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Selkirk woman wants action from fire board

By Susan Wheeler

The Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners last week received a letter from a Selkirk resident who said volunteer firefighters have been harassing her with obscene phone calls, said Charles Fritts, chairman of the Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners.

Connie Miller, a member of Citizens Against Rising Expenditures, said the phone calls began when she vocally opposed the proposed service awards program for the Selkirk volunteer firefighters. She said she did not keep track of the initial calls, but that there were "several." She said she received eight calls in one hour on the night of Dec. 13. She said she commented to the caller to use his time for practice drills, rather than to harass her.

Miller said the person called on another of her phone lines and left a "vulgar, obscene" message on the answering machine. She said she recognized the voice and heard radio transmission sounds in the background. She said she called the police to report the calls.

Because she had received the eight phone calls in one hour, her husband, Bruce, drove to Firehouse No. 1 and copied down the license plate numbers of six or seven cars that were parked outside, Connie Miller said. She said that when he returned with the license numbers, she recognized that the caller's car had been at the firehouse.

She said she called Chuck Wickham, the chief of Selkirk Firehouse No. 1, to tell him that his men were harassing her.

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Bethlehem officer nabs suspect after foot chase

By Mike Larabee

A Bethlehem police officer responding to a routine shoplifting complaint at Town Squire shopping center on Feura Bush Road wound up on a long foot chase through a residential section of suburban Glenmont.

Bethlehem Sgt. Paul Roberts said that last Monday, Dec. 17, a little after noon, he was in the middle of a noteworthy but until then unremarkable day in his career when he answered the call from K-mart at Town Squire.

"I was just finishing up my 13th year and we were joking around about 13 being bad luck," said Roberts. "And then it was the first day of my 14th year when it happened."

What happened was this: Roberts located the alleged shoplifter — a six foot male, 240 pounds, 24 years old — outside Vinnie's deli on Feura Bush Road. Roberts approached the man, who, he said, told him "Don't harass me," then tried to punch the police officer, but missed. Roberts said he attempted to tackle the suspect, but the man broke free and fled when the pair slipped on a patch of ice.

Roberts said he chased the suspect westbound across Route 9W, behind the Glenmont Town Square Shopping Center, then successively through rear yards on Tice Lane, Patterson Drive, Murray Drive, and Henderson Road.

"We just kept running around houses, through yards, over fences, through shrubbery," Roberts said. "I just wanted to keep him in sight because you didn't know whether he was armed or anything like that."

At that point, Roberts said, he was happy when Gordon McLean appeared. An off-duty Albany policeman, McLean had been leaving Glenmont Shopping Plaza after buying his son a bicycle for Christmas at Ames Department store when the suspect and Roberts sprinted across 9W. By the time McLean arrived, both were "pretty winded," Roberts admitted.

Roberts and McLean found the suspect hiding in some trees between homes at 12 and 14 Murray Drive and chased him onto the front lawn at 14 Murray Drive, where McLean tackled him. The pair and Bethlehem Officer Robert Helligrass, who had arrived as back-up, arrested the man.

Roberts said he tore a new pair of uniform pants in the chase and injured his knee slightly, while McLean ripped the jeans he was wearing. "It was a good little chase," Roberts said.

The man was charged with misdemeanor counts of petty larceny and resisting arrest. He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Jan. 8.

Holiday on ice



John Lindsay helps Andrew Urell, chef at Normanside Country Club, set up a Christmas ice sculpture at Bob's Produce on Delaware Avenue.

Elaine McLain

Font Grove Road resident fed up with water delays

By Debi Boucher

A water district project which apparently got left on a back burner has at least one resident of Font Grove Road boiling mad.

Mary Carol White appeared before the New Scotland Town Board at its year-end meeting last week to demand action on the Font Grove Water District, which was formed several years ago but has yet to become a reality.

White and her husband, David, paid the town \$20,000 in 1986, she said, for development of the water district, since the home they were then planning to build was not entitled to water from Bethlehem, which currently services residents on the New Scotland portion of the road. Town Attorney Frederick Riester later explained that developer Henry Klersy, who built the White's home as part of the Wind Ridge subdivision (two additional lots remain vacant), paid an additional \$10,000 for development of the water district, bringing the total to \$30,000.

Riester, who was not present at the meeting, bore the brunt of White's frustration. "We've been trying to get hold of Mr. Riester for several weeks, and he

does not return our phone calls," she said.

The town attorney later said there had been "one phone call" from David White, which he had been unable to return due to other commitments, including a trial, "and I regret that," he added.

The only explanation board members could give White was that there were problems with the legal process. "The last word I got from Fred Riester was that the numbers on the contract didn't jive with the money in the bank," said Councilman John Sgarlata.

Riester confirmed that one of the problems is that now, after years of delays, "the numbers are no longer valid." Costs were originally projected at \$80,000; recent estimates are "over that but not by a lot," Riester said. Still at issue is bonding for the \$25,000 to \$30,000 the town will need to borrow. Riester said a 30-year bonding might not be possible, but a shorter bond would significantly increase the annual rates for residents of the district, since it is small.

Bethlehem Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor said actual construction

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Cameras to crackdown on DWI suspects

By Robert Webster Jr.

Aetna Life and Casualty, the Capital District Remove Intoxicated Drivers (RID) and the Albany County Stop DWI program have joined forces with six area police organizations to crack down on drunk drivers in the area through the integration of the "Aetna's Eye on DWI" program.

Aetna recently funded RID's donation of 12 video camera systems to police departments in Albany, Colonie, Bethlehem, Guilderland and Watervliet, as well as the Albany County Sheriffs.

The cameras will be used by police officers on patrol for suspected DWI offenders to film people suspected of driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

"This will send out a clear message that we will not allow drunk driving in our community," said Betty Martin, president of Capital District RID and coordinator for Albany County. Capital District RID, as well as all of the 150 chapters of RID throughout America, provides victims' assistance programs for friends and relatives of those killed or injured in alcohol-related accidents, as well as sponsoring education and awareness programs on DWI.

More than 400 lives will be lost this year to DWI related accidents, Martin added, and that "If we even save one of those lives, this effort

will be worth it."

Albany County Executive James J. Coyne noted that the new program is a "pilot project... but we need to lead the charge."

"Nationally, 45 percent of traffic fatalities are alcohol related. In Albany County, only 26 percent are, and we can attribute that to the vigilance of the police departments in this county," he added.

That lowered fatality rate led District Attorney Sol Greenberg to say that "We are a tough county, and we will continue to be tough because it is your life and my life as well."

He added that the program has led to a higher conviction rate in other areas utilizing it, as those who are accused of DWI put up less of a fight when they see that they are on camera. "A picture is worth a thousand words," Greenberg said.

Each camera package costs around \$1,200 said Martin, including the camera, a remote cordless microphone, a DC power cord and a remote power switch. The Albany and Colonie police departments each received three camera sets, the Bethlehem police department and the county sheriffs each received two apiece and the Guilderland and Watervliet departments each received a single set-up.

Bethlehem police Lt. Frederick Holligan agreed the cameras will



Bethlehem Police Sgt. Joseph Sleurs shows off the newest weapon in the Capital District's fight against DWI: a video camera that will be used to film drivers suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Robert Webster Jr.

be an effective weapon in the fight against DWI, as many of the people who used to fight the charges plead guilty when they see themselves on film. In addition, Holligan said, the tapes add to the "chain of evidence" that establishes probable

cause for the stop in the first place.

Holligan said the department appreciated the "generosity" of the Aetna donation, and said the cameras would be used with Bethlehem's Stop DWI funded patrols. He thinks the camera's will contribute to what he feels is

the department's already extremely effective efforts to enforce DWI law.

"I think we're right on top of things," he said. "I think we have a reputation for being in the forefront of DWI prevention and enforcement."

Local 4-H member attends conference

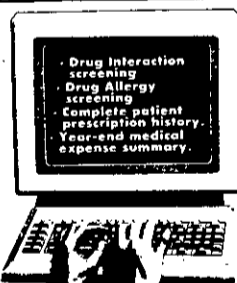
4-H member Jamie Lyman of Delmar recently attended the 11th annual New York State 4-H Agribusiness Career Conference held

at SUNY Cobleskill. She is the daughter of Dr. Stuart and Jane Lyman.

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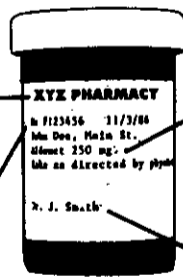
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\$12,000 gift tops off Bethlehem van drive

By Mike Larabee

Marine Midland Bank, which Oct. 1 opened a new branch on Delaware Avenue in Delmar, last week donated \$12,000 toward the purchase of a new handicapped accessible town senior van. The donation brings to a close a year-long Bethlehem Senior Projects Inc. fund drive and paves the way for the purchase of the \$40,000 vehicle.

The van will become the second handicapped accessible and fourth overall in Bethlehem's fleet, which town Senior Services personnel say at present is no longer large enough to meet a growing demand for service.

"This was the cap, this was the grand finale," said Jane Bloom, Senior Project's fund-raising co-chairperson on the Marine Midland Donation. Overall, the money came from a combination of business, individuals, and civic groups, Bloom said.

"We were really inspired by the outpouring of support from all

sectors of the community," said Bloom.

Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. is a non-profit corporation which works with Bethlehem's municipal senior citizens' programs to help extend services for the elderly in town.

Todd Tobin, Bloom's fund-raising co-chair, said that from its start in January the group knew the drive was an "ambitious project." He said that all along there were times it looked like they'd never make their Christmas target date.

"A lot of our approach was let's give the seniors a Christmas present — a van under the tree type thing," Tobin said. "We were really pushing hard to do that."

"I think with the Christmas spirit people really saw the need," he said.

Tobin said that a crucial boost to the drive was provided by three recent \$4,000 donations — by Seiden & Son, Inc., builders of Good Samaritan's Elsmere senior housing project, The Good Samaritan Homes Partnership itself, and a

combination of three local insurance companies: Burt Anthony Associates, Bryant Asset Protection, and the Brownell Agency. Tobin said each donor purchased "a seat on the bus" for the \$4,000 contribution.

"What that meant was when we got the bus we put an engraved plaque on the seat or next to the seat on the side of the bus for each contributor of \$4,000," he said.

Town Senior Services Director Karen Pellettier said she "couldn't believe" all the people who came forth and contributed to the project.

"So many senior citizens and individuals in the town gave contributions," she said. "It was a total community effort that was capped by Marine Midland."

Pellettier said the bus has been ordered and should arrive sometime in January.



A town hall ceremony was held recently to acknowledge a \$12,000 donation toward a new senior van from Marine Midland Bank. From left are Karen Pellettier, director of Bethlehem Senior Services; Edward

Canale, the bank's region executive; Jim Sinnott, Delmar branch manager; Todd Tobin and Jane Bloom of Bethlehem Senior Projects, and Bethlehem Town Supervisor Ken Ringler. Elaine McLain

CDTC to use computer for Bethlehem traffic study

By Mike Larabee

The Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC), the area's three-county planning organization for transportation, last week agreed to use its TMODEL2 computer software program to conduct a detailed traffic study for the town of Bethlehem.

