervliet with his 15th goal in his 16th game. Right behind Rockmore is Rich Adams, who scored his 12th of the season against Waterford.

A major story of the last week is the improved play of the defensive backline. Eric Logan, Justin Perry, Bill Stone and Kevin Taylor are playing more as a unit now, and this led to some amazing peripheral stats last week. In those three games the Birds outshot their

opponents 79-16, almost a 5-1 margin, and ran up an amazing 26-2 edge in corner-kick calls, all versus middle-of-the-pack league teams.

Going into Tuesday's game, Voorheesville is 6-2 at home (.750), 5-3-1 away (.556).

Expect more than a few VC soccer fans in the stands when Albany State hosts Plattsburgh State for a Division 3 varsity game tomorrow. The Plattsburgh lineup includes Jon Chapman and Brian Tracey, two of the finest ever to wear a Voorheesville soccer uniform. Game time is 4 p.m. at the Albany field, next to Indian Quad toward Western Avenue, uptown campus.

## Golfer enters stakes

Jim Sullivan of Delmar scored a hole-in-one at the Sycamore Country Club and entered the 30th annual Drumbue Rusty Nail Hole-In-One Sweepstakes.

The sweepstakes runs from Jan. 1, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1990.

## Group plans party

The Bethlehem Historical Association will have its annual card party on Thursday, Nov. 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk. There will be raffles, door and table prizes, refreshments and entertainment. For more information, call 439-3521.

## Lecture set at library

Professor Vincent O'Leary, former president of the State University at Albany, will give the Bethlehem Public Library's first Theodore C. Wenzl lecture on Monday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. in the community room. His topic will be the future role of the public library in a changing society.

## BC music group elects officers

The Bethlehem Music Association of the Bethlehem Central School District, a group which recognizes and supports the district's music students, has elected the following officers for the year: Happy Scherer, president; Linda Drew, vice-president; Paula Kubo, secretary; and Marty Lazarus, treasurer.

## Truck donated to BC program

The Bethlehem Central High School auto mechanics program has received a 1990 Chevrolet 4x4 K truck from DeNooyer Chevrolet of Albany and the Syracuse branch of the Chevrolet Motor Division.

Valued at approximately \$19,500, the vehicle was damaged in transit and could not be sold. It was donated to BC's auto mechanics program for training purposes and will be used for classroom instruction only.

# Bleak week for Birds

By Nat Boynton

On Blackbird football, this is a good time to keep the weekly report short.

The field action at Coxsackie Saturday had few bright spots. The home team took the opening kickoff and assembled a 55-yard drive that ended with a 12-yard touchdown pass and a two-point try that didn't work. The Blackbirds, on offense for the first time, answered with a scoring drive of their own, featured by two catches by Tommy Gianatasio and a couple of runs by the reliable Trampus Talavera.

Talavera got the touchdown on a burst through the middle, a trademark carry from nine yards out. Gianatasio kicked the point and it was 7-6 Voorheesville.

From then on it was all

Coxsackie. Final score: 28-7. The Blackbirds had no pass rush at all, and coverage by the secondary was timid.

"There weren't many bright spots after the first period," said Chuck Farley, Voorheesville's first-year coach. "We didn't show much."

For that reason we will dispense with further details and skip the game statistics, turning instead to the coming attractions. This week the Blackbirds entertain Taconic Hills for the usual 1:30 start. "They are a very good football team," says Farley, mindful that TH has lost only to Watervliet and tied Lansingburgh, the Capital Conference's two most potent teams.

But strange things can happen. Look at the Cincinnati Reds.

## Delmar student inducted into honor society

Mark Alexander Farina of Delmar was one of 33 University of North Carolina at Wilmington students inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society on Saturday, Oct. 6.

To be eligible for membership,

students must have completed 30 hours of classes with a grade point average of 3.5, and have no grade lower than a C.

Farina is a sophomore majoring in marine biology.

## Delmar actress featured in show

Debra Mead of Delmar will appear in the Siena College Stage Three Theater production of "Fiddler on the Roof." Perform-

ances are at 8 p.m. on Nov. 2, 3, 9, 10, 15 and 17; 2 p.m. on Nov. 11 and 18 in the Foy Campus Center Theater.

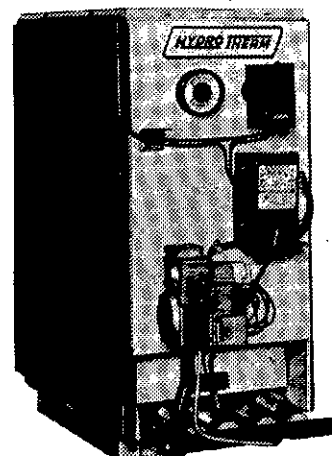
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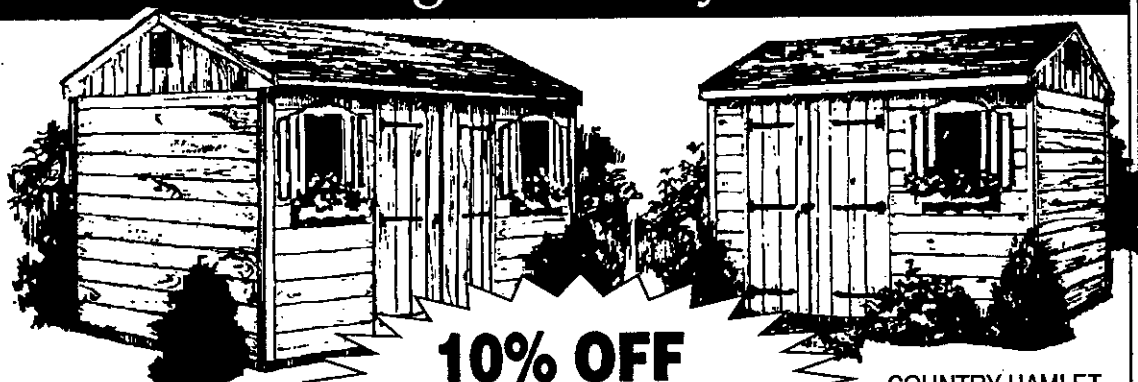
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# Birds two away from title

By Matt Hladun

In August, when Jim Hladun, Voorheesville girls soccer coach, spoke about his team, he was modest. Now, with just two games remaining on the schedule, and his team in the driver's seat for the Colonial Council championship, he is still reluctant to admit that his team has a good shot at the title. He knows that the Ladybirds still have to beat two quality teams to capture the crown, their first in a three-year history.

The team squared off against Schalmont on Monday and Watervliet on Tuesday. Wins in both games would give the Ladybirds the title outright.

If they do win the council, the championship, and a 10-1-1 league record (13-1-2 overall), they would just about lock up a first seed in Class CC Sectionals. This would entitle them to home field advantage in the first two rounds. But the road to the state tournament won't be a cakewalk. Posing serious challenges to Voorheesville will be league-foe Mechanicville, Tri-Valley champion Cobleskill, Patroon champion Tamarac, which has the section's most prolific scorer Nicole Roberts, Chatham and Schoharie.

This all happened with help from their friends. Lansingburgh defeated Mechanicville last Tuesday, while the Blackbirds knocked off Holy Names. The win, coupled with the Raiders' loss, moved the Ladybirds into the top spot, and ended Mechanicville's three-year reign atop the Colonial Council.

Getting to the top wasn't as easy as the team had hoped. The Ladybirds won a hard-fought game against Holy Names, and struggled to defeat Ravena.

Although Ravena had just a 1-12-1 record, Hladun feared an upset by the Indians. The game, played in a strong, chilly wind, remained scoreless through 78 minutes. The Birds finally got the break they needed when Lynn Meade headed down the left wing and sent the ball across the goal mouth. Laura Pierro knocked it in, to make her seventh goal of the year, and Meade's seventh assist.

"It's just a game we'd all like to forget," said Hladun. On a positive note, it was goalkeeper Donna Zautner's seventh shutout in the league, and eighth overall.

Earlier in the week, the Ladybirds held off a tough Holy Names squad. Although the game was

played evenly, the Birds took control when they scored with just under 15 minutes to go. The tally came when Pierro sailed a ball in front of the goal, and Meade headed the ball past the outstretched arms of Amy Platt, her 14th goal. With 35 seconds remaining, it was Nicole Solomos, the team's leading player, who put the ball on Pierro's head.

Zautner made nine saves for the Birds, who outshot Holy Names, 16-10.

Sectional play begins this Saturday. Voorheesville will likely be playing a home game.

The Junior Pee Wee Condors flew high this past Sunday as they overtook a tough Troy team 6-0.

Roland Hollins streaked for a 54 yard touchdown run, while Jason Chatterjee and Bobby Hazen led in blocking. Marty Brozowski and John McGuinness played outstanding defense.

The Midget Eagles, despite solid blocking by John Svare and Liam Walmsley and stubborn defense by Dave Stewart, fell to the Rensselaer Rams 26-14. Eric Domermuth and Kevin Dunnels had the TD runs.

The Pee Wee Falcons lost to the Guiderland Ponies 13-6. Greg Bartoletti, Justin Riccio and Mike King played strong offensively, while Andre Ellman, Mike Harold and J.J. Kasasjian led the defense. A key interception by Tommy Walmsley led to the Falcons' only TD by Matt Quackenbush.

The Guiderland Junior Midgets overtook the Bethlehem Hawks 8-6. Brian Fryer turned in 150 yards rushing and one TD. Mike Follis grappled for seven tackles and Steve Demerest six tackles. Chris DiMuria and Paul Weinmann played outstanding offense.

# Tennis pro carries commitment to kids

By Christine Muia

Phil Ackerman works behind a paper-strewn, cafeteria-style table, but dreams of drilling a forehand down the line.

At age 34, his blond hair is getting darker, and he's grown a beard. Yet, when I first bumped into him at the physical education building at the University at Albany, I recognized him immediately. He had that unmistakable "happy, joyous and free" look in his face that I must have gravitated toward as a little girl when he first taught me how to play tennis. Phil is a fun guy to be around, if you can catch him.

"I'd love to be on a court right now, he said, "but there's too many administrative pressures like the budget, salary, ordering equipment, tennis balls, calling parents."

Phil carries with him a strong commitment to the sport. Currently, he has just finished heading the summer tennis camp at the University of Albany. It was aimed at high school age students serious about tennis, he said. "The word is out. If you're not serious about tennis, this is not the place to go. We're getting kids who are interested in tennis, it's not a day camp."

A typical week covers stroke improvement, forehand, backhand, volley, "power serve," match-play and a final tournament. Soccer and volleyball are available for increasing eye-hand-and-foot coordination, along with instructional videos.

Videos? I don't remember any of those in 1972 when I first started taking community tennis lessons at Bethlehem Middle School with Phil. My friend Joanne and I would rally back and forth till our arms felt like spaghetti, and then gulp

water from the fountain, which always seemed too warm.

Oureye-hand-foot-coordination drills consisted of seeing how many times we could bounce the tennis ball on the ground using a forehand grip. If we were feeling especially coordinated, some of us tried bouncing it up in the air. Alternating ground and air was a bigger feat usually reserved for the older kids. But we all tried. We lined up behind and next to each other at first, then zig-zagged all over the courts chasing the ball. To this day I remember staring at Phil using the racquet's edge, not the "sweet spot" to do this drill. He was good.

Phil is comfortable with himself. The relationship he has with tennis lies somewhere between Nick Bolitari and Vic Braden, nationally-known tennis instructors. He passes this comfortable feeling onto the players and coaches around him. "I push kids hard, as hard as they can be, yet I never lose sight that tennis is fun," he said.

Phil likes being around kids. He credits Don Camp, longtime head tennis coach at Bethlehem Central Senior High School, and his idea about using high school coaches in the community tennis program as his inspiration to become a teacher. After receiving a master's degree from SUNYA, Phil taught American studies in the Voorheesville School district for four years. In August, he began his second year at Albany Law School, hoping to graduate in 1992, bar exam included.

This summer he shifted some of his energy away from tennis. "Perhaps my zenith was the summer of '89," he said. Phil co-lead, with Bill MacArthur, the Schenectady Racquet Training Academy.

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# BC 3rd at Cobleskill meet *Eagles finish with win*

By Jason Wilkie

After a gun shot rang out through the pouring rain, 200 triathlon feet began the SUNY Cobleskill Cross Country Invitational on Oct. 13.

The Bethlehem boys varsity cross country team took home a third place trophy from the meet, and the girls team ran a full team of five runners for the first time in weeks. Sara Clash, who suffered from a groin injury, and Meghan Faulkner, who had experienced a distressed knee, returned to the team, running the 3.5 mile course.

## Star Bowlers



Bowling honors for the week of Oct. 14, at Del Lanes in Delmar, go to:

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Major Girls — Gretchen Seaburg, 176, 471 triple; Erin Barkman, 186, 443 triple.

Jr. Girls — Laura Van Valkenburg, 143, 412 triple.

Prep Boys — Mike Patounas, 170, 499 triple.

Prep Girls — Lisa Morris 194, 481 triple.

