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Village salutes state soccer champs

By Bob Hagyard

As twilight settled on Voorheesville Sunday, members of the high school boys varsity soccer team learned just how much the home fans appreciated what they had done in Tonawanda.

The team bus rounded the bend on Route 155 onto 85A, and the sight brought the coach and every player to his feet. At the former supermarket parking lot, the flashing lights of firetrucks and sheriffs' cruisers illuminated the 300 cheering fans, with banners waving, rushing onto the pavement to force the bus to stop and turn around after a pause.

On they went, back up 155 to Voorheesville, emergency vehicles in the lead. Through the village, the procession picked up over 20 cars before joining 85A and the route to the high school. Along the way, 16 handmade signs proclaimed, Burma-Shave fashion, what the team had wrought Saturday night against the team from Bath: a 3-0 win, the 100th coaching victory of Bob Crandall and the state Class C championship.

A much larger crowd greeted the team at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School. Crandall expressed his thanks in a voice no one could hear and one player, then another, hoisted a handsome brass

and mahogany plaque, shaped like New York State.

There was Todd Rockmore, fourth-year midfielder/forward, who scored the go-ahead goals in three straight state tournament games before Tonawanda. He had been sidelined by injuries most of his high-school career. This season, a pair of air-tube type casts were installed to keep his legs in one piece. He started in 25 games, 12 more than he had ever started before. His goals against Mayfield and Norwood-Norfolk were decisive in getting the team to Tonawanda.

Rich Adams, another senior co-captain, then held up the plaque for the photographers: his daily demonstrations of hustle, applying pressure on the ball deep in the opponents' end of the field, marked the beginning of the team's rise out of a mid-season slump and up to the top of Class C.

Then it was Bill Stone's turn as the Bill Stone Fan Club let loose once more. The stay-at-home on the defensive line, a savvy player, he was hobbled by his hip problems all last season. The word came to him: lose weight. During the summer he shed 30 pounds. Elected co-captain, he amazed teammates and fans with his newfound mobility.



The Blackbirds, Voorheesville's champion soccer team.

And then Bjoern Joergensen, the Danish exchange student with the somersault throw-in whose 24 goals far surpassed the next-highest season total in the 31-year history of Voorheesville soc-

cer. Numbers 23 and 24 broke open the state championship game.

Finally, Christian Clark.

Like Rockmore, a four-year varsity **CHAMPIONS/ page 23**

New Scotland adopts \$2.7 million budget

By Debi Boucher

After weeks of often contentious budget meetings, the New Scotland Town Board finally agreed to a \$2,773,645 spending plan for 1991 — albeit not unanimously.

The revised budget sets a tax rate of \$28.30 per \$1,000 of assessed value for residents of the Village of Voorheesville, while New Scotland town residents outside the village will pay \$44.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value. That represents a 23 percent increase over last year's tax rate

for village residents, and 26 percent town-wide. Earlier projections had set those increases at 29 percent for village residents and 37 percent town-wide, leading a number of residents to voice objections at a meeting held two weeks ago.

Councilman John Sgarlata was the dissenter in the 4-1 vote to adopt the revised document, while Craig Shufelt expressed reservations accompanying what he termed a "reluctant" yes vote. Sgarlata felt some items were budgeted

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Local schools brace for cuts

By Dev Tobin

Gov. Mario Cuomo's plan to close a \$1 billion gap in the state budget will cause local school districts to closely examine their budgets in light of state aid reductions for this school year.

Figures released by the State Education Department (SED) show that, under the governor's proposal, which must be approved by the state legislature, aid for this academic year will be reduced by \$394,347, or 6.58 percent, for the Bethlehem Central School District; \$99,533, or 2.71, for Voorheesville Central Schools; and \$159,340, or 2.19 percent, for Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central Schools.

"The reduction formula is based on district wealth, with the average wealth

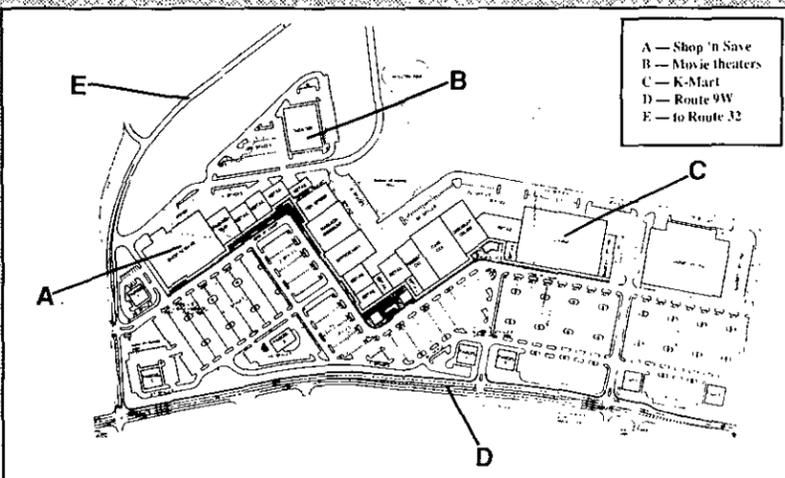
district losing \$77.11 per pupil in aid," said Gregory Illenberg, chief of the Bureau of State-aided Programs at SED.

Reaction from local superintendents was cautious, with universal protestations about the difficulty of finding ways to cut money without affecting programs or staff in the middle of the year.

"We feel that the state has gone back on a commitment to our district," said Les Loomis, superintendent of Bethlehem Central Schools. "We're in the process of assessing the situation and working to develop contingencies, but a cut of this size would be harmful to our programs."

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Developer screens town on theater, market project



Tentative layout for Southgate Square, recently proposed for Route 9W. Design sketch is by Smith and Mahoney, PC of Albany.

By Mike Larabee

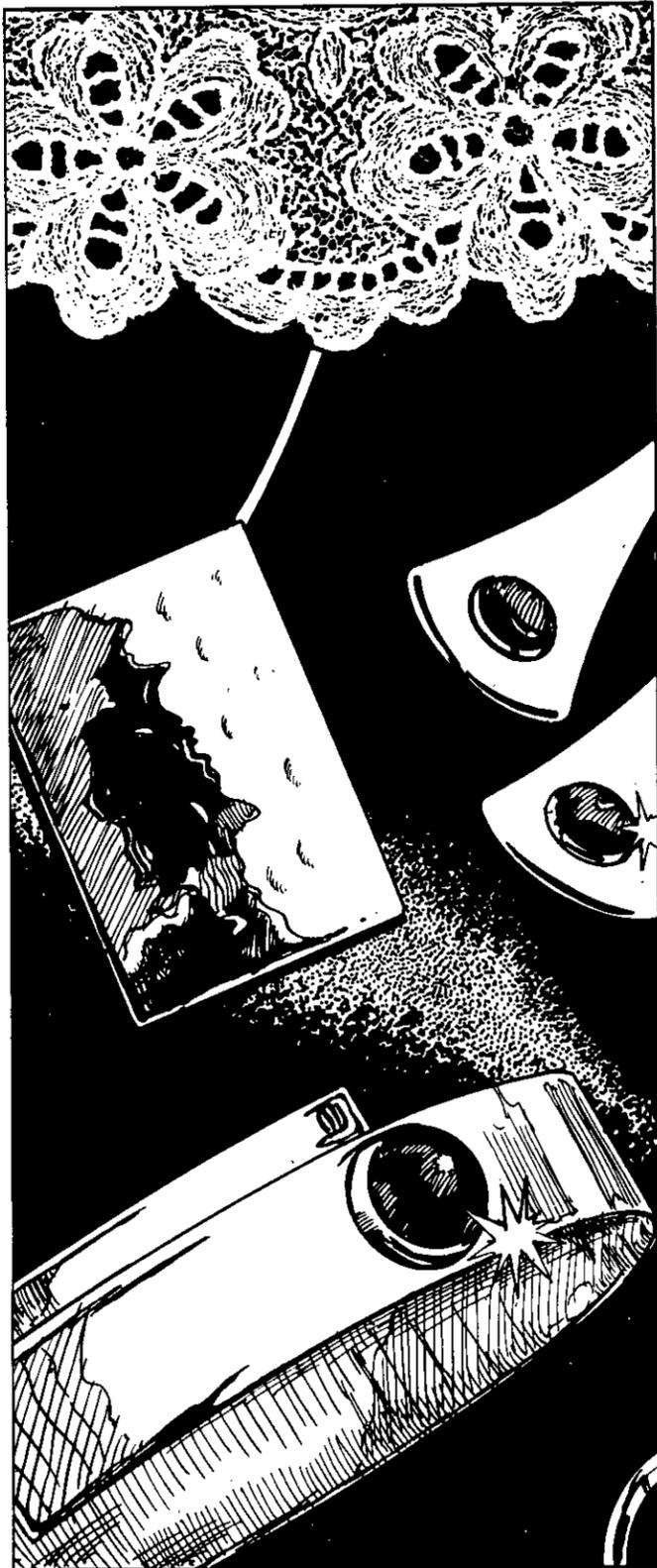
A Slingerlands resident has proposed building a \$30 million Route 9W shopping center that would bring Bethlehem both a second supermarket chain and the town's first movie theaters.

Developer Gary G. Martin of Rugby Road, Slingerlands was

scheduled to meet last night with the Bethlehem Coalition of Neighborhood Associations at the Bethlehem Public Library to continue a process of "testing the waters," on the town's response to his proposal. Last Friday, Martin met with Supervisor Ken Ringler and staff for the same reason.

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New Scotland wants data on Swift Estates treatment plant

By Debi Boucher

The New Scotland Planning Board has given itself one more meeting to decide what kind of recommendation it will make to the town board regarding Swift Estates, a housing project proposed by Donna Baltis for approximately 22 acres on Swift Road.

Baltis is seeking approval for nine lots, ranging in size from one to four and a half acres, according to her husband, developer Peter Baltis. He said there are two additional parcels included in the 22 acres; one is a pond, and the other will be developed at a later date.

At issue is a wastewater treatment plant which, in order to gain approval from the county, would have to be taken over by the town after its construction. Planning board chairman Robert Hampston questioned the wisdom of creating a sewer district for nine houses.

"The obvious thing to ask is what possible benefit is there to the town to make this a sewer district," he said at the Nov. 13 hearing. "It's very unlikely to serve any other area than those nine houses, because it's already sur-

rounded by large lots that already have homes on them that aren't interested in taking part."

The hearing was scheduled as a final review for the development, but Hampston said the wastewater issue had to be resolved before final approval could be put to a vote.

He said the board needed more information in order to make a recommendation to the town board before its Dec. 5 meeting.

Tom Field of Percy Cotton Associates, engineers for the project, described the proposed wastewater system to the board as "low maintenance." He said it consisted of a 2,000 gallon septic tank and three fiberglass tanks, each capable of handling 1,500 gallons a day. Before it is discharged onto a sand filter area, Field said, the wastewater is 98 percent treated.

But planning board members had fewer questions on the system's engineering than on its maintenance costs. "It's not a question of whether it will work," said Hampston, who asked Field to prepare figures on projected

maintenance costs over a 10 year period.

Those figures will be presented at the planning board's next meeting on Nov. 27, at which time members will vote on the issue.

NAACP holds dance

The Albany Branch of the NAACP will hold its annual Freedom Fund Dinner Dance at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany, on Friday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. The theme will be "The African American Family — Accentuating its Positives, Building on its Strengths."

Art historian to speak

On Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m., Frances Young Scott will show slides of art in Florence at Bethlehem Public Library. Scott, an art historian with an interest in European art, will talk about the city known as the birthplace of the Renaissance. The program is free and open to the public. For information, call 439-9314.

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Selkirk residents fired up at service awards meeting

By Susan Wheeler

Tempers flared at an informational meeting on the Selkirk Fire Department's proposed service awards program, which voters had turned down last month.

Glenmont resident Henry Cleary interrupted guest speaker Anthony Granito, legislative chairman for the New York State Association of Fire Chiefs based in Schodack, charging he had "no business" being there. Cleary said Granito was only there to "sell a product." Granito had been invited to speak by the board of fire commissioners to explain the service awards program because of his experience in helping to draft legislation on the plan.

Residents had defeated the plan by a margin of 30. The department had publicized the vote in legal notices in three area newspapers but had not held a meeting beforehand.

At Wednesday's meeting, some residents reiterated their objections to what they said was a lack of information surrounding the service awards program before the vote and not the program per se.

Service award programs are designed to recruit and retain volunteer firefighters.

"We made a mistake by not having a public meeting beforehand," said Charles Fritts, chairman of the board of fire commis-

sioners. "We realize now we should've had a public meeting."

In early October, the board of fire commissioners unanimously voted to adopt the service awards program for the Selkirk fire district, which currently has 118 active volunteer firefighters. Granito said the program is not mandatory, but if a community fire department wants it, "It must go to a referendum by community members." Once in place, there can be no changes made to the program without another public vote.

The program would provide \$20 per month for every year of active service. In order to receive any

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From left are Bethlehem Planner Jeff Lipnicky, Councilman Charles Gunner, and Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor during a trip to American Ref-Fuel's Hempstead incinerator last week. Mike Larabee

BETHLEHEM

Decision tabled on garbage service

By Mike Larabee

The Bethlehem town board last week opted to delay a decision to cancel the town's garbage collection service until after a public forum on the topic at some as-yet-unspecified future date.

While supporters of the idea maintain that ending the collection would save the town roughly \$125,000 per year on what amounts to a wasteful duplication of services anyhow, the board chose to delay action until the recommendation could be studied further. Board members cited fears of creating confusion by making another major policy change so soon after the town's September-initiated mandatory recycling law and uncertainty over how many users might be seriously affected financially if the service were eliminated.

The plan to cancel the 36-year old service, which is often referred to as the town's "table scraps" collection because it covers only kitchen-type food garbage, was endorsed in October by the Solid Waste Task Force, the committee charged with studying long-range town waste disposal policy.

According to task force esti-

mates, more than 2,000 households use the garbage service weekly. But according to a phone survey conducted for the committee by Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator, about 70 percent pay a private waste collector to pick up the remainder of their trash — a primary reason the solid waste task force recommends discontinuing the collection. The private haulers would collect the "table scraps" garbage, which is usually very small in volume, at no extra charge.

"We're picking it up once a week, and the commercial waste haulers are picking up once a week," Bruce Secor, task force chairman and town public works commissioner, told the board.

But he cautioned that killing the service would have "an economic impact that you can't run away from." While estimates are vague, it could be that as many as 600 users don't have private haulers already, according to the task force, and would be forced to pursue potentially expensive alternatives to the free town collection. Town board members said they are concerned about the unknown percentage of those who would be financially pressed if forced to hire

a hauler and would face difficulties to take refuse frequently to the town's Rupert Road transfer station themselves.

Robert Burns, board liaison to the task force, suggested the town hold a public forum in January to hear residents' thoughts on the question. "I think we're at the point where there's no need to move real fast," Burns said. "I think we do have to sit back and see who we will impact and who we will hurt. If the hurt is too significant, then we back off."

Though agreeing with the idea of a public forum, Supervisor Ken Ringler said later he thinks the date should be delayed even longer, with the town studying some mitigating measures in the meantime.

"I'm not sure that January is the time to do it," he said. "I think we should wait at least a year or two to evaluate where we are."

Instead of immediately cancelling the service outright, Ringler said he favors examining the service to see if costs can be reduced without cancellation. Beyond that, he said he wants to

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VOORHEESVILLE

Board looks to bridge gap with teachers

By Susan Wheeler

The Voorheesville Board of Education wants to "hammer out the differences" in contract negotiations with the teachers association, according to the board president.

There "is a sizable gap" between what the board is offering as salary increases and what the Voorheesville Teachers Association wants, said Board President C. James Coffin, at the board's meeting Monday night.

Teachers have been working without a contract since June 30, when their previous contract expired. The union agreed last week to follow a work-to-rule. Actions include daily picketing in front of both the elementary and high school, entering and leaving the school building together and working only during school hours, according to Richard Mele, VTA president.

"Working to the letter of the (expired) contract" has had "some effect," he said. "Public awareness on our plight" has increased and the "board has recognized we're serious."

"We're not bluffing," Mele said. "We have our sights on a fair contract, and we're not going to deviate from that."

"We support our teachers," Coffin told the 70-plus union members at the meeting. But, he said, "We can't afford what the teachers want." Coffin added the board was "frustrated."

Mele said the board has pre-arranged boundaries which its negotiators cannot go beyond, causing the negotiations to take a longer amount of time.

"Negotiators need to be emotionally free to reach any agreement, to find an acceptable agreement," Mele suggested. "If an agreement is achieved, it must be ratified by the teachers and the board."

Superintendent Alan McCartney said the district has requested a fact-finder from the Public Employee Relations Board to assist with negotiations. A fact-finder's decision about an issue is not binding. He said because "PERB is

under budget constraints," there is no arrival date for the fact-finder.

"If an agreement is reached," McCartney said, "we'll scrap the fact-finder. We just want to get this settled."

Mele said the union was "upset" because they did not receive notification that the district sought a fact-finder. "Usually both sides are called."

Mele also suggested the board "change the perception of the community on the percentage" of salary increase for which the teachers are asking. "The board should say, 'Our teachers need to be paid a fair salary.' We're far behind where we should be paid."

The association is asking for a salary in the middle range of the Colonial Council schools, while the district is offering a salary near the bottom, Mele said. "By rights we should be at the top of the Colonial Council," he said. "Anything less than middle ground is unacceptable."

A negotiators meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 20.

WOW repeats proposal for bad actor legislation

By Mike Larabee

Bethlehem Work on Waste, a town-based citizens' group, continued to voice its displeasure with a recent Board of Appeals decision to concede lead agency in the state's Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) of American Ref-Fuel's planned incinerator.

Formed in opposition to Ref-Fuel's proposal to build a waste-to-energy garbage incinerator on Cabbage Island, the group appeared before the town board at its regular meeting Wednesday night. It called for the board to urge the Board of Appeals to reconsider its October concession of lead agency status to the state Department of Environmental Conservation (EnCon).

In addition, pointing to statements made in opposition to the incinerator by town board members during campaigns last year, it asked town board members to take moves to block the project.

"Bethlehem Work on Waste believes that the Town Board must act decisively to remove any lingering doubt as to how elected town officials regard the BFI/American Ref-Fuel incinerator project," said Elmsmere resident Iris Berger, reading a detailed six-page statement to the board.

BFI is Ref-Fuel parent company Browning-Ferris Industries.

At the meeting last week, Work on Waste reiterated its call for "bad actor" legislation which, if adopted, would bar companies with legal anti-trust or environmental violations from doing business in town. BFI and its subsidiaries have been convicted and fined for both anti-trust and environmental violations in the past, according to Work on Waste.

"Just because BFI may agree to obey DEC's permit conditions if the project is approved, the company's past record indicates there that there is no guarantee that the permit conditions would not be violated," Berger said.

Michael Smith, attorney for the town's solid waste task force, said "bad actor" legislation is one item under consideration while the town's current six-month solid waste disposal facility moratorium is in effect. While its primary focus is developing technical operating

standards, Smith said, a company's past business practices might be another category of standard that could be added to the town code.

But Smith pointed to another point of Work on Waste's presentation as having a potential bearing on the fate of the Ref-Fuel plan: a clause in the town code prohibiting the disposal inside Bethlehem of waste generated outside the town. While Work on Waste referred to it as part of an argument that the town board itself could have applied for lead agency, Smith said he thinks the law could ultimately be used to head off the plant.

As it is written, the regulation, section 97-11 of the town code, is apparently questionable constitutionally, and is currently at issue in a state Supreme Court case between the town and a private landfill operator Harlan Metz in South Bethlehem. While Smith admits the case could go either way, he said he believes the provision could be rewritten to pass review by the courts.

"If it doesn't (pass constitutionally), I'm prepared to recommend to the town ways to amend the law" to make it constitutional, he said. He said that if Ref-Fuel acquires the state permits and zoning variance it needs to build the plant, it would "still have to get around the waste importation statute."

The Ref-Fuel plant, as proposed, would take waste from across the region.

Supervisor Ken Ringler said he would call a special meeting of the town board if delay might limit the board's ability to reconsider the lead agency question. He said later that while SEQR has a mechanism for re-designating lead agency, the question of the original selection of SEQR leader has been finalized according to town attorneys.

"The big issue was whether or not we were under any time constraints," Ringler said. "The fact is lead agency has been designated."

Rob Raylman, a BFI spokesperson, addressed the board following Work on Waste's presentation.

"The company is the first to acknowledge that these past years of growth have not been without violations of the law," Raylman said.

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Ethics law supported

By Mike Larabee

Three residents spoke out at a public hearing on Bethlehem's proposed ethics law, with one calling for the addition of political party positions to the categories of information that would have to be disclosed under the measure.

John Smolinsky, a Democrat who ran for town board last year, said he was in favor of the legislation.

But said he "would add disclosure of whether someone is an official or committee member of a political party." In addition, Smolinsky said the five-member ethics board that would review ethics disclosure statements should be non-partisan. Specifically, he said

it should have no more than two members of any one political party.

"The whole purpose of an ethics law... is to remove all appearances of impropriety," Smolinsky said afterwards.

The ethics law would require elected officials and management-level town employees to list annually their relationships to groups or businesses that have matters pending before the town.

Town officials hope to have the document adopted by Jan. 1.

Smolinsky also said he would like to see "some muscle" added to provisions requiring policy makers to speak out when they are faced with a conflict of interest.

"Perhaps it should go further

beyond disclosure," he said. "Perhaps they should disqualify themselves."

He argued that the upper limit on gifts and gratuities that can be accepted by town employees should be \$25 and not the \$75 that is proposed. In addition, he said a \$1 per page charge for copies of disclosure statements should be reduced to 25 cents, the figure set by state freedom of information law.

Michael Berger, an Elsmere attorney, called for more extensive disclosure of ties between the private law firms and town attorneys.

John LaForte, a planning board member, said he is in favor of the legislation, terming it "pragmatic."

Police make DWI arrests

Bethlehem police arrested two drivers during a county-coordinated sweep for DWI offenders the night of Friday, Nov. 16.

Timothy F. Sloan, 42, of Manning Boulevard, Albany was arrested for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated Saturday morning after he was stopped for traffic violations at the intersection of Route 85 and Font Grove Road, police said. According to police, Sloan refused to consent to breathalyzer test.

He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court Dec. 4.

Michael Christofora, 53, of Hamilton Street, Albany was arrested for DWI Saturday morning after he was stopped for traffic violations at the intersection Delaware and Kenwood avenues, police said. He is scheduled to ap-

pear in town court Dec. 4.