The study is timed to assist the town's planning staff and Land Use Management Advisory Committee (LUMAC) with work on a new master plan for Bethlehem, according to Town Planner Jeff Lipnicky. The traffic study still needs town board approval before moving ahead, Lipnicky said.

Thirty percent of the study would be paid for by federal CDTC funds, while the other 70 percent of costs would be the town's responsibility, according to David Jukins, CDTC's senior transportation engineer. Town Supervisor Ken Ringler said the project would cost the town \$36,925 and CDTC \$15,825.

Developed by Washington D.C.-area company Metro Transporta-

tion Group Inc., TMODEL2 is a computer program that produces an overview of traffic flow through a given area based on the number of vehicles the homes, businesses, or other establishments can reasonably be expected to generate. With the program, planners can pinpoint traffic problem areas that exist now or would be likely to develop as development occurs, and can use the information to plan accordingly, Lipnicky said.

"As we're doing the master plan we're going to wind up with some kind of suggested land-use plan for the town," he said. "What the model will help us understand is what various land-use scenarios would do with respect to traffic and level of congestion in various intersections and along various roadways."

Lipnicky said the study would be a "critical" part of LUMAC's ultimate recommendations for the town's master plan, in part because it can predict how new zoning might effect the town's transportation infrastructure up to 10 years down the road. This way, the town

doesn't have "to find out after the fact, after the plan is complete, whether the traffic works or not," he said. "My sense is that the traffic analysis has to be integrated into the whole process."

In addition, TMODEL2 will help the planners evaluate how a particular project would affect town roads, Lipnicky said.

While Jukins admitted TMODEL2 is extremely "data intensive," he said the process — by which it turns land densities, road quality, speed limits, intersection delays, and other data into a comprehensive description of traffic — is fairly straightforward.

"For people who have been working with this stuff it's not as complex as it sounds," he said.

Lipnicky said that no firm time frame exists yet for the study, but he thinks it would take roughly a year to complete.

The CDTC meeting, it fourth of the year, was Thursday, Dec. 20, at Schenectady City Hall. J. Leo O'Brien, Mayor of Watervliet, is chairman.

BC to examine district boundaries

By Susan Wheeler

The Bethlehem Central School District Board of Education in January will begin the process of modifying present elementary school attendance boundaries, Superintendent Leslie Loomis said.

The changes will be made for the 1991-92 school year, Loomis said at the board's recent meeting. He said the reassignment of some kindergarten through grade five students will be necessary because of the "varying rates of population growth in certain areas of the district." These modifications, which will be made to balance the enrollment at the district's five schools, are in response to the "changed capacity" the Glenmont, Hamagrael and Slingerlands schools will have in September, 1991, after additions to these schools are finished, he said.

The district is working with Roger Creighton Associates, Inc.

of Delmar, a transportation planning firm, in modifying the attendance lines, Loomis said.

Loomis will present his recommendations to the board on Jan. 9 at the board of education meeting. The public can ask questions and discuss the proposed changes at the Jan. 16 and Jan. 23 meetings. The board will vote on the modifications on Jan. 30. All board of education meetings will be held at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar.

In other board news, Loomis presented a plaque to Jeanette Pace, a high school art teacher, in recognition of her status as a regional winner in the New York State Art Teachers Association competition for art teacher of the year.

Pace, who's taught in the district since 1969, said she'll hear in March whether she's been chosen as the New York State art teacher for 1991-92. Pace said she "submit-

ted all of the things she's done in the district in her teaching career."

Loomis said Pace is a "widely respected and revered" teacher in the district. "Jeanette Pace is one of the exceptional teachers who symbolizes what is best about education," he said. "She's wonderful."

The plaque reads that Pace has a "passion for teaching" and a "compassion for students."

"I don't know who came up with the wording," said Pace, who's taught for 33 years, "but it is very touching. It is heart-warming."

Pace said she accepted the plaque for the district, since she's had much support from her colleagues and others in the district. She said Briggs McAndrews, assistant superintendent, has been behind her "all the way," and that Sheila Fuller, board president, has encouraged her work.

Aid cut prompts BC budget freeze

By Susan Wheeler

The Bethlehem School District last week instituted a freeze on expenditures as a result of nearly \$349,000 in state aid cut from the \$27,527,961 1990-91 school budget, Superintendent Leslie Loomis said.

The freeze, designed to achieve maximum savings, is for the remainder of the 1990-91 school year, Loomis said at last week's board of education meeting. "The district traditionally carried no surplus," he said, "so it is particularly critical to cut expenditures this year."

Loomis said the district's education program will be affected by the cuts, but the district's efforts are directed toward minimizing the effect on the students.

All purchases, field trips, staff inservice workshops and conferences, and maintenance projects other than emergency repairs will be reduced or eliminated, according to Loomis. Eliminated purchases include textbooks, library books, software, equipment and maintenance supplies, he said. The district will avoid hiring non-instructional personnel, curtail substitute teacher use, reduce overtime, conserve energy and use the transportation system more efficiently, he said.

These items had been budgeted, according to Loomis, and are needed for the "program and operation of the schools." He said that although there will be a shortage in certain areas, including purchases, the district will "continue with the business of education without adequate funding."

"There's no doubt about it, a freeze hurts," he said. "The effect of the freeze will be felt across all levels and schools in the district at this time of shortage and reduction. Everybody will dig in and do their part."

Loomis said that prior to developing the recommendations on the freeze for the board, he worked with the Bethlehem Central Teachers Association, the Bethlehem Central United Employees Association and the Bethlehem Principals Association. He said these groups have made "commitments to deliver quality education" in the face of the freeze. The district and teachers "will do everything possible" to bring enrichment into the classrooms to compensate for the loss of field trips, he said.

The freeze on expenditures is "essential to save every dollar this year in the face of a difficult year coming up," Loomis said. "We expect to deliver a very lean budget" for the 1991-92 school year because of possible future state aid cuts and increasing enrollment, he said.

Board member Bernard Harvith said he found the freeze, "hard on all" but "absolutely justified." As for next year's budget, he said, "We must assume we'll not get this money back, and there'll be more cuts."

Pace "is one of the finest art teachers I've come across in my career," said Andy Masino, supervisor for the art program in the district. "She's a very dedicated teacher."

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In the courts



Andrew Ehrlich, 34, of the Bronx, arrested March 24, for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated (DWI) and misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance, pleaded guilty to DWI in Bethlehem Town Court on Dec. 4, and was fined \$363 with a license revocation.

James Grause, 43, of West Coxsackie, arrested Aug. 26 for felony DWI and felony first degree reckless endangerment, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of misdemeanor DWI in town court Dec. 4, and was fined \$500 with a license revocation and sentenced to 60 days in jail in full satisfaction of the charges.

Randall Locke, 38, of Central Avenue, Albany, arrested Aug. 23, on felony counts of burglary and grand larceny, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of second degree criminal trespass, a misdemeanor, in town court on Dec. 4, and was sentenced to 104 days in jail in full satisfaction of the charges.

Timothy T. Baranska, 20, of Dempster Street, Ravena, arrested Sept. 28, for misdemeanor DWI, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired (DWAI), a violation, in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Thomas A. Burnetter Jr., 38, of Criswood Drive, Albany, arrested Nov. 1, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Nancy Holbrook, 30, of Greenville, arrested Sept. 30 for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Henry La Brecque, 24, of Delaware Avenue, Delmar, arrested Aug. 11, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Paul Mitchell, 25, of Madison Avenue, Albany, arrested March 24 for DWI, felony resisting arrest, and felony criminal impersonation, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

James O'Connell, 35, of Hoyt Avenue, Glenmont, arrested Sept. 23, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 5, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Patsy Ann Rose, 35, of Old Hickory Drive, Albany, arrested July 21, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Dec. 4, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Timothy F. Sloan, 42, of Manning Boulevard, Albany, arrested Nov. 17, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Dec. 4, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Mark Toepke, 31, of Equinox Court, Delmar, arrested Aug. 25, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Nov. 20, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Samuel D. White, 64, of N. Swan Street, Albany, arrested Oct. 21, for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in town court on Dec. 4, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

George Vriniotis, 19, of R.D. 2, New Scotland Road, Voorheesville, arrested July 22 for first degree reckless endangerment, pleaded guilty in New Scotland Town Court on Oct. 4 to a reduced charge of reckless endangerment, second degree, and was sentenced to three years probation and a \$500 fine.

Peter Faith, 33, of Rip Van Winkle Court, Clifton Park, arrested Aug. 12 for driving while intoxicated (DWI), pleaded guilty in New Scotland Town Court on Oct. 4 to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired (DWAI), a violation, and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension, and required to attend a DWI victim impact panel.

Wayne Nethercott, 25, of Port Chester, arrested Oct. 28 for DWI, pleaded guilty to DWAI in New Scotland Town Court on Dec. 6 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension, and required to attend a DWI victim impact panel.

In Glenmont The Spotlight is sold at Grand Union, CVS, Glenmont 5A's, Cumberland Farms, Stewart's and Van Allen Farms

Board denies request for treatment system

By Debi Boucher

It's back to the drawing board for developer Peter Baltis, whose proposal for a waste treatment system to serve a planned nine-house subdivision was defeated by the New Scotland Town Board last week, following a negative recommendation by the planning board.

The town board stalled on the issue at a previous meeting in early December, deciding to table it pending more study. Volumes of information supplied by the developer's engineers, however, failed to convince most board members that it would be prudent for the town to accept responsibility for the treatment system, even though maintenance costs would have been borne by the homeowners.

The exception was Councilman John Sgarlata, dissenter in the 4-1 vote to go along with the recommendation of the planning board and nix the project. Charging that none of the arguments against the proposed system was substantive, Sgarlata pointed out that it had passed muster with the town's consulting engineers, C.T. Male Associates of Latham.

Michael Brennan, a 20-year resident of the Swift Road area, contended it was the town's responsibility "not to allow a developer — any developer — to leave a town with a long-term liability. If we accept this proposal, the town would be acquiring a long-term, unknown liability." The costliest aspect of sewer treatment plants, he said, is not construction or updating, but maintenance.

Attorney Michael J. Hoblock Jr. charged that the planning board "went out of the realm of their authority" in considering the economics of the plant when they

should have been looking at the system itself. Responding to Brennan's comments about liability, he said, "Obviously, anything this board does creates a potential long-term liability."

But the board's wariness may have been exacerbated by concerns about possible odor from the plant, raised by Swift Road resident Steve Di Bella. "I've seen effluent systems, and they do have an odor," he asserted, despite assurances to the contrary from Tom Field, of Percy Cotton Associates, engineer for the project. He said effluent from the treatment system, known as Multi-Flo, "may have a slight odor, but I don't think you would detect it."

Hoblock derailed the odor discussion, telling councilmen they should concentrate on the ownership issue, which in the end they backed away from.

Baltis said after the meeting that he would revert to plans for individual fill septic systems for the nine homes, planned for 22 acres on land owned by his wife, Donna Baltis.

Corning to speak

Erastus Corning III will speak on changes in the Soviet Union at the Bethlehem Public Library on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Corning, who has lived in Moscow, currently heads Corning Tours, a firm which specializes in group tours to the Soviet Union. He is also consultant to American companies doing business with the Soviet Union, and an adjunct professor in the Slavic Department of the University at Albany.