Bantam Girls — Kim Brown, 108, 269 triple.

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Major Boys — Jason Bardin, 247, 808 (4 game series); Lee Aiessa 227, 812 (4 game series).

Major Girls — Beth Matthews, 218, 757 (4 game series).

Jr. Boys — Al Crewell, 218, 729 (4 game series).

Jr. Girls — Melanie Dale, 192, 627 (4 game series).

Last week the BC boys team lost to Scotia 28-27. Scotia's girls team defaulted to BC because they were unable to field a complete varsity team.

The boys team captured third place at the county meet. BC's Gary Herd captured seventh place, Matt Dugan soared across the line at 12th place, and the boys team captain, Ken Watson, finished 25th. Ryan Lillis improved his previous best on the course by 26 seconds.

In the junior varsity race, Merlin Gordon beat out the front runners from every team except Guilderland.

The past two weeks left BC with a new confidence, and a determination to defeat their rivals Saturday at the Suburban Council Championships at Saratoga.

### Jones moves to semis

Top-seeded Kristen Jones of Bethlehem Central moved into the semifinals of the Section 2 tennis championships with an easy 6-0, 6-0 victory over Ashley Goetz of Queensbury. Other players advancing were from Shaker, Niskayuna and Amsterdam.

Bethlehem's last hope for a doubles finalist fell when Karen Yaffee and Valerie Mader lost to a Queensbury pair, 6-1, 6-1, in last week's quarterfinals at Central Park, Schenectady. Semifinals were scheduled for yesterday (Tuesday) at Southwood Tennis Club, with finals in both singles and doubles set for this afternoon.

The Bethlehem field hockey team ended its season on Friday with a 3-1 victory over visiting Cocksackie-Athens.

Senior co-captain Allee Rosenfield gave the Lady Eagles the lead by scoring with just under 15 minutes remaining in the first half. Soon into the second half Megan McFerran scored on a pass from Rosenfield. Julie Hwang tallied the final goal at the 20:40 mark.

Bethlehem outshot Cocksackie, 17-5, and held a 14-3 corner advantage. Cocksackie goalkeeper Col-

### RCS wins 2nd straight

By Dena Marshall

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk varsity football team scored its second consecutive victory this past weekend in a 7-6 triumph over Averill Park.

Adam Leonardo made Ravena's touchdown while Rob Newkirk gained the extra point. Averill Park came into the game undefeated.

At the Albany County Cross Country Invitational on Friday, the RCS boys varsity team finished fifth out of nine schools. Chris King, Ravena's stop runner, finished ninth. Seth Roe, an aspiring sophomore, finished 24th, and Brian Whitney, a junior in his first year at cross country, finished 31st.

In girls soccer, Voorheesville defeated Ravena 1-0. At the end of the game, seniors received flowers from the underclassmen because this was the season's last home game.

### BC beats Shaker

By Matt Kratz

Last week the Bethlehem Central varsity girls soccer team won a game and lost one, bringing its record to 5-8. The win came on Tuesday at Shaker, 3-0.

Chelcea Donovan scored two goals in the first half that slipped in because of goalie errors. Erin Mitchell scored the third goal in the second half.

On Saturday the Eagles were beaten at Scotia by 6-0. They were missing their first string goalie, Carolyn Arber, and midfielder Erin McDermott. Donovan went in goal and Maggie Franzen took McDermott's spot.

Donovan stopped 14 of almost 20 shots and blocked a penalty shot.

At the end of the first half, down only 2-0, BC still had a chance, but that diminished as the second half wound down. Coach Tony DiSilvio said the big problem was a weak midfield.

On Monday the Eagles played Guilderland. A win could bring the team to sectionals.

## Field hockey

leen O'Neill tallied four saves for the win.

Bethlehem received a solid performance from its defense, anchored by senior center half-back Kerry Fitzpatrick. She kept Dave Cotler, Cocksackie's "secret weapon," in check. Cotler, who recently had a big game against Voorheesville scoring four goals for his team's 4-3 victory, was held to just one shot on goal.

The Lady Eagles end their season with an overall record of 3-14-1.

Next year, with a core of 11 players expected to return and talented younger players moving up, should be an exciting season.

### Support group to meet

The next meeting of the Bethlehem Support Group for parents of students with handicapping conditions will be Nov. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at town hall. For more information call, 439-9083.

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# Delmar church series deals with issue of aging

By Debi Boucher

Old age is not so bad, a wry adage observes, "when you consider the alternative."

Still, most of us have negative preconceptions about aging, many of them centered around fear — fear of physical infirmity, fear of losing our mental faculties, fear of losing our independence.

In addition, facing our parents' old age can be a prelude to facing our own — and just as fraught with uncertainty. While the issues of aging are universally shared, they are seldom discussed in a comprehensive manner.

A refreshing exception is Delmar Presbyterian Church's seven-part "Dealing With Aging" series, launched this month and continuing through Nov. 14, with a lecture and discussion on a different topic each week. Open to the public, the Wednesday night series (being held on Tuesday the week of Halloween) is providing a much needed forum.

The Rev. Larry Deyss, pastor of the Delaware Avenue church, said he didn't know of any similar programs. "We've kind of developed our own model," he said.

Pam Taft, director of Christian education at the church, explained that the forum was an offshoot of a survey the education department had done in an attempt to expand its adult education program beyond Bible study. The two top social issues parishioners showed concern for, she said, were aging and the environment. (The education department hopes to follow up with a program on the environment next spring.)



The Rev. Larry Deyss and Pam Taft, who worked together to develop the "Dealing With Aging" series.

"We wanted to open it to the public," she said, adding that the rate of response has so far been good, with an average of 30 people attending the first three sessions. "A significant number," she said, were from outside the church.

So far, Deyss observed, attendees have ranged from people in their 40s and 50s dealing with their parents' old age and beginning to look ahead to their own, to older people beginning to feel the effects of aging themselves.

As an introduction to his lecture on "The Spirituality of Aging," which kicked off the series, Deyss conducted an eye-opening exercise: he had participants write down the thoughts that came to mind in connection with aging. The slips of papers he collected included only a couple of positive thoughts, such as the freedom to travel afforded by retirement; the rest were negative, revealing fears and anxieties.

"Sometimes people hit 65 and think their usefulness is over," Deyss observed. "But in the period that we call old age, there is another developmental piece to be done. . . it culminates in what we call wisdom."

The way we live before we reach those later years, Deyss said, has much to do with determining our state of mind when we get there. "We don't wait to age to start doing things about it — growing in a spiritual sense needs to be there as we go along." It's important to be open to changes as we age, he said, to learn to adapt, and to "have new responses to new situations."

"At the end of his talk," said Taft, "people seemed able to turn their thinking around," and focus more on the positive aspects of aging.

The program by no means attempts to gloss over the problems associated with growing older but addresses them in a straightforward, helpful manner. The most recent session, on housing options

for seniors, covered a variety of alternative living arrangements as well as funding sources and income requirements for assistance. "A lot of people took notes," Taft said.

The previous session, the second in the series, addressed the emotional aspects of aging. Presented by Beth Smith-Bovin, director of admissions and special projects at Good Samaritan Home in Delmar, the talk was directed at adult offspring of older people as well as senior citizens themselves, covering topics such as role-reversal, guilt and grief.

"Speakers seem very willing to come," Taft noted, "because they see a need." Deyss added that he was "elated" about the feedback on the series from both speakers and participants.

Taft, who will be leading the session on "Dealing With Physical Disabilities" on Nov. 7, said many people are so afraid of the physical side effects of aging they won't seek medical help, in order to avoid facing a diagnosis. A physical therapist herself, Taft works as a consultant at Good Samaritan Home, and knows from experience how hard acceptance can be — and how necessary. "You have to acknowledge that you have a disability, and you have to have it evaluated," she said.

Even more difficult to face, however, are mental disabilities, which will be addressed in tonight's session on "Depression and Dementia." Led by Elizabeth Pohlmann, program director for the Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Center of the Capital Region, the

program will include information on symptoms and characteristics of such afflictions, and a discussion on how they affect people's daily lives.

Again stressing the importance of diagnosis, Taft said cases of depression or dementia can sometimes stem from physical problems, such as poor nutrition. Mental problems, she added, may be reversible. In any case, she said, acceptance of problems, whether physical or mental, helps all concerned deal with them more effectively.

"We can't erase the problems," said Deyss, "but there are things we can do." Noting that "just human interaction is important," in helping older people maintain a positive state of mind, he stressed the importance of reaching out to others.

"Part of the American frame of reference is the frontier mentality — you go it alone," he said. "So when we get older, we don't reach out to other people." But young or old, he pointed out, "none of us is self-sufficient, we all need people."

Connecting people with other people who can help them is part of what the "Dealing With Aging" series is all about. Said Taft, "There are more resources than people are aware of."

The sessions run from 7:30 p.m. to 9, and are held at the church, located on Delaware Avenue at Cherry Avenue. Following tonight's session on depression, upcoming sessions will cover financial security (Oct. 30), physical disabilities (Nov. 7) and resources for seniors in the Town of Bethlehem (Nov. 14). For more information, call the church at 439-9252.

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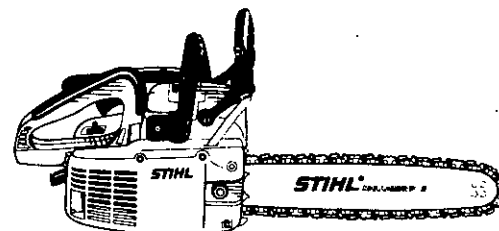
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## 102nd

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consent requirement on abortions for minors.

Faso supports the death penalty bill, as would Laux if elected, while Jones said she would vote against it.

With regard to Bethlehem, Faso said he feels good about the level of communication he's had with supervisors Ken Ringier and Robert Hendrick while in office. One issue he's worked closely with Ringier on over the last year was fighting for added potential representation for Bethlehem within the proposed ANSWERS wasteshed authority act, which eventually passed in the Assembly, but was defeated in the Senate. As for American Ref-Fuel's plan to site a regional waste incinerator in town, Faso said he is concerned about it, but hasn't taken a position. He said he is "not against incineration per se."

Jones said she favors a "holistic approach" to the waste crisis, and would not rule out any potential solution, including incineration. She applauds Bethlehem's six-month solid waste facility moratorium in the spirit of "slowing down" and looking for the best solutions.

"If we hadn't slowed this down we would have been right back where we were 10 years ago, just basically putting our garbage in the earth and turning it over," she said. "As long as we keep chipping away, we can find a solution."

Laux said he doesn't think Ref-Fuel's proposed location on the Hudson River is an "appropriate" site for an incinerator. He said he proposes the formation of a state panel of experts with the power to site waste disposal facilities in order to eliminate politics from the selection process.

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## Adjust

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man at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City, and Christopher, a junior at Bethlehem Central High School.

"Frankly, I'm more worried about my daughter in New York City at the Fashion Institute," he said, in relation to his wife being in Saudi Arabia. What concerns him more about Carol is that people here have her address so they can contact her. Her military address is: Desert Shield, Rivers, Carol LCDR, PSU 301, U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Office, ASU Box 508, FPO NY 09526-2800.

Rivers said Carol accepted being sent to the Gulf as part of her military responsibility. She has been in the reserves for 13 years. Her unit can be activated anywhere from 90 days to six months.

He doesn't know where she is other than an undisclosed port in

Saudi Arabia. So far, the only mail he has received is a post card.

Rivers said the biggest adjustment he and Christopher have had to make is getting along without a woman in the house. "My daughter left in August and my wife in September," he said.

"Fortunately I can cook and clean — that's normal," and not part of the adjustment the family has had to make.

Carol's regular job is as a health care manager with the Lawrence Group in Albany and Bob is a state Department of Transportation consultant in the management bureau. Since his job covers the whole state, he said he has tried to cut business obligations to day or overnight trips so he can be at home with Christopher.

In the Coast Guard, he said Carol has three basic jobs: experience indicators, explosives loading handling and cargo management port operations.

## Regular

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battalion's equipment and vehicles went over as scheduled, Blodgett did not go until Oct. 16, her mother said.

A 1985 graduate of Bethlehem High School, Blodgett was commissioned as an officer of the Army following her graduation from the Army ROTC program at Siena College in 1989. She immediately went into service that July, and she has since been working with missile ordinance crews operating out of Fort Hood.

"I was extremely apprehensive... but I'm really proud of her," said Wright. She and her husband, William, also have two sons who have gone on to military careers as well; one served with the Army for a period of time and one is still

with the Army National Guard.

Wright said that she has not heard from her daughter since she was sent to the Gulf, and added that it would be great if Blodgett heard from some of her old friends, because "what the kids want most is to receive mail... to hear from home."

Blodgett's mailing address is: 2nd Lt. Debora L. Blodgett, 061608399, E Company, 27th Main Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, APO NY 90306-0510.

### Holiday sale planned

A "Country Christmas Sampler" will be held on Nov. 10 by three women, Audrey Carl, Betty Koban, and Tish McKenzie, who have spent the last year making Christmas gifts. The sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 3 Slingerlands Ave. in Clarksville. For more information call 768-2032.