All told, 14 police agencies in Albany County participated in the sweep, which was announced publicly beforehand. As a result, there were a total of 651 motor vehicle stops with 253 summons issued for various violations, three drug arrests, and 30 DWI arrests.

In addition last week, Tracy More, 26, of Western Avenue, Albany was arrested for DWI by Albany County Sheriff's deputies on Thursday, Nov. 15, after she was stopped for traffic violations on Kenwood Avenue, police said. She was also charged with criminal impersonation and aggravated unlicensed operation after allegedly giving deputies false information with regard to her identity.

She is scheduled to appear in town court on Nov. 20.

Five Rivers offers teaching kits

Two teaching kits, "Owls of New York State" and "Acid Rain," are available for loan from the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center. Both kits contain a slide show and script, reproducible printed material, presentation tips and teaching suggestions. The "Owls" kit, primarily for grades 2 through 8, contains biological specimens, and the "Acid Rain" kit, for kindergarten through grade 12, contains testing equipment.

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Applications are available by calling 442-5399.

In the courts



John Luizzi, 28, of Church Road, Albany, arrested Sept. 22 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated (DWI) pleaded guilty to DWI in Bethlehem Town Court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$350 with a six month license revocation.

Joseph Dimura, 27, of Moreland Avenue, Albany, arrested Sept. 18, for DWI, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired (DWAI), a violation, in town court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Earl Laporte, 56, of Selkirk, arrested Oct. 15, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Elmer J. Wilsey Jr., 51, arrested Sept. 15, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Kenneth Frodyma, 26, of Feura Bush, arrested Oct. 11, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

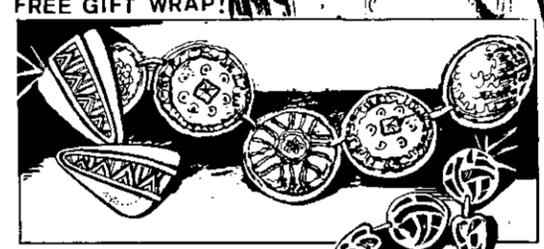


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Historian values Bethlehem's heritage

By Mike Larabee

To Joseph Allgaier, Bethlehem's newly-appointed town historian, the value of the past is not so much in events or records but in the people behind them.

"I think it's important for people to know their heritage," said the Heather Lane, Delmar resident. "These are the people who preceded us and built the town to what we have today.

"I think we have a rich history in the town. I think we should be aware of it. I don't think we should forget it."

Allgaier, 62, is retired from a management career with New York Telephone and NYNEX. A Bethlehem resident since 1963, he was appointed town historian by the town board in October to replace Valerie Thompson, who recently resigned.

The town historian is charged with maintaining the town's historical archives and earns a \$1,800 annual stipend.

According to Supervisor Ken Ringle, Allgaier was chosen based on his involvement with "Bethlehem Rediscovered: A Bicentennial Story," a town Bicentennial Commission project slated for publication in 1993, and his work with the Bethlehem Archeology Group. Allgaier began working on the publication, an overview of town



Joseph Allgaier

history since colonial times, after he answered a 1988 ad for writers.

A self-described historical "layman" — "I've always had an interest in writing and an interest in history," he said — Allgaier has since written a chapter on town business and industry for "Bethlehem Rediscovered" and is working on one on town government. He is one of the publication's four associate editors.

He said the business history of town is dominated by agriculture and community-oriented consumer services. "We've never had so-called industry in Bethlehem such as you might encounter in

Troy or Watervliet or Mechanicville," he said. Instead, what developed early on were small shops designed to meet the day-to-day needs of local residents. "It would be an event for someone to go shopping in downtown Albany at that time," he said.

Then in the mid-1800s, Delaware and Hudson Railroad lines were built west from Albany while at the same time better roads started to develop, he said. The Adamsville (now Delmar) and Slingerlands stops on the D & H line "operated almost like a commuter railroad station in the 1860s," said Allgaier, precipitating the growth of those hamlets as the kind of Albany bedroom communities they largely remain today.

A private pilot, Allgaier has taken an interest in airports that have existed in Bethlehem, holding special pride in the fact that Albany airport was once located in Bethlehem on Westerlo Island. Its

runways served such aviation notables as Charles Lindbergh and Glenn Curtiss before a new facility was built at the site of the county's present airport, he said.

Allgaier said he wants to be "a resource" as town historian and hopes to assist in local historical educational programs. Also, he said he takes seriously his responsibilities as caretaker of the town's historical documents.

"There are going to be people who follow us too," he said. "That's one of the facets of the town historian, to make sure that the people who follow us have access to the records that exist in the town."

Honor student named

Jonathan Cowan of Slingerlands has been named vice-president of the National Honor Society in the La Salle Institute.

Ceremonies were held recently at the Century House in Latham.

Student interns sought

The Local Government Intern Program is an opportunity available to high school juniors and seniors attending schools and living in Albany County. Students are matched with local government officials to discover first hand how government works. Guest speakers, independent projects, seminars, legislative meetings, and field trips throughout the school year provide further information. Students successfully completing the government intern program receive academic credit. For information, call 765-3500.

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Thanksgiving Day: Lincoln Proclamation

One hundred twenty-seven years ago, President Abraham Lincoln issued the following Proclamation declaring the last Thursday of November to be a day of Thanksgiving. The traditional celebration of Thanksgiving became an official national observance through this Proclamation.

The year that is drawing towards its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever-watchful providence of Almighty God.

In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to invite and provoke the aggressions of foreign states, peace has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere, except in the theater of military conflict; while that theater has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union.

The needful diversions of wealth and strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense have not arrested the plow, the shuttle, or the ship. The axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camping, the siege, and the battlefield; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength

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and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years, with large increase of freedom.

No human counsel hath devised, nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy.

It has seemed to be fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and voice by the whole American people; I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer to our beneficent Father. And I recommend to them that, while offering up the ascriptions justly due Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with Divine purposes, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and union.

In the eighty-eighth year of United States independence,

A. Lincoln

As we give thanks

Thoughts on Thanksgiving eve...

A newspaper that is distributed into homes will surely find there people who will give thanks that they are not homeless, as are many Americans.

Our readers, virtually without exception, are able to offer their thanks for the opportunities that have been given to them and for the manifold blessings that have come their way.

Those of us who have thrived and prospered to the point where we are able to be concerned about the national deficit or the budget will indeed find ourselves saying small prayers of gratitude for our privileged state.

A reading of President Lincoln's 1863 proclamation will help to reassure any who doubt that the state of our country today is far happier than at such a time when nonetheless Americans paused to tender their thanksgiving.

Pleasure and happiness will prevail at most tables tomorrow, despite temporary disap-

pointments or worries. Perhaps it won't be too inappropriate, then, to close with a pair of little quotations that can help us to appreciate that, as a country, we have been and still are blessed with proportion and humor.

A newspaper writer made this observation recently, which we liked and saved:

"It occurs to me that as a child I was lied to when all the grown-ups told that grand story about how the Pilgrims invented Thanksgiving to share the largesse of their harvest with the Indians. The Pilgrims actually invented Thanksgiving to give away pumpkins, and probably green tomatoes and enormous zucchini, too. And I'm sure the Indians hated them for it."

Nearly a hundred years ago the humorist Finley Peter Dunne, through his popular character "Mr. Dooley," wrote of Thanksgiving:

"Twas founded by the Puritans to give thanks f'r bein' presarved fr'm the' Indyans, an' we keep it to give thanks we are presarved fr'm th' Puritans."

Words for the Week

Turkey: Flop, as in "That show last night sure was a turkey."

Goose: Zero, as in "He promised to cook my goose if he told."

Gravy: Bonus, as in "The coat and pants do all

the work, but the vest gets all the gravy."

Stuffing: Plenty, as in "That kid knocked the stuffing out of the other side."

Potatoes: Idle, as in "They're nothing but couch potatoes now."

Veteran volunteer says nix on pension plan

Editor, The Spotlight:

What is a "service Awards Program"?

It is retirement entitlement plan for volunteer firemen, the Board of Commissioners, our paid district secretary/treasurer, and our paid attorney for the district. This group of so-called volunteers will receive, at age 65, a pension benefit of up to \$600 per month in return for volunteering their time. I may have missed something along the way, but it appears that our Board of Fire Commissioners is more interested in pension benefits than in the taxpayers of the fire district, which they were elected to represent.

Under the guidelines that the state set up for this pension program, several options could be chosen relative to the type of program put up for public referendum. Our fire district, in its infinite wisdom, has chosen one of the most expensive and highest-benefit-level packages available. Of course, if you are going to get something for yourself, go for the best. I ask the taxpayers — is this a conflict of interest, or am I mistaken?

The board tried to hide the program and slide it through without any public fanfare, but an alert group of private citizens caught wind of the plan, warned the taxpayers, and the referendum was defeated solidly on Oct. 23.

Now these commissioners, looking out for their own again, feel that the taxpayers didn't know what they were doing and are going to give them a chance to "correct their mistake."

You may wonder what qualifies me to speak out and criticize our Board of Commissioners and the way they have handled this. It is because I have personally been a volunteer firefighter for 32 years, and I am, at this moment, a veteran member of the Selkirk Fire Department. I was a volunteer for the

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Bethlehem ambulance for 15 years. I was a volunteer hunter-safety instructor for the New York Conservation Department for 28 years. I volunteered as a Boy Scoutmaster, and the scout committee for several years.

I was never paid, and I never expected to be — I was very content with a simple "Thank you," and the personal satisfaction that I, a volunteer, had made a difference.

Harry Adams

Glenmont

Cheerleaders receive belated recognition

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing in response to John Kaplan's letter concerning the Pop Warner cheerleading competition. Everything he stated was accurate. I thank John and all the other parents and friends who were supportive during this very difficult time.

The Albany Federation Board has decided to overrule the "committee's decision." Bethlehem and Saratoga have been awarded the points they so rightly deserve. Because no ribbons were to be taken away, Saratoga and Albany have tied for first place. Bethlehem and Rensselaer have tied for second.

We are delighted the girls received the recognition they deserve; however, this does not diminish the fact that the previous action was inappropriate. The honor the girls worked so hard to achieve was taken away and the actions of that day will never be forgotten.

Paula Cushman
president and

cheerleading coordinator.

Selkirk

Vox Pop is The Spotlight's public forum. All letters from readers on matters of local interest will be considered. Writers are encouraged to keep their letters as brief as possible, and letters will be edited for: taste, style, fairness and accuracy, as well as for length.

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UNCLE DUDLEY

A father's letters to a little girl

Throughout the Civil War, the nation's capital was ringed by dozens of forts armed with cannon and garrisoned by troops charged with turning back any rebel attack on Washington. That attack never materialized, and the soldiers there experienced a war quite different from the one known by most of the Union armies. Only once, late in the war, were these troops summoned from their strongholds to do battle with the enemy; the results then were catastrophic.

Some of the forts were protected by heavy artillery regiments, and among these was the 2nd New York, made up primarily of batteries from Upstate areas.

How the war appeared to the artillerymen is revealed in a series of 20 letters written from 1861 to 1865 to a young daughter back in a central New York village by an enlisted man who had signed up soon after President Lincoln's first appeal for volunteers.

Francis G. Biggs was 36 years old when he enlisted, already the father of three children. His occupation was that of a printer. Although his education may have been relatively slight, at least in terms of present-day expectations, the letters home were carefully and clearly expressed in excellent English, handsome penmanship, and striking adherence to the rules of grammar. They were formal in tone and expression; even personal references were marked by a notable reserve.

Though the subject-matter of the letters frequently was routine and pedestrian, overcast by the somberness of wartime, Private Biggs sometimes employed a philosophic, long-range objectivity to his reports. One of the more

remarkable of these was written in mid-June of 1863, scarcely two weeks before the Battle of Gettysburg. His thoughtful view gives a tinge of impending crisis—if not doom. It is published on this page in the column ordinarily reserved for the Point of View contributors.

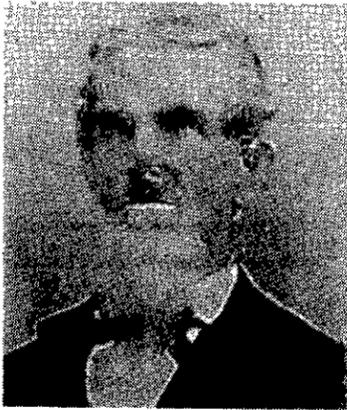
The illustrated verse accompanying it formed the first page of his notepaper; his neat, old-fashioned handwriting filled the other three pages. The notepaper, produced by a major printer in New York, includes this inscription: "Purchase Magnus' Ornamental and Glorious Union Packet, made up from an endless Variety of Scenes, each Packet will gratify yourself and gladden the hearts of Friends at home." The melancholy tone of the verse apparently was, at that time, calculated to "gladden" the homefolks as they heard from their soldier.

The packet of faded and yellowed correspondence, now a century and a quarter old, came to light recently as a Delmar resident, Mrs. Gladys Amos, leafed through family mementoes. Francis G. Biggs was her great-grandfather, and his letters were handed down by Sarah, his daughter, who became Mrs. Amos's grandmother. (She married a George Boardman, and their son, Carroll Boardman, was Mrs. Amos's father.)

The family's home was in Chittenango, Madison County, west of Utica. It was from there that Francis Biggs went off to enlist at Utica. The 2nd Artillery was mustered in between late August and December during those first months of war. The first assignment for Private Biggs's Company G was to

Fort Cass (presumably named for the noted Senator from Michigan, Lewis Cass), one of the redoubts on Washington's perimeter.

Evidence suggests that Fort Cass was situated on the grounds of the Lee mansion and was part of what is now Arlington National Cemetery. Some others of the forts remain, not as such, but as parks in or near the District of Columbia. Just about the time that he wrote



Francis G. Biggs in his mid-60s: the photograph dates from about 1890.

the June 1863 letter, he was promoted to corporal, some two years after joining up.

Presumably, many more letters were dispatched to Chittenango during the three and one-half years they cover, for long gaps of time occur between some of them, though various references suggest other mailings. Only one letter to Mrs. Biggs, a brief one, was in the packet. The letters to Sarah, full of admonitions to be a good girl and study diligently, customarily contained mention of her younger sister, Carrie (who died at an early age of Diphtheria), and brother Eddie, who lived to the age of 92 (having lived from the presidency of James Buchanan to that of Dwight D. Eisenhower).

The June 16, 1863, letter is noteworthy not only because of its anticipation of action, which soon materialized in the fateful confrontation of the armies at Gettysburg. The sobering paragraphs which dominate the private's observations appear to us as rather unusual expressions from within a military camp. Some of his thoughts are so poetically pessimistic yet impersonally phrased, and so formally stated, they could have appeared in one of the editorials that Horace Greeley or other editors were publishing in that period.

In his references to Lee and Hooker, the first is of course to the commander of the Army of Northern Virginia; the second to General "Fighting Joe" Hooker, whose leadership of the Army of the Potomac was so disappointing to Lincoln and so controversial that he was replaced shortly after this letter was written and only days—almost hours—before Gettysburg, where Gen. George G. Meade commanded the Union troops.

Five months later, President Lincoln traveled to Gettysburg for his immortal "Address." At approximately the same time, he composed his Thanksgiving Proclamation, which The Spotlight publishes today in the editorial column.

'War, the greatest evil'

Fort Cass, Va., June 16, 1863.

Dear Sarah: The city of Washington is in a blaze of excitement, and all eyes are at present turned towards the Army of the Potomac.

Both Lee and Hooker are in full motion. Rumors of all sorts fill the city, but it is impossible at present to judge of the situation or the strength of any specified portion of either army.

There seems, however, to be little doubt that Lee contemplates an invasion of the North. It is reported that rebel forces have shown themselves at Martinsburg and Hagerstown, though their numbers are not precisely known.

The President has called for a hundred thousand more troops, and they are already forthcoming. Not only those from the border states, which were particularly specified in the proclamation, but thousands of men from Ohio, New York, and New England are springing to arms in defence of the country. The recently returned Massachusetts regiment has been tendered en masse, and the New York militia are already on the march.

The whereabouts of the main army of Hooker cannot be definitely stated, but the line of the Rappahannock has been abandoned and a few days must elapse before we can know much of his position and purposes. The developments of a few days may astonish us and fill many a heart with sorrow.

"When will this cruel war be over?" When will Peace again wave her olive branch over our land? Will there ever again be a time when rust shall gather on our cannons, and our rifles lay piled uselessly aside, are questions often repeated, but which receive no encouraging response. Shall we ever again be permitted to resume the peaceful avocations of civil life, to witness a return of mechanical industry, an uninterrupted march of prosperity? Heaven only knows if we shall ever know our old paths again. Certain it is that the belief hitherto entertained by the people of this government that our progress would never be interrupted by internal war, is now dispelled.

Necessary as it may be to crush rebellion and punish traitors, no one can deny that this war has brought great sorrow into our land, and wrought a fearful havoc into its passage onward.

Not only Southern lands and Southern rebels suffer, but our loyal states and patriot hearts. Not only have traitors fallen; brave men from our own firesides lie beneath Southern soil, and the wives, the sisters, the mothers, and the children of Northern soldiers are left desolate. Not only have rebels wanted bread, but here, in our own Northern homes, thousands of voices might be raised to tell of the sufferings of the past winter.

Many a weary eye is turned towards the South, where dear ones seem to have vanished. He may be dead, or living a prisoner. No tidings come to the hearts made sick by hope so long deferred. And about other firesides mourning heads bow low. A dear father will never come back again. The green sod lies piled above an only son's young bosom.

It may be a glorious cause, but they have *died for it*, and the weary hearted wife or mother can only think of that. And the many men—strong and young one year ago—who have been maimed and crippled and rendered helpless for life, who can think of these without a sinking heart? Who can see them without the thought that war—no matter what the cause—is the greatest evil that can befall the land.

I wrote to Ma yesterday and shall expect an answer in a few days. Give my love to all, be kind to Carrie and Eddie, write soon, accept my love, and believe me

Your affectionate father,
Francis G. Biggs



MOTHER, Is the Battle Over?

"Mother, is the battle over?
Thousands have been slain, they say,
Is my father coming?—tell me,
Have our soldiers gained the day?
Is he well, or is he wounded—
Mother, do you think he's slain?
If you know, I pray you, tell me,
Will my father come again?"

Mother, dear, you're always sighing,
Since you last the paper read,
Tell me why you now are crying,
Why that cap is on your head?
Ah!—I see, you cannot tell me,
Father's one among the slain,
Although he loved us very dearly,
He will never come again."

"Yes, my boy, your noble father
Is one number'd with the slain;
We shall not see him more on earth,
But in heaven we'll meet again.
He died for the Union's glory,
Our day may not be far between,
But I hope, at the last moment,
That we all shall meet again."

Matters of Opinion

Burn plant could pay for better services

Editor, The Spotlight:

I found Barbara Burt's response to my letter (Spotlight, Oct. 31) very amusing. She should read it again and find where it says that Glenmont is a highly commercial, remote part of the Town of Bethlehem.

What my letter did say is that the proposed site of BFI's burn plant is in a highly commercial (next to the Port of Albany, scrap metal plants, oil storage centers, and truck stops — to name a few) remote part of the town (on the outskirts of town on the Albany/Bethlehem border). An area ideally suited for the location of such a facility.

We need this type of commercial development to pay taxes to help support the increased de-

mand for town services.

The not-in-my-backyard attitude her letter expresses is exactly what my letter was all about. It was that attitude that killed the Price Chopper deal and is now threatening the burn plant, and is costing the town millions in lost revenue.

I have lived in Delmar all my life and live right next to the town's second landfill on North Street. If it were not for this landfill, or if I had Mrs. Burt's attitude, how much higher would our taxes be

The taxes that BFI would pay would help defray the cost of the community center. I don't see how this lowers the quality of life for town residents.

Delmar

Jerry Pittz

Appeal board muffed chance at fee payment

Editor, The Spotlight:

Your recent news story and editorial about DEC, rather than the Board of Appeals, becoming "lead agency," in the case of the application of American Ref-Fuel, give the impression that it doesn't matter who becomes the lead agency. It does matter in one respect—only the lead agency (or co-lead agencies) can collect a fee for the review of the Environmental Impact Statement which, in the case of a large project like the proposed incinerator, can become a sizable sum. This fee would have enabled the Board of Appeals to retain outside experts, had it wanted to. By the way, I have not yet made up my mind about the merits of the application itself.

Richard J. Wengraf

Delmar

Questions for voters on 'volunteer' awards

Editor, The Spotlight:

It's appalling that the Selkirk Fire Department should become a controversial part of local news headlines. To think that we have residents who live in this fire district, under the protection of these firefighters, who are so selfish as to deprive them of an "Incentive Award Program" for volunteer firefighters.

If more people living in this town volunteered their services, there might not be a need for such incentives. Have any of these people stopped to think what it would cost them to rebuild a complete structure, let alone the thought of losing a life because there were not enough volunteers for a prompt response? We all know Webster's definition of "volunteer." The bottom line is — these people are not strictly volunteers. Their training is mandated, which makes them unpaid dedicated "professionals."

My questions to some of you is: "How many times have you had to get out of your bed on a freezing cold night, stay up all night, and go to work (probably losing a few

hours' pay)? Have you ever had to worry if your loved ones and friends were going to be seriously injured or maybe killed while "volunteering" their services? Who would be the first to blame the slow response time (or no response) on the fire department if your structure burned to the ground?"

As a "volunteer" member of the Selkirk Fire Company No. 3 Ladies Auxiliary, I ask you to set aside your personal feelings and consider the meaning of this much-needed program. Please vote "Yes" on Tuesday, Nov. 27.

South Bethlehem Joan Apple

Thanks from craft fair

Editor, The Spotlight:

We wish to thank the following members of the Delmar business community for supporting our craft fair at Elsmere Elementary School: Brownell Insurance, Tri-Village Drugs, Woolworth's, and McDonald's. Appreciatively,

Carol-Lisa Gutman,
Elsmere P.T.A.

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As we progress into the 90's, our society is ever-changing. We are all faced with increasing demands on our time and talents in our family life, in our social lives, and in our everyday workplace. Many of us even have to hold down more than one job to maintain a home and quality of lifestyle. With all of these pressures, it is often hard to remember all the dates and events on our calendars. To assist you in remembering everything you need to...there is a new service available in the area —

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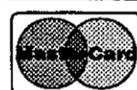
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Garbage pickup value larger than saving

Editor, The Spotlight:

Reminiscent of the Town Board's parlaying an \$11 million (with interest) community center into a \$6 million bond referendum, now the Town Board projects a saving of \$150,000 on an existing 3-man salary base of about \$60,000. Just why the town fathers desire to eliminate the town's garbage service to achieve this "saving" is not clear.