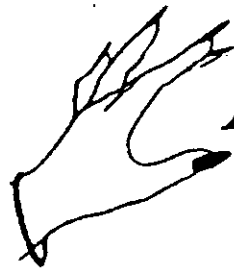
The presentation, "Changes in the Soviet Union Today," will include a slide show. For more information call 439-9314.

Meetings offer support

Recovery, Inc. holds meetings at 12:30 p.m. on Fridays at the First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., for former mental patients and those with chronic nervous symptoms. There is no charge for the meetings, and no appointment is necessary. For more information, call 346-8595.

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Additional contest winner announced

Marcelle Olsen of Westphal Drive in Delmar won a \$100 third prize in the Spotlight Newspapers Holiday Gift Guide Gift Certificate Giveaway.

The drawing for the additional prize became necessary because one of the previously announced

winners was disqualified as ineligible.

Olsen's gift certificate is good at any of the 64 participating area merchants who co-sponsored the contest along with *The Spotlight* and the *Colonie Spotlight* newspapers.

2 hurt in collision

Two women were injured in a two-car collision at the intersection of Route 9W and Wemple Road on Thursday, Dec. 20, Bethlehem police said.

According to police, Julie Biernacki, 27, of Elm Avenue Extension, Selkirk, and Bonita Hamilton, 27, of Hannacroix, N.Y., were hurt in the accident. They were both transported to St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, where they were treated and released, a hospital spokesperson said.

Biernacki was ticketed for failure to yield right-of-way, police said.

Heating aid offered

Albany County Opportunity, Inc. (ACOI) is accepting applications for the 1990-91 Home Energy Assistance program. The program provides funds to low income families to help pay heating costs. The size of the grant depends on the size of the family and the type of fuel used. The household must also meet income limitations. Applications can be made between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at ACOI, 35 Clinton Ave., Albany, or by calling 463-3175.

New group forms

The Capital Region Association for Eating Disorders is pleased to announce a support group in the Capital District area, meeting in the Albany Public Library every third Thursday.

Helpful information and personal experiences are shared in supportive group settings: one group for anorexics and bulimics, another for compulsive eaters and a third group devoted to the concerns of parents and significant others.

All groups are free of charge and strictly confidential. Meeting times are 7:30 to 9 p.m.

For information, call 465-9550.

Man arrested for DWI

Bethlehem police arrested Thomas Connell, 36, of Woodlawn Drive, Ravena, for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated on Thursday, Dec. 20, after he was stopped for a traffic violation on Route 144. He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Jan. 8.

Cornell offers labor studies

Cornell University's New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations is offering the following courses during its spring semester of the 1990-91 labor studies program: collective bargaining, labor law, contemporary labor problems and arbitration. All are three-credit courses and are held at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, except for the arbitration course which is at the Cornell office in Albany.

Tuition is \$165 for any of the courses. Textbooks are not included in tuition charge. There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$10 per semester.

For information, call 449-4161.

Safety seats recalled

The state Department of Motor Vehicles is advising owners of Evenflo child safety seats to check the model numbers and contact the manufacturer if a free repair kit is needed.

According to an advisory from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Evenflo has recalled certain infant and toddler seats manufactured between April 15, 1985, and April 22, 1990, because they do not meet NHTSA's safety standards. Seats being recalled have a black buckle housing and a red push-button release.

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

Resident to pursue changes in Selkirk Fire District

By Susan Wheeler

The Selkirk Fire District community is ready for change, said Keith Wiggand of Glenmont who recently lost his bid for a fire commissioner's seat.

But despite his defeat, Wiggand said he and members of a newly formed organization Citizens Against Rising Expenditures (CARE) want to work with the fire district to provide the community with information about the fire district and to give the volunteer firefighters support.

Wiggand, who lost by 313 to 223 vote to incumbent Donald Gager, said CARE, a group "to inform the public where taxpayers' money is spent," would like to see the Selkirk Fire District and community members form an advisory committee. He said this committee could work together to provide the firefighters with support and to help increase the number of volunteer firefighters that are able to respond to daytime calls. He suggested petitioning the firefighters' employers to allow the volunteer firefighters to answer calls without the threat of losing pay or employment. He also suggested asking owners of area businesses to give firefighters discounts on purchases to "help firefighters put money in their pockets, so to speak."

"They can't think of anything we haven't thought of before" to help reduce the costs to the volunteer firefighters, said Charles Fritts, chairman of the board of fire commissioners in Selkirk. "We have no objection to any positive support we can get," he said, "but there remain bad feelings and will for a while."

Fritts said that although some firefighters remain "upset" over



Keith Wiggand

the twice-defeated service awards or pension program, "some good can come out of open communication with the public."

The Selkirk pension program would have provided the maximum of \$600 per month after the completion of 30 years of active service and reaching 65-years-old to volunteer firefighters. Wiggand said CARE was concerned that some people could not afford the \$2 per every \$1000 the program would have cost the taxpayers. "CARE is going to watch where the taxpayers' money is spent," he said, "from the local level to the federal level."

The "polarization" that occurred in the Selkirk community during the past few months over the proposed service awards program has lessened, Wiggand said. "The polarization of the community is dying out a bit," he said. "We want to see the hard feelings buried."

The mistakes made over the proposed pension program "have to heal," Fritts said. "We would like to see things calm down, smooth out for everybody. We're willing to work together, we hold open meetings."

According to Wiggand, CARE will be more defined next year. Its members will attend the board of fire commissioners meetings, Bethlehem and Ravena school board meetings, and town board meetings, he said.

Registration set

Registration for fall 1991 Department of Early Childhood programs at the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, begins Friday, Jan. 25, at 8:30 a.m. for current parents and at 10 a.m. for new parents. For information, call 438-6651.

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At 35, most Americans today are just hitting their stride. "Better than ever." "Couldn't feel better!" "Younger than springtime. . ." Those are expressions you'll hear from these vigorous, healthy, promising people as they stop at a year's end, survey the record, and look toward the future.

As it is with active individuals, so it is with many institutions — including this one: *The Spotlight*.

With this issue, we close out our thirty-fifth year of successful publishing of your community newspaper. Every week for 1,800 weeks *The Spotlight* has been arriving in mailboxes and in newsstand racks, fulfilling its promise of bringing to its readers the information that you wish, or need, to know about matter of interest and concern. A reasonable estimate of the volume of words we've published in 35 years is at least 100 million!

In all that time, *The Spotlight* has had just three publishers: The late Robert King, who founded the paper and published it for some two decades; Nathaniel Boynton, who acquired it in 1975 and was its aggressive editor and publisher for five years; and Richard A. Ahlstrom, publisher since 1980. Editors King and Boynton carried out their roles notably well, and it was a solid newspaper that the new publisher took over ten years ago.

During that time, successful effort has

'And let a winner lead the way'

Brave Kevin Mooney is a winner. Not only does his "great personality" help to make him an inspiration to many other people, young and old, who admire and envy his courage and cheer, but that same gritty grin has already won him a title: "1990-91 Winning Kid," selected by the Epilepsy Association of the Capital District. And that will entitle him to take part in the national "Winning Kid" competition sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation of America.

At 6 years of age, Kevin has survived an automobile accident in which he was severely injured, resulting in a coma and seven

Seeing the old year out

The forthcoming weekend traditionally is one of the most hazardous of any year.

Apart from weather conditions, which can conspire to add to difficulties of motoring, many individuals can be expected to thoughtlessly take too much advantage of the holiday spirit. New Year's Eve, culminating many of the celebrations of the long weekend, unfortunately is a time when even the most careful driver is subject to being victimized by a driver who "knows better."

The mid-December "sweep" by area police departments, which netted more than five dozen DWI violators within only several hours, is an acute reminder of the inability of too many people to resist temptation. That was on an ordinary weekend; the holiday aspect as the old year ends may be one more temptation to overdo—and to ignore safety aspects.

Words of the week

Accolade: Anything done or given as a sign of great respect, approval, appreciation, etc. In a plural form, it means words of praise. Originally, an accolade was an embrace used in conferring knighthood; the embrace is now replaced by a touch on the shoulder with the flat side of a sword.

Protagonist: The main character in a drama, novel, or story, around whom the action centers. Also, a person who plays a leading or active part. Note the distinction from antagonist, a person who opposes or competes with another; an adversary or opponent.

Editorials

been concentrated on further strengthening *The Spotlight's* service to the readers in a variety of avenues:

News coverage has been expanded; a section of editorials and commentary has been added; advertising of available products and services has increased; the staffs to perform these functions have been augmented dramatically; the electronic and mechanical processes to produce a thoroughly readable paper have been continuously updated. The size of the weekly product has enlarged both in physical dimension and in the number of pages. We have added a wholly new edition, this one devoted to covering the Town of Colonie.

Along with all this effort, the response has been no less than phenomenal. Circulation of the Bethlehem-New Scotland *Spotlight* alone has increased by 75 percent; businesses have acknowledged the opportunities possible in *Spotlight* advertising by tripling the ad volume. And if the decade has been a satisfying one, 1990 has built on that record in gratifyingly healthy ways.

So, as 1991 looms on the calendar's horizon, we at *The Spotlight* look forward optimistically toward a "perfect 36" and cheerfully proclaim a —

Happy New Year, Everyone!

months in Sunnyview Rehabilitation Center and two other hospitals. Subsequently, he began to experience epileptic seizures, and receives treatment for them in addition to the almost constant therapy that he undergoes for his injuries. Meanwhile, he's a pupil at the Clarksville Elementary School. The Mooney family, Brendan and Gerry, Tim and Katie, are Delmar residents.

It's a safe bet that Kevin Mooney and his spirit will turn out to be a winner throughout life, meaningful not only to himself but to those fortunate enough to come in contact with him. Good luck, Kevin!

Use of public transit, relying on "designated drivers," and limiting indulgence to such inspired events as Albany's "First Night" can be lifesavers. Make one of these choices your own—and begin 1991 in an upbeat manner.

Speaking of safety measures: Remember, please, that a new law goes into effect next Tuesday. It requires that drivers turn headlights on when visibility is low, regardless of the time of day. If your windshield wipers are needed, then your lights are needed, too.

It's a commonsense step toward making the roads safer. Most drivers will be alert to obey the law, and protect themselves and others. But some will be neglectful, and a darkened car in a mix of other cars' headlights is, actually, an extra hazard. When weather conditions warrant, "Lights On!" must be everybody's concern.

Decennial: Happening every 10 years, or lasting 10 years. As a noun, it is used to note a tenth anniversary or its commemoration.

Commingle: To mingle together, intermix, blend. Note that the word is not "co-mingle"; there is no such word, though some careless writers use the form. The pronunciation is with a short "o" as in "common," etc.

Feasible: Capable of being done or carried out; practicable, possible. Also, capable of being used or dealt with successfully. A third usage is to signify the likely or probable.

Editorial commended on DWI sentencing

Editor, The Spotlight:

I'm writing to thank you for that marvelous editorial, "That Final 'First Chance'" regarding an assistant district attorney's comments on plea-bargaining for DWI tickets.

One needs only to think of that terrible accident that took the lives of three very young children, the young mother of two of them—and the driver who hit them head-on. That driver had a previous DWAI on his record, was legally drunk in this accident as his blood reading was .11, and he was headed the wrong way on a four-lane divided highway.