### School launches self-esteem program

The Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School guidance department is sponsoring a Positive Youth Development program for students in grades 7 through 9 to begin at the end of October.

During the 10-week cycle, students will meet with counselors

during the school day to participate in projects and discussions designed to improve their self-esteem.

Parents interested in having their child participate are asked to contact Barbara Blumberg at 765-5529.



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# Center

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compromises made before rather than after," Gunner said. "I have concerns we are mortgaging ourselves beyond what most homeowners would do."

As that town fact sheet has it, the what, where, and whys of the community center are as follows: The 45,600 square foot building has been designed as a "modern, flexible, multi-purpose facility that will provide a variety of programs for all ages." It would include a combination gymnasium and multi-purpose room, including a small stage, child care rooms, a youth activities room, arts and crafts room, an aerobics room and a lap pool with lockers and saunas. It would also be the new home for the town's senior services department, which is now in crowded quarters at town hall, and permit a safer reorientation of Elm Park's entrance and internal roadways.

According to community center committee projections, construction costs would total \$6,027,000. It is estimated that net annual operating costs for the center will be about \$72,000 a year — or an overall \$181,200 offset by \$44,800 in revenue from child care

and \$64,600 in revenue from the pool.

Still, it is those two revenue-generating items which have sparked the greatest controversy. Gunner, among others, has questioned the need for a third indoor pool in town and questioned how the town would operate day care programs. But David Austin, Parks and Recreation Department administrator, points to the town's 1988 community center survey and his own experience in arguing that the demand for both is apparent. He said that aside from the fact they're not built to accommodate the handicapped, both the high school and middle school pools are consistently overbooked and kept too cold for senior citizens. And, he said, local day care centers currently have long waiting lists.

"Obviously, this department has to be in support of the community center, because we see the need," Austin said. "My job is to provide recreation where it's needed and right now in certain areas I'm having difficulty doing that."

Without the pool or day care space, the community center would cost roughly \$3.6 million, according to committee estimates.

For Lillis, the issue of bad fiscal timing is really part of an argu-

ment in support of the community center. "I guess I believe that when things are like that, there's all the more reason to have a sense of community and not less of a need," he said. As for re-evaluation, he stressed that the process doesn't mean new taxes but a more equitable distribution of the existing tax bill.

Both Lillis and Marty Cornelius, a committee member and director of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, take the firm position that the center is a need and not a luxury.

"It's going to improve everybody's quality of life," said Cornelius, arguing the facility would be the kind of asset that would draw interested home-buyers and increase the value of local property.

"There were so many times I wished I had won the lottery and done the community center myself," she said, talking about her five years of work on the issue. She said that if the referendum fails, she's willing to try again later with a new proposal.

"I'm not going to stop buying lottery tickets," she said. "I see it as something that even if my grandchildren get to enjoy, it's worth working to do it."



Norman and Lynn Warrell, owners of Crafts and Fabrics Beyond the Tollgate Inc., on New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, suit up in the homemade costumes they created in anticipation of the Halloween Costume Contest the store is hosting on Oct. 31. The contest, beginning at 4:30 p.m., is open to all ages. The only requirement is that costumes be handmade. Prizes will be awarded in various categories. Doughnuts and cider will be served, and painted pumpkins (displayed here by Tweetie Bird and her clown spouse) will be given out.

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## Obituaries

### James Gleason

James P. Gleason, 79, of Delmar Place, Delmar died October 16 in Albany Memorial Hospital.

Born in Albany, he retired in 1974 as a payroll clerk at the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., in Albany, after working there for 44 years.

He was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy in Albany and attended St. Joseph's Grammar School, formerly in Albany.

A World War II Army veteran, he was a member of the 25 year club of Niagara Mohawk; the Utilities Employees Association, Albany branch; and the Albany Knights of Columbus Council 173.

Mr. Gleason was a communicant of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Albany.

Survivors include three sisters, Ann Kelley of Delmar; Sister Mary Gleason, a member of the Daugh-

ters of Charity in Cochabamba, Bolivia; and Sister Hilda Gleason, a member of the Daughters of Charity in Tainan, Taiwan.

Services were by Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, Delaware Ave., Albany and were held in Sacred Heart Church. Burial was held in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

### Hazel Oliver

Hazel Oliver, 84, of New Scotland Avenue in Slingerlands, died Oct. 15 in St. Peter's Hospital after being stricken at home.

She was born in Slingerlands and worked for the state Office of General Services as a cleaning supervisor.

Survivors include her brother, Abraham Oliver of Rensselaer.

Services were by Brunk Meyers Funeral Home, Voorheesville. Burial was held in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Guilderland.

## Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

Yard waste collection provided by the Bethlehem Highway Department operates between April 1 and Dec. 15 with seasonal variations: spring cleanup, summer grass clippings, fall leaves and holiday greens. Such waste can account for up to 20 percent of the town's total waste. Through composting, the yard waste disposal burden can be converted to a useful resource.

In the past, most yard waste (except fall leaves) was put in plastic bags for collection. In order to make this material available for composting, the town is now recommending the following, listed in order of preference:

1. **Backyard composting** Yard waste, as well as fruit and vegetable trimmings from the kitchen, can be composted easily in the backyard. More information can be obtained through the Albany County Cooperative Extension, or the Town Recycling Hotline, 767-9618, 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday.

2. **Reusable containers** Pile yard waste material only into an open container, such as garbage can. The filled container should be no heavier than 50 pounds so that it can be lifted and dumped into town collection vehicles.

3. **Branches** Branches must be tied into bundles no more than four feet in length and no heavier than 50 pounds.

4. **Bags** Only brown paper, biodegradable bags are acceptable. Plastic bags, both regular and degradable, do not break down in compost heaps because they require full sunlight to decompose. Instead, plastic breaks into small pieces which contaminate the final product. Brown bags can be purchased at town hall, town park, the highway garage and the Rupert Road transfer station at three bags for \$1. Various merchants in the area also sell acceptable paper bags.

5. **Leaves** Leaves can be raked in loose piles at the curbside for pickup by town vacuum trucks during spring cleanup (April) and fall leaf pickup (October and November).

The town's goal is to collect "bag-free" yard waste or waste in brown bags and convert it to a rich compost. The end product will be available, as in past years, to residents for their lawn and garden needs, beginning in the spring.

This week's recycling corner was written by Kathy Betzhold, a member of the Bethlehem Solid Waste Task Force.

## Fire Fighters Corner

Isabel Glastetter

The following departments responded to emergency calls during the week of Oct. 11 through Oct. 17: Delmar Fire Department, one dumpster fire; Delmar Rescue Squad, five respiratory distresses, two personal injuries, one standby, three cardiac related, seven medical emergencies, three auto accidents; Elsmere Fire Department, one auto accident; Bethlehem Ambulance, two respiratory distress, two unresponsive patients, three personal injuries, three standbys, two auto accidents, four medical emergencies; Selkirk Fire Department, two wire burnings, one auto accident; Voorheesville Ambulance, one unknown illness, two cardiac related, two respiratory distress.

A meeting for town fire officers will be held at Slingerlands Fire-

house on Thursday, Nov. 1 at 8 p.m.

Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance will have a mass casualty incident drill at the Voorheesville High School on Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. There will be response from various local emergency departments. The public is invited to attend.

### RCS parents meet

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School parents' association, Partners in Education, will have its second meeting of the 1990-91 school year on Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the RCS High School library. Department heads will be present at the meeting to discuss and answer questions about their respective departments. For more information, call 756-9393.

## DAR celebrates a century of service

By Allison Bennett

On Oct. 11, the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated one hundred years of service and dedication to patriotism.

Equally remarkable is that Tawasentha DAR Chapter has celebrated 83 years of history within our area. The name of the chapter was chosen at the founding meeting on a January afternoon in 1907 and it commemorates the Vale of Tawasentha as mentioned in the poem *Hiawatha* by Longfellow. Some of the familiar names of the ladies assembled at this initial meeting were: Slingerland, Ostrander, Vanderpool, Miner, Blessing, Coughtry, Haswell, Boutelle and Dearstyne.

We might well ask what this organization has done over the years. In 1915, Tawasentha Chapter led in a tribute to the Liberty Bell which passed through on the D&H railroad, en route to its final resting place in Philadelphia. Over 300 persons assembled at Slingerlands station where the chapter held patriotic exercises. The graves of all Revolutionary War soldiers in any local cemetery have been recorded in a publication of



the Chapter and appropriate markers have been installed.

In the early years baby clothing was made for the Homeopathic Hospital in Albany and during all of our nation's wars much sewing and gifts were made for the servicemen by the DAR members. In 1918 the chapter was instrumental in raising \$10,000 for the local Liberty Loan Committee and in World War II they assisted at the DAR Canteen in Albany, the blood plasma center, and raised money for the Red Cross war chest.

Bronze markers were placed by the Chapter to honor historic events at the New Scotland Presbyterian Church, the Guilderland Glass Works, the site of the Deitz massacre in Berne and on the cliff at Thacher Park to honor pioneer geologists. New citizens are not forgotten by the DAR, which has sponsored citizenship classes and

literature, and presents gifts on Naturalization Day.

Youth has always been a concern for the group. The Cerebral Palsy Center in Albany benefited from DAR efforts as have three schools the DAR supports, two for underprivileged children in the Southern states and a school for Indian children. DAR essay contests and Good Citizen awards are maintained in the local schools.

Tawasentha's annual show and sale has generated profits that established an annual scholarship for a young person in memory of Lt. Henry Klein, Jr., killed in Vietnam in 1966. The Chapter also works in the Albany Veterans Administration hospital.

The Chapter annually puts up a display to commemorate Constitution Day and is always alert to legislation that has bearing on our American rights and privileges. Not only does the DAR perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence, but it tries to foster love of country and to secure for mankind the blessings of liberty.

### Local artist

#### displays work

Slingerlands artist Charles A. Schade is having an exhibition of his watercolor paintings at the Bethlehem Public Library during the month of October. The artist will be present at a reception at the library on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Charles Argow Schade was educated in the Albany Public Schools, where his interest in art began. He graduated from Yale University, where he studied architecture, and successfully practiced architecture in Albany for many years.

Since his retirement, Schade has pursued an interest in watercolor painting. His watercolors have been exhibited locally at the Bethlehem, Voorheesville and Colonie libraries, Colonie Town Hall, Colonie Pruyn House and Albany Country Club. He has won awards in various juried competitions, including the 1987 Pruyn House Colonie Day Show, and the 1989 Town of Colonie Art Show.

### Dutch party to benefit Cherry Hill

A Dutch evening party with Peter G. Rose, food historian and author, for the benefit of Historic Cherry Hill will be held Saturday, Oct. 27 at 8 p.m.

The event will be held in the parlors of the Doane Stuart School on Route 9W in Glenmont with a variety of 17th and 18th century Dutch foods and liqueurs. A raffle and Dutch Market with food, tiles, Delft, books, and bulbs will be available.

### Prayer vigil planned

Bishop Howard J. Hubbard will present a community prayer vigil for justice and peace on Oct. 28 in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, on Madison Avenue and Eagle Street, Albany, at 2:30 p.m. The vigil will commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's declaration on the relationship of the church to non-Christian religions.

## Senior Citizens

### Meal program launched

"Monday Meals" is a program to provide senior residents of the Town of Bethlehem with a hot meal and entertainment once a week in an accessible atmosphere. The program is sponsored by the Town of Bethlehem Senior Services and will be held at town hall in the auditorium on Mondays. Residents meet from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and lunch is served at 1 p.m. A weekly donation of \$2.50 is suggested.

Transportation is provided by Bethlehem Central School bus by

calling 439-4955. There are pickups at a designated stop near your home in the Tri-Village area.

Reservations must be made each week either by signing up at the luncheon or by calling 439-4955, ext. 170, weekday mornings. Monday Meals reservations close on the previous Friday at noon of each week.

Entertainment will be provided by community volunteers for approximately 30 minutes following the meal. Following weekly entertainment, cards or other table games are encouraged.

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mendleson

## Weinert, Mendleson wed

Lauri Lynn Weinert, daughter of Patricia and Gary Weinert of Glenmont, and Andrew S. Mendleson, son of Yvonne Mendleson of Delmar and Alton P. Mendleson of Glenmont, were married Sept. 22.

Rev. Joan Kahn-Schneider conducted the service in the Desmond Americana.

Karyn Weinert was maid of honor. Holly Mendleson, Jill Riley, Michele Nappi, Lisa D'Elisis were bridesmaids, with Kathryn Elliott as flower girl.

Alton V. Mendleson was best

man. Craig Weinert, Michael Tangora, Brian Elliott and Christopher Morrissey were ushers, with Michael Smolinski ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Ithaca College. She is the assistant manager of The Paper Mill in Delmar.

The groom is a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College, and is employed by D.A. Bennett, Inc. as a service technician.

The couple resides in Albany.