The 34-year-old town garbage collection service, available to all families, is utilized by at least 2,000 families and results in 104,000 pickups annually. If each family garbage pail serves three people, this equates to 312,000 services provided annually.

Recently the town's park service announced proudly it had serviced 117,000 individuals last year. (Hardly comparable in value to garbage.)

Hey — I'm all for a uniformly applied philosophy whereby a non-participant in a majority group would not share the cost burden incurred by a minority group such as only 2,000 garbage-collection users — and vice versa.

Why not eliminate town park

service, which costs more than garbage service and obviously serves fewer?

And how about library service?

And how about school taxes? — we have not had kids in school for 20 years but are paying more and more taxes to educate someone else's kids in the schools we built and are building. Majority or minority, it's a two-way street.

Should the town fathers be looking for financial help in the garbage area, have they considered a monthly tax on the sink garbage disposal unit? Garbage just does not vanish when it goes down the drain. This application places an added load on the water supply, the sewer, and the treatment-disposal system. To what extent has this hastened the required relief of these systems?

The town fathers offer an alternative to the garbage pickup users — lug the garbage to Rupert Road (or is it Route 32?). Cost is \$3 to

unload and \$1 for gas; \$4x2,000 families, x52 weeks, is \$416,000.

The town fathers also suggest the private collector. This guy has it made. Haul the junk to the collection point and the town hauls the stuff to Syracuse along with the associated operations. If Syracuse charges more the town charges the collector — and the collector charges guess who more. Already a \$3 increase is scheduled

Remember when cable TV came to town in 1978, it cost \$7 a month. Today the rate is \$17 because there is no town or PSC control.

What about private garbage collector rates? There is no town control. If the town's garbage pickup is stopped, what deterrent remains to offset price-gouging with its effect on every subscriber? You say competition? History says the "big guy" takes over the whole operation.

Be thankful that the town has men like Charles Gunner and Marty Cross who can take a practical view of the pitfalls generated by the plethora of committees.

John R. Hawkins

Delmar

Repeated referendums possible on pensions

Editor, The Spotlight:

I attended the Nov. 14 informational meeting of the Selkirk Fire District and was very upset by the obvious animosity erupting amongst longtime neighbors who are or have been volunteers.

The "service award" problem has been given fair coverage in the media but I feel one thing has been overlooked: the "political subdivision" classification of local fire districts. This allows exemption from holding only one referendum on a given issue if the issue is not modified.

Accordingly, I was informed that this pension plan could be presented to residents of the fire district as many times as necessary, with no changes, until it is passed. I was not aware of this and consider it a potential misuse of power available to a board of fire commissioners and perhaps to others.

I hope residents of the Selkirk Fire District will seriously stand

up and be counted at the Nov. 27 vote. Let us represent the Town of Bethlehem in a very important issue.

Bottom Line: the perpetrators of this retirement benefit issue are to blame and our firemen will still continue to volunteer. Neighbors and friends alike should be thankful that we are now aware, on a very local level, of how we all eventually become overtaxed, and get involved in at least one matter that concerns you.

Let residents of Delmar, Elsmere, and Slingerland take note that eventually this program could also include ambulance volunteers in their respective districts. You probably are next, so you had better get involved now.

Sharon S. Woolford

(Former ambulance worker and wife of a former active fireman, currently associate fireman).

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Health considerations outweigh Ref-Fuel's \$

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am tired of letters like John P. Thomas's regarding American Ref-Fuel's possible "valuable financial contribution" to the Town of Bethlehem if we would just let them construct their waste-to-energy plant in our area. They would "save" the town \$300 million in taxes annually and then give us \$500,000 annually to do with as we wish! Is that all your life or those of the children around you are worth to you, Mr. Thomas?

And please don't speak for all of us by assuming that the taxpayers of Bethlehem defeated the community center proposal merely on the grounds that we can't afford it at this time. Some of us just think it's unnecessary to build more recreational facilities in the area. We have indoor pools. We have facilities for meetings. What we might need is better organization on how to use our existing facilities.

Do you think voters are so naive as to think a community center is going to solve the problem of pollution that the waste-to-energy plant will cause? There are a total of five students in my two children's classes at Glenmont School who suffer from asthma severely enough to warrant using a ventilator on class trips I have chaperoned. Heaven only knows how many more children in the school suffer from this disease.

Imagine, if you will, what it would be like if American Ref-Fuel built a plant a mile from the Glenmont School. It's a medical fact that asthma attacks can be induced by air pollution. And that is the most obvious and recognizable disease that appears as a direct result of air pollution from a plant such as this. My children's health and further are worth a heck of a lot more than a community center or Little League uniforms or what next? A soccer stadium maybe?

I moved to Glenmont and Bethlehem because I was led to believe it is a community that cares about its families and the protection of its environment. Please, citizens of Bethlehem, let's continue to prove that fact by showing American Ref-Fuel that our children and our future have no price tag that can be paid off in exchange for the ongoing and cumulative damage that can happen with a waste-to-energy plant in our midst.

Let's work toward a solution to the waste problem that will not jeopardize our long-term future in exchange for a short-term entertainment.

God bless us all and keep us well.

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Market's baked-goods discards are questioned—and explained

Editor, The Spotlight:

Can't something be done? Last week I was shopping at the Grand Union in Glenmont. It was very early in the morning (7:15 a.m.), and I happened to notice a very large cart overflowing with trash bags of baked goods. When I inquired about this, I was told that this food was being put into the garbage. It seems to me that, with all the homeless, hungry people, there must be a shelter or soup kitchen that could make good use of this food.

The Grand Union employee I spoke to explained that the food was not being sold as "day old" baked goods because the company is concerned that people would not buy the fresh-baked goods if they were aware that the goods would be sold the next day at a reduced price.

Is this a good enough reason for just dumping an enormous amount of good food? Aren't there any organizations out there who would be willing to put this food to good use?

With the high cost of living during these times, I feel it is a shame to waste perfectly good food.

Judith H. Powell, R.N.

Delmar

Editor's note: In response to an inquiry by The Spotlight about the circumstances described in Ms. Powell's letter, the accompanying letter was received from the Grand Union.

Editor, The Spotlight,

The Grand Union Company has a strong record of support towards Food Banks and Food Pantries in virtually every area where we operate. As a matter of corporate policy, we attempt to donate salvageable, quality food products to charitable organizations when it is not possible to sell those products because of packaging imperfections, dents, etc.

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At Grand Union, we fully agree with Ms. Powell that it is tragic to dispose of perfectly good food. That is why we try to donate salvageable, non-perishable food and attempt to eliminate any waste from our perishable operations.

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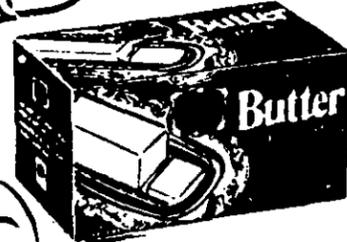
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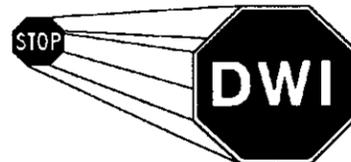
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Cuts

(From page 1)

Loomis emphasized that the governor's proposal was preliminary, and the final decision would be made by the legislature.

"This is very difficult news because we have traditionally budgeted close to the line and not carried a surplus, in order to be responsible to our taxpayers," Loomis said.

"I certainly recognize the need for fiscal responsibility for the state, but there are other options," said William Schwartz, superintendent at RCS. "We're looking to cut back program expenditures without losing programs."

Schwartz suggested that grants for enhancing teacher salaries, the Excellence in Teaching (EIT) program, may be an area that can be sacrificed to help make up for the aid reduction.

"The amount of lost aid is almost the same as the EIT grant," Schwartz explained. "In hard times like these, cutting bonuses would be the least harmful way to come up with this money."

Referring to the difficulty in cutting a budget in the middle of the year, Schwartz said, "There's no pot of gold at the end of the rainbow here."

"My staff is searching the budget to find ways to hold the line without affecting program, staff or local taxes," said Alan McCartney, superintendent of Voorheesville Central Schools.

McCartney pointed out that about 88 percent of the district budget was for contractual obligations that have to be paid (such as salaries, fringe benefits and debt), with only 12 percent for materials,

supplies and equipment. "Most of that money has already been spent. We will be freezing unnecessary spending and new purchases," he said. "The worst possible case would be cutting back programs or staff."

The district is currently at an impasse with the Voorheesville Teachers Association over a new contract. "Times like these make negotiation very difficult," McCartney conceded.

The area's representatives in Albany, who will return to deal with Cuomo's proposal in December, were also cautious in their reaction to the governor's plan.

"I think the cut is very unfortunate, but it's a direct result of the fiscal chicanery practiced by the legislature and the governor for the last three budgets," said Assemblyman John Faso, whose district includes Bethlehem. "Finally, with the recession, the truth about those budgets has come out."

Although not pledging to support Cuomo's proposal, Faso said it's a step in the right direction. "The governor's proposal is at least fiscally honest, although it's a hard pill to swallow budgetarily," he noted. "No one, liberal or conservative, upstate or downstate, will be happy with this."

Richard Conners, who represents New Scotland in the Assembly, called the proposed cuts "draconian."

Conners compared the present economic condition in the state to the Depression of the 1930s.

"This is the only thing in my long lifetime that can be compared with the Depression," he said. "I hope we can withstand this crisis with the same amount of courage and determination that our forefathers did."

Schools feel the budget pinch

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Garbage

(From page 3)

work with private haulers to see if they would consider changing their pricing structure to reflect volume generated by a customer. That way, customers with small amounts of refuse who've used the town service to take their wet garbage and then take their trash to Rupert Road infrequently wouldn't have to pay a hauler the same fee as customers who generate large volumes every week, he said.

Ringler said he would also like time for an education program letting people know they can mix their food garbage and dry trash together. "A lot of people don't understand that you can do that," he said. And he also thinks the timing of the proposal is bad. "We have people who are confused about recycling," Ringler said. "To throw another monkey wrench into

it at this point doesn't make a lot of sense."

But Dennis Corrigan, a task force member and its former chairman and former town board member, disagrees that the recycling program is a good argument for waiting. "While you're in the process of modifying the way you've handled your trash and food wastes all these years, I think there's an argument that could be made that let's make all these adjustments at once," Corrigan said. "This is the time to do it."

Corrigan also agrees with Secor's assessment in October that the service "has outlived its usefulness," arguing that a question of fairness is at the heart of the question.

"I think by the time you shake all the numbers down you find that it's 5 or 10 percent of the who both

use it and need it," Corrigan said. "... I still don't think it's fair to request the other 92 percent to pay for that small minority. There's got to be a better way to provide them some kind of service."

He acknowledged that ending the collection would be "unpopular," saying the issue typifies a common conflict in government.

"You have a conflict between what seems to be the right thing to do and what seems to be the popular thing to do," he said. "Ultimately you've got to do what seems to be the right thing to do in my judgment."

The collection service began in 1954 to replace collections by local pig farmers. Waste collected by private haulers and the town garbage collection both are currently taken to the ANSWERS program in Albany.

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Delmar author known by many pen names

By Debi Boucher

Name recognition isn't everything in the world of book publishing. Before being published under his own name, Delmar author Paul Block penned five western novels under various pseudonyms. "I didn't want to be a western writer," he explained. "I like historical novels, sagas — so I saved my name for those books."

The two historical novels he has out now are representative of the way Block likes to write — about things that interest him. "I try to write about things I already know something about," he said. "San Francisco" and "The Deceit" call upon the seven years Block spent in California following graduation from SUNY's Empire State College. While living in San Francisco, he began collecting books about the city's history, and also developed an interest in old medicine practices — both of which are facets that play heavily in the San Francisco books, set in the late 1800s.

Block is also intrigued with China; having visited the country and read extensively on its history, he is now working on a historical book centered around the Chinese opium wars.

In recognition of his work, Block was this year named to membership in the Western Writers of America, Inc., a professional organization with more than 600 members.

Although he majored in creative writing at college, and wrote two novels — which he has never shown to a publisher — while working for Albany's Knickerbocker News in the late 1970s and early '80s, it wasn't until seven years ago that Block became a published author. The catalyst was Book Creations Inc., the Columbia



Paul Block

County-based book packager for which Block is creative director. "It's kind of an exciting place to be," he said, "because you get an inside look at the publishing world."

As part of his job, Block visits publishers to sell the books and book series his company puts together.

BCI is handling his upcoming empire series, which will consist of three books, the first one due to the publisher this spring. "If I didn't have a contract, I'd probably never get anything done," joked the author, who enjoys a "unique situation" in being employed by the company responsible for getting his manuscript to the publisher. "If I'm under deadline, I can get a few days off, because it's in their best interest to get the book out."

Block, whose two children attend Bethlehem Central Schools, does his writing evenings and weekends. He used to confine himself to his study, he said, but since he began using a laptop computer, he finds the comfort of

an easy chair more conducive to writing. "If I'm comfortable, I can go a long time," said Block, who has been known to write for eight to 10 hour stretches. "I like to write in big chunks."

Beginning a book is always the hardest part, Block said. "But after about a third or half of the way through, the characters take over," he said, explaining why he can't always adhere to his detailed outlines — which are often 80 to 100 pages long for a 600-page manuscript. "You can't be too rigid," he feels, especially since "The parts that come out best are the ones where I feel least in control." Having an outline, however, does keep him from straying too far afield.

Research takes up approximately half the total time it takes Block to write a novel. The whole process generally takes about six months, he said, but he once managed to write a western novel in 11 days. "I just locked myself in a room in Manhattan and wrote it," he said, explaining that feat was

necessitated by an emergency situation the publisher was in.

The publishing world can get complex, as Block knows all too well. His San Francisco books, originally slated to be the first two in a six-book series, remain alone, bereft of their successors by the bankruptcy of his publisher.

The third book in the series, "The Calling" was typeset, but never printed. Block is hoping to sell the book to another publishing house, since it "can stand on its own," whereas the first two books were strongly linked by a "cliff-hanger" ending.

Block admits to disappointment over the venture, particularly since the books were very well received. Despite their success, those two books are unlikely to bring their author much in the way of monetary rewards, since payments from the publisher are tied up in bankruptcy court. But the world of publishing is rife with such risks, Block said. "I always tell authors, 'Keep your day job'."



Fire Fighters Corner

Isabel Glastetter

The following departments responded to emergency calls during the week of Nov. 8 through Nov. 14: Delmar Fire Department, three structure fires; Delmar Rescue Squad, two respiratory distresses, two cardiac emergencies, three standbys, eight medical emergencies, one auto accident; Elsmere Fire Department, three structure fires, two grass fires, one rubbish fire; Bethlehem Ambulance, two auto accidents, two personal injury, three medical emergencies, four standbys; Sel-

kirk Fire Department, two grass fires, one structure fire, one gas odor; North Bethlehem one structure fire.

The Town of Bethlehem Fire Officers Association will hold its monthly meeting at the Elsmere Firehouse on Dec. 6 at 8 p.m.

The Selkirk Fire Department will host an Essentials of Firemanship course starting Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. This will be a 13-week course. Interested persons should let their chief know.

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"From Our House to Yours," a holiday card-making workshop on Dec. 5 at 10:30 a.m.

"An Adirondack Christmas" with Christopher Shaw, a local folksinger and storyteller, on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.

"Celebration all Around!" Stories of celebrations from around the world, accompanied by music and followed by good cheer on Dec. 16 at 2 p.m.

"My Hands Can," stories that hands can tell and have fun creating characters with their fingerprints, on Dec. 19 at 4 p.m.

School's Out Films, "The Olden Days Coat" on Dec. 27 at 2 p.m.

New Year's Eve at noon, a countdown to New Year's Day for the family, on Dec. 31 at 11:30 a.m.

For information on any activity, call 439-9314.

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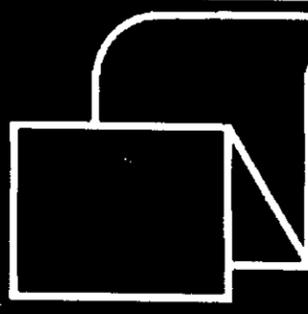
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Paul Crozzoli

Playground group forms committees

Committees forming

Creative Playground Committees are now being formed in preparation for building in 1991. To volunteer for committees or for information, call Elaine Burns at 765-4898 or Debbie Baron at 765-9371. The next meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria to discuss plans.

School's out

Voorheesville School District schools will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 22 and Friday, Nov. 23 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Classes will resume on Monday, Nov. 26. Happy Thanksgiving.

Give more than thanks

Especially during the month of November when we all become very busy with thoughts of the holidays, I begin thinking what I am thankful for. Many organizations and individuals are busy collecting food items for a food pantry. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, senior citizens church groups, business organizations and Voorheesville schools are some of the few groups collecting items. Please get involved and give generously in order to help.

Special delivery

Have you heard of Books on Wheels? A person designated by the Voorheesville Public Library will deliver books to the homes of those unable to get to the library. Call Dorothy Colvin, 765-2791 for information.

Voorheesville News Notes

Susan Casler 765-2144



Club party set

Christmas is just around the corner and everyone has started making arrangements for holiday parties. The New Scotland Senior Citizen Club is accepting reservations for its Christmas party scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. at Veeders Restaurant, 2020 Central Ave., Colonie. The entree will be either turkey or ham for \$11 or pot roast of beef for \$11.30. You are requested to make your reservation and payment by Sunday, Dec. 9 with Marion Klapp, RD#2, Box 238, Voorheesville, 12186 or call 765-2701. Make reservations early as there is limited seating.

Holiday cancellation

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no story hours at the library on Wednesday, Nov. 21 or Friday, Nov. 23. The normal schedule will resume the following week.

Library shows film

Peter Bogdanovich's movie, "The Last Picture Show," will be shown at the library on Friday, Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. You should see this movie before you see the recently released sequel, "Texaville," starring Jeff Bridges and Cybil Shepherd.

Ginsberg to appear

Poet Allen Ginsberg will recite his poetry at the QE2, 12 Central Ave., Albany, at 10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29. The reading is a benefit for the Client Assistance Fund of the AIDS Council of Northeast N.Y. Tickets are limited, for \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. For information, call 449-8069.

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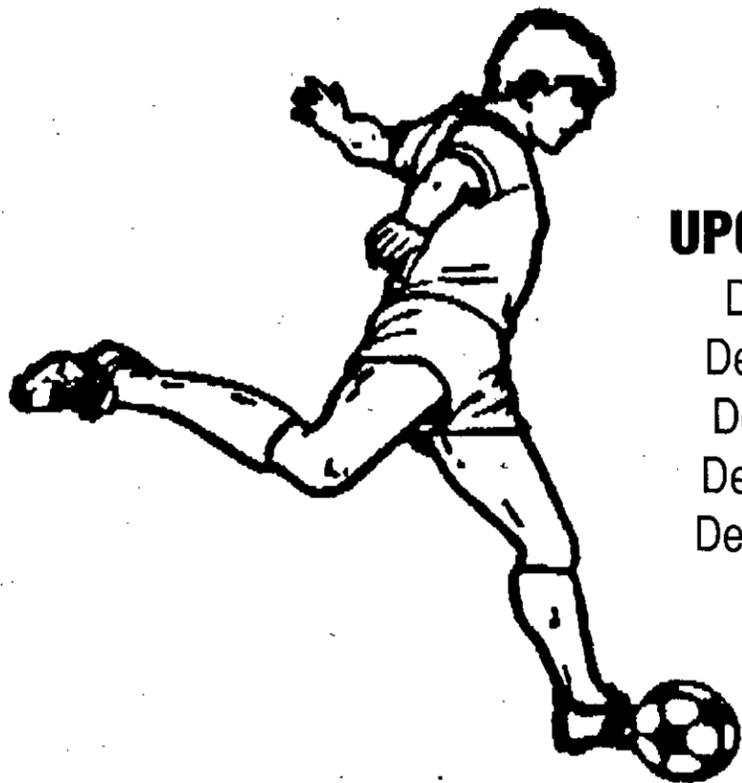
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Village Shop celebrates 30th

By Sheila Davis

Good taste, honest business practices and service to the customer are the basics of a successful gift shop, according to Eileen Schuyler. She should know — she's been associated for years with the Village Shop in Delmar, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary this month.

The store was actually an offshoot of another shop, Schuyler said. "My father and mother, Herman and Helen Rasker, opened Town & Tweed in 1955," she said. "It was my mother's store, but my father and mother worked on it together. Then when it was really up and running my father didn't have quite enough to keep him interested, so in 1960 he opened The Village Shop." The shop was located right next door to Town & Tweed at Delaware Plaza, with an archway connecting the two stores. "The Village Shop was a narrow, little place," recalled Schuyler, "and it was amazing what they fit in that space."

The shop started out with a staff of two people, Schuyler remembered: her father and Barbara Brisson. As business grew, the staff was expanded, and eventually the store outgrew its original quarters, and moved to its present location at the plaza.

Besides being vice president of The Village Shop, which she helps her father run, Schuyler owns The Village Furniture Company at Four Corners in Delmar, which is "my own store, not my parents' business — it's the only store that's separate." While her father has retired from the day-to-day operation of The Village Shop, her mother is still "in and out of Town & Tweed all the time."

"My job," explained Schuyler, "is to get my father's message across to whoever is manager of



The Village Shop in Delmar has been the provider of fine items for residents of the Capital District for over 30 years.

The Village Shop." The current manager is Nancie Shelhamer; Schuyler acted as manager for a couple of years following the five-year tenure of her sister, Laurel Zinssar, who now lives in New Jersey. "Everyone knew her for a long time," Schuyler said, "and people still think I'm her all the time."

Schuyler's father for years did the buying for The Village Shop, and she attributes the store's traditional good taste to his artistic background. "He always felt gift shops could be a lot of junk you put together or things that sold at the moment. But his idea was to have good taste, interesting artwork and things that will improve people's aesthetics," she said. "I've tried to carry out his idea. We've been very careful over the years to make sure

what we bought was in good taste."

Originally, The Village Shop carried dishes, holloware, flatware, a bit of furniture, linens, gifts from around the world, artwork and lamps. While its inventory has kept up with the changing times, the store's basic offerings haven't changed too significantly over the years, Schuyler feels.