Perhaps this entire accident would have been avoided with a harsher sentence the first time! For those who may call this a big "if," may I point out that in New Jersey, there is no plea-bargaining for DWI tickets and they have the lowest fatality rate of all 50 states, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Institute.

Slippery sidewalks in Slingerlands!

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have just returned from my three-mile jogging route that I run four or five times a week. The first snow accumulation of the season was followed by a bright, beautiful December day. On either of these two days, the two or so inches of snow could have been effortlessly removed from sidewalks with a good broom. Today it is a frozen, treacherous mess. Along an almost mile-long stretch of sidewalk, not one person had cleared the walk — not the firehouse, the medical office, the law office, or any resident. No one lifted a finger.

Is this a lack of civic pride? This little hamlet of Slingerlands must have forgotten that the sidewalk is used by scores of children waiting for the school bus, seniors walking their dogs, occasionally a mother with baby in stroller, walkers, joggers, and commuters to the bus stop. When the walk becomes this slick — they must take to the road. And New Scotland Avenue is no place for pedestrian traffic!

So please, folks, give a thought

Vox Pop

If people do not know by now that they should NEVER drink and drive; they have to be taught a severe lesson the first time it happens.

A mule sat in a highway and wouldn't budge despite the pleadings of the owner. A second man said he could help and the owner was pleased to let him try. So he picked up a 2x4 and hit the mule in the head. The owner was quite upset and asked why he used such drastic action. The helper explained, "I was going to ask him to move nicely also—but first, you have to get his attention!" That's what a severe sentence and outcome will do. . . and that's the only way some people are going to learn. We have to stop them now before it gets worse, before more children are killed needlessly.

Charles R. Treadgold

Glenmont

to the safety of your neighbors and clean your walk. It might even become a habit.

Mary Carol White

Slingerlands

Rec Dept. kicks off new activities program

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department and the high school-aged youth of the town, I would like to extend our warmest thanks to the folks at Mickey's Sporting World of Delmar for their generosity in donating a large number of tickets to see the New York Kick vs. the Chicago Power at the Knickerbocker Arena on Dec. 11.

This kind gesture helped launch the Recreation Department's new "high school youth activities program" designed to sponsor/organize monthly activities that are accessible, healthful, and fun. Indeed, our December activity was all of these, and those of us who participated—students and chaperones alike—enjoyed watching the Kick show their winning form.

Paul L. Machelor

Youth activities coordinator.

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Uncle Dudley

Thinking about a special week

Sentiment Time. . . and what better part of the year to be sentimental than now, during Christmas Week. I've always believed that almost everyone has a very special feeling this week toward the year that's slipping away, and the oncoming advent of a year that may actually represent a new start, a new hope.

Coincidentally, there arrived on my desk just the other day a note from an old friend who, with his wife, had recently observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary. At a celebration with their son and daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, and four granddaughters, the highlight of the occasion was the presentation and reading of a celebratory poem written by son Bob

on behalf of himself, daughter Susan, and all the others.

As you'll see, I decided to reproduce it in this column, but I can't help remarking that, though poetry is quite often composed to help mark especially happy events, few are expressed in the fourteen lines of a sonnet, as is the case with Bob's tribute to his parents. Maybe the iambic pentameter isn't so perfect, but as Dad says, "The poem gives us a warm feeling and we think it is beautiful." He adds, incidentally, and modestly, "We think it applies to many other grandparents much more than it does to us — We don't feel that we deserve such high accolades." (By choice, they'll be unidentified here.)

A lot has changed in fifty years, from Goodman's swing to rock. Ol' Blue Eyes' fame has transferred to the New Kids on the Block. DC 3's have been surpassed: we've sent a deep space probe. A day or less can plant you anywhere upon the globe.

Yes, fifty years has changed our lives, in ways we cannot count. Another fifty years — they'll change a greater still amount. Yet some things seem to stay the same through multi-generations, immune from new technology or faddish new sensations. The values taught and acted on by parents will, it's true, be passed on to their children and their children's children, too.

And so the care and nurturing that we have seen from you Passes to our progeny, and generates anew. Your love, impacting eldest down to infant nursery, Returns in kind on this, your Golden Anniversary.

Constant Reader

A longshot but an odds-on favorite

Dick Francis would have an expression, I'm sure, for a horse that finishes the race while the trophy is being presented to the winner.

That's a handy description for what I'm now committing: a rave review of a book that would have been great as a gift, but I'm bringing it to you after the gift-giving season. So perhaps the best thing to do is just decide you'll find the book for yourself — and prepare for a few hours of happy reading.

The book is *Longshot*, and it's Dick Francis's 29th or 30th in his annual series of thrillers that all have common characteristics:

The narration is always in the first person, but always by a different protagonist. Horses and racing (usually, steeplechase) play an integral part. But the theme is expertly commingled with activity in a wholly different very tight moments for the hero (almost always a Brit), and he's likely to suffer manhandling at the whim of a sadist who's unidentified at those moments. And all this is packed into suspenseful action spread out over 300-plus pages.

In *Longshot*, the pages number 320; the hero is a freelance writer who specializes in guidebooks for survival under extreme circumstances: the jungle, arctic, mountain-climbing, etc. In the telling, we never reach any of those particular climes or activities, but the writer's expertise is brought to bear on figurative cliffhangers out in Berkshire County (England).

For each of his books, Dick Francis schools himself in the intricacies of such a specialty. The reader would find it virtually impossible to discern a clue suggest-

ing that someone other than a life-long specialist in that particular field is telling the story. It's a unique capacity on the part of Dick Francis, and he always pulls it off in grand suspense-yarn style. If you like that kind of book at all, I believe you would greatly enjoy *Longshot* — and, for that matter, all



the preceding ones that you may be able to find. A few turn up on remainder counters, and a considerable number are in paperback.

As I may have written previously, I have every one of Dick Francis's books, including a couple that fall outside the thriller category. Some of them are generously autographed. Many of the books I've read two or more times, and each reading brings renewed pleasure.

Longshot is published by Putnam in a customarily outsized format, and with rather large text type — for \$19.95. A sure winner. Get your money down before the window closes.

Speaking of days of yore: One of the most welcome of all greeting cards in the holiday season was one from a gentleman I haven't seen for 42 years (and our contact goes back well beyond that).

Clarence A. Fulmer was the principal of the high school I attended. I surely was among the least promising of his young hopefuls. I happen to recall having mentioned to him, when last we met, that I must have ranked about 365th in the graduating class of 365. With a little smile, he acknowledged, "Well, not quite!" Welcome reassurance indeed.

On the back of his handsome card, he wrote:

"Am home-bound, and walk with aid of a walker." I particularly admired his next line:

"At age 94, slowed down but not out."

In responding, I remarked that it would be my aspiration to try to be as whole as he is at that age. The school that I attended for three years, and that he supervised for many years beyond that, is gone now, though the original building was constructed after Dr. Fulmer's birth, and its annex was built after mine.

How many Presidents' birthdays do you know? Woodrow Wilson's falls in this week, and that date would have been the 88th birthday of my old friend Shap, about whom I wrote last September.

Time still remaining this year to get in a plug for the December issue of *National Geographic* (a magazine that I am too likely to skip over in selecting good reading for notation here). In this issue, I was especially taken with a lavishly illustrated article, "The Peales: America's first family of art."

It's a fascinating account of the life and work of Charles Willson Peale and his numerous descendants who also distinguished themselves as artists of the first order.

Charles Willson Peale, born on the Eastern Shore of Maryland in 1741, was the son of an embezzler who had fled from England under a sentence that banished him to America in lieu of hanging. Charles eventually had 17 children, of whom 11 survived to adulthood. Ten of them were named for great painters. Those given the names of Rembrandt, Raphaelle, and Angelica Kaufmann Peale also are well known today.

Their tribulations and triumphs are amply recounted in the article along with the reproductions of many of their works. Among these, the most striking is the 1822 painting by the line's founder, a self-portrait entitled "The Artist in His Museum." In the large painting, Peale depicts himself lifting a curtain and, in effect, inviting the viewer into a gallery filled with portraits of statesmen he had painted and specimens he had preserved.

Next spring, for C. W. Peale's 250th birthday, the Peale Museum in Baltimore will have an exhibition, "Mermaids, Mummies, and Mastodons" (he was an ardent and highly adept naturalist).

A 'remarkable pulpit'; unforgettable drama

The contributor, who writes occasionally for *The Spotlight*, has preached in Capital Area churches; his home is now in Ontario.

By The Rev. Canon Kenneth Cleator

After seeing the Passion Play in Oberammergau, (in what was then West Germany) this past summer for the third time, I was surprised to hear a young Bavarian sitting near me on a KLM flight to America from Germany mention that he had not seen it. I recommended that he be sure to see it during this year's production, for it will not be staged for another decade.

Point of View

With friends, I was en route home from Munich immediately after witnessing the play — for me, an unforgettable experience.

Bavaria is famous for many reasons and its Passion Play is one of them. Emphasizing the theme of Jesus Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection, the play was Bavaria's tourist showpiece throughout the summer of 1990.



We had the advantage of sitting exactly in the center of the 5,300-seat house with an unobstructed view of the large stage; we carried a copy of the text in English.

The huge auditorium was filled; not a seat was empty. Our group was dressed warmly (and carried a blanket, just in case) to endure the cool breezes, blowing through the playhouse, domed over our heads but open to the sky over the stage.

The play has a long tradition, dating to 1634 when the village was afflicted by a plague (the dreaded Black Plague), which killed many villagers in a short time. As an act of faith, the village council vowed to perform a Passion Play every ten years. After that, when others caught the presumably fatal disease, they survived. The village and its famed woodcarvers were saved.

Oberammergau, with its roots in Roman times, is noted for its artistic qualities. The whole community is like a picture book — homes decorated with scenes from the Bible and fairy tales. Its woodcarvers are known around the world for their art form; the souvenir shops are filled with their costly masterpieces.

The 17th century decision to stage a Passion Play was destined to add to the town's cultural, dramatic, and religious achievements. Only wars, local and worldwide, have interrupted the staging of the play every 10 years. In 1984 a "special" was performed to mark the play's 350th anniversary. I was present for it as well as the decennial stagings in 1980 and this year.

Input offered by the world Jewish community made possible a revision of the script before the 1980 production in keeping with the spirit and thought of the Second Vatican Council. The council's document on relationships with non-Christian religions had deplored hatred, persecution, and other displays of anti-Semitism.

Thus, in the revised script's prologue the narrator declares: "Greetings also to all you brothers and sisters of the people who brought forth the Redeemer. Let no one try to find blame in others; let each of us recognize his own guilt in these events."

Some critics may still object to the scene in which the high priests and scribes stir up the multitude to demand the death of Jesus Christ. It is tense drama; emotions run high. The religious leaders are determined to get rid of Jesus and are overzealous in denouncing him before the people and Pilate. Only a few plead for his release in a single sentence, "Free Jesus, Jesus."

Having seen the three most recent productions, all based on the 1980 revision, I believe the revisers have gone about as far as is feasible in meeting objections of those who criticize the play as anti-Semitic. To be faithful to the Gospel accounts and also meet such objections seems almost impossible.