## Community Corner

### Pancake breakfast to aid food pantry

Come enjoy a great breakfast for a good cause. The Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Oct. 28 at the American Legion Hall on Poplar Drive in Elsmere from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds from the breakfast, featuring all the pancakes and sausage you can eat, plus juice and coffee, will benefit the Northeast New York Regional Food Bank. Admission is \$3.75 for adults, \$3.25 for senior citizens, \$2.75 for children and free for children under five.

### Take a break, recreate!

#### Halloween party set

The third annual Halloween Hay Day will be held on Sunday, Oct. 28 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Elm Avenue Park. The day's events include hayrides, games, Halloween refreshments and a "Count Dracula" contest. Children can also create and decorate a trick-or-treat bag. The day is sure to be fun for the whole family — and it's free of charge, rain or shine!

#### Bodywise class added

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will extend the Bodywise, low intensity aerobics class for another six-week session beginning Monday, Oct. 29. The program runs from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Elm Avenue Park office building.

The Shape Up, intermediate level aerobics program still has openings in Session II, which meets on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings beginning Oct. 30. Pre-registration is required for both programs. For more information or to register call 439-4131 or visit the park office weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Library shows film

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd., Voorheesville, will show "Fail Safe," a movie starring Henry Fonda, on Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. For more information, call 765-2791.

### Garden club seeks greens

The Bethlehem Garden Club is gearing up for the winter phase of its community project to beautify the Town of Bethlehem's business landscape.

They need all varieties of evergreen branches by Nov. 9. Blue spruce, cedar, juniper and scotch pine are especially attractive arranged in the 44 flower boxes up and down Delaware Ave.

The Garden Club will be happy to pick the greens up or cut them if necessary. For information, call Shirley Bowdish at 439-5323.

### Lecture on waste set

Environmental educator and lecturer David Diligent will present a program on Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, entitled "Household Hints on Waste."



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rohan

## Lanahan, Rohan wed

Lori Lynn Lanahan, daughter of Joan and James Lanahan of Delmar, and Brian Patrick Rohan, son of Janet and John Rohan of Clifton Park, were married Aug. 18.

Fr. James Daley conducted the ceremony in The Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Kathleen Lanahan was maid of honor. Christine Gray, Heather Mathusa, Kathleen Kaiser, Lisa Ludeman, Marjorie Horan and Heather Rohan were bridesmaids.

Michael Rohan was best man. William Munroe, William Hamilton, Kevin Smith, Kevin Magee,

Robert Horan Jr. and Mark Rohan were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, SUNY at Geneseo and SUNY Albany. She is a special education teacher in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District.

The groom is a graduate of SUNY at Plattsburgh, Albany Law School and Union College. He is employed by the law offices of Stephen J. Waite in Albany.

After a wedding cruise to the Southern Caribbean, the couple resides in Albany.

## Hall — Standish

Jeannette Hall of Delmar and Lorne Hall, M.D. of Raleigh, N.C., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Pamela K. Hall, to John C. Standish II, son of Elaine Standish of Niskayuna and J. Spencer Standish of Loudonville.

Hall is a graduate of Albany

Academy for Girls and University of North Carolina. She is employed by Macy's in Albany.

Standish is a graduate of Albany Academy, Rochester Institute of Technology, and University of North Carolina. He is employed by Albany International Cowansville, Quebec, Canada.

### Church to host supper

The Presbyterian Church in New Scotland will have a turkey supper on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 4 to 7 p.m. No reservations are needed, and admission is \$7. For more information, call 439-6454.

### School holds bake sale

Elsmere Elementary School's annual Election Day Bake Sale is being held on Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the school's gym. The sale is open to the community. For more information, call 439-6305.

### Here's to a

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## Audubon going wild over Halloween

By Susan Graves

You can let your kids go wild this Halloween, and they might even get a prize for it.

The New York Audubon Autumn Festival will hold its second annual Hollyhock Hollow Halloween Party from 1:30 to 5 p.m. on Oct. 27. According to John J. Santacrose, Audubon director of environmental programs and counsel, the event at the Hollyhock Hollow Sanctuary on Route 2 in Selkirk will provide an opportunity for an afternoon of family fun. And, "It's a chance for people to check us out," he said.

Costumes should be of the children's favorite wild animal or plant. Categories will be for infants up to age four, youngsters age five to nine and age 10 and up. "Every kid will get some kind of treat," he said. Costumes are judged on their creativity and on how realistic they are. Last year, a child sporting skunk's garb and one resembling an owl were very popular with the judges.

In addition to the costume contest, this year there will be ongoing nature walks and a nature information exhibit.

Audubon volunteers will also be on hand to answer questions, he said.

Cub Scout Pack 81 of Selkirk will conduct tours through

an old fashioned haunted house. The Scouts will also organize field games throughout the afternoon.

The free event is sponsored by Shop 'n Save markets and area businesses. "What we'll have is a bake sale to help raise money for the volunteers," Santacrose said.

Money raised will be used to help equip the building volunteers use. Items for the library and nature tools such as binoculars and audio-visual equipment will be purchased.

There are about 12 volunteers for Audubon at the 138 acre sanctuary, which opened in 1987. Volunteers are trained to be naturalists and help with visiting school groups. They also work on the grounds in the gardens and on maintaining trail signs, he said.

"Our whole philosophy is to get people involved in the local area," Santacrose said. "I guess the thing that we're doing is facilitate activities for people in a hands-on way."

To get to the Sanctuary from Albany, take Route 9W south to Feura Bush. Turn left onto County Road 102 and go three miles then take a right onto Rarick Road and go 2/10 of a mile to the Sanctuary.

Registration for the costume contest will be from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. For information, call 767-9051.

## Making safety a priority on the holiday

All the little ghouls and goblins can have a safe and fun Halloween, if they and their parents follow a few common sense rules.

Colonie Police Lt. Donald Fialka and Bethlehem Det. James Corbett offered tips for young trick-or-treaters and their parents:

- Children should be accompanied by an adult.
- Stay in areas where you know the houses.
- Stay away from highways.
- Use flashlights and make sure you are visible to traffic at all times. Reflective clothing or tape are good safety steps, if you're going to be out after dark.
- Do not eat any candy until after it's been checked by an adult. Any treat that is not in its original package, or that is in a damaged package should be discarded.
- Costumes should fit properly and not restrict vision or movement.

Both police officers said there have not been any recent instances of tampered treats, but reminded caution is the watchword.

Corbett has presented a Halloween safety program in the Bethlehem elementary schools to help children have

a safe day. He also distributed trick-or-treat bags with safety tips printed on them.

Halloween safety will also be promoted on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. at Delaware Plaza with the help of McGruff, the crime dog, and the county Public Works Department. Reflective pumpkins and Halloween bags with safety tips will be distributed.

Teens need to be aware they can be held responsible for any "tricks" they weave on Halloween, the officers said. "Older kids need to realize if they go out and smash pumpkins or damage property, they can be arrested," Corbett said. He said Bethlehem does not have a lot of vandalism, "but it does happen."

"You have to understand and respect other people's property, someday you'll grow up and own a home or vehicle," Fialka said. He said Colonie had been "extremely good" over the past few years and "the youth have handled themselves exceptionally well."

Fialka offered some advice for teens who may attend a party. "Do not drink alcohol and don't take a drink of anything you're not sure of," he said.

Sal Prividera Jr.

### Halloween events

If trick or treating is not your bag, there are alternatives.

Two events are scheduled for youngsters before Halloween. The William K. Sanford Town Library will have a Halloween "Dress-up Night" with stories, games and refreshments on Friday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p.m. Children in kindergarten through grade three should dress as their favorite storybook character. Registration is required and can be made by calling 458-9274.

The Newtonville United Methodist Church will have a party for Sunday-school age children Saturday, Oct. 27, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

On Halloween, the Colonie Village Youth Council will have a Halloween Party at village hall with a costume contest and prizes from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The Village of Menands' Annual Halloween Party will be from 7 to 9 p.m. starting at the public

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## THEATER

### EAT YOUR HEART OUT

Comedy, dinner theater by Circle Theatre Players, Church of the Covenant, Averill Park. Oct. 26, Nov. 2. Dinner 6 p.m. Information, 674-3664.

### THE FANTASTICKS

With Robert Goulet, Proctor's, Schenectady. Oct. 30-Nov. 4. Tues.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sat. 2 p.m.; Sun. 7 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

### HOLY GHOSTS

Funny, moving study of a religious cult, Skidmore Theater, Saratoga. Oct. 24-28, 8 p.m.; Sat. 2:30 p.m. Information, 584-5000.

### APPROACHING ZANZIBAR

Tina Howe's life-affirming drama, University at Albany Department of Theater, Performing Arts Center. Oct. 24-27, 7 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

### THE MUSICAL COMEDY

**MURDERS OF 1940**  
Murder mystery, local, Albany Civic Theater. Now through Nov. 4, Fri., Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 3 p.m. Information, 462-1297.

### SING FOR YOUR SUPPER

Rodgers and Hart musical, Schenectady Light Opera. Oct. 26-28, Fri., Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 393-5732.

### CRIMES OF THE HEART

Performed at the Meader Little Theater, Russell Sage, Troy. Oct. 26-27, Nov. 2-3, 8 p.m. Information, 270-2079.

### THE SCANDALOUS ADVENTURES OF SIR TOBY

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

## MUSIC

### DE BLASIS CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES

Guadagnini String Trio, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 29, 8 p.m. Information, 792-1761.

**NEW ENGLAND BACH FESTIVAL**  
Schenectady Museum/Union College Concert Series, Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady. Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Information, 382-7890.

### ARETHA FRANKLIN

Queen of Soul, Starlite Music Theatre, Latham. Oct. 28, 8:30 p.m. Information, 783-9415.

**MUSIC FOR FLUTE AND PIANO**  
Music of Vivaldi, Haydn, Casella and Martinu, University Performing Arts Center. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

## THE GUADAGNINI STRING TRI

With pianist Wuhan and violinist Ida Kavafian, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 29, 8 p.m. Information, 792-4054.

### RIDIN' HIGH

The Cole Porter Concert, Empire Performing Arts Center, Albany. Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Information, 473-1845.

### MUSIC FOR CATHEDRAL SPACES

The Capitol Hill Choral Society, Cathedral of All Saints, Albany. Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Information, 899-7305.

### DIXIELAND AND ALL THAT JAZZ

Skip Parsons and the Riverboat Jazz Band, Big Six Jazz Band, Dr. John Spring's Rehabilitated Dixieland Band, Schenectady Museum. Oct. 27, 8:30 p.m. Information, 382-7890.

### MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER

Country music's newcomer, Empire Performing Arts Center, Albany. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 244-7445.

### JOHN O'CONOR

Irish pianist, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 272-7232.

### LAURA BERKSON

Featured at The Eighth Step, Albany. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

### DANIEL EINBERDER, LOUIS KESSEL, ARTIOM SOLOVEYCHIK

Music and tales, The Eighth Step, Albany. Oct. 28, 3 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

### GARNET ROGERS AND PAT HUMPHRIES

Charismatic performer and singer, The Eighth Step, Albany. Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

### BILL CROFUT

Folk musician, with Joel Brown, Skidmore College, Saratoga. Oct. 27, 8:15 p.m. Information, 587-1243.

### THE NYLONS

Singing a capella, Proctors, Schenectady. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

### OUT OF CONTROL

Rhythm and Blues Band, Bijou, Saratoga. Oct. 26-27, 10:45 p.m. Information, 372-5607.

### GOLDIE GOES HOLLYWOOD

Allen Mills playing the mighty Wurlitzer, Proctor's, Schenectady. Oct. 28, 2 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

### UNIVERSITY-COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

Nathan Gottschalk conductor, University Performing Arts Center, Albany. Oct. 30, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

## 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.

## DANCE

### HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Greene County Council on the Arts Catskill Gallery Committee, Half-Note Cafe, Catskill. Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Information, 943-3400.

### THE BALLET HISPANICO

Spanish folk dancing, Proctor's, Schenectady. Oct. 27, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

## CLASSES

### ARTSPLOURATION

Designed to encourage children ages 4-7, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 27-Nov. 17, 10:30-noon. Information, 792-1761.

## WORKSHOP

### MASK WORKSHOP

Make an animal mask for Halloween, Junior Museum, Troy. Oct. 27-28. Information, 235-2120.

### PUZZLES AND PATTERNS

Math workshops for children, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 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.

## FESTIVAL

### HALLOWEEN AT THE HYDE

Celebration of art making activities, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Oct. 27, noon. Information, 792-1761.

### OKTOBERFEST

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

## FILM

### ICABOD AND MR. TOAD

Adapted from Wind in the Willows, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 27-28, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

### LAKE PLACID SERENADE

Vera Hrubá Ralston, Vera Vogue, Eugene Pallette, Roy Rodgers, State Museum, Albany. Oct. 25, 7 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

## SHOW

### MOHAWK INDIANS

Chief Jake Swamp, Siena College, Loudonville. Oct. 24, 4 p.m. Information, 783-2431.

## 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.

## LECTURE

### WOMEN OF AKWESASNE

Two Mohawk women from Akwesasne and GERALYN McDowell, Siena College, Loudonville. Oct. 24, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2431.