The most popular items at the moment, according to Schuyler, are the Portmeirion dishes from

England, some with a pattern of flowers, some with fruit, some with birds. "We have the largest selection of these dishes in this part of the state," she said. Generally, things with patterns have become important in decorating, she said, noting that such changes develop slowly and gradually, year by year.

Schuler said the family will stick with its local operations, rather than expand. "We've been approached about opening another store," she said, "but I don't think you can offer the same level of service that way. A lot of the mall stores have a bland, 'anytown USA' kind of sameness."

Museum seeks help with quilt display

The New York State Museum is seeking volunteers to assist with education programs, films, workshops and an exhibit of the "Names" Project AIDS Memorial Quilt on Dec. 1 through 9.

This is the first time the AIDS Quilt has been brought to the Capital Region. Volunteers are needed for the following tasks: quilt monitoring, visitor support and assistance with museum programs. Anyone interested should attend the orientation session on Monday, Nov. 19, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and from 7 to 8 p.m. at the New York State Museum, Meeting Room D. For more information, call 453-6787.

Embroiderers to meet

The New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, Delmar United Methodist Church, Delmar.

After the business meeting, there will be a hands-on program by M.A. Klein. The program will include the use of slides and a booklet prepared by Klein.

The evening study group meets the third Tuesday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar.

Guests are welcome to attend meetings for a \$1 guest fee.

A bag lunch is suggested.

Membership is open to the public.

For information, call 346-4966.

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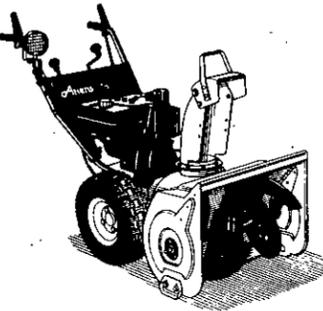
There will be a Thanksgiving Eve worship service of thanks and praise at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar. Playing for the first time, Bethlehem Lutheran's new Bell Choir will enhance the worship service. There will be a fellowship hour in the new fellowship hall following the service. The community is invited.

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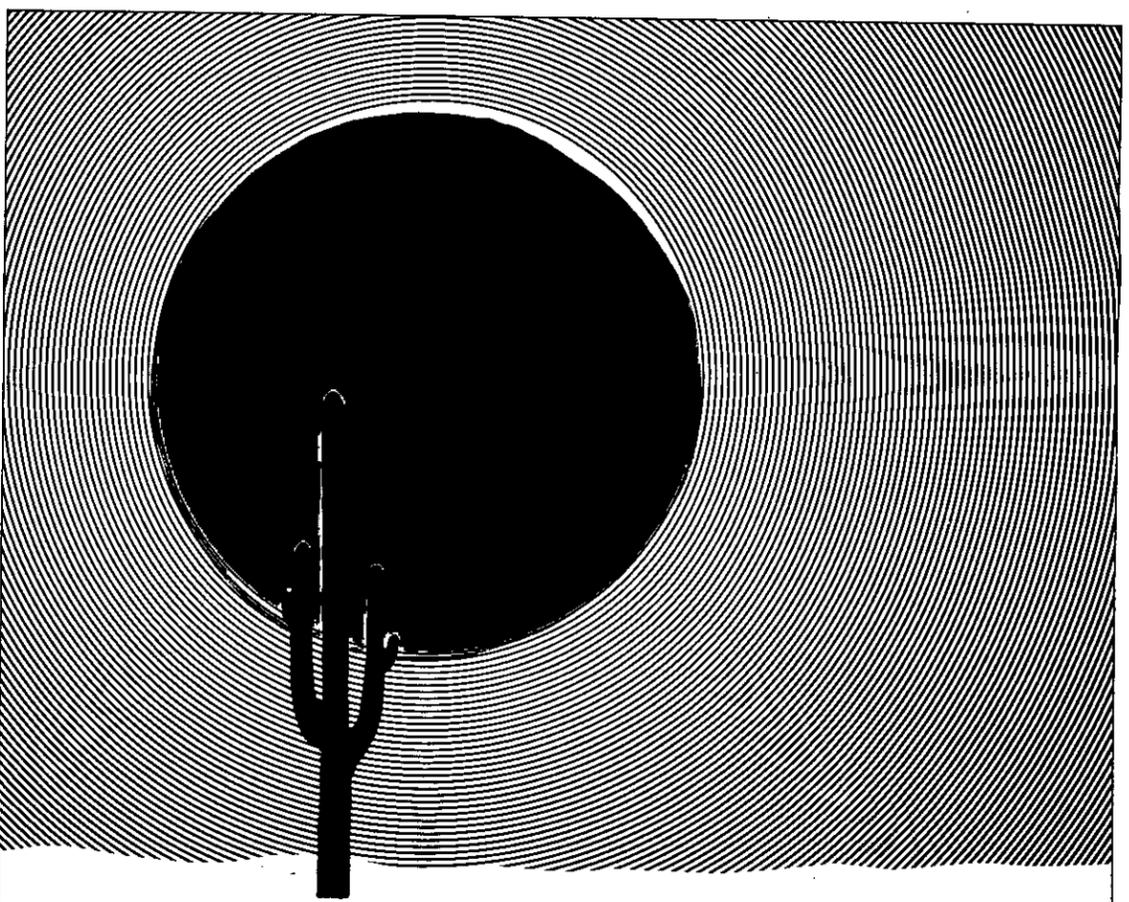
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Wednesday, Dec. 12	8 p.m.	Mohonasen
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Wednesday, Dec. 19	8 p.m.	Saratoga
Friday, Dec. 21	8 p.m.	at Niskayuna
Thursday, Dec. 27	6:30 p.m.	CCHS Tournament
Friday, Dec. 28	6:30 p.m.	CCHS Tournament
Friday, Jan. 4	6:30 p.m.	Scotia
Wednesday, Jan. 9	8 p.m.	at Shaker
Saturday, Jan. 12	3 p.m.	at Burnt Hills
Wednesday, Jan. 16	8 p.m.	at Colonie
Saturday, Jan. 19	8 p.m.	at Mohonasen
Friday, Jan. 25	8 p.m.	Guiderland
Monday, Jan. 28	6 p.m.	at Mt. Anthony
Wednesday, Jan. 30	8 p.m.	Shenendehowa
Saturday, Feb. 2	3 p.m.	Niskayuna
Saturday, Feb. 9	3 p.m.	at Scotia
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Friday, Nov. 30	6:30 p.m.	Colonie Tournament
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Friday, Dec. 7	8 p.m.	Johnstown
Tuesday, Dec. 11	8 p.m.	at Mohonasen
Friday, Dec. 14	8 p.m.	Guiderland
Tuesday, Dec. 18	8 p.m.	at Saratoga
Friday, Dec. 21	8 p.m.	Niskayuna
Thursday, Dec. 27	1 p.m.	Helderberg Tournament at Guiderland
Friday, Dec. 28		Helderberg Tournament
Friday, Jan. 4	8 p.m.	Scotia
Tuesday, Jan. 8	8 p.m.	Shaker
Friday, Jan. 11	8 p.m.	Burnt Hills
Tuesday, Jan. 15	8 p.m.	Colonie
Friday, Jan. 18	8 p.m.	Mohonasen
Saturday, Jan. 26	3 p.m.	at Guiderland
Tuesday, Jan. 29	8 p.m.	at Shenendehowa
Friday, Feb. 1	8 p.m.	at Niskayuna
Tuesday, Feb. 5		(BYE)
Friday, Feb. 8	8 p.m.	at Scotia
Tuesday, Feb. 12	8 p.m.	at Columbia
Friday, Feb. 15	8 p.m.	at Burnt Hills
Tuesday, Feb. 19		Prelims

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RCS VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Friday, Nov. 30	7:30 p.m.	RCS Gold Medal Tournament
Friday, Dec. 1	5:30 p.m.	RCS Gold Medal Tournament
Tuesday, Dec. 4	7:30 p.m.	Holy Names
Tuesday, Dec. 11	7:30 p.m.	at Cohoes
Friday, Dec. 14	7:30 p.m.	at Voorheesville
Tuesday, Dec. 18	7:30 p.m.	at Mechanicville
Thursday, Dec. 20	8 p.m.	at Rensselaer Tournament
Friday, Dec. 21	TBA	at Rensselaer Tournament
Friday, Jan. 4	7:30 p.m.	Watervliet
Monday, Jan. 7	7:30 p.m.	Bishop Maginn
Friday, Jan. 11	7:30 p.m.	Schalmont
Tuesday, Jan. 15	7:30 p.m.	at Holy Names
Tuesday, Jan. 22	7:30 p.m.	Lansingburgh
Friday, Jan. 25	7:30 p.m.	Cohoes
Tuesday, Jan. 29	7:30 p.m.	Voorheesville
Wednesday, Jan. 30	7 p.m.	at Bishop Maginn
Friday, Feb. 1	7:30 p.m.	Mechanicville
Tuesday, Feb. 5	7:30 p.m.	at Lansingburgh
Friday, Feb. 8	7:30 p.m.	at Watervliet
Friday, Feb. 15	7:30 p.m.	at Schalmont

See boys varsity and girls varsity basketball previews next week.

RCS VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Nov. 30	7:30 p.m.	RCS Gold Medal Tournament
Saturday, Dec. 1	7:30 p.m.	RCS Gold Medal Tournament
Tuesday, Dec. 4	7:30 p.m.	at Albany Academy
Tuesday, Dec. 11	7:30 p.m.	Cohoes
Friday, Dec. 14	7:30 p.m.	Voorheesville
Tuesday, Dec. 18	7:30 p.m.	Mechanicville
Friday, Dec. 21	7:30 p.m.	at Lansingburgh
Wednesday, Dec. 26	8 p.m.	at SGF Tournament
Thursday, Dec. 27	TBA	at SGF Tournament
Friday, Jan. 4	7:30 p.m.	at Watervliet
Tuesday, Jan. 8	7:30 p.m.	at Waterford
Friday, Jan. 11	7:30 p.m.	at Schalmont
Tuesday, Jan. 15	7:30 p.m.	Albany Academy
Friday, Jan. 25	7:30 p.m.	at Cohoes
Tuesday, Jan. 29	7:30 p.m.	at Voorheesville
Friday, Feb. 1	7:30 p.m.	at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Feb. 5	7:30 p.m.	Lansingburgh
Friday, Feb. 8	7:30 p.m.	Watervliet
Tuesday, Feb. 12	7:30 p.m.	Waterford
Friday, Feb. 15	7:30 p.m.	Schalmont

VOORHEESVILLE VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Friday, Nov. 30	3:30 p.m.	at RCS Gold Medal Invitational
Saturday, Dec. 1	TBA	at RCS Gold Medal Invitational
Friday, Dec. 7	7:30 p.m.	Schalmont
Tuesday, Dec. 11	7:30 p.m.	at Holy Names
Friday, Dec. 14	7:30 p.m.	Ravena
Tuesday, Dec. 18	7:30 p.m.	at Cohoes
Thursday, Dec. 27	7:30 p.m.	Ladybird Christmas Tournament
Friday, Dec. 28	TBA	Ladybird Christmas Tournament
Friday, Jan. 4	7:30 p.m.	at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Jan. 8	7:30 p.m.	Lansingburgh
Friday, Jan. 11	7:30 p.m.	Watervliet
Friday, Jan. 18	7:30 p.m.	at Schalmont
Wednesday, Jan. 23	7:30 p.m.	Hoosick Valley-non-league
Friday, Jan. 25	7:30 p.m.	Holy Names
Tuesday, Jan. 29	7:30 p.m.	Ravena
Friday, Feb. 1	7:30 p.m.	Cohoes
Tuesday, Feb. 5	7:30 p.m.	at Hoosick Valley-non-league
Friday, Feb. 8	7:30 p.m.	Mechanicville
Tuesday, Feb. 12	7:30 p.m.	at Lansingburgh
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Tuesday, Dec. 11	7:30 p.m.	Albany Academy
Friday, Dec. 14	7:30 p.m.	at Ravena
Tuesday, Dec. 18	7:30 p.m.	Cohoes
Friday, Dec. 28	8:30 p.m.	Holiday Tournament at Shaker
Saturday, Dec. 29	TBA	Holiday Tournament at Shaker
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High school basketball teams gearing up

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk

Nat Boynton

Jim Gorham is facing a major rebuilding project with his Ravena basketball team, which opens a new season Nov. 30 hosting the annual Gold Medal Tip-Off tournament. The Indians have six holdovers from last year's varsity, all seniors, but only one of them was a starter.

That is Eddie Nievas, one of the best point guards in the Colonial Council, a talented ball handler and a good shooter. "He is superquick," says Gorham.

The Indians don't have much size, which in basketball translates to height, but Gorham sees them as "much quicker overall." They will be a better shooting team if Steve Bullock, Tom Holsapple and possibly Reggie Skipper can put the ball into the strings along with Nievas.

All are backcourt players. Bullock and Holsapple played on the second-line defense last season, and Skipper was the sparkplug of a JV team that won seven of its last 10. "He is very, very quick," says Gorham.

Also returning are seniors Julio Co-

lon, a 5-9 guard, Chris Hagen and Jason Romano, both 6-footers but not much more. The tallest is Eiken Lubbers, an exchange student from West Germany who is 6-7.

"Eiken is a fine athlete who has never played basketball," says Gorham. "He's played a lot of European handball. He's a good dribbler, but he's just learning to shoot. He's a hard worker and a lot of fun. It will be interesting to see how he develops."

Coming up from the jayvees are Skipper, Carlton Winslow, Pat Rafferty, Joe Salin and Jim Grube. Winslow and Salin are 6-footers; Grube is 6-2.

It may take only a few games for Gorham to find the answers to his two big questions: do the Indians have enough speed to work the fast break, and are they aggressive enough to get a fair share of the rebounds?

The first clues will come a week from Friday against Ichabod Crane. The opening half of the boys' tournament double-header will match Voorheesville and Maple Hill.

Voorheesville

By Nat Boynton

The Blackbirds will be running, jumping and shooting with the best of them when the scholastic basketball season gets underway next week.

The soccer players are back from their euphoric trip to Buffalo, giving Frank Carrk 16 hoopsters to sort out. "It's the fastest and best shooting team I've had in my three years here, and by far the deepest," he confided this week. His main problem is who and how many to cut, and that's a toughie, because no coach wants to see that much talent sitting on the bench.

Carrk could start his five seniors, all experienced, but that won't happen because Carrk has brought along four juniors who played key roles as sophomores on last year's team, at 9-7 a respectable fourth in a very fast league. He also has brought along his son Ryan, who came with the furniture when the family moved from Ravena to Voorheesville last summer.

Of the five seniors, Richie Adams and Todd Rockmore started every game last year, and Bill Stone became a starter in mid-season. Adams, the playmaking point guard, and Rockmore, a shooting guard,

remind onlookers of the Meacham-Lennon tandem of Chuck Abba's 25-1 Final Four team of a decade ago. Stone is a 6-foot swing forward who can jump and play the post.

The other seniors are Jeff Freyer, a 6-3 center, and Dan Tarullo, a 6-2 baseline shooter.

Four of the 11 juniors played varsity last year. Steve Lapinski, a 6-3 center, was a season-long starter. "Steve has a chance to be our top scorer," says Carrk. "He's got a soft touch for a big man, and he's our best rebounder."

Here's what Carrk has to say about the other three:

Erin Sullivan — "Best athlete on the team, can play anywhere. My challenge is to spot him in the right place at the right time."

shoot the eyes out of the basket, our designated 3-point shooter."

Tom Gianatasio — "Strong rebounder, a fine baseline player, a real competitor."

That's nine of the 16, which doesn't leave much room for four fine prospects coming up from the JV and three transfers, all juniors. Joe Race is a pesky guard

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Section 2 swimmers finish fifth

Section 2 swimmers finished fifth among 11 sectional teams in the finals of the state championship meet Saturday at RPI's Robison Pool.

The host team was led by Richelle Depold, Scotia's acclaimed superstar, who lowered her week-old state record in the individual medley and added a new record in the butterfly. That gives her four state records overall.

The versatile junior, who holds a national ranking, trimmed 46/100ths of a second off her IM clock-

ing last week to set a new mark of 2:03.25, and set a new standard of 55.22 in the 'fly. She also holds the state records in the 50 and 100 free.

Cathy Jo Dedrick of Voorheesville, Section 2 backstroke champion, finished 12th in 1:02.79, half a second under her qualifying time and far behind her best (1:01.01). She was 16th in the IM in 2:16.

"I didn't swim well," she said. "I don't know why. I just had a bad meet."

Maggie Bintz, her Guilderville teammate, was 16th in the breaststroke finals in 1:12.12. She went in at 1:10.70.

Their coach, Larry Dedrick, had another possible explanation for the disappointing times. "Maybe we put too much emphasis on the sectionals," he said.

Chrissie Mann of Bethlehem Central was 14th in the diving finals, only five places behind Section 2 champion Allison Ruff of Troy.

VC SOCCER PLAYERS RECOGNIZED

A consensus vote of the Colonial Council soccer coaches in October 1990 recognizes several members of the Voorheesville boys soccer team as outstanding soccer players during the school year 1990. These players were voted to represent the Colonial Council on its All-League team.

For the first team, seniors Christian Clark and Todd Rockmore were chosen to play midfield.

Seniors Rich Adams and Bjoern Joergensen were chosen as strikers for the second team. Eric Logan, a junior, was picked as a stopper for the second team.

Seniors Marc Mirabile, Justin Perry, Bill Stone and Kevin Taylor received an honorable mention, as well as junior Erin Sullivan.

Star Bowlers



Bowling honors for the week of Nov. 11, at Del Lanes in Delmar, go to:

Sr. Cit. Men — John Erickson 236, Art Tenney 620 triple, Bob Darrow (4 game series).

Sr. Cit. Women — Terri Price 166, 426 triple, Doris Aupperle 168, 437 triple.

Men — Chuck Radick 279, Joe Bellville 713 triple, Kevin Matuszek 975 (4 game series).

Women — Janene Trianni 223, 746 (4 game series), Kristi Malsan 560 triple.

□ Voorheesville

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who will fit well into Carr's pressing defense. Tom Keigle and Danny Carmody, a good outside shotmaker, are proven rebounders, and Jack Brennan is an aggressive guard.

Ryan Carr, the coach's son, a decent-sized guard, played JV at Ravena last year. The other transfers are Terry Mesec from Mont Pleasant and Jason Woodin from

Prep Boys — Rich Petri 180, 431 triple, Michael O'Brien 179, 483 triple.

Bantam Boys — Joe Van Valkenburg 110, 273 triple, Andrew MacMillan 125, 291 triple.

Bantam Girls — Erin Bailey 125, 301 triple.

Junior Classic League

Major Boys — Rob Burns 242, 855 (4 game series), Lee Aiezza 225, 812 (4 game series).

Major Girls — Beth Matthews 201, 723 (4 game series), Jennifer Matuszek 204.

Virginia, who are unknown quantities in the first week of practice.

Carr is looking for this cast to carry the Blackbirds into the top three in the Colonial Council, one of the fastest hoop circuits in Section 2. Last March, four Colonial teams were in the sectional finals in Class B, C and CC.

The shooting starts a week from Friday when the Birds face Maple Hill in the opener of Ravena's two-night Gold Medal tournament.

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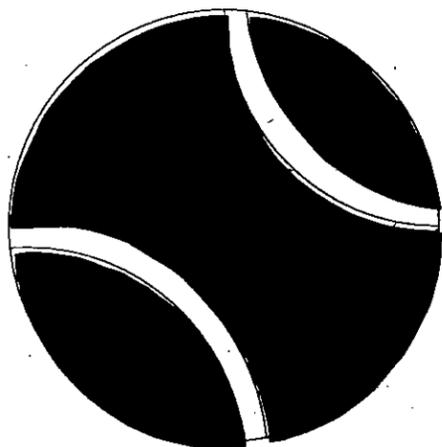


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Guilderville boys look for strong season

By Zack Kendall

The Guilderville boys swim team, which missed third place in last year's sectionals by one point, begins its season in early December.

There's a good mix of experienced upperclassmen and up-and-coming freshmen in the 17-member team. About half of the Guilderville swimmers have been practicing in a league or club.

The one-point third place sectionals' loss was partly due to the team's absence of divers, a circumstance caused by the lack of depth in the Voorheesville pool. Last year they finished 7-6-1, with some of the losses directly caused by the point advantage gained in diving by the other team.

The diverless team will have a few advantages over the competition this year. They have lost just three swimmers from last year, the 200 freestyle relay, a new event, has been added and a new ruling allows swimmers to compete in four events per meet, instead of three. These last two factors give the team more flexibility to put its best swimmers where they are most needed.

Coach Kevin Merges said he is very optimistic about the season. He sees Shaker and Shenendehowa as their closest competition. He said Troy is looking a little less ferocious, now that a few of their strong swimmers have graduated.

Merges said the last meet of the year, against Bethlehem, may prove to be the best. "We should give them a real run for their money."

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Plaza

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"Bethlehem is known to be a very tough town to develop in. You don't just waltz in and develop a center," said Martin. "As a developer, I'm very sensitive to that, and I would like to think that if they're for it they will say so and if they're against it they'll tell me."

The proposal is a project of Guilderland-based Center Point Development Inc., of which Martin is president and Albany Realtor Jason Minick is a partner. According to Martin, the center would be located on a roughly 133-acre parcel immediately north of Bender Lane and west of Route 9W. He said the plaza, which has been dubbed Southgate Square, has commitments from Hoyts Theaters for an eight theater movie complex, Hannaford Bros. (owners of Super Shop 'n Save), and K Mart. K Mart would move operations from the Town Square shopping center at the intersection of Route 9W and Feura Bush Road, Martin said.

All together, Southgate Square would contain about 570,000 square feet of retail space and, including parking and other development work, would cover roughly

45 acres, Martin said. By comparison, Delaware Plaza on Delaware Avenue has 152,991 square feet of retail space, according to the plaza's management office.

The Southgate Square proposal includes plans to build a new connection between state routes 9W to 32 to bypass Bender Lane and the widening of 9W to four lanes in front of the center. While state transportation officials have not committed to permitting the improvements, which would be needed to handle traffic generated from the center, Martin said so far they've been receptive to the plan.

He said he hopes construction on the project can begin sometime next year, but conceded that it probably won't be until the spring of 1992 at the earliest. The center could open as early as the fall of that year, he said.

The property is now divided into three separate lots. Martin said Center Point has acquired options to purchase the land for \$3.5 million. The property is zoned for commercial development and a shopping center would be permitted under the provisions of town zoning.