It has been said that the play is "an unworthy shrine"; I disagree. The play makes a statement the world needs to hear. It calls to nations, institutions, and individuals to consider the way of the crucified, risen, and living Jesus Christ; his quality, spirit, integrity, sense of justice, tolerance, love in seeking and building a more just, more compassionate, more peaceful world among humankind, and creating a cleaner, purer, healthier environment.

It proclaims to all seeking the ultimate good — peace of mind and soul, the touch of eternity in their lives, the hope of victory over death, what Christians call "eternal life" now and forever — and declares that it comes to those who, in the words of the play's prelude, believe "A morning gleam shines through the night; soft breezes of peace blow throughout the world from the branches of the Tree of the Cross".

Though the curtain has fallen on the 1990 production, this statement will not be forgotten, and in 2000 it will be uttered again from that remarkable "pulpit" in Oberammergau.

Holiday helpers



Joyce Becker, of Bethlehem Senior Services, accepts a donation of 2,000 pounds of food and a check for \$400 for the Bethlehem Food Pantry from Delmar Postmaster Thomas Porcaro as postal employees and senior van drivers look on. The food was collected from town residents by letter carriers. *Elaine McLain*

Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

Soon we will be putting away the holiday ornaments and special dishes used for this occasion. Did you know that Styrofoam meat trays are great for padding the china and other breakables?

Storing gift wrap need take only a few simple steps. Scraps too small to reroll on the tube can be rolled up and stored in a cardboard tube. A six-pack beverage holder will hold one or two rolls of paper in each ring. Therefore if they need to be stored, the tubes won't be rolling around. A Pringles potato chip tube could keep leftover bows from being crushed.

Picture taking during the holidays is probably at a peak. What does one do with all those plastic 35mm canisters? More than \$6 worth of quarters can fit in one of those canisters. Stored in the car, the quarters would be handy for tolls, parking meters and emergency phone calls. As a pocket first-aid kit, one canister will hold two bandages, a couple of aspirin and an alcohol pad. If one needs a pin holder, paper clip container or rubber band box, these canisters can be used. And if there are too many to reuse, the Kodak 35mm black container is recyclable — however, the lids are not.

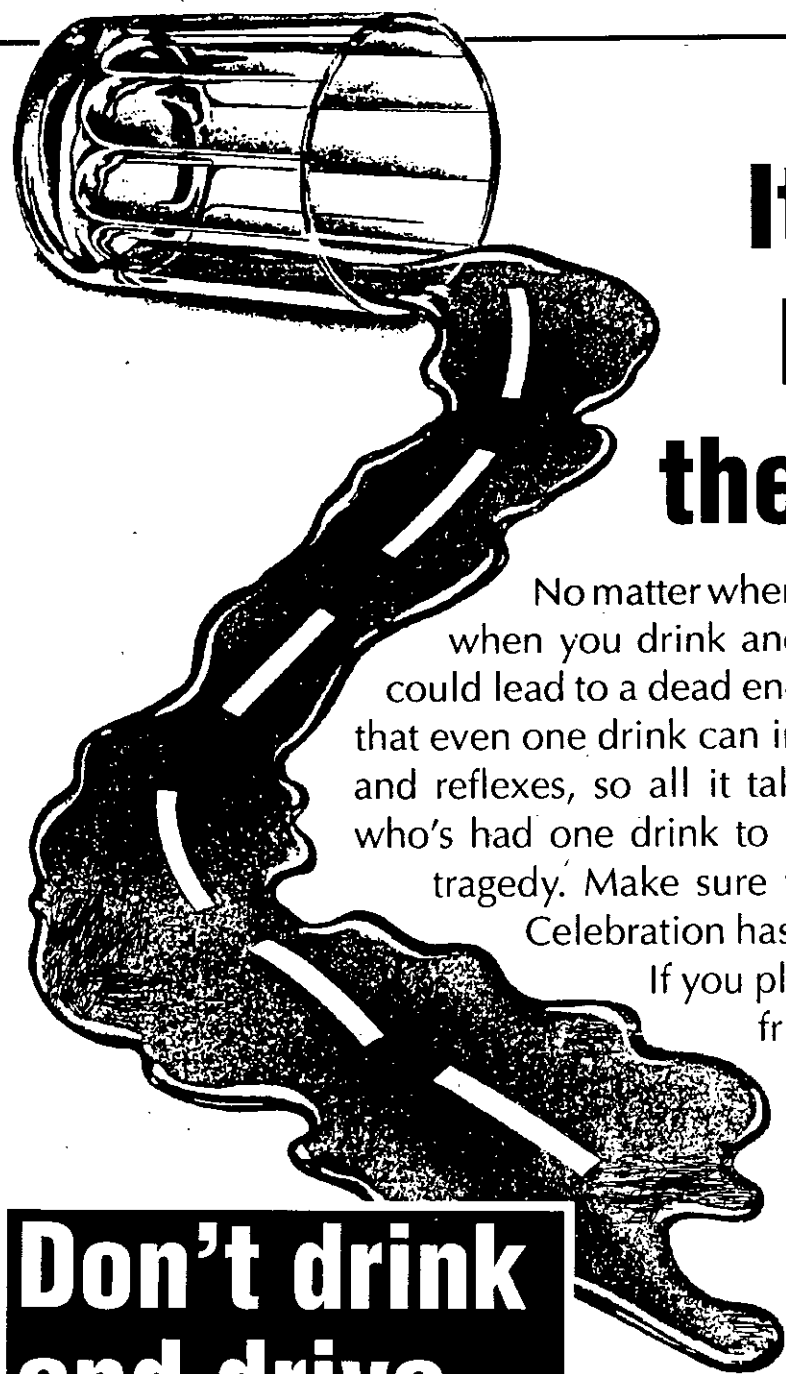
Fuji film does not have recyclable plastic canisters, but instead has decided to phase in cardboard containers for its 35mm film. We may see them next year.

Have you ever uncorked a bottle of wine only to have a piece of the cork end up inside the bottle? That needs to be removed before the glass is recycled. Pour ammonia into the bottle and keep it in a place with good air circulation, for example, outdoors. In one week the cork will disintegrate so that the bottle can be rinsed out for recycling.

New Year's Eve is approaching and the silver punch bowl is tarnished! You're out of silver polish! Why not try a non-toxic alternative? Soak the silver in a mixture of one quart hot water mixed with one teaspoon baking soda, 1 teaspoon salt and a small piece of aluminum foil. Polish with a soft cloth.

For a brass polish mix equal parts of salt and flour with a little vinegar to form a paste. For a copper polish use lemon juice and salt. Rinse and dry with a soft cloth.

Want a New Year's Resolution? Number one, avoid disposability. A second resolution could be to reuse and recycle whenever possible.



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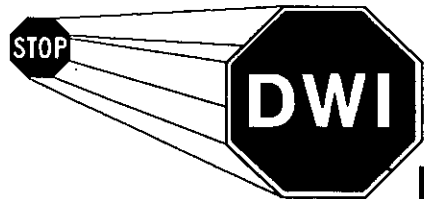
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the workshop are \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members, plus a \$10 material fee. Pre-registration is required before Jan. 18. For more information, call 438-6651.

Party to benefit MS Society

The Capital District Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will be the beneficiary of a New Year's Eve party from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Albany Hilton Hotel. The party is being produced by a group of young professionals from the greater Albany area who combined several private parties into a

benefit for the society. The party, which is black tie optional, will feature dancing, light refreshments, games and entertainment by Sophisticated Jazz and Conga Doc, a popular local disc jockey. Tickets are \$50 per person, and reservations may be made by calling the MS Society at 452-1631.

YMCA hosts week-long open house

The Albany YMCA will be holding an open house the week of Jan. 2 through 5, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. Interested individuals new to the Albany YMCA's programs will be able to attend and participate in any adult fitness class during the week for free. Tours, complimentary coffee and snacks will be available for any new program participants. The Albany YMCA is located at 274 Washington Ave. in downtown Albany. For more information, call 449-7196.

Couples class set

CHP Delmar Center will be offering a six-week Talking Together-Couples Communication Skills program beginning Monday, Jan. 14, at the Delmar Health Center, 250 Delaware Ave., Delmar. For more information, call 783-1864.



Singers from Bethlehem Central High School's "Sound System" serenaded shoppers at Delaware Plaza with Christmas carols. Elaine McLain

Math course offered

Noncredit Math I, a 12-session evening mathematics review class, will be offered during the spring 1991 semester by The University at Albany's office of general studies. Noncredit Math I will be held Tuesday evenings from 5:45 to 8:15 p.m., Feb. 5 through April 30. Tuition is \$95. The required textbook is approximately \$20 and is available at the University Bookstore.

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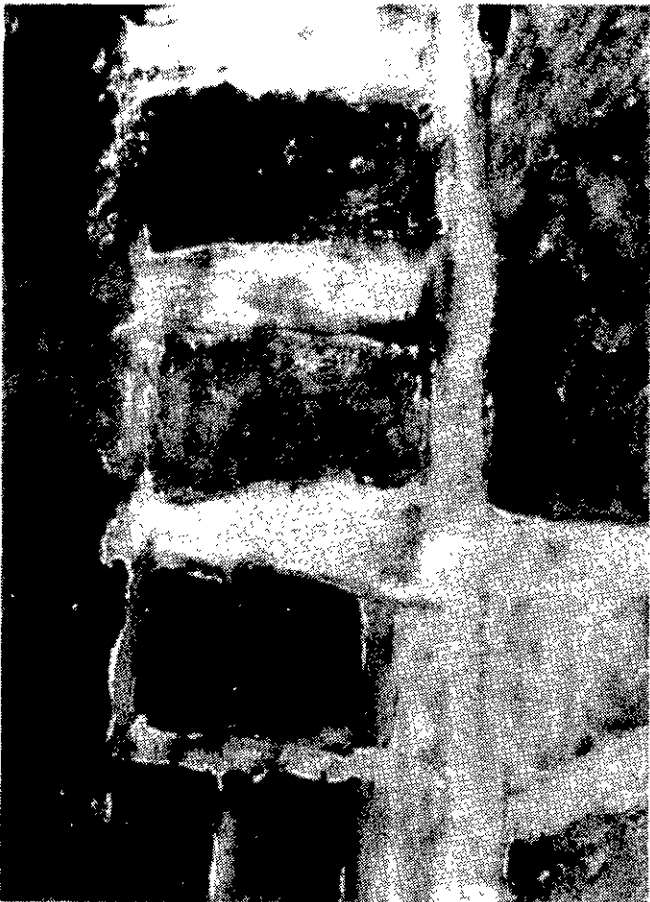
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Winning work



Kirsten Beth Hassenfeld, 18, of Delmar recently received a \$2,000 scholarship from the Frances Hook Scholarship Foundation for her artwork including "The Phantom Chair." Hassenfeld is a freshman at the Rhode Island School of Design and was one of 12 scholarship winners.

SKAT team has scoop on recycling

By Susan Wheeler

If you're not careful about recycling, the Slingerlands Kids Against Trash (SKAT) team will get you. These 13 fourth-graders from Slingerlands Elementary School will teach you how to separate your trash and recycle all the material you can. Or if you'd like to learn what would happen to a neglected Earth, then listen to a song by second-graders from the Elsmere Elementary School.