## READINGS

### LIVING WITH CANCER

Benefit reading by area poet Mark Nepo, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. Oct. 28, 2 p.m. Information, 274-5303.

### SHAY YOUNGBLOOD AND DEREK WESTBROOK

Readings in the Maureen Stapleton Theatre, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

## VISUAL ARTS

### COLONIE ART LEAGUE

Art show and demonstration, Crossgates Mall, Guilderland. Oct. 24-28. Information, 399-7186.

### CALL FOR SLIDES

Submit slides of work for consideration by exhibit committee, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Oct. 26. Information, 273-0552.

### DUTCH VILLAGE

Express gallery tour, Albany Institute of History and Art. Oct. 26 and 28. Fri. 12:15 p.m.; Sun. 1:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

### AN ALBANY GIRLHOOD

By Hybette Pruyn Hamlin, Albany Institute of History and Art. Oct. 24, lecture 4:30-5:30 p.m.; reception 5:30-7:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

### KENYA — A SLIDE TOUR

Lunch with the arts program, College of Saint Rose, Albany. Oct. 24, noon. Information, 454-5105.

### WASHINGTON PARK EXHIBITION

Capital District artists, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Now through Nov. 16, Wed.-Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

### CHRIS DUNCAN

Exhibition of new works, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Now through Nov. 21, 1-4 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

## COLOR AND IMAGE: RECENT AMERICAN ENAMELS

Works by 27 artists, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Dec. 2. Information, 792-1761.

### PORCIA MUNSON AND JOAN MONASTERO

Paintings/collages, Greene County Council on the Arts, Catskill. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Now through Nov. 10. Information, 943-3400.

### GIORGINI AND KROPILAK

Ceramic sculptors, Greene County Council on the Arts, Catskill. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Now through Nov. 10. Information, 943-3400.

### NACAN SCULPTURE COURT

Arts Awareness program featuring works by New York 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. Rodo Boulanger. Now through Oct. 31. Mon. thru 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. Now through Nov. 11, Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. Lunch with the Arts, Oct. 17, noon. Information, 432-6960.

### GROUP EXHIBITION

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

### 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.

### FACULTY EXHIBITION 1990

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

### BIBLICAL NARRATIVES

By Tanja Witkowski, The Visions Gallery, Albany. Now through Oct. 31, Mon.-Fri. 5-8 p.m.

## 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.

## IRROQUOIS 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., Sun. noon-5 p.m. Thurs. till 8 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.

## ANIMALS NOBODY LOVES

Bugs to cockatoos, The State Museum, Albany. Oct. 27, 28, Nov. 3, 4, 23, 24, 25 at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

## GIANTS OF THE DEEP:

Ancient Undersea Creatures, State Museum, Albany. Now through Jan. 6. Information, 474-5877.

## TERRENCE TIERNAN

Paintings, Rathbone Gallery, Albany. Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Mon., Wed., Thurs., 6-8 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

## THORNTON UTZ

Portraitist and painter, The Gallery Unlimited, Socha Plaza, Scotia. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thurs. till 8 p.m. Information, 384-0193.

## THE GALLERY AT THE OLD MILL

Featuring well-known Adirondack artists, Elizabethtown. Wed.-Sat. 1-4 p.m. Information, 873-6843.

## DAVID SMITH: OF WOOD & IRON

Works by sculptor currently on loan, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Oct. 28. Information, 792-1761.

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**Wednesday  
October 24**

## ALBANY COUNTY

**SKI ASSOCIATION MEETING**  
sponsored by the Capital Area Ski Touring Association, B'nai Shalom, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-5815.

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

**BASKETBALL**  
Minnesota Timberwolves vs. New Jersey Nets, Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY

**PRACTICAL PHOTOGRAPHY LECTURE**  
sponsored by the Schenectady Photographic Society, Methodist Church, State Street, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.

**Thursday  
October 25**

## ALBANY COUNTY

**BASKETBALL**  
Albany Choppers vs. Fort Wayne Komets, Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

**HUMAN SERVICES FORUM**  
Crossgates Banquet House, Rapp Rd., Albany, 8:15-10:45 a.m. Information, 489-4791.

**STOP SMOKING**  
workshop sponsored by YWCA of Albany, Colvin Ave., Albany, 7-9 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**  
speaker, Bob Keeshan, to open Child Development Conference, Albany Marriott, 11:30-noon. Information, 449-4019.

**FALL FESTIVAL**  
sponsored by the Center for the Disabled, So. Manning Blvd., Albany 6 p.m. Information, 489-8336.

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY

**ELLIS ISLAND LECTURE**  
sponsored by the Minerva Committee of Union College, College Center Auditorium, Schenectady, 11:30 a.m. Information, 370-6508.

**SARATOGA COUNTY  
EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP**

fourth Thursdays, Four Winds Hospital, Algonquin Activities Building, Crescent Ave., Saratoga 7:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

**Friday  
October 26**

## ALBANY COUNTY

**Oktoberfest**  
Empire State Plaza, Albany, noon-8 p.m., music, folk dancers, food, farmers' market, crafts. Information, 457-5981.

**SUPERSTARS OF WRESTLING**  
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

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

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

**Saturday  
October 27**

## ALBANY COUNTY

**CONCERT**  
Bad Company, and Damn Yankees, Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

## RENSSELAER COUNTY

**CATHOLICISM FORUM**  
sponsored by the Coalition of Concerned Catholics in the Albany Diocese, Hudson Valley Community College, Maureen Stapleton Theater, Vandenberg Ave., Troy, noon-5 p.m.

**ICE SKATING LESSONS**  
sponsored by Hudson Mohawk Figure Skating Club, RPI Fieldhouse, Troy, 3-4:30 p.m. Information, 279-1505.

**Sunday  
October 28**

## ALBANY COUNTY

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

**Monday  
October 29**

## ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY

**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 30**

## ALBANY COUNTY

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

**CAPITAL TOASTMASTERS CLUB**  
for people who wish to develop speaking skills, second and fourth Tuesdays, Gaspary's Restaurant, 164 Madison Ave., 5:45 p.m. Information, 851-9859.

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

## 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.

## GREENE COUNTY

**EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP**  
Christ Episcopal Church, Union Street, Hudson, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

# Events

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library and proceeding to Ganser Smith Memorial Park.

Midway Fire Department and the Lisha Kill Neighborhood Association will have a party at the Lisha Kill Market with a parade, candy and prizes.

The Stanford Heights Fire Department will have a party at the firehouse at 7 p.m.

The Verdoy Fire Department will have refreshments and candy at the firehouse at 7 p.m.

At the Empire State Plaza, the Rensselaer County Council for the Arts will present Haunted Places and the state Office of General Services will have a children's Halloween Party from 5 to 8 p.m.

Crossgates Mall and radio station K-Lite 101 will have a haunted house and trick-or-treating beginning at 4 p.m. and Latham Circle Mall with have trick-or-treating from 4 to 7 p.m. Colonie Center with have trick-or-treating from 5 to 8 p.m. and a costume contest.



Bethlehem police officer Jay Mosca gives trick-or-treat bags that explain Halloween safety to Hamagrael Elementary School students Jenna Lengfellner and Parker Brown.  
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## Halloween at the Hyde celebration set for this Saturday

The public is invited to attend the Halloween at the Hyde family day celebration being held at the Hyde Collection on Warren Street, Glens Falls, on Oct. 27 from noon to 5 p.m.

The day's activities include art making workshops, film presentations, gallery activities, refreshments and lots of ghosts and goblins. Free admission is available

thought the day for each adult when accompanied by a child. For information, call 792-1761.

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**Wednesday  
October 24**

**BETHLEHEM**

**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 excavations and laboratory experience all day Monday and Wednesday. Information, 439-4258.

**BOOK FAIR**  
Slingerlands Elementary School PTA, 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., school gym, 25, Union Ave. Information, 439-7681.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

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

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

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

**Thursday  
October 25**

**BETHLEHEM**

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

**BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**  
meet every Thursday at Bethlehem 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.

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

**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.

**BOOK FAIR**  
Slingerlands Elementary School PTA, 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., school gym, 25, Union Ave. Information, 439-7681.

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

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

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**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.

**Friday  
October 26**

**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.

**BOOK FAIR**  
Slingerlands Elementary School PTA, 9:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., school gym, 25, Union Ave. Information, 439-7681.

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

**Saturday  
October 27**

**BETHLEHEM**

**NICKEL SOCIAL**  
Dormansville United Methodist Church Hall, Rt. 312, 12:30 p.m., refreshments will be sold. Information, 475-5309.

**FALL ROAST BEEF DINNER**  
Unionville Reformed Church, Rt. 443, servings at 4, 5, 6 and 7 p.m. Call 439-1500 for reservations.

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

**BABY-SITTERS CLUB**  
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m., Information, 439-9314.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**TURKEY DINNER**  
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 4-7 p.m., no reservations needed, adults, \$7, Children, \$3.50. Information, 439-6454.

**Sunday  
October 28**

**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, 9:15 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 Seikirk. 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.

**ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
to benefit the Northeast New York Regional Food Bank, American Legion Hall, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., admission, \$3.75 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.75 for children, all you can eat.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

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

**EVENING SERVICE**  
Clarksville Tabernacle, 7 p.m., Route 443. Information, 768-2733.

**CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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

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

**NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH**

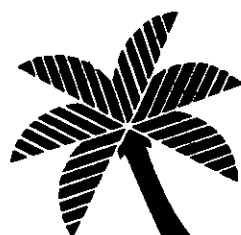
adult Bible study class and Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., service at 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Rt. 85 and Rt. 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-7112.

**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.



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**THE YOUTH NETWORK**

**DWI reporting program launched**

New York State Police, in conjunction with New York Telephone, have developed new technology to combat drunk driving.

The program, 1-800-CURB-DWI, has made available the means for any member of the public to call in any individual suspected of driving inebriated or drugged in New York State.

When a call is received it is routed through a NYNEX database instantaneously to the nearest of 28 state police communications centers. The location and description of the suspected car is then immediately transmitted to the nearest available police unit for investigation.

"Until now, our ability to locate and stop drunk drivers was limited to the number of patrols we had on the roads, whether they were state police, sheriff's deputies, or local officers. Starting immediately, we have millions of eyes joining us in the fight against the most devastating threat to motor safety," said Thomas Constantine, superintendent of state police.

Last year, 23,000 people were killed nationally in alcohol-related accidents. In 1989, the state police set records with 17,831 drunk driving arrests and 476 stops of drivers impaired by drugs.

To help our state and local police combat the problem of drunk driving, remember to report any suspected individuals and utilize 1-800-CURB-DWI.

Information made available by Sergeant Robert W. Marquart, Public Information Office, New York State Police, Troop D Headquarters.

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Monday  
October 29

# BETHLEHEM

## CONCERT

Delmar Community Orchestra,  
7:30 p.m., Westminster  
Presbyterian Church, 85  
Chestnut Street, Albany, free.  
Information, 439-4628.

## MOTHER'S TIME OUT

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

## 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

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

# NEW SCOTLAND

## GRINNING GHOSTS

after school craft and film  
program for all ages,  
Voorheesville Public Library, 51  
School Rd., 4 p.m. Information,  
765-2791.

## OILS AND WATERCOLORS

by Dorothy McDonald of New  
Salem, Voorheesville Public  
Library, 51 School Rd. Mon.-Fri.,  
10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5  
p.m. Through October.  
Information, 765-2791.

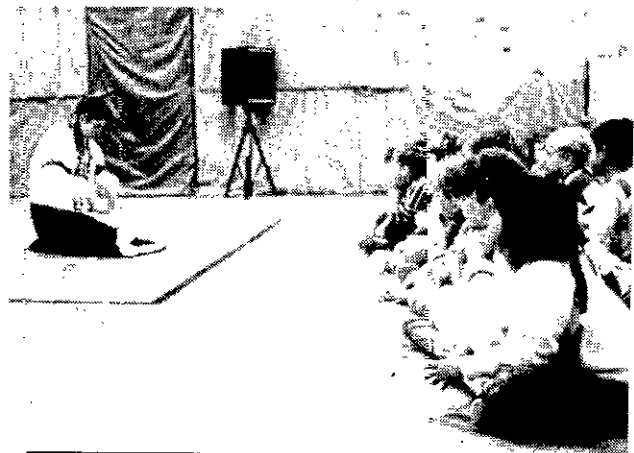
## QUARTET REHEARSAL

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



Bethlehem student theater presents Chai Kazi  
Native Dance Theater to area schools. The danc-  
ers will present a community performance at the  
Bethlehem High School football field Friday Oct  
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By Juliette Braum

Halloween is one of the greatest holi-  
days of the year because it is geared  
especially towards youth. There will be  
lots of things throughout the next two  
weeks to do along a Halloween theme,  
along with other activities to help you  
raise extra cash and improve the commu-  
nity.

Celebrate Halloween early this year,  
join the ghostly fun at Fright Night II, a  
haunted house extravaganza open to  
teens, being held at the Ten Broeck  
Mansion on Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Psychic  
hostess Ann Fisher will lead participants  
in seances and paranormal fun. For infor-  
mation, call 465-2647.