Martin said he feels the center will introduce needed retail space in Bethlehem, and would also be likely to draw from Albany.

"Bethlehem has been a market that a lot of retailers have been trying to get into for years," he said, pointing specifically to proposals for new supermarkets that have come and gone.

"It's (the town is) dominated by Grand Union," he said. "I have talked to I don't know how many people from the local area and everybody gives me the same story. They'd like to see another supermarket come in."

And he thinks the movie theaters would also be an asset in Bethlehem. "I think it adds to the overall synergism of the center," he said. "It gives the town of Bethlehem a place to go without having to drive all the way over to Northway Mall or Crossgates."

Martin stressed the jobs the project would bring the town, both during construction and in general operations later on, and the taxable income it would introduce. But he said if the general consensus of town opinion is that the plaza is not wanted or needed, he will not pursue the project.

"As a developer in today's market, I don't really relish the thought of going in and doing battle with the town," said Martin. "If the town is receptive and wants a development, at that time you make a financial decision as to whether you

want to move ahead."

"We really haven't gotten an indication at this point," he said.

Center Point Development Inc. is also behind Brunswick Square, a shopping center currently in the approval process on Route 7 in the town of Brunswick, Martin said.

Ringler said Monday he feels the project has many positive aspects, but that he is concerned about its size.

"I think it's going to need to be looked at very carefully" for traffic and other impacts, he said, but added he is excited about the prospect of bringing movie theaters and a new shopping center to the town.

Adirondack program scheduled at library

A program on navigation in the Adirondack Park will be presented at the Bethlehem Public Library on Monday, Dec. 3, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tom Kligerman, Adirondack committee chairman of the Atlantic Chapter Sierra Club, will discuss the history and use of the many miles of traditional routes. To pre-register, call 439-9314.

RCS parents to meet

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School parents association, Parents in Education, will hold its third meeting of the school year on Nov. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the school library. Featured speaker for this meeting will be Dr. Frank Greenhall, principal of Mechanicville High School. For more information, call 756-9393.

Five Rivers hosts talk on acid rain

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, located on Game Farm Road in Delmar, has scheduled a talk on acid rain for Saturday, December 1 at 2 p.m. An indoor slide presentation will be held. This program is free and open to the public. For more information call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

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Budget

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too low, others too high — "It's a bad budget," was his summary — but Shufelt's concern was that the figures were not high enough to brace the town for harder financial times which may lie ahead.

Peter Van Zetten had similar concerns, and suggested at one point during the board's final budget meeting on Monday night that they revert to the preliminary budget originally submitted by Supervisor Herbert Reilly.

Shufelt argued against that course of action, pointing out that certain expenditures had arisen after the preliminary document was drafted.

While the board made numerous cuts over the course of the sessions, it also had to work with a projected drop in the mortgage tax, and a prediction of no increase in per capita aid from the state. This last meeting had councilmen fearing a worse scenario, with news of Gov. Mario Cuomo's budget cuts pending cuts in local aid.

"The problem is that we always react rather than act," said Sgarlata, arguing the town should figure in the cuts now. Reilly said the board could meet again to adjust the figures in January, "once we have it in writing."

Citizen Richard Decker argued that the governor's cuts are still in

the proposal stage, and have yet to be acted upon by the legislature.

Reilly said he felt his resolution to put a \$250 limit on the amount department heads can spend without town board approval would help keep spending in line. "At least you've got a handle on it," he said. That resolution, with the exception of highway department expenditures, was approved.

Sgarlata wanted to take the concept of controlled spending one step further and investigate the possibility of a town-wide purchasing system. His motion was tabled after receiving no second. Reilly urged him to wait and see what kind of computer is recommended in the feasibility study the town has contracted a computer software and consulting firm to do, since some systems have built-in purchasing order capabilities.

Also tabled, but on a positive note, was Sgarlata's proposal to create an economic development commission composed of five members to draft an incentive plan to attract business to the town. The suggestion met with approval from other board members. "We need some business in this town," said Wyman Osterhout Sr. But Shufelt suggested it be tabled for further consideration, and offered to work with Sgarlata to firm up the proposal.

Salaries proved to be one of the thorniest issues during the series of budget meetings that began in early October. In the course of

attempting to cut expenses, the board at one point froze salaries for elected officials and department heads, then rescinded the move at a subsequent meeting, only to come back to a salary freeze for elected officials only. That resolution, made last Wednesday, was rescinded as well, after Reilly presented total budget figures with and without the freeze as board members had requested at the close of last week's meeting.

The savings would have been \$7,248 had the salaries of elected officials been frozen, Reilly calculated, or about 50 cents on the tax rate. In terms of salaries, what the board ended up with was the five percent across-the-board pay raise for all town employees proposed in Reilly's tentative budget, with one change: four clerical employees will see their work week increased from 30 to 35 hours. One other change approved during earlier negotiations would have raised Town Clerk Edita Probst's salary nine percent rather than five percent; that move was rescinded in the last round of cuts.

Probst also had a matter to bring before the board after it finished the budget: she told board members to have resolutions prepared prior to meetings, and to give her a copy so she would not later have to draft the resolution herself, working from the tape recorded minutes of the meeting. "Half the time I don't know what you mean," she said of the board's verbal resolution draft, "and I don't think in half of them you know what you mean."

Board members agreed to try what Probst said is "proper procedure," but cautioned that many times, resolutions are created during meetings, rather than planned.

Champions

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halfback and a co-captain, he is the kid brother of Jeff Clark, state Class C wrestling champion in his weight bracket. As an eighth-grader, he ran up an impressive record himself, then shocked his coaches by quitting. Soccer was going to be his sport. The payoff came Saturday night when the team awards ceremony was stopped, and an official walked up to Clark with a large trophy.

On the base was inscribed: "Most Valuable Player, New York State Class C Tournament."

That other piece of hardware, the state championship plaque, was the first for a team sport in the 50-year history of VCHS athletics.

Watching the pregame warm-ups Saturday night, Crandall described Bath as "a strong team, a big, quick team, physically much stronger than us."

"But we've seen that before," he said. "To win we'll have to play wide, quick balls early and score early."

That's exactly how the Blackbirds did it. All three goals were classic volley smashes from the top of the box. Joergensen's pair happened 10 minutes into each half on serves by Joe Race, then Adams. Clark's goal, with 7:25 remaining, was unassisted, a left-footed rip from 25-yards that whistled by a motionless goalie into the exact center of the net.

In 1982, Crandall took over the coaching position amidst a string of losing seasons—without any prior experience as a varsity coach, or as a player for that matter. No one else expressed interest in the job.

"This (championship) is the product of nine years of hard work, not just by me but parents, volunteer coaches, all the cooperation from Voorheesville people that I asked for, the hard work of the kids," Crandall said. "The hard work in summer has all paid off."

"People don't understand where Voorheesville is," he continued. "Well, now we're the state champions of Class C and we obviously put on a show tonight."

Clearing up some random notes: The team finished with an 18-6-1 record. The 18 wins represent a new team record.

All six regular-season losses were by a one-goal margin, while a majority of the regular-season opponents represented school enrollments in the Class A and B brackets.

The team played two-seasons in one: the first 15 games, which produced a 9-5 record with one tie, culminated with the first heart-breaking loss to Albany Academy on Oct 12. The final 10 games, the Birds were 9-1, outscoring their opponents by a 25-4 margin.

One year ago this week, Voorheesville players were still smarting from a 3-2 loss to Cobleskill in the first round of the sectionals.

"Last spring, these kids dedicated themselves to winning, not the state championship, that's a conceptual thing, but winning the sectional championship," said Crandall.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fritz T. O'Hora

O'Hora, Washko wed

Tera M. Washko, daughter of Albert and Judy Wasko of Canton, Mass., and Fritz T. O'Hora, son of Jim and Juliane Gleason of Glenmont, were married on July 14.

Rev. John Geaney performed the ceremony at Harvard Memorial Church in Cambridge, Mass.

Betsy Levensohn was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Liane O'Hora and Erin Washko.

Eric Stilan was best man. Ush-

ers were Danny O'Hora and Nick D'Amico.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the State University of New York at Potsdam.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Clarkson University in Potsdam. He is employed by Raytheon in Sudbury, Mass.

After a wedding trip to Rockport, Mass. and Manchester, Vt., the couple resides in Natick, Mass.

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Women's health care discussed

Richard MacDowell, M.D. will be the special guest speaker for the free program on early breast care detection presented by the Delmar Women's Healthcare Associates. Important women's health issues will be discussed during the Nov. 29 program, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., 785 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

For more information, call 439-9363.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Switzer

Sullivan, Switzer wed

Damian Arthur Switzer, son of Richard M. and Patricia Switzer of Glenmont, and Jennifer Lyn Sullivan, daughter of Joseph R. and Alice Sullivan of Glens Falls, were married Aug. 25.

Rev. Peter Fiore conducted the ceremony in St. Mary's Church.

Melissa Sullivan Corder was matron of honor. Carrie Sullivan, Mary Victoria Switzer, Katharine Krogh and Tracey Gunther were bridesmaids.

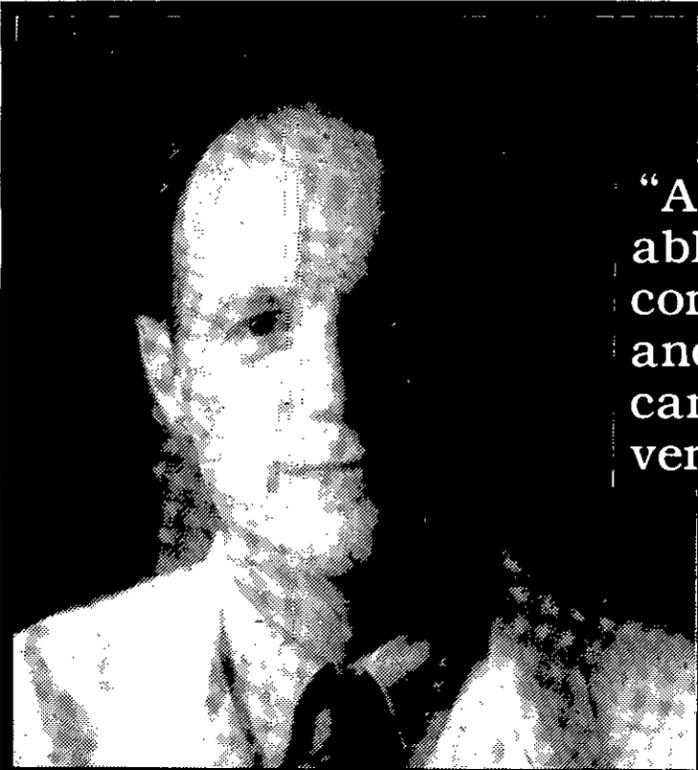
Christopher Switzer was best

man. Brian and Richard Switzer Jr., Mark Sullivan and Michael Mooney were ushers.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Siena College. He is a science teacher in the Beekmantown Central High School.

The bride is a graduate of Siena College. She is a business manager for Highland Park in Queensbury.

After a wedding trip to Nantucket Island, the couple resides in Plattsburgh.



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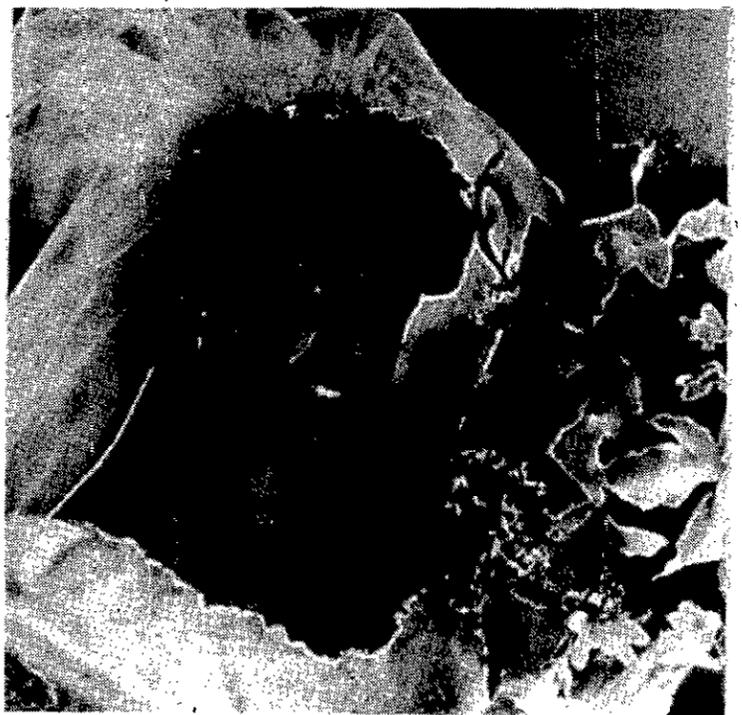
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Mrs. Anthony Scipione

Bruno, Scipione wed

Teresa Bruno, daughter of Sal and Arlene Bruno, formerly of Delmar, and Anthony Joseph Scipione, son of Anthony and Christina Scipione of Albany, were married Sept. 8.

Fr. James Lefebvre conducted the ceremony in St. Mary's Church, Albany.

Elaine Bell, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Christine Bell, Mary Leonard, Diana Nardone, Kristin Scipione, and Carol McMahon were bridesmaids.

Alex Nardone, the groom's

cousin, was best man. Richard DeThomasis, Peter DeMarco, Steve Bruno, Vince Popolizio, and Larry DeThomasis were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Sage Junior College. She is employed by the Capital District Bariatric Medical Practice in Albany.

The groom is a graduate of Bishop Maginn and The College of St. Rose. He is employed by the state Education Department.

After a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple resides in Albany.



Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrew Hubbard

Bathrick, Hubbard wed

Tani Ann Bathrick, daughter of Robert and Linda Bathrick of Feura Bush, and John Andrew Hubbard, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hubbard of Brockport, were married Aug. 4.

Rev. Boyd Heldring conducted the ceremony in the Onesquethaw Reformed Church in Feura Bush.

Sherry Bathrick, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Tracy Dwyer, Marisa Caccamo, Lynn Silber, Wendy Gill and Jennifer Garner. Eve Bathrick was flower girl.

Brady Dodd was best man. Ushers were John Bierstaker, Greg Garner, Mark Allstadt, Seth Bathrick, Joel Bathrick and Kevin Christopher. Andy Allstadt and Zane Bathrick were ring bearers.

The bride, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, attended the University of Buffalo and is currently attending the University of Arizona, as is her husband. A graduate of Brockport High School, he also attended the University of Buffalo. The couple lives in Tucson.

Exchange program seeks participants

Host families are being sought for high school exchange students from Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Holland, Austria, Turkey, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Columbia, Taiwan, France, Italy, Brazil, Ecuador, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Thailand and Yugoslavia for the 1991-92 school year in a program sponsored by the American Intercultural Student Exchange.

The students, age 15 through 17, will arrive in the U.S. in August 1991, attend a local high school, and return to their home countries in June 1992. The students are fluent in English, have been screened by school representatives in their home countries and have spending money and medical insurance.

AISE is also seeking American high school students, age 15 through 17, who would like to spend a high school year in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, France, Spain, New Zealand or Australia or participate in a five-week summer host family stay throughout western Europe.

Families interested in either program should call 1-800-SIBLING.



Mr. and Mrs. Steven Jewett

Reifler, Jewett wed

Jacqueline Danielle Reifler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wayne of Nisayuna, and Steven Donald Jewett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jewett of Ithaca, were married Oct. 20.

Robert Sise, deputy administrative judge of New York, conducted the service at the National Museum of Dance in Saratoga Springs.

Dana Reifler and Samantha Reifler were maids of honor. Scott Parker was best man.

The bride graduated from St. Lawrence University and the State University of New York at Albany. She is a special educational consultant for the State University of New York at Albany and the Eli Whitney School in Hamden, Conn.

The groom is a graduate of St. Lawrence University. He is a chemistry and biology instructor, as well as a soccer and lacrosse coach, at Hamden Hall Country Day School in Hamden, Conn.



Mr. and Mrs. David Van Wie

Futia, Van Wie wed

Catherine Ruth Futia, daughter of Madeleine and Joseph Futia Jr., of Delmar, and David Wayne Van Wie, son of Betty Niedzwiecki of Reno, Nev. and Deborah and Robert Van Wie of Clarksville, were married Sept. 22.

Rev. Arvin Schoep conducted the ceremony in the Clarksville Community Church.

Marjorie Foote was matron of honor. Suzanne Agnew, Amy Bardin, and Dorinda Robinson were

bridesmaids.

Brian Carl was best man. Robert Van Wie Jr., Paul Van Wie and Aaron Bardin were ushers.

The bride and groom are both graduates of Bethlehem Central High School. She is employed by First American Bank in Albany. He is employed by Meadow Brook-Van Wie Farms Dairy in Clarksville.

After a wedding trip to the Pocono Mountains, the couple resides in Clarksville.

Bank helps seniors

Key Bank recently contributed \$2,000 to Bethlehem Senior Projects' Bus Drive, putting the fundraiser at just over one third of its \$40,000 goal. The new bus, which the Senior Project hopes to purchase before the new year, will be used for transportation of the elderly and handicapped.

Karen Schrader, vice president and area manager of Key Bank, presented the check to Jane Bloom, co-chair of the Bethlehem Senior Projects' Development Committee, and Ken Bauer, one of the volunteer drivers of the senior van.

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Community Corner

Middle school hosts Christmas concert

The Delmar Community Orchestra is sponsoring a Community Christmas Concert at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2 at Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

The orchestra will present a program of orchestral classics, contemporary music and seasonal sing-alongs.

The concert is free and open to the public. For information, call 439-4628.

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Obituaries

Geraldine K. Marcus

Geraldine K. Marcus, 67, of Bethlehem Terrace, Slingerlands, died Sunday, Nov. 18 in St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Born in Albany, Mrs. Marcus was a lifelong Capital District resident. She was educated in the Albany school system and graduated from Albany High School.

Mrs. Marcus owned and operated Marcus Decorators for more than 35 years.

An artist and member of the Albany Arts League, her work was exhibited at the Albany Jewish Community Center and many Capital District banks. She was a member of the Colonie Country Club.

She was a former volunteer for the Albany County chapter of the State Association for Retarded Children.

Mrs. Marcus was a member of Temple Beth Emeth, Albany.

Survivors include her husband, Russell I. Marcus; a son, Robert Edward Marcus of Virginia; a daughter, Karen Beth Murray of Latham; her mother, Hilda Posner Kohn of Albany; a brother, Herbert S. Kohn of Hackensack, N. J. and a grandson.

The service was held in Temple Beth Emeth. Burial was in Beth Emeth Cemetery, Loudonville.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society of St. Peter's Hospice.

Arrangements were by the Levine Memorial Chapel, Albany.

Edith Spensley

Edith Cole Spensley, 103, formerly of Delmar, died Friday, Nov. 9, in the Guilderland Center Nursing Home.

Born in Coeymans Hollow, she was a graduate of the former Lark Street School of Practical Nursing as a licensed practical nurse.

Mrs. Spensley was a school teacher for 10 years, teaching in several little red schoolhouses during the early 1900s. She later operated a nursing home in Delmar for 30 years, retiring in 1972.

She was a substitute organist for the Coeymans Hollow United Methodist Church, a member of the First United Methodist Church, Delmar, where she taught Sunday school, a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Johannes Hardenberg Chapter, Greenville, Greene County, and was a former member of the Onesquethaw Chapter 818, Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons, Robert E. Spensley and Malcolm C. Spensley, both of New York City; a daughter, Diane Armstrong of Florida, five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The Family of the late Julia V. Howard wishes to express their sincere thanks to our many friends and relatives in the time of their bereavement. Special thanks to the Delmar Rescue Squad, the doctors and nurses at St. Peter's emergency and our neighbors and close friends the Fazzios and the McClusky families. God will remember you all, your true friends are there when you need them the most. Any donations would be greatly appreciated in Julia's memory to the Delmar Rescue Squad.

Sincere Thanks,
The Howard Family

BC core team to attack chemical use

By Susan Wheeler.

Bethlehem Central High School's core team will soon spread the message to students that "drugs and learning don't mix," according to Principal Jon Hunter.

The core team, composed of counselors, teachers, administrators, a school nurse, parents and community members, functions as a liaison to these groups to educate students on chemical use and to provide intervention services, Hunter said at last week's board of education meeting.

"The core team evolved from our drug and alcohol policy," he later said. "There are three pieces. The first is our excellent educational program on chemical use. Then we added a strong deterrent program."

The third part, the core group, is focused toward the "kids considering chemical use," Hunter said. "They're not in a state of trouble. They might be experimenting with chemical use. We developed an educational program to help them to be aware that their chemical use would impact their schooling, behavior and self-esteem."

Participation in the program, scheduled to begin next January, is voluntary, Hunter said. "The core team is to help those when they want to talk about chemical use and how it impacts behavior. It is totally non-punitive."

...a tremendous step forward...

Hunter said he felt that there was "no overt need" for the program when mention of it began last year, but realized that an "unmet need could lead to future problems."

He said that with the "future-oriented" program in place, "the school could meet the needs of the students before they needed help."

Teachers, faculty, peers, parents, one's self or a suspension can refer an at-risk student to the core team. "At-risk students, those considering or just beginning their chemical use, will be identified as those whose behavior has changed, academics have fallen behind or whose self-esteem has been affected by chemicals," ac-

ording to Hunter. "We're looking at patterns in a young person's behaviors, this is not a subjective process."

Marta Meacham, a high school foreign language teacher who is a core team member, said at the meeting that core team members underwent a four-part training series provided by Al-Care, a substance abuse care and counseling agency. She said they learned about alcohol and drug use and abuse.

Hunter said Al-Care put together an educational package "to meet the needs of the high school teachers to address the issue of chemical use in the schools."

Meacham said the core team will "identify and assess" a student's problem, then "intervene and refer" the student and his or her family to a treatment program. She said they will "provide follow-up support" for the student.

"The goal of the core team is to get a student's problem into professional hands," Elizabeth Iseman, coordinator of the Bethlehem Networks Project, said at the meeting. "We assure complete confidentiality."

Hunter said that names will be kept out of the process. According to the core team program manual, "a case number is assigned in order to maintain confidentiality." Throughout the team's intervention, composite forms are retained while teachers' forms and other non-confidential material is destroyed.

When board member George Sussman asked if at-risk students might be "subpoenaed into the group," Hunter replied that the core team provides intervention and is a "support group" for those students. "Our goal is to be persuasive so that students and families take action."