Both groups of students, with help from their teachers, entered a less than four-minute video in WTEN's "For The Next Generation, By The Next Generation" contest for all grades up to 12. Their videos were among the 20 that were chosen from the nearly 120 entries. The SKAT team's three and a half minute video is three pantomimed skits. Diana Venter's second-graders made a song, sung to the tune of "Old MacDonald," about what makes a world happy or sad. Both productions will be aired in a special on WTEN on Dec. 30 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Carol Putnam, Dianna Walsh and Karen Durant worked together with the fourth-graders to produce the tape about recycling. In the video, SKAT's first victim is secretary Maureen Roberts. SKAT members come upon her in the main office ready to throw a piece of paper into the trash can. They stop her and show her a separate box for papers to be recycled.

"I'm hard to train in terms of recycling," Roberts said. "What they're doing is right. I learned a lot."

Producing the tape meant coming to school early and staying late for both the teachers and students, Putnam said. The kids formed SKAT as a result of the video, she said. Now SKAT's an active group, involved in teaching schoolmates about recycling. SKAT members have talked with the other students and placed a recycling bin in each classroom, she said.

Venter said she's worked with her students on environmental issues. She said they toured the Colonie landfill and earned a dollar at home to help buy a tree that they planted earlier this fall. "The more concrete things they see (relating to environmental issues), the more aware they become," she said.

According to Venter, the second-graders brainstormed about what they could do in their video. She said they painted worlds, with a happy side and a sad side, and wrote the words for their song. The Earth's happy side had green trees, blue water, clean air and no pollution. The sad side depicted an unclean environment with fewer trees, and polluted land, air and water.

The students stood together and held up their handmade worlds in the video, said Venter. She said the students sang "yeah, yeah, yeah" for the happy side of the Earth and "oh my, oh my, oh" for the sad side. "We all want to grow up with clean air, water and land, and trees," she said. "We're encouraging people to take care of the world. The video ends on the happy side."

Venter said she and her second-graders have become more aware of things they can do to help the environment, especially the small things. She said they save construction paper scraps to use and recycle.

Both the fourth- and second-graders are excited to be on television their teachers said.

Venter said her students are "super-excited" they'll be on television. "They're ready to go to Hollywood," she said. "They think they're big time."

SKAT member Nick Conger said he's excited to see the SKAT video on TV, but he said he wanted to explain that their acting in the video was not serious. "We purposely made it corny," he said. Walsh defined their acting as "slapstick."

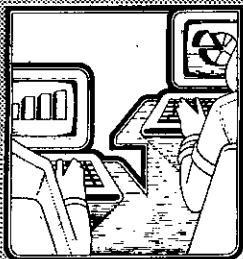
Even if the acting is meant to be comical, the message isn't. "There's a lot more you can do to help the environment," said Lauren Cairmano, a SKAT member. "You can recycle. Don't litter. And think to use something again, another way."

"Recycling is an everyday thing," said SKAT member Jenny Smith. "It's like feeding the birds. You have to keep doing it."

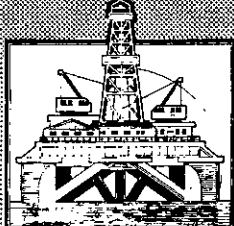
SKAT team members follow their own advice, too. Ellen Gallagher said she uses a lunch bag instead of a brown paper bag in which to bring her lunch to school. Noah Pollock said that when he goes grocery shopping, he helps to choose recyclable items. "You have to be careful about the things you recycle," he said.

The SKAT team unanimously said they enjoyed making the video, and would do it again if they had the chance.

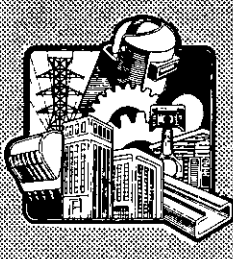
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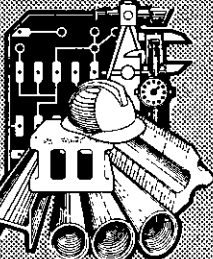
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Sara Blench, decked out in candy canes, enjoys a cookie.

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Clown around at library Bouton names honor students

The Voorheesville Public Library will present Astro the Clown on Dec. 27 at 10:30 a.m. Normal story hours will resume on Monday at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday at 10 a.m., Wednesday at 4 p.m. and Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Voorheesville News Notes

Susan Casler 765-2144



The Clayton A. Bouton Jr.-Sr. High School has announced the honor roll and high honor roll students for the first semester of the 1990-91 school year.

Grade 9: Rebecca Bryden*, Jennifer Casler, Rebecca Coffin*, Melissa Cooper*, Victoria Feck*, Nicholas Iarossi*, Megan McCartney, Michael McDermott, Sheri Mein, Samuel Neff*, Kurt Pahl*, Craig Panthen, Jerry Parmenter*, Bonnie Polzin, Jill Price*, Nicholas Primiano, Kristy Race, Nicholas Ranalli, Richard Reilly*, Kara Relyea*, Laurie Ritchie, Brian Sarr, Jessica Schedlbauer*, Daniel Schreiber*, Jamie Seh*, Mara Steinkamp*, Douglas Wuttke*.

Grade 10: Tara Angelo*, Rebecca Bailey, Renee Brisson, Stephen Csiza, Tricia Doyle*, Amy Fike, Lea Foster*, Kristen Gibbs*, Gretchen Gies*, Debra Hoover*, Jennifer Houle, Hans Kieserman*, Juliet Kraemer*, Courtney Langford*, Cynthia Law, Wendy Lehman, Derek Lewis, Aaron Luczak, Kevin Meade, Katrin Pakenas*, Renee Parmelee, Mark Pierro, Matthew Reh*, Kevin Relyea*, Wendy Reynolds, Bradley Rockmore*, Seth Rose*, Tammy Salisbury, James Schryver*, Hannah Spence*, Teri Stewart, Amy Strohmmer, Gregory Sullivan*, Beckie Symula, Alison Vinson, Michael Welker*.

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rick, Matthew Delorenzo, Jennifer Fisher, Kristen Foley*, Brian Goldstein*, Matthew Gomulinski*, Pamela Harms*, Kristin Hodder*, Alexandra Kinnear, David Lancor*, Steven Lapinski*, Rebecca Logan, Alison Meilinger*, Joseph Race, Kathryn Ramsey*, Heidi Schultz*, Nicole Solomos*, Robert Stapf, Erin E. Sullivan*, David Washburn.

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Maren Huber, Matthew Jeffers*, Michael Kaine*, Elena Keller*, Dianne Kissell*, Christopher Lawler, Nicole Leach*, Michelle Lisboa, Tammy Loewy*, Dennis Lucia*, Jodi McFate*, Cheryl Murphy, Anjanette Ohlerking, Michelle Paraso*, Heather Parmenter*, Laura Pierro, Catherine Reilly*, Todd Relyea, Todd Rockmore*, Gregory Roman, Jill Sala, Robert Sarr*, Nicole Schaff, Holli Shufelt, Judith Smith, Meghan Smith, William Stone, Kevin Taylor*, Nancy Timmis, Theresa Wakefield, Mary Whiteley, Jennifer Willey, John Wojewoda*.

* high honor roll.

Russians are coming

Thoughts of Red Square and the Kremlin come to mind as Voorheesville prepares to welcome 15 Russian student visitors on Dec. 27. Each student will enjoy one week at home with a host family followed by two weeks in the school system. A sub-committee of staff, students and residents has planned a number of activities for the students.

Host families include: Mr. and Mrs. William Spence, Mr. and Mrs. James Race, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. James Coffin, Mr. and Mrs. William Parmelee, Mr. and Mrs. David Symula, Mr. Kevin O'Toole and Carol Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Shufelt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parmenter, Mrs. Ruth Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Crisafulli, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Rockmore and Mr. and Mrs. John Breeze.

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Volunteers needed

The Creative Playground is in its final phase before construction begins on May 29. Volunteers are still needed for many committees. For information, call Karen Bingham at 765-3071.

Town history available

The second printing of "Voorheesville, New York: A Sketch of the Beginnings of a 19th Century Town," by Dennis Sullivan is available at the library, Clapps Bookstore in Guilderland, North River Book store in Albany, Friar Tuck in Delaware Plaza and The Bookhouse at Stuyvesant Plaza.

News note

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Veterans' group protests VA action

Last month, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that it will soon require a co-payment of \$2 on all outpatient prescriptions for non-service connected veterans.

The Eastern Paralyzed Veterans Association (EPVA) has condemned the action and plans to institute a repayment plan for members, reimbursing them for any costs incurred as a result of this

new requirement.

The co-payment requirement is one of 19 VA benefit cutbacks included in a \$715 million reduction in the department's 1991 budget. Other benefit cuts, all opposed by EPVA, include the denial of a 5.4 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for service-connected veterans and the elimination of free treatment of non-service connected disabilities for service-connected veterans.

Group warns consumers on cards

Millions of consumers are signing up for "gold" bankcards they don't need, and for many, the cards will mean little more than higher rates and fees and more plastic profits for the banks that issue them, according to a national consumer credit watchdog group.

In its new "Gold Card Kit" which includes a 16-page "Consumer Guide to Gold Credit Cards," and a

list of the best-priced gold cards available, Bankcard Holders of America (BHA), a national non-profit consumer credit education and advocacy organization, advises consumers to think twice before applying for a gold card.

For those who decide they need a gold card, however, the BHA guide offers some tips.

Policy analyst appointed

Jessica Locke Richer, of Slingerlands, has been appointed senior policy analyst for the state Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (NYAHS).

Richer will concentrate on issues focusing on nonprofit housing for the elderly, as well as the not-for-profit adult care facility in New York.



Members of Bethlehem Central High School's football team sold Christmas trees every weekend this month at Bethlehem Central Middle School in order to raise funds towards the purchase of a new scoreboard.
Elaine McLain

Democratic county chair proud of his record, party

By Don Haskins

Harold Joyce is a proud man. He has pride in his Democratic Albany County party. He's proud of his own role in building and maintaining one of the most effective political organizations in the northeast — if not the nation. He's proud of its record in making the Albany area a good place to live.

"It's a wonderful area to live in. I've thought about how much the Democrats have had to say about that over many years. We've had a lot to do with it — the growth and development of the area — our supervisors, our senators in state and local government. They've done a pretty good job."

The new chairman of the Albany County Democratic Committee took over on Election Day, succeeding J. Leo O'Brien, the Watervliet mayor whose retirement, he said, was based on "personal and health reasons."

Joyce speaks with a direct firmness and economy of language that reflects, perhaps, a longtime interest in writing.

Joyce said he recognizes the changes that have come with the passage of time and the need for the county organization to adapt to them. "I've said repeatedly," he emphasizes, "that there'll be changes — nothing big or significant — but my way of doing things is going to be a little bit different. I want to improve on an already good record."

"The problems today are mostly the result of growth and development, such things as solid waste disposal and other environmental issues. It's changed from the O'Connell years," he said, referring to the tenure of Dan O'Connell who ran the party for nearly five decades after 1921. "We wouldn't last long if we still tried to operate in that manner."