Is a spell-binding evening of poetry  
and performance more your style? Then  
come to the Halloween open microphone  
for poets on Oct. 29 at QE2 on Central  
Ave., Albany from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. A \$1  
donation is suggested and patrons are  
encouraged to come as you are or wear  
what you dare. No alcohol will be served.  
For information, call 438-6314.

If you enjoy working with children,  
often care for younger siblings, or just

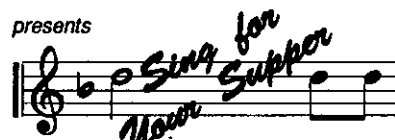
want to earn some extra spending money,  
come to the Babysitters' Club. The club is  
designed to inform you on good child  
care techniques and emergency proce-  
dures. Sitters who complete the program  
will emerge certified tot watchers. The  
first meeting will take place at the Bethle-  
hem Public Library on Kenwood Ave-  
nue in Delmar, on Oct. 27 at 10:30 a.m.  
For information, call 439-9314.

The annual Youth for America Cam-  
paign is underway. Youth in conjunction  
with Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire,  
4-H, Boys Clubs and Girls Inc. will devise  
programs to help their communities. The  
winning programs will receive monetary  
prizes up to \$2,000. In order to partici-  
pate, contact one of your local chapters of  
the above organizations. For entry forms,  
send a self-addressed stamped envelope  
to Colgate's Youth For America, P.O. Box  
1058, FDR Station, New York, N.Y. 10150-  
1058.

If you have an item exclusively for area  
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Newspapers, 125 Adams St., Delmar,  
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Tuesday  
October 30

# BETHLEHEM

## DELMAR ROTARY

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

## ALUMNI MEETING

The Rhinebeck Lodge Alumni  
Association will be meeting at  
the Outpatient Clinic, 559 Troy  
Schenectady Rd., Latham.  
Information, call Laura Hunt,  
785-6123.

## CONCERT BY FINDLEY

COCKRELL  
the music group of the Delmar  
Progress Club will attend a noon  
concert at Empire State Plaza.  
Information, 439-4797.

Wednesday  
October 31

# BETHLEHEM

## LITERARY LECTURE

The Brothers Karamazov, by  
Fyodor Dostoevsky, Bethlehem  
Public Library, 7:30 p.m., 451  
Delaware Ave., Delmar.  
Information, 439-9314.

## HALLOWEEN HOWLIDAY

Bethlehem Public Library, 451  
Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30  
a.m. or 2 p.m., ages 2-5 pre-  
register. Information, 439-9314.

## HALLOWEEN PARTY

Slingerlands Fire Department,  
New Scotland Rd., 7 p.m.-9:30  
p.m., candy, cider and  
doughnuts, free.

# NEW SCOTLAND

## FRIENDLY GHOST TALES

Halloween bedtime story hour,  
come in costume, Voorheesville  
Public Library, 51 School Rd., 7  
p.m., free. Information, 765-  
2791.

## TOWN OF BETHLEHEM SENIOR VAN call 439-5770, 9 am - 3 pm

### SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

Town of Bethlehem Transportation Services  
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the age of 60 within a 20 mile radius of the Town  
Hall.

## PRIORITY:

- chemotherapy/radiation • hospital visits with  
family • hospital/doctor appts./therapy
- persons in wheelchairs going to medical appoint-  
ments • clinic appointments: legal, blood pressure,  
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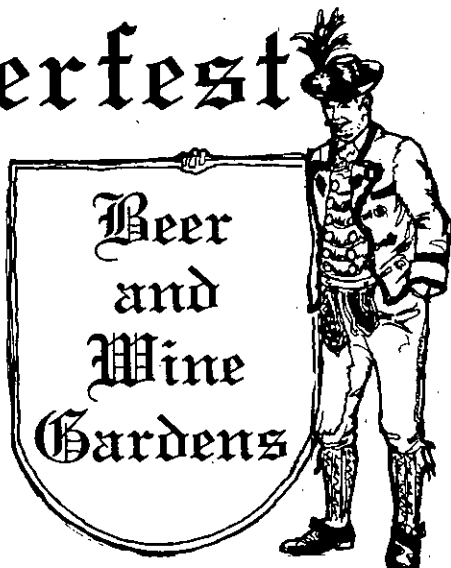
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### TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Town Board second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Board of Appeals, first and third Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Planning Board, first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Town offices are open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND

Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m. Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m. Town Hall, Rt. 85.

### VILLAGE OF VOORHEESVILLE

Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m. Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. when agenda warrants. Zoning Board, first Wednesdays at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants. Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

### BETHLEHEM BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meets first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

### RAVENA-COEYMANS-SELKIRK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meets the first and third Mondays of each month at 8 p.m. at the board offices, Thatcher St., Selkirk.

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### BETHLEHEM TRANSFER STATION

Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday, closed Sundays and holidays. Resident permit required; permits available at town hall, Elm Ave. Park office and town garage, Elm Ave. East.

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### FOOD PANTRIES

Tri-Village, Glenmont area: Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 439-4955. Selkirk and South Bethlehem area: Bethlehem Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, call 767-2243, 436-8289 or 767-2977. New Scotland: St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 765-2805 or 765-2373.

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Sage slates Soviet series

The Center for the Exploration of International Issues at Russell Sage College is hosting a series of programs and events on the Soviet Union.

On Oct. 24, Nina Reich of the humanities division at Sage Junior College of Albany will present a lecture and slide presentation on "The USSR Then and Now" at 7:30 p.m. in Campus Center, Sage Albany Campus, New Scotland Avenue, Albany.

Society to raise funds

The American Cancer Society will be hosting a benefit Jail and Bail from Oct. 31 through Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the SUNY Albany Campus Center Ballroom.

Willing participants will be picked up at their home or office, by an ACS arresting officer. They will be taken to jail by limousine from a Touch of Class Limousine Service. While behind bars, prisoners will phone friends, relatives, and co-workers to raise bail for the fight against cancer. They will be making their calls on cellular phones that are provided by Cellular One, the Albany Telephone Company. After their calls are completed, they will be escorted back in a limousine. For information, call 438-7841.

Prayer vigil planned

Bishop Howard J. Hubbard will present a community prayer vigil for justice and peace on Oct. 28 in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, on Madison Avenue, and Eagle Street, in Albany at 2:30 p.m. The vigil will commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of second Vatican Council's declaration on the relationship of the church to non-Christian religions.

Patrol haunts house

A haunted house, sponsored by the New York State Capital Group Civil Air Patrol and Schenectady Downtown Council, will be held from 1 to 9 p.m. on Oct. 26 and from 6 to 9 p.m. on Oct. 29 in Canal Square, State Street, Schenectady. Admission price is \$2.

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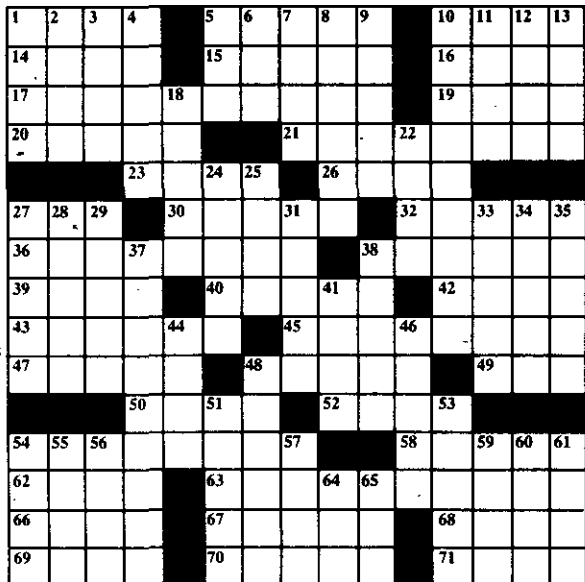
By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 Witches' concoction
- 5 Witches' spells
- 10 Speckles
- 14 Rant and rave
- 15 Pleasant scent
- 16 Zenith
- 17 Witches' friend: 2 wds
- 19 Capital of Latvia
- 20 Stay: In Paris
- 21 Witches' pet: 2 wds
- 23 Duck soup
- 26 Seth's son
- 27 Orthodontist's org.
- 30 Rock star Ant and others
- 32 Greek letter
- 36 Witches' plant?
- 38 Welled up
- 39 Celebes ox
- 40 Capital of Western Australia
- 42 Computer fodder
- 43 Marquis' personality
- 45 Witches' closet companion
- 47 Dolly Parton 9 to 5 role
- 48 Dinah or Jersey
- 49 Yoko
- 50 Scarlet's house
- 52 Utah state flower
- 54 60's musical
- 58 Dance gracefully
- 62 Amongst
- 63 Costumed witches' halloween route
- 66 "I Remember"
- 67 Reed Show
- 68 James
- 69 Quarry
- 70 Slammin' Sammy
- 71 Charlotte, Norma and others

DOWN

- 1 Rabbit
- 2 Excellent review
- 3 Yalies?
- 4 Raised red marks
- 5 Precedes "TIST": Religion
- 6 Mr. Onassis
- 7 Man's name
- 8 Author Zola and others



- 9 Red halloween disguise
- 10 Witches' rouge?: 2 wds
- 11 Pertaining to the ear
- 12 Halloween costume roman style
- 13 Lover's quarrel
- 18 French legislative body
- 22 d'Azur: French Riviera
- 24 Proficient
- 25 Peel
- 27 Accumulate
- 28 Mr. Chips portrayer Robert

- 53 More seasoned
- 54 British umbrella
- 55 The tent maker
- 56 "Brother, can you spare a?"
- 57 Solitary
- 59 Tiny speck
- 60 Foolishly fond with "on"
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accordance with the terms hereof.  
2. Upon bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or other cessation as a legal entity of any Limited Partner that is not an individual, the authorized representative of such entity shall have all of its Partnership rights for the purpose of effecting the orderly winding up and disposition of the business of such entity and such power as such entity possessed to make an assignment of its interest in the Partnership in accordance with the terms hereof.

**B. Substitution of Limited Partners.**

1. Each of the Limited Partners shall have the right, subject to the provisions of Article 12.03 and compliance with applicable laws, to see or assign any or all of his or its interest in the Partnership to any individual firm, or corporation, whether or not a Partner (except a minor or person adjudged insane or incompetent), provided however, that (1) such assignment shall be by instrument in form and substance satisfactory to counsel for the Partnership, including an expression by the assignee of his intention to be substituted as a Limited Partner and his acceptance and adoption of all of the terms and provisions of the Partnership Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time, and providing for the payment otherwise than by the Partnership of all reasonable expenses incurred by the Partnership in connection with such admission, including, but not limited to, the cost of preparing, filing and publishing the necessary amendment or amendments to the Certificate of Limited Partnership, (2) the General Partner shall have given his consent to such assignment, which consent shall be in the absolute discretion of the General Partner, (3) such assignment shall not result in a change of ownership by reason of sales or exchanges of 50 percent or more of the total interest in Profits and capital of the Partnership during the 12-month period ending on the date of such

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assignment (except as otherwise provided in the Partnership Agreement). Each substituted Limited Partner shall be entitled to the same rights and powers as were possessed by his assignor, including the right to sell or assign his interest in the Partnership in the same manner and subject to the same conditions.

2. Each Partner consents to the execution and recordation on his behalf by the General Partner of any amendment hereto required for the purpose of admitting as a Limited Partner the transferee of any Unit in the Partnership, as provided above, and to the execution and recordation on his behalf of any other instruments required in connection therewith, and the General Partner is hereby granted the right to admit such transferee upon all of the terms set forth above. Each Partner agrees to execute at the request of the General Partner all documents necessary or desirable to effect the transfer of any Unit in the Partnership pursuant to Article 12.

11. There is no right of the Partners to admit additional Limited Partners.

12. The right of one or more of the Limited Partners to priority over other Limited Partners as to contributions or as to compensation by way of income, and the nature of such priority are as follows:

A. No Limited Partner shall have priority over any other Limited Partner either as to contributions to Capital or as to compensation by way of Net Cash Flow.

13. The right of the remaining General Partner or Partners to continue the business on the death, retirement or insanity of a General Partner is as follows:

Upon the bankruptcy, death, withdrawal, incapacitation, or disablement of a General Partner or Partners pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, the Partnership shall be dissolved and terminated, unless the remaining Partners agree to continue the Partnership.

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14. The right of a Limited Partner to demand and receive property other than cash in return for his contribution is as follows:  
A. No Limited Partner shall have the right to demand or receive property other than cash in return for his contribution.

**GENERAL PARTNERS**  
EDWARD R. FEINBERG  
JEROME ROSEN  
REX S. RUTHMAN  
**LIMITED PARTNERS**  
EDWARD R. FEINBERG  
JEROME ROSEN  
REX S. RUTHMAN

**STATE OF NEW YORK ss.: COUNTY OF ALBANY**

On this 6th day of August, 1990, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared EDWARD R. FEINBERG, to me personally known and known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the within Agreement, and he acknowledged to me that he executed same.