The team's follow-up program, "after-care," provides "support for students who have addressed their problems," according to Hunter. The school is there to help in the "convalescing that takes place after treatment. Everyone must work together."

Leslie Loomis, superintendent, said that the core team program is "a tremendous step forward" because it demonstrates that the "community cares about students."

Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

New York State contributes an estimated 12 million tires to the national discard pile each year. Tires are bulky, don't ever decompose and provide places for mosquitos to breed and rodents to live. It takes half a barrel of crude oil to produce the rubber in one truck tire.

Tire recycling and reuse is still fairly new, but very promising. Some projected reuses for tires are as artificial reefs, septic systems, roads, retreads, energy and doormats.

Charles McDonald developed asphalt rubber in the late 1960s. Ground rubber "crumbs" can be added to asphalt for paving roads, runways, playgrounds and running tracks. Rubber added to asphalt increases pavement durability four to five times the normal life of regular asphalt and reduces the amount of resurfing materials required to do the job. In the Town of Bethlehem, Route 144, going south from the Niagara Mohawk power plant, is an experimental tire asphalt roadway.

Although most tires produced today contain less than 10 percent recycled rubber, this could easily be increased to 30 percent. Truck tires can be recapped one to four times over.

Tires do not have to be thrown along the side of the road — especially since there are two tire recyclers in the area: Mohawk Tire

Recycling and North American Tire Recycling. (They will charge a fee when you bring tires to them.) Or there are three other choices:

1. Keep tires properly inflated. This will not only prolong the life of the tire but also save on gas.

2. Purchase new tires from only those dealers which will allow you to leave the worn out tires for proper disposal.

3. Bring used tires to the Rupert Road Transfer Station for proper disposal at a recycling facility. The fees are \$2 per car tire and \$5 per truck tire.

Extra tip: In order to recycle antifreeze containers they must be *rinsed clean*. Plastic oil containers must be drained *thoroughly* but not rinsed out!

Host families sought

The Voorheesville Central School District is looking for community families willing to host Soviet students in late January for about two weeks. The students are expected to speak English since they attend a school specializing in English language education.

If interested, contact Robert Streifer, international studies coordinator and chairman of the foreign language department at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School at 765-3314 by Friday, Nov. 2.

Group helps disabled

The New York Easter Seal Society provides rehabilitation and recreation services to people with disabilities across the state of New York. Programs include speech therapy, hearing screening, preschool intervention, equipment loan, support groups, camping and recreation programs. For more information, call 1-800-727-8785.

Artist displays work

Eleanor Bolduc will display her oil paintings at the Voorheesville Public Library through the month of November. Library hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Selkirk

(From page 3)

benefits, a firefighter must have a minimum of five years active service. Every year of active service is determined by a point system which mandates a minimum of 50 points per year in order to be qualified for credit for that year.

One audience member burst out during Granito's explanation of the point system and asked, "Is it possible that an individual can get 50 points, yet never fight a fire?"

Granito's response, "in theory, yes, in reality, no," prompted the same woman who asked the question, to say that that individual would "never be a true fireman."

Under the proposed Selkirk plan, the maximum amount a firefighter can receive is \$600 per month after the completion of 30 years of active service and reaching 65-years-old. Benefits are paid monthly until death, Granito said. Many audience members said they were upset that the proposed program's monthly benefit began at the maximum of \$20, rather than the minimum of \$5, or somewhere in between those amounts. When one audience member said, "We can not afford it," others broke into applause, saying, "Here, here."

The proposed Selkirk program follows a "10-year certain" plan, Granito said. If the firefighter dies shortly after entitlement age, the firefighter's estate will receive a lump sum for the remainder of the balance of payments for the maximum of a 10-year payout.

Fritts said the department's turn-out for evening and weekend

Driving course offered

E & E Defensive Driving Associates, a public training agency of the National Safety Council, will present a six-hour course Saturday, Dec. 8, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Calvary United Methodist Church, Belle Avenue, Latham. Completion of the course entitles students to a four-point subtraction from the total points on their driving record and a 10 percent reduction on collision and liability insurance premiums for three years. For information call 459-9048.

calls is sufficient, but that there is a "problem with daytimes." Since the purpose of the service awards program is to retain and attract volunteers, the department "hopes they don't have to go to paid employees during the day."

Keith Wiggand, a Glenmont resident, said that would be a "problem" because they would be paying volunteer firefighters in five years, in addition to paying daytime employees.

Wiggand also stated that the decision over the need for this program is causing animosity between family and friends. "This issue has polarized people," he said.

Sharon Woolford, also from Glenmont and the wife of a former active fireman, said she has friends and family involved in the fire department and finds herself in a difficult position. She said she thinks the volunteer firefighters deserve a benefits package, but that "There should have been a better approach to the whole situation." She said if the program is voted down again at the end of the month, she is in favor of more informational sessions on the program and possibly redefining it.

"It costs a lot to be a volunteer," said Bill Asprion, a volunteer firefighter in the Selkirk fire district for 12 years. "Many times I can't go to work if I've been out all night fighting a fire. I spend a lot of time away from my wife and two girls. Everyone puts time in to be a firefighter."

"If not successful on Nov. 27, it would be a possibility" to redefine the service awards program, Fritts said. There will be "no vote after this one until more information is put out and the program is worked out."

Woolford said she was not aware that the program could repeatedly be presented to the Selkirk community without revision. She said she considers this a "potential misuse of power available to the board of fire commissioners and perhaps others."

A second vote is scheduled for Nov. 27 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Selkirk Fire Companies 1, 2 and 3.

Shake away holiday shopping blues

By Robert Webster Jr.

As you settle back into the couch and flip on the tube following the traditional Thanksgiving feast this Thursday, there's a pretty good chance that you'll experience a giant case of indigestion. No, it's not the cranberry sauce coming back for a repeat performance or that third "sliver" of pumpkin pie, it's probably going to be that commercial that suddenly assaults your senses and reminds you that there are only so many shopping days left until Christmas.

Once again, you're under the shopping gun, and you've resolved yourself to purchasing such wonderfully "personal" gifts such as weed-wackers or pine scented odor eaters.

Fear not! The situation is not as bleak as it seems. An original Christmas gift is right around the corner, one that would be treasured for years to come. You just have to know where to look, and a good place to start is at the Shaker Heritage Society's Christmas Shop at the Ann Lee Home Complex on Albany-Shaker Road in Colonie.

Now in its third year, this year's shop promises to be the best ever, as it has been expanded to over 4,000 square feet, said Diane Conroy-LaCivita of the Shaker Heritage Society.

The shop will feature work from more than 40 local artists. Some of the items currently offered at the shop include pottery, baskets, Shaker reproductions, herbs, woodworking and quilts. Some of the area's most celebrated artists will also have some of their work available at the shop, including items from Elizabeth Lee, who has won numerous awards for her paintings, and Maureen Yukyl, a popular area weaver.

However, the shop lives up to its name, as it is offering numerous Christmas-themed items. Some of the Christmas items available are paper-mache Santas,



Dorothy Papish and Mimi Munteer, volunteers at the Shaker Christmas Shop in the Ann Lee Home that benefits the Shaker Heritage Society, show a teddy bear to Timothy Chera. Elaine McLain

handmade stockings, centerpieces, wreaths, Christmas quilts, handmade ornaments and much more.

All proceeds raised by the shop go to educational programming for the Shaker Heritage Society, said Conroy-LaCivita.

She said that the shop has raised more than \$10,000 yearly and in the past, the money has gone to help out with the yearly learning fair, special programming for developmentally disabled individuals in the area and the Veterans Administration of Albany.

Open until Saturday, Dec. 15, the shop's hours of operation are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The shop will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

For information, call the society at 456-7890.

Let's talk more than turkey for Thanksgiving

By Susan Wheeler

Thanksgiving's a day to be more than stuffed like a turkey. Jump, run, talk, walk, roll or bowl. But don't just sit there.

In the morning, put on your running shoes and head to Troy for the 27th annual Turkey Trot presented by the City of Troy Department of Parks and Recreation. All five races start and finish in front of Troy's City Hall.

The first race, for grade-schoolers, gets started at 8:15 a.m. High-schoolers run a 5K race at 8:45 a.m. The women's 5K begins at 9:30 a.m. and men's at 10:15 a.m. The last race of the morning, the 10k Open Championship Race, is scheduled for 11 a.m.

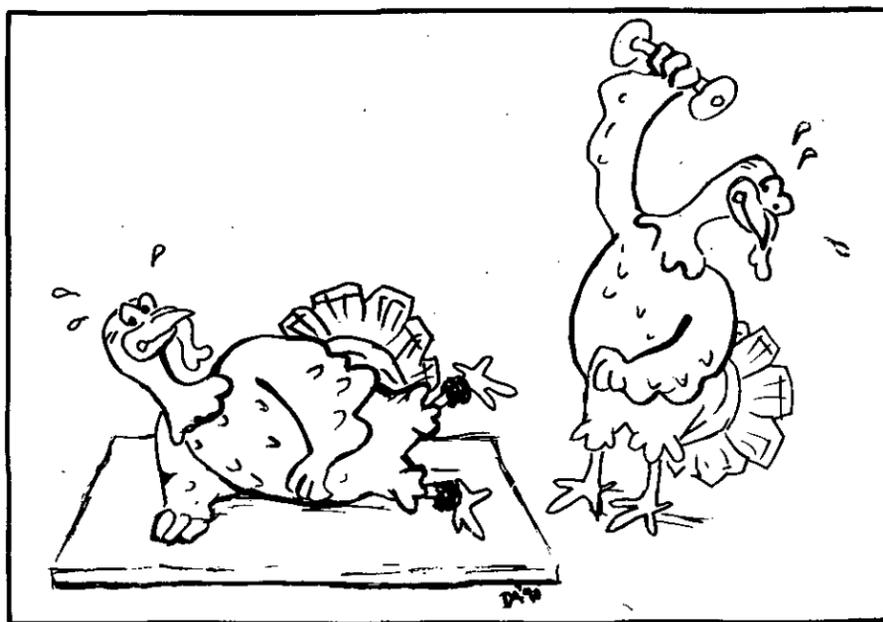
"You can definitely register the day of the races," said Gary Galuski, recreation specialist with Troy's Recreation Department. "It's \$7 to register Thanksgiving morning."

If running's not your speed, try the YWCA's annual "eat without guilt" aerobic workout. Low and high impact aerobics mixed with floor exercises will last from 9 a.m. 'til 10:30 a.m.

The workout is open to the public and will be held at 28 Colvin Ave., Albany. It costs \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members.

And after dinner in the afternoon, what's there to do once the table's cleared and the dishes are washed?

"Go for a walk," said Delmar resident Helen O' Connor. "Thanksgiving is a reason to have a fantastic meal. After



dinner, we all go out for a walk. My husband makes a fire and we sit there and try not to eat any more."

"We'll be missing our daughter Aileen who's studying in Florence," said Pat Burke, who lives in Delmar. "It's her first Thanksgiving away."

"Dinner will be small, they'll be about six of us," she said. "After dinner we sit around and talk."

Barbara Ferrari, a Delmar resident, said, "We eat in the evening, around five or six. Then we clean up, sit around and visit."

"We clean up the dishes—sort of," said Gerry Gould of Albany. "After dinner we sit and play board games."

Mark Linehan, an Albany resident, said, "We sit afterward and watch football."

"We go to my wife's parent's house for dinner," said Delmar resident Don Foley. "After dinner we eat lots of dessert, sit and visit. I watch football."

But instead of merely watching football, participate in an activity. Marvin Sontz, manager of Del Lanes on Bethlehem Court in Elsmere, said last year there

were a lot of families, many with out-of-town-relatives, who bowled at Del Lanes. He suggested calling for lane availability, at 439-2224.

"We had very good attendance last year," said Paula O'Such of Latham Bowl on Troy-Schenectady Road in Latham. "We expect a large crowd this year."

If you're up for a little more action than bowling offers, but not too much, try rollerskating at Guptill Arena in Latham. Manager Wes Guptill said that rollerskating is open from 7 to 10 p.m. and the nightclub for teenagers, Secrets, is open until midnight.

"Last year there were a lot of people," he said. "It's very successful with families and kids."

Another possibility for the family is movie-watching. "Thanksgiving evening a lot of people do go to the movies," said Marcia Malone of Hoyts Cinema Corporation. "We expect a large turnout this year because 'Rocky V' and 'The Rescuers Downunder' are opening." All Hoyts theaters open in the late afternoon until the last show

For the family who's all tired-out, sit back and relax watching a favorite rented movie. Blockbuster Video in Albany and Latham stay open from 10 a.m. to midnight on Thanksgiving. Sandy Perratta, assistant manager in Latham, said family movies featuring characters such as Charlie Brown rent out more quickly. "There are the new releases, nothing too different for Thanksgiving."

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

NUNSENSE

Thanksgiving weekend schedule, Cohoes Music Hall. Nov. 23, 8 p.m.; Nov. 24, 5 and 9 p.m.; Nov. 25, 2 and 7 p.m. Regular schedule through Dec. 31. Information, 235-7969.

TERMINAL HIP

Hilarious, insane word-busting ride, Proctor's Too, Schenectady. Nov. 29-Dec. 1, 8:02 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

NARNIA

Musical based on The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, Empire Center, Albany. Nov. 26-Dec. 18, Fri. 8 p.m. Sat. 2 and 8 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 442-5373.

THE NECKLACE BRISINGAMEN

Tale from Norse mythology, Masque Theater, Inc., Chapel & Cultural Center, Troy. Nov. 29-Dec. 15, 8 p.m. Information, 459-4961.

LES MISERABLES

Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady. Nov. 28-Dec. 2, Wed.-Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. and Sun. 2 and 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

RUMORS

Neil Simon's comedy farce, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady. Nov. 21, 8 p.m. Information, 382-1083.

AN EVENING WITH GEORGE BERNARD SHAW

Donal Donnelly, one-man show, Empire Center, Albany. Nov. 24, 8 p.m. Information, 473-1845.

ANNIE

Schenectady Light Opera Company performing, Niskayuna High School. Nov. 23-25, Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 2 and 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 377-5101.

RUMORS

Delightful, naughty farce starring Peter Marshall, Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady. Nov. 21, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

THE CHERRY ORCHARD

Haunting, humorous classic, Capital Repertory Company, Albany. Nov. 27 through Dec. 16, Sat. 4:30 and 8:30 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m.; Tues.-Fri. 8 p.m. Information, 462-4531.

MUSIC

FINDLAY COCKRELL

Noon concert, Empire Center, Albany. Nov. 27, noon. Information, 473-1845.

DAVID OTTO

Performing excerpts from "The Nutcracker Sweet", Russell Sage College. Nov. 30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Information, 270-2248.

HOT KEYS FOR A COOL NIGHT

Keyboard driven jazz, Empire Center, Albany. Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m. Information, 473-1845.

KATYA YAROVAYA

Russian folksinger, Union College, Schenectady. Nov. 29, 7:30 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

L'AMICO FRITZ

By Pietro Mascagni, presented by Teatro Concerti 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.

WORKSHOP

EDUCATIONAL IN-SERVICE

For Narnia, behind-the-scenes look at production, Empire Center, Albany. Nov. 27, 4 p.m. Information, 442-5345.

LECTURE

ENTHRONEMENT OF THE JAPANESE EMPEROR

The Tradition of the Manipulation of Tradition, Union College, Schenectady. Nov. 26, 4 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

ANAGRAMS

By Julian Barnes, Bethlehem Public Library's Book Discussion Group, Bethlehem Public Library. Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

READINGS

CRAIG NOVA

Novelist and faculty member of Bennington College, Bennington College. Nov. 27, 8:15 p.m. Information, (802)442-5401.

ALLEN GINSBERG

Poet, Q&E2, Albany. Nov. 29, 10 p.m. Information, 449-8069.

EAMON GRENNAN

Irish poet, Siena College, Loudonville. Nov. 29, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2527.

SPEAKEASY

New works by new writers, Troy Public Library. Nov. 28, 7:30 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

FILM

BAMBI

Time-honored Disney film, State Museum, Albany. Nov. 24-25, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

SHOW

FOOLSPROOF FOLLIES

Thanksgiving family show, State Museum, Albany. Nov. 23, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

PATRICIA REYNOLDS

New watercolors and oils, Elm Tree Art Gallery. Now through Nov. 30. Information, 785-1441.

ANIMALS NOBODY LOVES

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

AUDITIONS

THE CAPITOL BRASS ENSEMBLE

Positions open for persons with some music, dance or guard background. Visit a rehearsal, Public School 12, Troy. Sundays, noon-6 p.m. Information, 783-8985.

ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST

From the novel by Ken Kesey, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga. Nov. 27-28, 7-10 p.m. Information, 587-4427.

VISUAL ARTS

ED MITCHELL

Abstract Polaroid photographs, Saint Rose Art Gallery, Albany. Now through Dec. 16, Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information, 432-6960.

CYNTHIA CARLSON

Memento Mori, Rathbone Gallery, Sage Junior College of Albany. Now through Dec. 21, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 6-8 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

PRE-HOLIDAY SHOW

Six area artisans, Parc V. Cafe, Colonie. Nov. 25, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 463-1656.

INCANTATIONS; FETISHES, TOTEMS & CHARMS

Twelve area artists, Gallery, Sage Troy Campus. Nov. 26-Jan 13. Information, 270-2248.

SIENART

Featuring works of Siena Students and faculty, Siena College, Loudonville. Nov. 26-Dec. 7, daily 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

ELEANOR BOLDUC

Oils, Voorheesville Public Library. Now through Nov. 30, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

MAYAN ART

Works of contemporary Mayan Indians, Galeria Grupo Arte Madrid, Albany. Now through Dec. 3. Information, 449-1233.

ED MITCHELL POLAROID

Abstract Polaroid photographs, The College of Saint Rose, Albany. Now through Dec. 16, Mon.-Fri. 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information, 432-6960.

ALWAYS OVER LABOR DAY

Celebration of 150 years of Columbia County Fair and 60 years of Spencertown's Tower Club, Spencertown Academy. Now through Jan. Information, 392-3693.

EZRA AMES AND CHARLES LORING ELLIOTT

19th Century paintings, Albany Institute of History & Art. Now through-Jan. 20. Information, 463-4478.

CHANNING LEFEBVRE

Exhibition, Albany Center Galleries. Now through Dec. 28. Information, 462-4775.

NICARAGUA 1990

Photojournalism tour of Nicaragua, Galeria Grupo Arte Madrid, formerly TOB Galleries, Albany. Now through Nov. 30.

AUGUST SENA

Exhibition of collages, Albany Center Galleries. Now through Jan. 4. Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sun. noon-4 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.

IROQUOIS OF NEW YORK STATE

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

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.

THE GALLERY AT THE OLD MILL

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

DOLDRUMS

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

ARTIST AT PLAY

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

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.

VOORHEESVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meets second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the library in the high school, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

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.

NEW SCOTLAND TRANSFER STATION

Open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays only. Resident permit required; permits available at town hall.

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.

PROJECT HOPE

Preventive program for adolescents and their families, satellite offices for Bethlehem-Coeymans, 767-2445.

PROJECT EQUINOX

Delmar Satellite office, professional counseling for substance abuse problems, all contact confidential. By appointment, call 434-6135.

WELCOME WAGON

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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Hours for youths interested in part-time work: Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2-4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Information: 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY

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November 21

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sponsored by the Albany Jewish Community Center's adult and family department, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

SOCCER
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7:05 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

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

Thursday
November 22

ALBANY COUNTY

HOCKEY
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

EAT WITHOUT GUILT
Thanksgiving aerobic workout class, Albany YWCA, Colvin Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Information, 438-6608.

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
November 23

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7:35 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

Saturday
November 24

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7:35 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

Sunday
November 25

ALBANY COUNTY

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

Monday
November 26

ALBANY COUNTY

HOCKEY
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

SENIORS LUNCHEONS
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
November 27

ALBANY COUNTY

HOCKEY
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

ETHNO CULTURAL CONFERENCE
sponsored by Jewish Family Services of Northeastern New York, Capital District Psychiatric Center, New Scotland Ave., 9 a.m. Information, 482-8856.

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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.

Wednesday
November 28

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL
Knickerbocker Arena, So. Pearl St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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First Methodist Church, Lafayette and State St., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 453-1674.



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BETHLEHEM

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First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Thursday
November 22

BETHLEHEM

LIBRARY CLOSED
Bethlehem Public Library will be closed for Thanksgiving.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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
November 23

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.

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

Saturday
November 24

BETHLEHEM

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

Sunday
November 25

BETHLEHEM

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday worship service, 10:15 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, 9:15 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.

EARLY-BIRD BREAKFAST
Clarksville Firehouse, Rt. 301, 5 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 439-9653.

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

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
worship, church school, nursery care 10 a.m.; coffee hour and fellowship 11 a.m.; adult education programs 11:15 a.m., family communion service, first Sundays. Information 439-9252.

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

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

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
service and Sunday school, 10 a.m., child care provided, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-2512.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

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

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

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

UNIONVILLE 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.

OPEN HOUSE
Kenwood Child Development Center, 333 Delaware Ave., Delmar, noon-6 p.m. Information, 439-3248.

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 GROUP
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NEW SCOTLAND

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

Tuesday
November 27

BETHLEHEM

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

Wednesday
November 28

BETHLEHEM

EVENING GROUP MEETING
The Delmar Progress Club, Bethlehem Public Library Community Room, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

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

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

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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.

Friday
November 30

BETHLEHEM

THE LAST PICTURE SHOW
starring Jeff Bridges and Cybil Shepherd, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Rd. at 7 p.m., free. Information, 765-2791.

THE YOUTH NETWORK

Alcohol advertising doesn't tell all

Part I

The following is taken from an informational brochure developed by the New York State Council on Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse.

Does alcohol really enhance athletic ability? Does it really make a person the life of the party? Does it make a person everybody's friend? Alcohol advertising leads many to believe that alcohol holds the key to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

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(Continued next week with more specifics on how the alcohol industry targets youth, and what we can do about it.)

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Community dinner planned

By Mike Larabee

Organizers of the third annual Bethlehem Community Christmas Dinner are hoping to make this year's meal the biggest and best yet. They plan to serve as many as 75 turkey dinners at both a central gathering and in homes throughout town, according to Vincent Gazzetta, organizing committee chairperson.

Held in Fellowship Hall in the education wing of Delmar's First United Methodist Church on Delaware Avenue, the event is coordinated by a coalition of town churches as well as officials from town senior services. The meal was started in 1988 through the organizational efforts of Gazzetta, a Poplar Drive, Elsmere resident and member of the Methodist Church congregation. While the idea for the meal wasn't his originally, Gazzetta said, he felt it was just too good to go unfulfilled.