"My father was in it," he said, referring to the O'Connell organization, "and I used to do minor errands for him. I've been around politics all my life. I've never lived more than a half mile from where we now sit (in the Albany Labor Temple at 890 Third St., where Joyce serves as business manager for the Albany Electrical Workers Union).

Joyce did a lot of work for ward leaders, he said, and says it was luck that gave him the chance he finally got to move ahead in the organization when the county legislature created a county supervisory (now legislative) district in his area. "I asked for the nomination for the district and O'Connell said yes."

His roots in the district are deep. He lived in two different houses there before marriage, and three more since. There's a great sense of tradition and of loyalty as Joyce



Harold Joyce

speaks of the past, and just as sharp a sense of purpose and vitality when he talks of the area's future.

"We're going in the right direction," he says of the current ongoing airport negotiations. "We need public understanding that what we were trying to do there (turning the operation over to a private operator) is so new that the feds just couldn't deal with it. Now we've had to come back to something (a management deal) they can deal with."

"It is time something was done out there, as in '78-'80. It's time once again to expand. I'm upset by the critics who complain of airport facilities. They're not that bad, but there are some inconveniences. We'll expand now, then maybe we'll have to do it again maybe in 2010 or so. What we must do now," he emphasized, "is to do the right thing that is best for the people of the area who need and use the airport."

Joyce is undisturbed by critics of the Knickerbocker Arena project. "There is pride and excitement" in this rejuvenation of the downtown area, he feels, and in the years ahead when the debt service is paid off it will do even better. "That's what the private investors see and we know that," he said. "I've been to numerous events there and some had big attendance and others not. But when you see 16,000 people walking out of a place and they're all smiling and happy and talking about it, that makes me pleased to have been a part of it."

Harold Joyce is dedicated to his political mission and there's a note of unhappiness in his voice in acknowledging that it's more diffi-

cult in today's world to attract the footsoldiers, the committeemen who represent the party's presence to people in the district. That strength has long been the "secret" of the Albany Democrats' success, and the envy of their opponents — the ability to maintain personal contact with so many voters through representatives at the local level.

That's what political organization and political success is all about — being able to actually "do something" for a voter or a member of his family, that builds the loyalty and dependence that may be becoming a casualty of our times.

"It's part of the difficulty today," Joyce says about bringing in the new or young people. "It's a very difficult profession. Sometimes I wonder why I got involved. It's not financially rewarding the way business would be. But I get personal satisfaction out of it. That's important in what you do."

One gets the impression that a high priority for the new chairman will be to try to influence others around him with his intense sense of loyalty and duty to the party. One indication of his own dedication, and his standing as an effective Democratic leader, is that he served as regional coordinator in a nine-county area for Gov. Mario Cuomo in the recent election.

Another is the story told publicly that on the day he took over, Election Day, he skipped dinner to visit a North Albany district where two Democrats from outside the district had appeared to work against the incumbent organization man.

"That wasn't right," said Joyce "I felt they should know that, and I told them so. The point was that these two were from outside that district, and they came in to work against us."

Joyce's roots, his loyalties, and his sense of what's politically proper, run deep.

Barn fire destroys livestock

A New Scotland farm lost all its livestock to a midnight fire last week, despite a quick response by firefighters.

The barn at the Onesquethaw Creek Road farm, owned by Clarence and Ellsworth Osterhout, was discovered burning by one of the brothers, who woke up and saw the flames, according to Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Company Chief Fred Spaulding. The call came in at 12:08 Thursday, he said, and although he arrived on the scene with the first fire truck by 12:15 a.m., it was too late to save the 24 cattle, 10 pigs and one dog that were in the barn. The building was "totally destroyed," Spaulding said.

The cause of the fire has not been determined, the fire chief said. "We don't know for sure what it was, the building was so totally destroyed," he said.

The Onesquethaw fire company, at the scene for about 11 hours, was assisted by New Salem, Delmar and Coeymans Hollow firefighters; East Berne and Voorheesville were on standby.

In 1982, an electrical fire destroyed the farmhouse on the same property, Spaulding said.

Pre-school camp set

A special pre-school vacation camp will be held at the Albany Jewish Community Center on Dec. 26, 28 and 31, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Arts, crafts, cooking, dancing, singing, storytelling and other fun-filled activities are planned. To enroll, call 438-6651.

Vacation camp set

The Albany Jewish Community Center is offering a special winter vacation basketball camp at the center in Albany on Dec. 26 to 28 from 9 a.m. to noon. The program is for children in kindergarten through grade five. For information, call 438-6651.

Plan planting now

Now is the time to plan ahead for your spring tree-planting project, and a free brochure is available from The National Arbor Day Foundation to assist.

"Conservation Trees" uses colorful photos, illustrations and easy-to-understand descriptions to guide tree planting and care.

For a free copy, send your name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, Neb. 68410.

Ski trip slated

The Albany Jewish Community Center is offering a Teen Ski Trip for children in grades six through nine, on Thursday, Dec. 27 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For information, call 438-6651.

Club drive under way

The Print Club of Albany, a non-profit organization since 1934, is having its 1991 membership drive through Dec. 31. Membership is nationwide and includes print-makers, collectors and those who share an interest in the print world. One of the many benefits of membership is that all \$50 and up membership applicants are eligible to receive an original fine art print commissioned solely for the club.

For information, call 355-7483.

Last performance set

The Little Sisters of Cohoes will be putting on the last performance of "Nonsense" at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 31, at Cohoes Music Hall. After the show there will be a party and a champagne toast. The cost is \$50 per person. For reservations call 235-7969.

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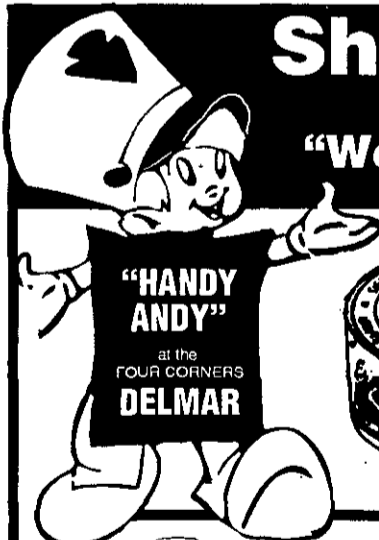
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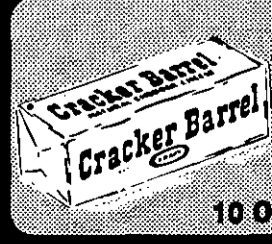
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Village house gem of Federal era

By Allison Bennett

A chaste and petite Federal period house sits beside the Altamont Road on the very edge of the village of Voorheesville. The present owners of 39 Altamont Road are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Friebel and they have lived in the house for 22 years, taking good care of the original structure and adding to and modernizing the rear extension to provide comfortable living quarters.

A glance at the blue painted fine front entrance door gives one a clue as to what is on the interior. This door, topped with its leaded glass elliptical fanlights, leads into a lovely hallway with an impressive stairway leading to an upstairs hall. The plain, tapered banisters, painted white, are still in place and the stair railing is cherrywood. This front part of the house is in its original construction and the fine Federal style of building is elegantly evident here in the front entrance door, the hall and the stairway.

To the side of the hall is the original parlor, or living room, and behind that is a dining room, and another small room now used as a den by the Friebels. Parts of the rear extension that houses the present kitchen were put on in the 1850s, according to Edward Friebel, and he added a family room several years ago, converting it from what had been a porch.

The 1888 deed shows that the house was then owned by Silas W. Chesebro, and apparently Jacob Martin Chesebro and Julia A. Chesebro held a mortgage on the property. The Pease map of 1851 also shows that a J. Martin lived in the little house at the time. Julia



The Friebel's historic home on Altamont Road.

Chesebro's maiden name was Martin so perhaps this was a relative. Silas Chesebro and his wife, Harriet, transferred the property to William H. Younf and his wife Libbie in 1890 and by 1927 it was transferred to Arthur Hurst and his wife, Ruth Young.

The Friebels have made the house into a comfortable home, not only with the cozy family room, but also have modernized the kitchen, which carries out the theme of an earlier time. There are blue painted kitchen cupboards and wainscoting around the lower section of the walls, with blue and white wallpaper above the white

brick patterned linoleum adds light and character to the room, as does the collection of antique kitchen utensils displayed on the walls of the eating area.

In the dining room a collection of bone china cups is displayed on the shelves of a hutch that was made by Friebel. That he is a craftsman of quality is evident from the rest of the colonial style maple furniture that graces the dining room. All of the furniture is handmade by Friebel.

The wood for one of the corner cupboards he made was taken from a much earlier built-in cupboard that was in the living room. All of

the furniture is set off by a green rug and rose print wallpaper. Not only does Friebel make professional quality furniture, he also paints pictures. There is a portrait he did of one of his grandsons.

The original mantle and fireplace in the living room have been changed and the fireplace has been redone with modern brick and a raised hearth that replaced what was originally there.

The 12 acres that were once farmland have now shrunk to 9/10 of an acre, but the charm of the small farmhouse is still evident to all those who drive past to view this tiny gem from another time.

Drivers win medals

Gold, silver and bronze medals were awarded to transportation specialists during the second annual Drivers' Olympics at the Center for the Disabled in Albany. Dave Rogers of Delmar was a gold medal winner.

The driver competition is a part of the Annual Safety and Performance Incentive Program which recognizes superior driving records, accident-free driving and satisfactory job performance. An award ceremony was held on Dec. 3. For more information, call 489-8336.

Village student named to dean's list

David Veeder of Voorheesville has been named to the dean's list at Johnson and Wales University, Providence, R.I., one of 1,909 full-time students who have earned a cumulative point average of 3.40 or more.

Reunion planned

The Bethlehem Central High School Class of 1981 is planning its 10 year high school graduation reunion. Anyone who can supply classmate addresses is asked to contact Martha (Babbitt) Weber, 5 Rockford Lane, Fairport, New York, 14450 or J.B. Rodgers, 2020 Lincoln Park West, Apartment 7E, Chicago, Ill., 60614.

Delmar woman a winner at 82

Margaret Warner, Delmar, had her 82nd birthday on Dec. 14, a day after winning a certificate of deposit worth \$2,000. The certificate was won in a Capital Region sweepstakes held this fall by Marine Midland Bank, N.A.

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A petition having been duly filed by Margie Joralemon, who is domiciled at 89 Woodlawn Drive, Ravena, New York, 12143,

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 15th January, 1991, at 10 a.m., why a decree should not be made in the estate of Arlene W. Swarthout, a/k/a Arlene E. Swarthout, lately domiciled at 53 Pulver Avenue, Ravena, New York, in the County of Albany, State of New York, admitting to probate a certain writing relating to real and personal property, and dated April 4th, 1989, as the last Will and Testament of Arlene W. Swarthout, a/k/a Arlene E. Swarthout, Deceased.
Dated, Attested and Sealed 5
December 1990

Hon. Raymond E. Marinelli, Surrogate
/s/Cathryn M. Doyle Chief Clerk

Name of attorney **BISCONE AND NERI** (John T. Biscone, Esq.)
Tel. No. (518) 465-2239
Address of attorney 311 State Street, Albany, New York 12210

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).