**EILEEN M. WHITMAN**  
Notary Public, State of New York

**STATE OF NEW YORK ss.: COUNTY OF ALBANY**

On this 6th day of August, 1990, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared REX S. RUTHMAN, to me personally known and known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the within Agreement, and he acknowledged to me that he executed same.

**EILEEN M. WHITMAN**  
Notary Public, State of New York

**STATE OF NEW YORK ss.: COUNTY OF ALBANY**

On this 6th day of August, 1990, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared JEROME ROSEN, to me personally known and known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the within Agreement, and he acknowledged to me that he executed same.

**EILEEN M. WHITMAN**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
October 24, 1990

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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF  
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David Teuten  
District Clerk

October 24, 1990

**CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP**

**STATE OF NEW YORK ss.:  
COUNTY OF ALBANY**

We, the undersigned being desirous of forming a Limited Partnership, pursuant to the Laws of the New York, and being severally duly sworn, do hereby certify:

1. The name of the firm under which said Partnership is to be conducted is J.F. Limited I.

2. The character of the business intended to be transacted by said Partnership is as follows: to operate, hold, and lease 166 multifamily units upon the real property known as Adams Station, Astor, Baxter and Elkin Courts, Delmar, New York.

3. The location of the principal

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place of business is to be at 1 Juniper Drive, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York.

4. The name and place of residence of each General Partner interested in said Partnership is as follows: Edward R. Feinberg, residing at 26 Oldox Road, Delmar, New York 12054, Rex S. Ruthman, residing at 14 Aspen Heights, Slingerlands, New York 12159 and Jerome Rosen, residing at 14 Wedgewood Lane, Voorheesville, New York 12186, doing business as Co-Partners under the name of J.F. Associates, 1 Juniper Drive, Delmar, New York 12054.

The name and place of residence of each Limited Partner interested in said Partnership is as follows: Edward R. Feinberg, residing at 26 Oldox Road, Delmar, New York 12054, Rex S. Ruthman, residing at 14 Aspen Heights, Slingerlands, New York 12159 and Jerome Rosen, residing at 14 Wedgewood Lane, Voorheesville, New York 12186.

5. The time at which said partnership is to begin is the date when the Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed and first published. The time at which said Partnership is to end is when the Partnership no longer has a beneficial interest in the property.

6. The amount of cash and a description of and the agreed value of the other property contributed by the Limited Partners is as follows:

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7. The additional contributions

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agreed to be made by each Limited Partner and the time at which and the event on the happening of which they shall be made are as follows: Not Applicable.

8. The time agreed upon when the contribution of each Limited Partner is to be returned is upon sale of the Partnership assets.

9. The share of the profits or the other compensation by way of income which each Limited Partner shall receive by reason of his contribution is as follows:

A. Net Cash Flow from Partnership operations, pursuant to Section 6.01 of the limited Partnership Agreement dated August 1, 1990; and

B. Net Cash from sale or refinancing, if any, of the Partnership property pursuant to Section 6.02 of the limited Partnership Agreement dated August 1, 1990.

10. The right of a Limited Partner to substitute an assignee as contributor in his place, and the terms and conditions of the substitution are as follows:

**A. Death, Incompetence, Dissolution, or Withdrawal of a Limited Partner.**

1. Upon the death, legal incompetence, bankruptcy, or insolvency of an individual Limited Partner (including a substitute Limited Partner), his legally authorized personal representative shall have all of his Partnership rights for the purpose of settling or managing his estate and shall have such power as the decedent, incompetent, bankrupt, or insolvent possessed to make an assignment of his interest in the Partnership in



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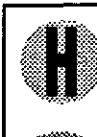
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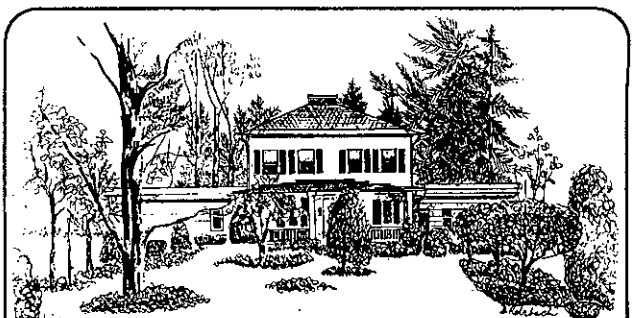
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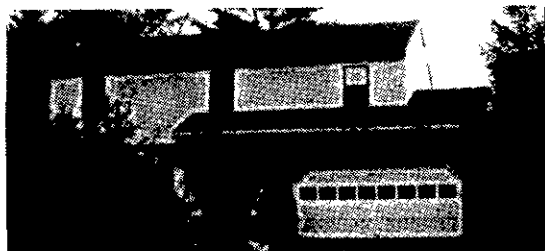
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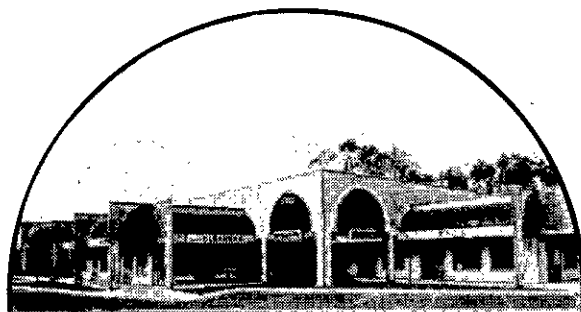
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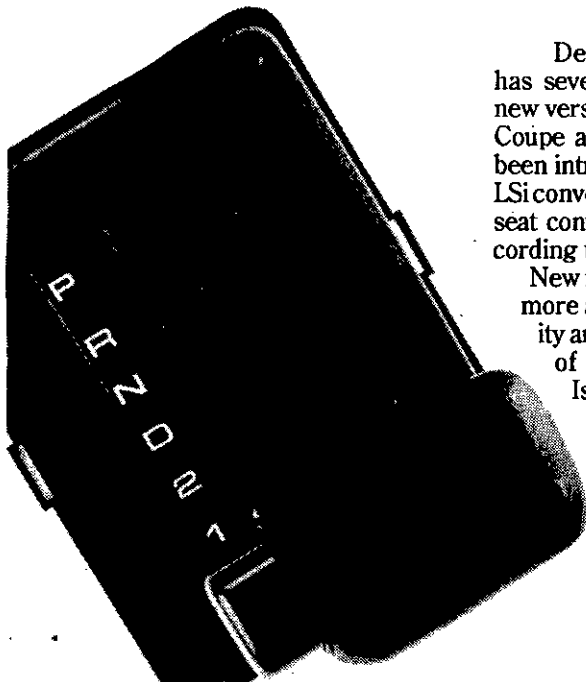
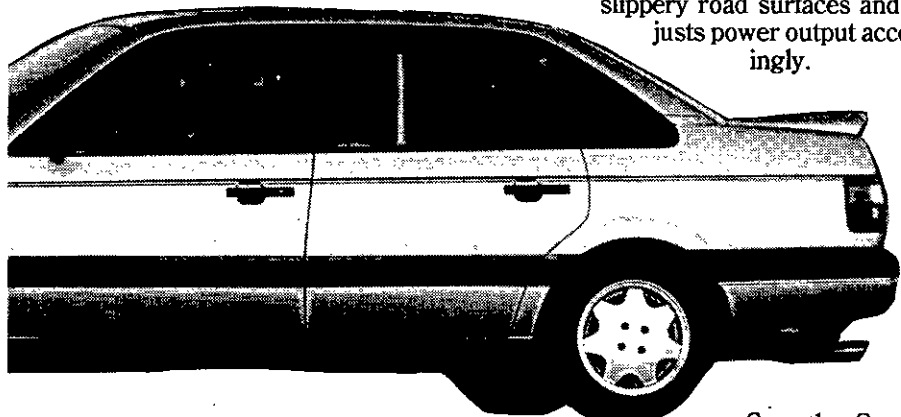
By Dev Tobin

Foreign automakers for 1991 have generally continued the trend in recent years of producing more powerful and more expensive cars for the American market.

Acura leads the way in this regard with its new NSX sports car, carrying a suggested retail price of around \$60,000. This

limited production, two-seat, mid-engine car will compete with Porsche, Lotus and Ferrari, according to Steve Figman of Northeast Acura in Latham.

The NSX features an all-aluminum unit body and chassis and goes from 0 to 60 mph in 5.7 seconds. Safety innovations include four-channel anti-lock braking and a traction control system that detects slippery road surfaces and adjusts power output accordingly.



Geo, the General

Motors import available at DeNooyer Chevrolet on Wolf Road, has several new models for 1991. Two new versions of the Storm, the GSi Sport Coupe and the Hatchback Coupe, have been introduced. Also, Geo's new Metro LSi convertible is the most affordable two-seat convertible on the market now, according to Dave Bardin of DeNooyer.

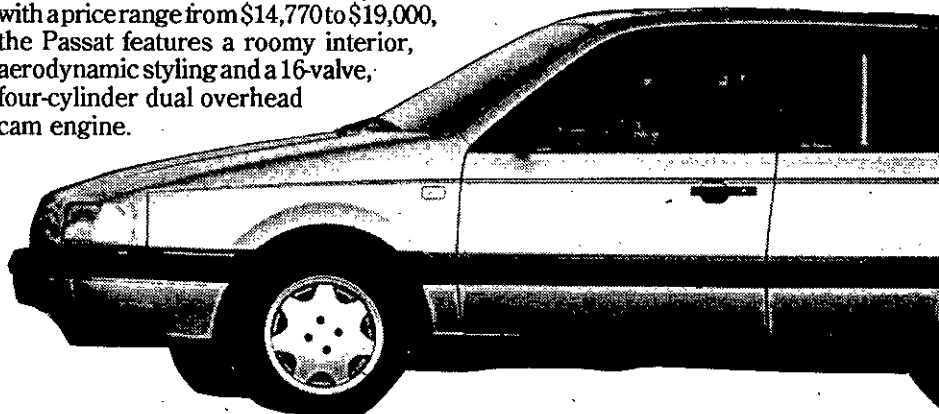
New for Isuzu for 1991 is the Rodeo, a more affordable entry in the sport utility area. According to Greg Goldstein of Goldstein Chrysler-Plymouth-Isuzu in Latham, the Rodeo is like an alternative to the station wagon and is priced substantially less than the competition from \$14,000 to \$21,000. The Rodeo is also available at Otto Cadillac-Oldsmobile-Isuzu on Central Avenue.

Mazda offers a new minivan, the Navaho, a four-wheel drive version of the Ford Explorer, which can be seen at Orange Mazda on Central Avenue.

Subaru has a new, more luxurious model of the Legacy for 1991. The Legacy LSi features leather upholstery, anti-lock brakes and a four-speed electronic automatic transmission, according to Brian Mattes of Goldstein Subaru on Central Avenue. The new Legacy can also be seen at Marshall's Transportation Center in Ravena.

Toyota offers a new Previa van for 1991, with a more aerodynamic shape, and a redesigned Tercel, with a four-door model. Toyotas are available at Colonie Toyota on Central Avenue and Northway Buick-Toyota in Latham.

Volkswagen has a major new line, the Passat, for 1991. A four-door family sedan with a price range from \$14,770 to \$19,000, the Passat features a roomy interior, aerodynamic styling and a 16-valve, four-cylinder dual overhead cam engine.



The Passat can be seen at Capital Cities Imported Cars on Route 9W in Glenmont and at Martin Nemer Volkswagen in Latham.

Saab, which is carried by New Salem Garage in New Salem, has no new models for 1991, but both the 900 and 9000 have been upgraded with more horsepower.

Volvo is adding a new, top-of-the-line car, the 940, for 1991. The 940 will feature more aerodynamic styling, and can be

seen early next year at Keeler Volvo on Route 155 in Colonie and at Nemith Motors in Latham.

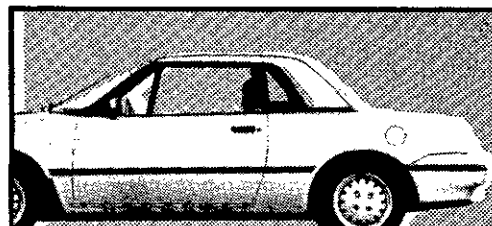
Nissan has introduced a totally new Sentra, with new aerodynamic body styling and a 16-valve, twin overhead cam 1.6 liter engine. The new Sentra is longer and wider than the previous year's model, yet maintains the same body weight and is more fuel-efficient.

After the first of the year, Nissan will reintroduce the NX, a total redesign of the Pulsar NX, a sporty compact car. Nissans are available at Nemith Motors in Latham.

At DeNooyer Auto Plaza on Central Avenue, Mitsubishi's 3000 GT will be available in a few weeks, featuring all-wheel-drive and steering. Also, Hyundai has a new S coupe for 1991, a two-door

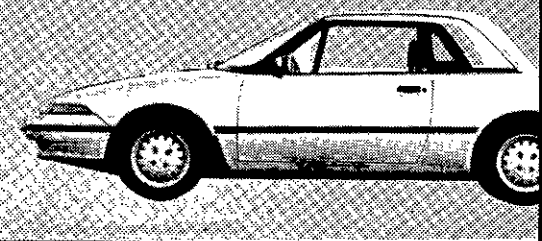
sporty car for under \$10,000.