"Three and a half years ago a member of our congregation said something like 'Gee, I wish there was a place that people could come and have dinner together on Christmas,'" Gazzetta said. "That sounded like a good idea."

"I heard lots of people talking about it and nobody doing it. So I said let's do it."

He attended a meeting of the Bethlehem Area Ministers Association, where the proposal was well received. A volunteer senior van driver, he later approached town senior services and got their approval and participation. After all the work was done, about 40 people attended the dinner that first year, in 1989 it was larger Gazzetta said.

"People have had just a great time. The decibel level of chatting with each

other is just wonderful," said Gazzetta, adding that he has personal reasons for his involvement in the event.

"What do we get out of it?" The "good fellowship" of planning and organizing with other people and the chance "to participate with folks we have never seen before" during the meal itself, he said.

And anything else?

"Oh sure, the food," said Gazzetta. "Those pies the ladies make are just spectacular."

The dinner is, of course, Dec. 25, and begins at 2 p.m. with the sharing of a welcome egg nog. A fruit cocktail follows, and then an entree of turkey and/or ham, with mashed potatoes, squash, peas, rolls and cranberry salad. For dessert there will be a fruit basket, and pies and cakes.

Anyone who wants to attend or anyone who wants to help can call either senior services, at 439-4955, or Gazzetta at 439-2008. Gazzetta said reservations will be accepted until Dec. 17, but quickly added, "If folks walk in, we'll slice the turkey a little thinner, that's all."

Food preparation will be coordinated this year, as it was in 1989, by Michael and Susan Otis of Glenmont. The first year Gazzetta and his wife Sally did the cooking, "Which my wife says she will never do again," said Gazzetta.

Victorian Walk planned at Saratoga

The Saratoga Springs Downtown Business Association invites one and all to the fourth annual Victorian Street Walk Thursday, Dec. 6, from 6 to 10 p.m. in downtown Saratoga Springs.

Street entertainment will include such musical groups as Clarinet Marmalade, a strolling clarinet trio, Albany Pro Musica performing music as it was originally intended, the Bandersnatchers, a men's choral group, the Skidmore Accents, a women's a capella cho-

ral group, Juggling Joey, street theater by Skidmore Drama students, the Saratoga Springs junior and senior high school drama clubs and strolling characters in Victorian garb.

Santa Claus will be on Broadway to visit with the children, so feel free to bring the family along. Most stores will remain open until 10 p.m.

For information, call 584-4172.

The meal is free, but Gazzetta said those who wish to make a donation can contribute to a goodwill basket that will be at the church Christmas Day.

Other event organizers are Joyce Becker, town senior services' program coordinator, Mary Bouteille of Bethlehem Community Church, Chris Histed of Unionville Reformed Church, Noreen Cooke and Barbara Goodrich of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, and the Otis' Norm Edlefelt, Ted Koch, and Edward McEwan of the Methodist Church.

Becker and Gazzetta said the emphasis of the meal is on bringing a community of individuals together to enjoy the spirit of the holiday.

"One of the mistakes we did the first year was bill it as if you're lonely and don't have anywhere to go," said Gazzetta. "Now we promote it as a community dinner — come join, any age, whatever."

"It's for anyone in the community who would like to congregate and have a nice meal," said Becker.

Senior Services is offering town senior citizens handicapped accessible transportation to the Methodist Church. In addition, three of their regular Meals on Wheels drivers have volunteered to serve roughly 25 home meals Gazzetta expects to distribute in addition to the meals served at the church.

Union program set

The East Asian Studies Program at Union College plans a November program on Chinese folk music and opera, and the enthronement of the Japanese emperor.

David Titus, a specialist on Japan and professor of comparative politics at Wesleyan University, will speak on "Enthronement of the Japanese Emperor: The Tradition of the Manipulation of Tradition": at 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26, at the College Center auditorium.

DEC offers gifts

If you're beginning to think about that holiday gift for the person who has everything, think fish and wildlife. The state Department of Environmental Conservation has some unique ways to say Seasons Greetings.

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As gifts for children, lifetime license fees are reduced as much as 50 percent. Resident sporting privileges in New York are retained whether a person remains in the state or not.

Stamp collectors get a double choice — license validation stamps and migratory bird stamps. Past year license validation stamps are available from 1982-83, the first year that the stamp system was used for all licenses.

For information and order forms, call 457-3521.

Open house scheduled at Good Samaritan Home

An open house will be held at Good Samaritan Home, 125 Rockefeller Road, Delmar, on Thursday, Dec. 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. To register, call 439-8116 by Dec. 1.

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LEGAL NOTICE**CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**STATE OF NEW YORK
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 multi-family units upon the real property known as Adams Station, Astor, Baxter and Elkin Courts, Delmar, New York.

3. The location of the principal 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:

Property having an agreed value of \$8,800,000.00.

7. The additional contributions 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 Partner-

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ship 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 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

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.

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
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REX S. RUTHMAN

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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 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.

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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. WHITTAM
Notary Public, State of New York

STATE OF NEW YORK
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. WHITTAM
Notary Public, State of New York

STATE OF NEW YORK
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. WHITTAM
Notary Public, State of New York
November 21, 1990

CITATION LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
By the Grace of God Free and Independent

HON. ROBERT ABRAMS
Attorney General of the State of New York
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

JOHN DOE AND MARY ROE, being Fictitious names intending to represent the unknown heirs at law and distributees of the decedent herein.

A petition having been duly filed by Edward T. Stack who is domiciled at 112 State Street, Albany, New York 12207.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court of the City and County of Albany, at the County Court House in the City of Albany on 27 November 1990, at 10 a.m., why a decree should not be made in the estate of Gladys Pike lately domiciled at 4144 Albany Street, Town of Colonie in the County of Albany, State of New York, awarding letters of administration upon the goods, chattels and credits of said decedent to Edward T. Stack,

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who has made application for the same.

Dated, Attested and Sealed
22 October, 1990
HON. RAYMOND E. MARINELLI,
Surrogate
Name of attorney: F. Patrick
Jeffers
Tel. No. (518) 426-5680
Address of attorney: 123 South
Pearl Street, Albany, NY
Zip Code: 12207

This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you.

Proof of service to be filed 72 hours in advance with the Chief Clerk (Rule 6).

At a Surrogate's Court held in and for the County of Albany, at the County Court House, in the City of Albany, on the 22 day of October, A.D. 1990

Present: HON. RAYMOND E. MARINELLI, Surrogate

In the Matter of
GLADYS PIKE
Deceased

On reading and filing the petition of Edward T. Stack praying that a decree award Letters of Administration of the Estate of Gladys Pike to said Edward T. Stack.

It is Ordered that a citation issue to all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, Hon. Robert Abrams, Attorney General, and John Doe and Mary Roe, Fictitious names intending to represent unknown heirs and distributees requiring them to show cause before this Court on the 27 day of November, 1990, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made granting Letters of Administration of the Estate of Gladys Pike to Edward T. Stack.

And it is Further Ordered that said citation be served on those residing without the State, or whose residence is unknown, by publishing once in each of four consecutive weeks in the Evangelist and The Spotlight, two newspapers published in the County of Albany, in the State of New York, or at the option of the petitioner, by delivering a copy of the citation without the State to each of the persons so named or described in the petition and citation, who live without the state, but in the United States, in person, at least twenty days before the return day thereof, and on those residing without the United States, at least thirty days before the return day thereof.

And it further appearing that John Doe and Mary Roe are person in said petition and citation named or described, whose names and place of residence are unknown

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and cannot, after a diligent inquiry, be ascertained.

It is Further Ordered, the mailing as aforesaid to said John Doe and Mary Roe be dispensed with.
/s/ Raymond E. Marinelli,
Surrogate.

November 21, 1990

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Bethlehem 1991 Final Budget is available for public inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, N.Y. Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Carolyn M. Lyons
Town Clerk
Town of Bethlehem
November 14, 1990
November 21, 1990

LEGAL NOTICE FOR FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION ANNUAL ELECTION OF ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT
December 11, 1990

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Annual Election of the North Bethlehem Fire District will take place on December 11, 1990, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the North Bethlehem Fire House located at 589 Russell Road, in the Towns of Bethlehem, Guilderland and New Scotland, County of Albany, for the purpose of electing one Commissioner for a 5-year term, commencing on January 1, 1991, and ending on December 31, 1995. All duly registered residents of the Elmwood Park Fire District shall be eligible to vote.

Candidates for District Office shall file their names with the Secretary of the Fire District, William Cleveland, at the North Bethlehem Fire House at 589 Russell Road, Albany, New York 12203, no later than December 1, 1990.

Voters will also be asked to vote on whether to approve a resolution passed by the Board of Fire Commissioners at a meeting on October 22, 1990. The Board of Fire Commissioners passed a resolution to acquire a new Class A Pumper at a cost not to exceed \$180,000.00. The method of funding will be that the Fire District will issue serial bonds or bond anticipation notes in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00. The Board will also expend \$40,000.00 from the "Apparatus Renewal Reserve" which was established pursuant to Section 6(g) of the General Municipal Law. The new apparatus will be used in fire fighting and prevention in the Elmwood Park Fire District and will have a useful life of 20 years.

William Cleveland
Fire District Secretary
North Bethlehem Fire District
November 21, 1990



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SPOTLIGHT TEENSCENE

By Juliette Braun

Tomorrow is Turkey Day, alias Thanksgiving, the time of year when families congregate to give thanks for all they have received during the year and basically pig out.

If Thanksgiving festivities are being held at your house this year why not offer to be this year's chef, or at least help with some of the side dishes. This is a great opportunity for you to help mom as well as brush up on your cooking skills.

Do you have what seems like hundreds of younger cousins whose names you invariably forget? This may be an opportunity to get to know them better. Kids often feel left out from adult activities and may run out of things to do.

Help the kids make puppets out of felt, leftover scraps of material, buttons sequins and glue and help them plan a simple Thanksgiving puppet show or play for the adults.

Aerobicize! The YWCA of Albany will hold a 90-minute workout open to teens on Thanksgiving morning from 9 to 10:30 a.m. — so you can eat to your heart's content without feeling guilty. The fee for the class is \$5 and will take place at the YWCA, Colvin Avenue, Albany.

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

Second Kiwanis Craft Fair set for Saturday

The Colonie Kiwanis will present its second annual Craft Fair this Saturday, Nov. 24, at Colonie Central High School from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

More than 90 craft artisans from the upstate New York and adjacent New England area will be displaying and selling their wares at the fair. More than 1,500 people attended last year's inaugural fair.

Don Arnold, chairman of the fair, said that it was unusual for a Kiwanis Club to sponsor a craft fair.

"Our club was looking for a new fundraiser, and since my wife had been working on the Colonie P.T.S.A. craft fair for six years, I brought up the idea of having

a craft fair too," Arnold explained.

Proceeds from the fair will go to support youth activities in South Colonie, according to Arnold. "Every dollar we raise goes right back to the youth in the town," Arnold emphasized.

Youth programs supported by the Kiwanis include the CCHS Key Club, a Brownie and Girl Scout Troop in the town, helping disadvantaged youth attend Camp Kiwanis, and various programs at the Colonie Youth Center such as winter basketball and transportation for its summer recreation programs.

"The Kiwanis Club has made a commitment to the youth of the town, and the craft fair helps us fulfill that commitment," said Dan Quinn, club president.

Museum presents follies

A new Vaudeville style review appropriate for all ages will be performed by Foolsproof Follies, featuring comedy and circus skills. The performance will take

place at the New York State Museum on Nov. 23 at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. For information, call 474-5877.

Carollers to perform for Ronald McDonald House

Ronald McDonald House is planning a fundraising effort entitled Caroling for Kids. Caroling groups will receive kits and sing in various neighborhoods dur-

ing the month of December. Volunteers are needed to organize local caroling groups in their neighborhood. For information, call 439-2604.

State Museum sets 1890s poster exhibit

The elegant advertising posters of 1890s America will be featured in an exhibit of American Art Posters of the 1890s from the Metropolitan Museum of Art at the New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, from Dec. 1

to Feb. 10.

The exhibition was selected and organized by David Kiehl, Associate Curator of Prints and Photographs at the Metropolitan Museum. For information, call 474-5877.

Institute presents holiday children's programs

The Albany Institute of History and Art on Washington Avenue in Albany, will arrange a special family holiday program for children centering around author and illustrator Thomas Locker. A special exhibition for the holiday season of origi-

nal oil paintings from Locker's latest book, "Snow Toward Evening," will be exhibited in the Members Gallery through Jan. 6. On Dec. 9 from 2 to 4 p.m., a book signing, poetry reading and period of family activities will be held at the museum. For information, call 463-4478.

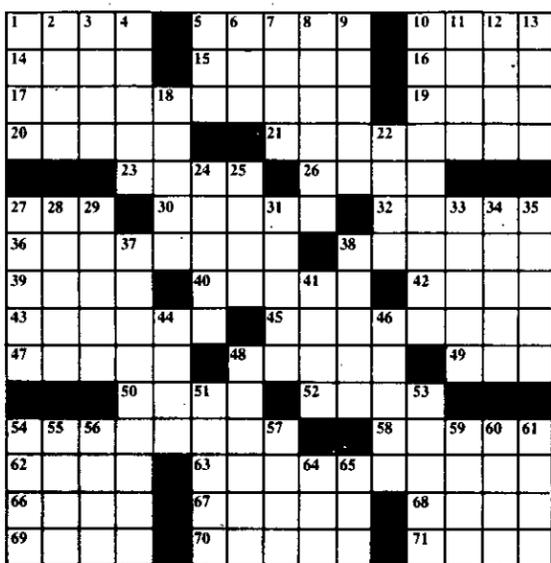
Weekly Crossword

"TURKEY TIME"

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 Seasoning for Tom
- 5 Chocolate flavored coffee
- 10 Wallop
- 14 Egg on
- 15 Synthetic fiber
- 16 _____ dopterous: Butterfly
- 17 Thanksgiving door ornament: 2 wds
- 19 Word with break or dead
- 20 Giacomo Puccini's heroine
- 21 Filler for Tom
- 23 Shipshape
- 26 The pumpkin pie _____ spicy as last year's
- 27 Prepositions
- 30 Mythological mountain nymph
- 32 Speech impediments
- 36 The carver _____ Tom
- 38 Herb
- 39 Calebes ox
- 40 A cordwood measure
- 42 Ms. Lollobrigida
- 43 Artist's studio
- 45 Thanksgiving's day
- 47 Female name: Plural
- 48 Unkempt
- 49 Things L-shaped
- 50 Weight
- 52 Photographic film numerical ratings
- 54 Gross misrepresentations?: 2 wds
- 58 _____ Sembilan: State in Malaysia
- 62 Lenth times width
- 63 Thanksgiving trimming: 2 wds
- 66 Thanksgiving's season
- 67 Bad guys
- 68 Dorothy's dog
- 69 Girl in France
- 70 Coarse files
- 71 Colorful gam



- 8 Atrocious
- 9 Ms. Bancroft and others
- 10 Thanksgiving meal prayers
- 11 Leah's son
- 12 U.S. _____: Sampras' Grand Slam
- 13 Part of Tom
- 18 Homerun Hank
- 22 Auction
- 24 "_____ my case"
- 25 White or dark _____: Thanksgiving choice
- 27 Missouri indian
- 28 Ultimate exam
- 29 Nor'easter
- 31 Sharp rugged mountain crest
- 33 Subtle ridiculing
- 34 Word with code or institution
- 35 Rubs out
- 37 Thanksgiving Day "nationalizer" and "Mary Had a Little Lamb" author
- 38 Hatfield & McCoy contests
- 41 Cheer's Ms. Pearlman
- 44 Donkey in Munich
- 46 "_____ Daughter"
- 48 Breastbones
- 51 James Galway, eg

- 53 Former treaty org.
- 54 Vault
- 55 Soviet mountain range
- 56 Word with battery or prison
- 57 Litigates
- 59 Messy mixture
- 60 Pro _____
- 61 Matinee _____
- 64 Mischievous child
- 65 Mr. Cobb (The "Georgia Peach") and others

Solution to "Native Americans"



DOWN

- 1 Rotisserie
- 2 Cartoonist Peter _____
- 3 Supernatural beings
- 4 Decree
- 5 Between Sun. and Tues.
- 6 Grampus, eg
- 7 Pumpkin head

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NOTICE
At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, N.Y. on the 14th day of November, 1990.
PRESENT: Mr. Ringler, Mr. Webster, Mr. Burns, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Gunner.
ABSENT: None.

The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York does hereby amend the Traffic Ordinance of the Town of Bethlehem adopted on the 17th day of July, 1968, and last amended on the 8th day of August, 1990 as follows:

I. ARTICLE IV, YIELD INTERSECTIONS, by adding Section 14 to read as follows:
14. A Yield Sign shall be erected at the intersection of Oldox Road with Marlboro Road.

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The foregoing amendment to the Traffic Ordinance will take effect ten days after publication.
The foregoing amendment to the Traffic Ordinance was presented for adoption by Ms. Galvin, was seconded by Mr. Gunner and was duly adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Mr. Ringler, Mr. Webster, Mr. Burns, Ms. Galvin, Mr. Gunner.
Noes: None.
Dated: November 14, 1990

November 21, 1990

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, an election for qualified voters of the Selkirk Fire District, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, will be held on December 11,

LEGAL NOTICE

1990 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at Fire House No. 3, Route 396, South Bethlehem, New York for the purpose of electing a Fire Commissioner for a term of five (5) years commencing January 1, 1991.

Any candidate wishing to be named on the ballot shall file a nomination petition subscribed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District with Frank A. With, Box 61, R.D. #2, Selkirk, N.Y. 12158, the Secretary of the Selkirk Fire District, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the election.

Dated: October 23, 1990
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK
s/Frank A. With
Secretary

November 21, 1990

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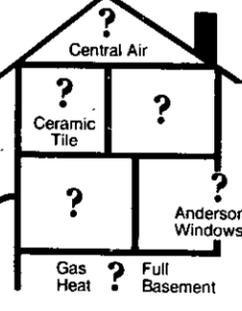
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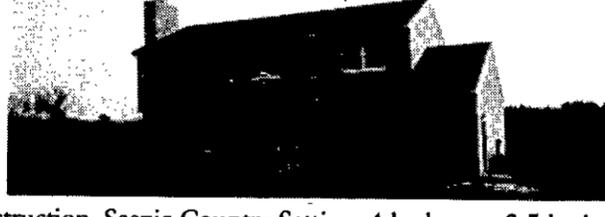
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Let's go over a simple checklist of things you might want to look into before the snow flies.

• **Tuneup:** In a way, your engine runs on heat. An engine that runs rough when the weather is nice may refuse to start when the puddles freeze. Time for a thorough tuneup. Make sure the air and fuel filters are clean. Get the plugs cleaned or replaced, the timing checked, the carburetor tested. The ignition coil has to be putting out a strong spark, and the distributor rotor and plug wires have to be in good condition.

• **Belts and hoses:** On front-wheel-drive cars with transverse (sideways) mounted engines, the belts are easy to overlook because they're not right out in front. But they still wear out and break, and when they do, you're still stranded. So have a look at them.

Twist the belts around in one spot so you can see the narrow

side. That's where they're most prone to cracking, and that's the part you can't see unless you make a special effort. If they're in good condition but loose, tighten them. But tightening a frayed or cracked belt can cause it to break that very day. Any signs of fraying or cracks are a clear indication that they should be changed immediately.

The hoses are easy to check. Look for cracks at the ends. Look for ballooning just inside the hose clamps. Squeeze the hose to check for a spongy texture. Replace any suspect hose.

• **Antifreeze:** Check antifreeze when the engine is cold. If it's brown or much more than a year old, it should be flushed and replaced. If the level is low, you may have a coolant leak or an even more serious problem. You should probably let a professional have a look at it.

If for any reason you add antifreeze, you'll notice that the instructions on the bottle say you should use a 50/50 solution of antifreeze and water. Believe that. Pure antifreeze actually has a higher freezing point than antifreeze mixed with water.

• **Batteries:** Lead-acid storage batteries don't like cold. They are forgiving in the summertime, must less so in the winter. If you are using a marginal battery now, chances are it will leave you stranded somewhere, sometime next winter.

If you have a battery whose vents can be removed, you can test it yourself with a battery hydrometer. But if the vents won't come off, and most won't these days, you'll have to take it to a shop for testing if you have any doubts. Regardless, make sure that the connections are clean.

If you see any film on the metal between the battery posts and cables, clean it off with a wire brush or emery cloth. Then see to it that the connections are good and snug. If there's a wet film on top of the battery, clean it with a mixture of baking soda and water.

The battery is filled with sulfuric acid, which is sudden death to clothing. It doesn't do your skin any good, either. Avoid contact with it.

If you ever recharge an old battery, you might notice steam rising from the vents. That steam is almost pure hydrogen and oxygen.

If there's a more explosive mixture, I don't know what it is. Never smoke around a recharging battery.

• **Windshields:** On a sloppy winter day, right after a snow when the salt trucks have been out, the spray from other people's tires coats your windshield with a layer of impenetrable glop that constantly renews itself. If you can't clean it off while you drive, you can quickly find yourself unable to see at all. So give some thought to your windshield wipers and washers. Make sure the wiper blades are in good repair and not leaving streaks.

The washers should send a solid stream of fluid squarely into the path of the wipers. Make sure you have a good supply of washer fluid on hand. Be careful not to fill the reservoir with water. It's an easy habit to get into in the summertime, but it will freeze solid in the winter, break the bottle and possibly ruin the pump.

• **Transmission:** You should take the time to have the transmission fluid changed. Even if it hasn't been overheated, transmission fluid breaks down over time and

doesn't stand up to cold the way it should.

That's one reason why, when you put an older car into gear on a frigid morning when it hasn't warmed up yet, it sometimes refuses to move. The fluid has thickened up and won't operate the transmission clutches. You can do your transmission a world of good with just a new filter and fluid.

• **Tires:** Changing from regular to snow tires used to be a fall ritual. The advent of the all-weather radial did away with that to the thunder of applause. But you still have to make sure you have enough tread to run safely on rain and snow.

There's an old trick that will tell you if you need tires. Push a penny into the grooves in your tire tread, so that Lincoln goes in head-first. If you can see the top of Lincoln's head, your tires are too badly worn for safety.

The checklist for winterizing your car is really quite simple and can be done in a matter of minutes. And spending a few minutes caring for your car now might save you frigid hours later, when your car can no longer take care of you.