New for BMW in 1991 is the reintroduction of the 318i and the 318is. An affordable German car priced in the mid-20s, the new 318's feature a four-cylinder, 16-valve engine, power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering and standard anti-lock braking. The new BMW's can be seen at Capital Cities Imported Cars in Glenmont and Keeler Motors in Latham.



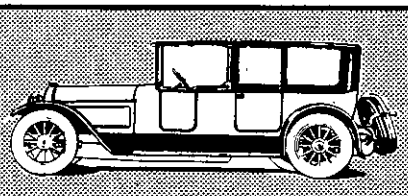
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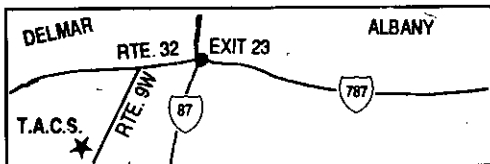
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## Drivers conserving due to gas price hikes

By Mike Larabee

The numbers are discouraging.

Every week, the New York State Energy Office releases new figures on retail gasoline prices, and every week they continue to rise. The most recent totals show statewide gas prices at \$1.39, \$1.49, and \$1.57 cents per gallon for regular unleaded, middle unleaded, and premium unleaded respectively.

For regular unleaded, that's about 23 cents per gallon more than they were on Aug. 2, and 31 cents a gallon more than this time last year.

The picture is grimmer if you examine upstate counties alone. Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, upstate prices have increased about 26 cents a gallon, while downstate prices have gone up less sharply, about 21 cents.

As a result, this fall has seen renewed interest in practical ways to improve personal energy efficiency, energy office officials say. According to Gary Sheffer, an energy office spokesperson, there are many quick and easy methods to improve your vehicle's gas efficiency and

thereby cushion the impact of rising fuel expenses.

Sheffer said the energy office is sponsoring a series of car-care clinics across the state timed to correspond with October being Energy Awareness Month. The car-care clinics, to be held in Monroe, Ontario, Oneida and Westchester counties, are designed to help motorists improve the efficiency of their cars, as well as assure that emission systems are operating properly.

"Obviously one thing is increasing your tire pressure," said Sheffer. "We've done these car-care clinics in the past and found that a lot of people have under-inflated tires." According to Sheffer, simple things like that can add up to a sizeable reduction in gas mileage. For example, he said, the energy office estimates that every pound of pressure tires are under-inflated will eat away about .1 mile from a car's miles-per-gallon (mpg) performance.

As your car's connection with the road-way, tires can be a source of fuel savings in other ways, he said. Radial tires, though generally more expensive, can increase mileage up to a full mile-per-gallon. In addition, he said, carefully aligned wheels will also save fuel.

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tires prematurely but increase rolling resistance," Sheffer said. He said poor alignments can drag ratings down by about .3 mpg.

An obvious way to improve fuel efficiency is to keep your car tuned up and change the oil and filters as prescribed in your the owner's manual. Another place is to check your brakes for drag and avoid unnecessary use of your air conditioner by parking in the shade or acquiring a windshield sun visor.

"When in use, air conditioners reduce your fuel efficiency by about 2.5 miles per gallon," he said.

Driving habits also affect gas mileage. While consolidating errands or car pool-

ing will obviously save gas and money, fuel efficiency is impacted in subtler ways as well. A simple thing like maintaining a fairly constant speed can lift fuel efficiency about 1.3 mpg. And, of course, when it comes to gas mileage slower drivers beat their faster brethren every time.

"We support the governor's continuance of the 55 miles-per-hour speed limit," said Sheffer. He said energy conservation is one benefit of the state's refusal to adopt a federally-permitted 65 miles-per-hour speed limit. Vehicles cut fuel consumption by 21 percent when travelling at 55 instead of 70 miles-per-hour and 28 per-

cent went travelling at 50 rather than 70 miles-per-hour, he said.

In addition, every extra 100 pounds in the car increases gas consumption about .2 mpg — "Don't leave an anvil in your backseat," said Sheffer — and, further, don't let your engine run needlessly, he said.

"If your car will be idling for more than a minute, turn it off," said Sheffer. "It takes more gas to let it idle than it does to start it up." He said cars burn about one pint of gas for every 15 minutes of idling.

While many of these methods may sound trivial, Sheffer argues that motorists can save substantially by closely

examining the way they use fuel as listed above.

"Certainly they can increase their mileage significantly by doing this and by maintaining their-car correctly and altering their driving habits," he said.

But he added that one sure-fire way to save on gas with your vehicle is to be thinking about fuel efficiency right from the start.

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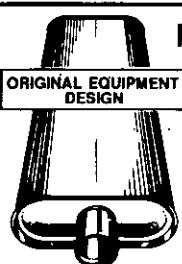
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# Coping with vehicle ignorance

By Debi Boucher

I will not claim that my lack of knowledge about cars (and anything else that has an engine, for that matter) has nothing to do with gender. I am, after all, at least partly a product of my environment, and I grew up with all the cultural conditioning of my generation. While we came of age as the women's liberation movement gained ground, we knew we weren't expected to understand carburetors and transmissions.

In all fairness, though, there are plenty of men out there in the same boat. They, however, suffer the opposite societal

expectations, as the world assumes males are born with an inherent understanding of engines. Nothing could be further from the truth.

The fact is, there are people with an affinity for that sort of thing, and people whose talents lie in other areas: I count myself among that second category. And despite earnest entreaties from friends — both male and female — to learn to change my own oil, check the air in my tires regularly and other tiresome chores, I have stubbornly resisted expanding my knowledge much beyond the driver's seat.

Still, I know regular maintenance is

crucial to prolonging the life of a car. I firmly believe you don't have to be an auto expert to take care of your car, and in that spirit, here are some suggestions for fellow "auto ignorants":

- Find yourself a good, reliable mechanic. The best way to do this is through word of mouth: ask everyone you know, and follow up on these leads before your car breaks down. The worst time to shop around for a trustworthy mechanic is when your engine has begun to choke and sputter.

- In dealing with your mechanic, don't be shy — ask questions. Don't throw

your lot in with someone who won't answer your questions, or talks down to you. Mutual respect should be the by-word.

- Develop a relationship with the garage. (Bringing the guys cookies around the holidays wouldn't be a bad idea, particularly if your car is more than several years old.) Don't just show up when your car won't start. Check in regularly, and show that maintaining your car's health is important to you.

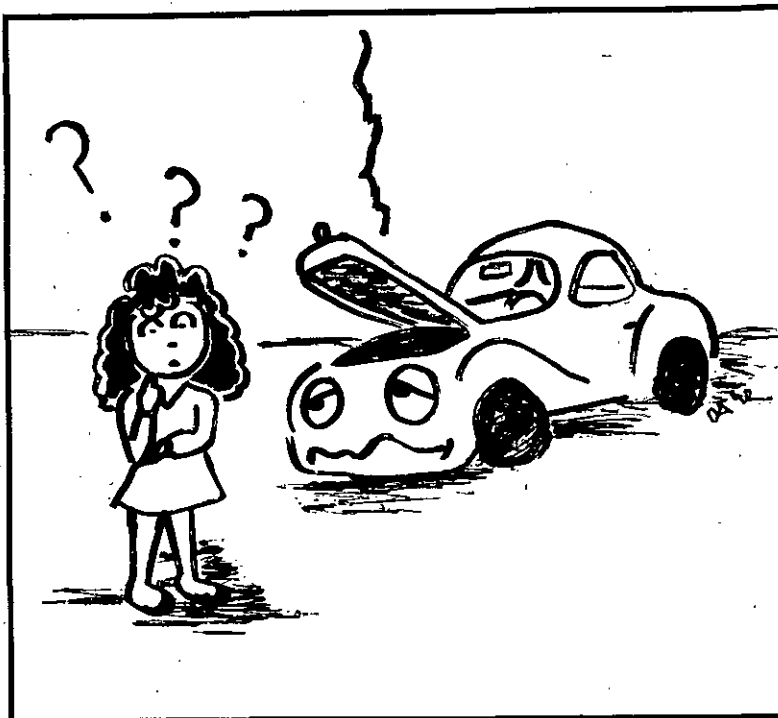
- Take advantage of friends who do know something about cars — ask them to check your tires for wear, for instance, so you don't have to rely on the recommendation of someone who makes a living selling tires. Trade your expertise — there's probably something else you could advise your car-wise friend about.

- Pay attention. Notice how your car looks, feels and sounds, so it's not hard to detect subtle changes. When something seems amiss, don't ignore it, have it checked before it becomes a problem.

Finally, be considerate of your car. Driving habits can make all the difference — accelerate gradually, brake gently. Let your car warm up a little in cooler weather, and take it easy in hot weather to avoid overheating.

Feed your car the best gas you can afford — it does seem to make a difference. And change the oil often, about every 3,000 miles. No, you don't have to do it yourself, but if you're on a budget, shop around for specials. In the oil-change department, the new drive-in facilities are a lifesaver — they're fast and relatively inexpensive — as long as you don't buy all the extras they sometimes try to sell you. Just get the oil change and get out.

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Halloween is a dangerous time because of the increased number of children on the street during dusk or evening hours, Zeller said. He advised motorists to beware of the unexpected.

"They should watch for children running out from between parked cars and be careful when making turns," Zeller said.

Motorists should make sure their headlights are clean and turned on at the first sign of dusk. They should drive carefully and limit speeds in residential areas to 15 miles per hour.

Parents or older brothers and sisters

should accompany young children as they trick-or-treat, Hudson Valley Auto Club advised. Parents should also talk about safety as they help their children get ready to hit the street.

Among the rules parents should discuss with children are making sure they stay in familiar neighborhoods and along well lighted routes. Children also should be encouraged to travel with a group of other children and to stay on the sidewalk.

Hudson Valley Auto Club also urges children to trick-or-trick only while it still is light or carry a flashlight if they plan to be out at dusk. They should wear costumes that make it easy to walk and be seen, use reflective tape where possible and take off their masks before crossing the street.

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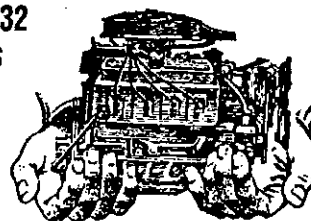
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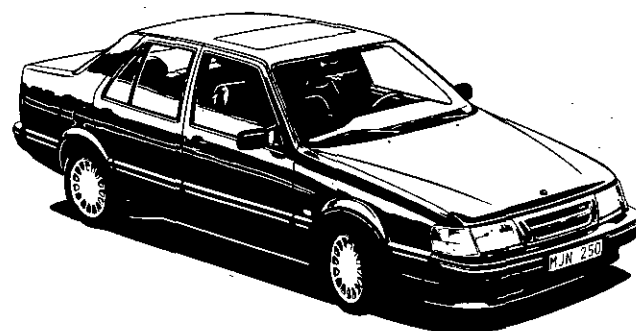
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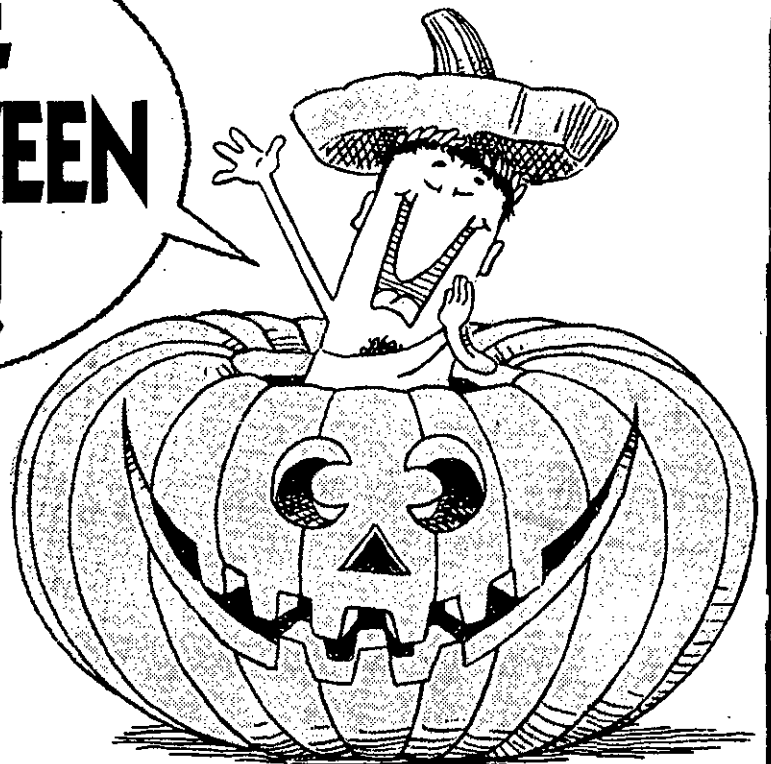
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