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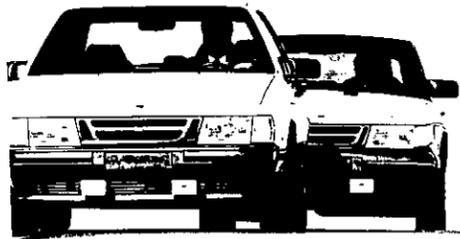


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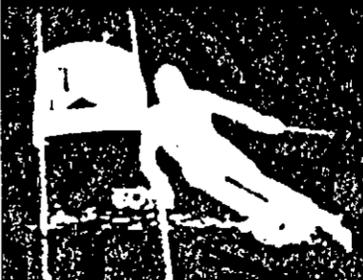
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Mall, department store and shop employees are poised to illuminate your way to a merry Christmas and happy Hanukkah. It's their job to assuage those who are lost or idea-deficient. Ask them for inspiration, sharing details about the habits, interests and dreams of the woman you love.

Clothes-wise, we're in an epoch of anything goes. Navajo-print sweaters, structured jackets made of ruglike fabrics and long woven coats will warm her winter. Also considered must-haves this season are the oversize blazer, called the boyfriend jacket, and leather wrapped skirts.

All-weather women will appreciate this season's winning coat — the anorak. This drawstring-waisted jacket is versatile for city and country activities. Other manifestations of outback suburban chic are chukkas (ankle high boots) or camp mocs. Accompany with a hefty selection of relaxed turtlenecks with matching crew socks.

Accessories are a provident key to revitalizing her closet's contents. Sequined gloves, cashmere gloves, gloves with fringe, buttons and chains are a ladylike addition to any wardrobe. Belts range from simple strips of faux finished leather to brass-embazoned sashes to extravagant swoops of tassels and beads.

Textured or printed hosiery, a selection of natty knee-highs and unusual print leggings will caress her from the floor up. At eye level, treat her to new spectacle frames or an assortment of pastel silk chiffon scarves.

If there's a statement to be made in vogue this season, it's "ethnic." Frenzied print scarves, bangles, silver cuffs, earrings and necklaces with as many moving parts as wind chimes add up to a gypsylike flavor.

Big glass stones set in multi-chain necklaces bring the Russian influence home. Byzantine hair accessories have jewels in emerald, sapphire, amethyst and ruby. Museum gift shops often have higher-tech jewelry and accessories.

Hats are back. Don't try to choose from the soft felts, bold berets, leather, suede and fur confections without her. Plan a special hat-buying excursion buffeted by a lunch or cocktail.

Handbag shopping is another personal affair, also best undertaken with the woman in tow. A durable quality wallet can cost more than a purse and is almost a luxury. If you're out on your own handbag hunting, choose a *minaudiere*. These fanciful little evening bags turn any event into a gala.

New briefcases for women double as totes and constructed handbags. Even mommy-trackers will appreciate posh day-planners, calendars and address books. Styles range from country fresh to Space Age tech.

Silver, leather or china picture frames and prestige fountain pens will be thoughtful additions to her desk activities. Or help her ring in the new year with a new phone — cordless if she doesn't have one yet or one of the innumerable far-fetched shapes available.

Impassioned cooks will go gaga over kitchen gadgetry. Wives that slap together three meals a day under the duress of keeping the family fed will not. Distinguish the difference. Don't buy mere appliances as gifts. Shiny imported mechanisms that perform amazing feats of food preparation are the ticket. Options range from



Special and collectible ornaments can be displayed in windows to carry the spirit of the holidays throughout the house. Ornaments can be attached to wreaths, hung on windows or doors.

wall-mounted hand-beater assortments with happily whirring motors to exquisite little stainless pepper mills and vegetable peelers.

Beauty gifts ride the same thin line. You want to help her enhance her already formidable good looks, not change her completely. Look for beauty items she would consider a total indulgence — makeup brushes, ostrich feather

powder puffs, scented bath beads, an elegant lipstick case, compact and comb for her purse. If she's mentioned haircuts, facials or massages, find out who performs premier services in your community.

A knowledgeable perfume consultant can help you select a scent. This season's favorites are Lancome's seductive "Magie Noire," Christian Lacroix's unabashed "C'est la Vie," Benetton's playful

"Colors" and Ralph Lauren's adventuresome "Safari."

Escape from the unrelenting carol-filled commercialism of the malls in junktique browsing. You'll see uncommon items like sterling vanity sets, ornate andirons, or Victorian posy holders. You may find folk art weather vanes, hand-painted hatboxes or a collection of romantic records.

You can avoid the shopping scene entirely by tracking down theater or symphony tickets. Museum memberships, art workshops or painting lessons, magazine or book-of-the-month subscriptions are other ideas. Domestic women will delight in sewing or tailoring lessons or a block of sessions on cooking exotic cuisines.

If she's less *demoiselle* than daredevil, find out about heliskiing, skydiving, hang gliding, river rafting or deep-sea diving. Give lessons. Or if she's already entrenched in one of these bionic pastimes, chances are she'd love some new equipment.

Talk to your travel agent about romantic weekend getaways. Special fares, arranged in advance, can put you more than a stone's throw from home in a relaxed setting or beneath the dazzling city lights.

Time-deficient businessmen or guys whose extracurricular activities do not include wives or girlfriends should think about committing to some togetherness, perhaps in the form of dance lessons. Learn the lambada with a loved one. Join a swing dancing club. Try tai-chi or yoga instruction.

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By the time of Henry VIII in the 16th century, the royal Christmas banquet began about noon and lasted eight to 12 hours. Twelve courses were served as a symbolic reminder of the 12 apostles. Courses included venison, rabbit, beef, mutton, pork, chicken, goose, swan and peacock.

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Were you happy with the results of that last roll of film? Are you ready to update your home movie equipment?

Now's the time to have your camera cleaned and checked — or to replace it altogether. If state-of-the-art is what you're after, consider one of the new computerized cameras; these offer high performance and greater reliability.

If you prefer to postpone purchasing your dream camera but the one you own isn't reliable, there's an easy, inexpensive solution. Disposable cameras are available with or without flash

and many cost less than \$10 — and the picture quality is excellent. You can find them in most convenience stores, supermarkets and drugstores.

Incidentally, by 1992, Kodak's new "Photo CD System" will be available. It will enable you to have 35mm camera film images transferred onto compact discs, which then can be viewed on a TV or computer screen.

Camcorders have revolutionized home video. Now anyone can become a movie producer (evidenced by the multitude who send films to popular new TV programs). The machines are simple to operate and play back via most TV/VCR systems.

Problems common to amateur videographers — such as jerky filming — are now compensated for by the machines themselves. The 2-pound Steadicam JR, for example, isolates the camcorder from the movements of the operator.

You may have noticed that video equipment tends to get heavy after you hold it for a while. The trend is toward smaller, more lightweight camcorders, such as Panasonic's new Palmcorder and Sony's TR-4. Be sure to try out

several models to determine comfort and performance.

TECHNIQUE

The pros make it look easy; they're relaxed — and so are their subjects.

It's important to reassure people they look fine. If Aunt Essie (or your teen-age daughter) seems uneasy, it might be because she'd like to freshen her hair and make-up. Most professional photographers employ a second camera that can develop prints on the spot, so both they — and their subjects — see that all is well.

Keep a sharp eye for things the camera will notice but you may not. Remove overflowing ashtrays, empty cocktail glasses, newspapers or magazines cluttering the coffee table.

If you use props to distract people, you give them something to focus on instead of the camera, and they're less likely to look frozen. Hand Great-grandma a photo album and film her as she discusses family history. For kids, good props are toys, pets and favorite foods.

It's true that the best shots are

candid. This is easier in a group setting, where people distract each other and, after awhile, someone carrying a camera or camcorder blends in.

Plan on holding the equipment twice as long as you actually use it, to get people used to seeing you with it. Start with willing subjects, then settle into a spot where you're not too obvious and wait for candid: kids opening gifts, grandparents holding babies, the dog sneaking up on Uncle Fred's sandwich.

Enlist the aid of a partner, someone who will help bring people closer to the camera's eye, distract them once they're there, and scout opportunities throughout the room.

What if, instead of reluctant or stiff subjects, you encounter one that is too willing — perhaps a youngster who loves to "ham it up"? *Child* magazine offers these solutions: Point the camera at them and follow their antics — but don't record anything. After a few moments they'll get bored and move on. Or put the camcorder down and start shooting again when they're interested in something else.

VIDEO PROJECTS

Once you're familiar with your camcorder, you'll want to move on to something more challenging. Rather than random shots, you'll be ready to make a cohesive film.

Films make great family projects; the experience can be educational as well as fun. Depending on the topic, your home film may make a fabulous gift for out-of-town friends or relatives (or, who knows, may someday be seen by millions of people on television.)

Topics to consider include: "a day in the life" (choose a family member or a pet), a video letter/thank you (have people voice their gratitude and show them using or wearing the gifts) or a minimovie (use toy action figures, kids playing dress-up).

If a video project appeals to you, there are extras available on camcorders you'll want to investigate: zoom lenses, titling that lets you add words to the screen, voice-overs and special effects that create animation sequences.

In addition, you might want to consider visiting a book or video store for how-to info, or take a class offered in the subject.

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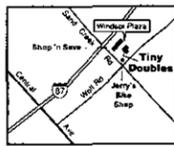
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Holiday garb can suit best dressed women

When it comes to holiday impressions, you needn't play second fiddle to the Christmas tree this year.

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Besides radiating the spirit of the season, today's holiday fashions manage to shine without being silly.

Santa's little helpers in design rooms all over the world have come up with spirited getups that rise to holiday occasions falling anywhere between Thanksgiving and Jan. 2 — from the office party to the post-caroling supper to the gift-unwrapping session on Christmas morning.

Just what is on the wish lists of the best-dressed? Following is a rundown of trends that are tops in terms of sartorial sparkle:

HOLIDAY DAYS

Festive dress isn't just for parties anymore. With holiday attire for everyday almost as prevalent as tree ornaments are in the

weeks before Christmas, you can celebrate the season anytime, anywhere.

So, go ahead ... don one of the following Christmas-inspired outfits during your next holiday baking session or shopping spree — or wear it to work or the ice-skating rink. You'll find the following looks not only in department stores, but also in shops ranging from the preppiest boutiques and sporting goods stores to maternity emporiums and sleepwear shops.

As much a part of Christmas as evergreen wreaths and gingerbread men, traditional looks are updated every holiday season to appear as fresh and new as a just-cut evergreen.

Cases in point include holiday-inspired sweaters decorated with embroidered candy canes, Nordic and Tyrolean-inspired detailing, sequined stars or intarsia motifs ranging from pinecones and holly berries to the 12 days of Christmas.

Crisp jumpers, dresses and blouses cut from traditional fabrics with embellishments such as



Hand knit clothing can add style to holiday celebrations.

frilly collars, poufy sleeves, velvet trim and holiday appliques probably wouldn't amble into the boardroom during just any month of the year, but are perfectly appropriate during December.

Even the most conservative

dress-for-success wear can be found cut from holiday hues and patterns, such as a smart suit cut from cranberry red or forest green, or a more contemporary pairing of a short jacket and full-cut shorts made of festive tartan plaid.

Curl up by the fire with Dickens, whip up a batch of caramel corn or arrange a cookie platter for Santa while wearing the most comfortable attire for the holidays.

Fleecy sweat ensembles and T-shirts are downright jolly when tinted in vibrant holiday hues, and even bolder with the addition of pom-poms, sequins, studs, bells, tiny candy canes and presents for a three-dimensional effect best described as wearable art. Others sport bright appliques, festive messages and motifs.

Sleepwear that's meant to be seen ranges from flannel nightshirts to spirited, oversize T-shirts and cozy tartan robes. Satiny pajamas and sleep shirts echo the bright neon colors found in the

Christmas tree lights, such as emerald, fuchsia and turquoise, while nightshirt and legging combos in floral chintzes conjure up visions of a decidedly English holiday.

STARRY NIGHTS

Dine, dance and look divine in the latest fashions inspired by the social events that always dominate the December calendar — everything from intimate tree-decorating parties to romantic suppers or full-blown holiday galas.

Find these party looks at department stores, clothing boutiques, even rental shops that cater to customers in need of specialty apparel. Or, have your favorite seamstress whip up an entirely original creation or doctor up something you found at the thrift shop with material and trim from your local fabric shop.

'Tis the season to cash in on gold, and in terms of holiday attire, a mint full of possibilities can be found in this glittering hue.

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Sexy suits, for instance, might be embellished with metallic embroidery, buttons, brocade or applique, while off-the-shoulder sweaters are spun completely from shining strands of golden yarn. Slip into a sequined gold slip dress topped by a quilted lame jacket ... or a shiny golden down parka if the weather is truly frightful.

Other good-as-gold options include the many iridescent wardrobe pieces cut from gold lame, such as bodysuits, ruffled skirts both long and short and bustier

tops for the ultimate in shoulder-baring drama.

Rivaling the tinsel on your Christmas tree, sequins and beadwork mirror the shine and sparkle of the season in a way that nothing else can.

And, this season, you'll find them literally everywhere. Beaded illusion fronts adorn party minis, sequins trim suit lapels and sweater fronts, and shimmering patterns made from seas of sequins dominate everything from festive jackets to sexy movie star-style formals complete with thigh-high slits.

The quintessential holiday hue, black once again is back this sea-

son and it's better than ever.

Wear it as a suit, and you have an instant foil for bold holiday brights and an outfit that will easily take you from desk to dinner. Pair it with white in a feminine, full-skirted dress with V-back, and you'll have no trouble standing out in a sea of tuxedos at a formal event.

Or, opt for the classic little black dress embellished with glints of sequins, dashes of beads and touches of rhinestones, all which add to the luxury of satin, velvet or crepe.

Other basic-black buys that will take you through the holidays include silky evening pajamas, vel-

vet stretch pants, sweeping skirts and slim-fitting, '60s-style party dresses.

THAT HOLIDAY GLOW

You've managed to get your hands on the outfit of your dreams. Naturally, you want everything you wear with it to be equally splendid.

So, bundle up once again and head to the department stores, shoe and accessory emporiums and beauty salons. With so much to choose from, chances are good that you won't be out in the cold for long.

Kick up your heels and dance the night away in suede variations

of pumps, strappy sandals and flats that sizzle with the addition of studs, sequins, beads, lame bows and faux coins. You'll also find shoes completely immersed in metallic shine, and even metallic lace pantyhose.

Luscious lips made flashy with bright lipstick, iridescent and metallic shadows and sheer, classic foundations all can help create the perfect holiday face. See all the new shades and glean tips for applying them by planning a makeover at your favorite cosmetic counter during your next pre-holiday shopping excursion.

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Learn the real meaning of Hanukkah holiday

What, exactly, is Hanukkah?

There are those of us who sail through the holidays thinking it's simply the Jewish version of Christmas, a major event of well-wishing and gift-giving that revolves around a candelabrum rather than a tree.

There are those who know better. And there are more and more of us who are learning.

As interfaith marriages become increasingly common, and as we go with the shift back to basic beliefs and familiar ground on which to raise our children, the "true meaning" of Hanukkah becomes as important as getting beyond the wrapping paper of any commercialized holiday.

Here, then, is a brief explanation of this special holiday.

The story is this: In the second century B.C., Palestine was caught in a rivalry between the two great Hellenistic powers (Egypt and Syria), which divided the empire of Alexander the Great. Under Syrian power, there was a campaign to establish political and religious conformity in "Hellenizing" the Jews, forcing them to adopt Greek dress and customs.

Even more serious, the Syrian

emperor decreed that the Temple in Jerusalem, the national house of worship, would become a temple to the Greek god, Zeus.

A small band of soldiers, led by Judas Maccabeus, staged a successful rebellion against the Syrians, and rededicated the Temple. (In Hebrew, Hanukkah means "dedication.") Jewish customs were reinstated, as was the traditional Jewish worship service.

A miracle occurred during the rededication of the Temple: When the Jews sought to rekindle the sacred lamp in the Temple sanctuary, there was only enough pure oil to last a single day. (Although there was more than enough oil to keep the lamp lit, there was only a small amount of *pure, holy* oil — significant in the importance of purity to these people.)

But the lamp, to the worshipers' amazement, spread light for eight days; thus, the Hanukkah celebration came also to be known as the Festival of Lights.

And this is how it has come to be celebrated: The candelabrum, called a menorah, holds eight lamps (or candles today) representing the eight days the lamp in the Temple burned. The ninth holder on the menorah is for the

candle from which all the others are lit.

The story goes that the traditional shape of the menorah was fashioned after the sage plant, *Salvia officinalis*, a hardy bush that survived in the desert granite of the Sinai wilderness — as did the Israelites who traveled this harsh place on their way to the Promised Land.

The plant's growth pattern is a single, upright branch with symmetrical branches sprouting on either side. At the tip of each branch, oil glistens on unopened buds — and so the oil in the tips, or cruses, of the branching menorah.

The first night of the eight-day celebration is usually the favorite, with family gathered around the menorah for the first lighting. Songs and prayers are illuminated by the flickering light, and children are told the story of the small band of brave soldiers who fought an army for the purity of the Jewish belief.

Because the Jews believe that a story told with food is a story remembered, Hanukkah tradition calls for foods fried in oil, the most loved of which is the potato latke (potato pancake) served with

applesauce and sour cream. Here's one recipe:

Wash and peel 4 medium potatoes and soak in cold water for about two hours. Grate them and squeeze out excess liquid. Peel and grate a medium onion into the potatoes. Add a lightly beaten egg, a tablespoon of flour, a bit of salt, pepper and nutmeg, and ½ teaspoon baking powder. Mix well.

Heat butter, bacon fat or peanut oil (for less cholesterol) to very hot in a skillet; drop pancakes in by the tablespoonful, flatten slightly, and brown gently on both sides. Add more oil as needed for remaining batches.

Also symbolic are cheese and dairy products; the tale told is of the brave heroine Judith. It is written in the Apocrypha that the beautiful widow arranged to dine with an enemy general who had plans to destroy her town.

Judith fed the general cheese and great quantities of wine, which caused him to fall asleep in a drunken stupor. She then beheaded him! Without their leader, his army fled, and the town was saved. Her bravery is said to have inspired Judas Maccabeus and his followers.

If you're invited to a Hanukkah

celebration, bring the children Hanukkah gelt, or gold foil-covered chocolate coins. Most scholars believe this tradition originated in Eastern Europe during the Middle Ages when gifts of pocket change were tossed to children during the holidays.

For very special children, consider a gift of real gold: Each year the Israeli government mints a commemorative coin celebrating Hanukkah. They're available through coin dealers and some jewelers.

The dreidel is another child's delight at this time of year. The four-sided top is marked with Hebrew letters representing the phrase, "a great miracle happened here."

Anyone newly familiar with Hanukkah — whether through marriage or friendship — might be surprised to discover the number of cards and decorations marking the holiday. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, in other words.

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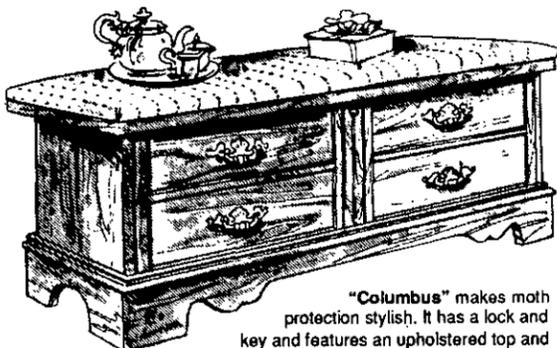
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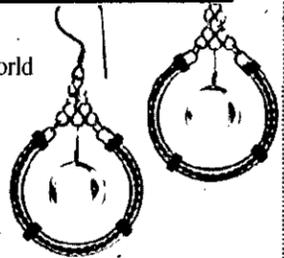
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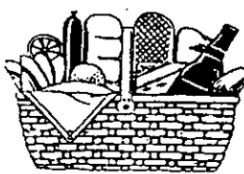
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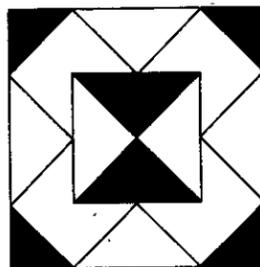
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How do you ensure that presents are not broken or damaged during shipping? According to Sandy Greenberg, representative for Mail Boxes Etc., a 1,200 outlet national franchise network of business and postal services, the majority of shipping damage occurs because of careless or improper packaging.

"Your parcel should be able to withstand stacking, bumping or even a 30-foot drop," says Greenberg.

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Mistletoe Myths

Celtic religious practices often included mistletoe and used the plant to treat infertility (because it grows during the barren winter season). This led to the tradition of kissing under the parasitic foliage.

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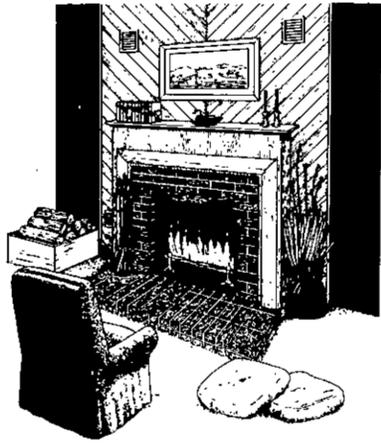
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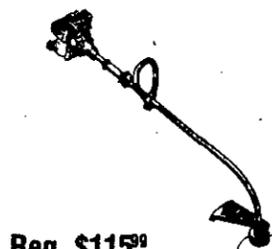


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For babies and toddlers, there

are red and green coveralls applied with Christmas trees, teddy bears, penguins and reindeer. So even if they can't say "Merry Christmas" yet, their clothes will speak for them.

Preteens, teens and even Dad, meanwhile, can indulge in a little wearable fun with sweatshirts, T-shirts and sweaters bearing special Christmas messages, designs and motifs. Some outfits sport three-dimensional whimsy with applied soft sculptures of angels or Santas, while others make use of metallic foils, embroidery and intarsia.

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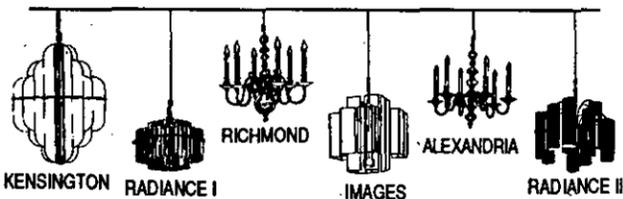
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