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ARLENE W. SWARTHOUT, a/k/a

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ARLENE E. SWARTHOUT,
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TO: **GORDON HOFFMAN,** or if deceased, his Heirs, Next-of-kin and Distributees:

The foregoing citation is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Raymond E. Marinelli, Surrogate of the Albany County Surrogate's Court, dated the 5th day of December, 1990, and filed with the petition and other papers in the Office of the Clerk of said Surrogate's Court, at the Courthouse in the City of Albany, New York.

The object of the proceeding is to probate the Last Will and Testament of Arlene W. Swarthout, a/k/a Arlene E. Swarthout, deceased, lately domiciled at 53 Pulver Avenue, Ravena, Albany County, New York.
Dated: December 5th, 1990.
Yours, etc.,

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December 26, 1990

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York, will meet at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on the 9th day of January, 1991, at 7:30 p.m. and will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering a certain Wastewater Treatment Plant modification proposal which includes, among other things, refurbishment and modifications to the Wastewater Treatment Facility located in the Cedar Hill area on the west bank of the Hudson River, Town of Bethlehem, all of said improvements being located within the Bethlehem Sewer District, and that the Town Board will at said

Headmaster named

Albany Academy for Girls, on Academy Road, Albany has named **Ronald L. Fay** as its new headmaster, according to a recent announcement by Mary Buchan, chairman of the school's board of trustees.

LEGAL NOTICE

time and place hear all persons interested in the subject of such hearing and will receive all evidence offered which will enable the Town Board to determine, pursuant to the provisions of the Town Law of the State of New York, whether it is in the public interest to make the modifications and improvements as described in said map, plan and report, either in whole or in part.

Said map, plan and report, entitled "Wastewater Treatment Plant Modification Study," dated June 1990, submitted by J. Kenneth Fraser and Associates, P.C., competent engineers duly licensed by the State of New York, are now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem. The improvements described in said plan and report consist of, among other things, providing power factor correction capacitors, providing another means of sludge thickening, providing separate pump controls for both return and waste activated sludge pumps, providing a third return sludge pump and waste sludge pump, replacing the sludge storage tank mixing system, providing a new additional final clarifier tank unit, refurbishing the dissolved air flotation thickener and associated equipment, refurbishing the bar screen, construction of a new grit removal and grit loading system and enclosure of the new sludge tank, bar screen, grit removal and grit loading facilities in a new plant headworks building.

The estimated cost of making such improvements is Three Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,100,000.00).

Dated: December 12, 1990
Carolyn M. Lyons
Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem
December 26, 1990

Cornell Extension thanks volunteers

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County wishes to thank all the volunteer trainers for working so diligently on "Talking to kids about AIDS," to get the message out to parents and adults working with youth on the basic

facts about AIDS, ways to prevent the transmission of the virus and ways to communicate with children about the disease. To set up a "Talking With kids About AIDS" workshop, call 765-3500.

School records transferred

All records for students who graduated from Mercy High School are now being stored and maintained by the Albany City School District. Requests for records or transcripts should be ad-

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ANSWERS rate hike sends towns reeling

Ringler wants impact spread over 2 years

By Susan Graves and Mike Larabee

A proposed tipping fee hike at Albany's ANSWERS waste disposal operation would have a substantial effect on Bethlehem, according to Supervisor Ken Ringler.

"Almost a 35 percent increase will have to be passed on to the consumers through the haulers," he said.

Rates for the city-administered Albany New York Solid Waste to Energy Recovery System are scheduled increase \$16.55 to \$64.05 per ton beginning on Jan. 1, it was announced recently.

But Ringler is hoping to convince the City of Albany to stretch the increase over two years to cushion its effect, and has made that request formally in a letter to Albany Mayor Thomas Whalen III. The supervisor said he is in the process of asking for a breakdown of ANSWERS increases and expenses from the city.

Bethlehem's contract at \$47.50 per ton runs through 1991. That figure was calculated on a two-year basis to minimize the impact of large program expenditures in the same way that Ringler is suggesting be done now.

Ringler said he and town board members are concerned that the city wasn't able to come up with information on the increases "until the last minute," a concern that is reflected in another argument he made in the letter to Whalen.

"I've also said, at the very minimum, delay the implementation of

this until Feb. 1 to give haulers time," to react and adjust their fees, he said.

Ringler acknowledges the city's predicament with regard to garbage disposal expenses, but said he would like them to search for "creative options" aside from a straight rate hike. "Sure, if the costs are there, the costs are there," he said. "I'm just looking for a way to make it more reasonable for the people out there that have to pay the bills."

Despite the increase in tipping fees, Ringler said Bethlehem is still better off than most communities. "The timeliness of this is poor, but in reality we're still in a better situation than most communities," in that the higher fees are more in line with what many towns are paying, he said.

Whalen said Friday that Albany was "looking into" Ringler's suggestion of spreading the rate hike over two years, and that the city is "more than happy" to confer with particular communities on problems presented by the increase.

"Obviously there are costs here that have to be borne by all the localities involved in ANSWERS," Whalen said. "It's just a question of how we work it out."

A discussion of the fee increase, and how it would impact the town's \$3 per-trip Rupert Road Transfer Station dumping fee, is on the town board's Wednesday (tonight) agenda.

Plan would cost New Scotland \$63,000

By Debi Boucher

"It's not nearly as serious for Bethlehem as it is for us," said Herbert Reilly, New Scotland town supervisor, "because we have municipal pickup." That means the town can't "duck" the increased tipping fees, since they are included in the tax bill.

Reilly estimated the ANSWERS hike will add another \$63,000 to the \$190,000 allocated for solid waste in New Scotland's \$2.7 million budget. "I don't know where I can cut my budget to come up with \$63,000," said Reilly. "We cut it right to the bone," he added, referring to weeks of budget sessions in which town board members wound up reducing a projected tax hike of 37 percent for property owners in the town to 26 percent. (Residents of the Village of Voorheesville will see their tax bills from the town rise 23 percent).

The town's contract with ANSWERS is not set to expire for another year, but Reilly said refusing to pay the increase would only mean higher costs next year. Discussing the matter at the New Scotland Town Board's year-end meeting, Reilly said much of the increased cost was due to the state

Department of Environmental Conservation, which has imposed stringent regulations on the project. Among the requirements, he said, is a 30-year bond act—upped from a 10-year agreement—for monitoring the landfill after closure; the city also agreed to buy a large area of land to set aside as open space.

With the blessing of the town board, Reilly plans to send letters to legislators suggesting that if EnCon is going to impose restrictions on waste projects, the state should be willing to put up some money to help defray their costs.

Reilly noted that ANSWERS is an "advanced" facility to which the town is fortunate to have access, and that tipping fees in other areas of the state are higher. The \$47.50 per-ton tipping fee the town is under contract to pay, he said, "was a lot of money, but it was still reasonable compared to some other places." The additional \$16.53 per ton, representing a 35 percent increase, brings the tipping fee up to \$64 per ton—still reasonable, perhaps, but how the town is going to pay for it remains a question.

The news from ANSWERS comes on the heels of an unex-

pected \$13,000 increase in the town's worker's compensation bill, which Reilly said he learned of two weeks ago.

Reilly told the board that a budget modification meeting would be necessary in order to decide how to resolve the ANSWERS problem. The meeting will take place in January, after the town receives its sales tax revenues, Reilly said, which will give officials a clearer picture of the town's financial status.

Although sales tax revenue for the final quarter of 1990, which should come in around Jan. 15, might help a little if it is higher than expected, Reilly acknowledged that it wouldn't make up the difference.

"Our revenues are definitely going to slide, and we've just been hit with these two new expenses."

Of the \$190,000 set aside for solid waste in New Scotland, Reilly said, only "a small portion" is for equipment repairs; most is for tipping fees. Reilly noted that when he took office in 1988, the solid waste budget was \$40,000.

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BC grads win campus posts

Tamara Colman will serve as a socio-cultural coordinator for the Campus Association at Bates College in Lewiston, Mass., where she is a senior. Rebecca Colman will serve as vice-president of the Campus Association at the college, where she is a sophomore. Both students graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in Del-

mar, and are Slingerlands residents.

The Bates Campus Association, an all-college organization with a long history of campus and community service, offers a wide range of activities, including the little brother-little sister program, blood donor drives and lectures.

DEC restricts hunters' pistols

The state Department of Environmental Conservation reminds hunters that under department regulations, pistols used for hunting deer or bear may have a barrel length of no greater than 16 inches. Southern Zone firearms big game season opened Monday, Nov. 19.

In parts of the state where hunting with rifles is prohibited,

definition of a pistol is necessary to distinguish between pistols and other firearms with most of the characteristics of a rifle.

Effective Jan. 2, 1990, a pistol is defined as "a firearm intended to be aimed and fired with one hand, and having a barrel length not exceeding 16 inches."

Sage offers graduate gerontology program

To better serve a growing population of elderly people, Sage Graduate School will offer a five-

course post-baccalaureate certificate program in gerontology in the spring.



The Delmar Progress Club held a Christmas Tea at the Bethlehem Methodist Church recently to welcome new members. On hand

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THE SPOTLIGHT Sports

Eagles drop 2 with Jekyll-Hyde play

By Michael Kagan

"What a way to make a living," said Bethlehem Central boys basketball coach Jack Moser after his team gave him two reasons in one week why his job is so stressful. First there was a 72-55 loss in Saratoga last Tuesday followed by the 67-53 thrashing by Niskayuna on Friday.

The Saratoga contest was never even close. The Eagles were behind by 15 eight minutes into the game. Things picked up but only a little in the second half with BC trailing 56-34 at the end of the third quarter.

Scott Fish led the Eagles with 26 points and Eric McCaughin and Matt Quatraro both had 11. Chris Black contributed four, David Lornette, two and Tim Mooney scored one.

On Friday, BC looked as though they'd have the upper hand early, starting the game with a 10-2 run. But by the end of the opening period, the Eagles lead had been cut to two.

The second quarter brought a

loss that might be felt in upcoming games as Quatraro, one of BC's most important offensive weapons, went down and had to be helped to the locker room. He left just after the start of the fourth quarter to get X-rays.

Niskayuna tied it in the second quarter and went into the locker room leading 33-25.

No one will ever know what happened in the third quarter. Maybe BC was over-confident and lost concentration, or maybe Niskayuna's coach gave the most rousing half-time speech ever, or it could have been Quatraro's absence. Regardless, Nisky opened the half with 10 straight and won the quarter 25-5. BC made only two of 15 shots in the period.

Things were a little more respectable in the final quarter, with Niskayuna taking it by only two points, 17-15.

"We're like Jekyll and Hyde," Moser said, "It's never the same quarter, but every game, we always have one where we lose it."

Fish again led the scoring for

BC with 19. McCaughin had 15, Mike Aylward, five, and Quatraro, eight. The Eagles shot just 27 percent, 17 for 63.

The team will try to improve.

Tigers stymie Birds

By Matt Hladun

Just as it looked like the Voorheesville girls' basketball team was finally coming together as a team, they ran into the tough Cohoes Tigers. The Birds were blasted by Cohoes, 44-19, scoring only 2 points in the second half.

It looked as if it might be a closer call in the first half. After trailing by 15, the Birds closed the gap to 7. "We were on a roll. Just as we gained momentum, it was halftime," said coach Nadine Basler.

But the Birds never regained that momentum. The Tigers steamrolled in the third quarter thanks to a strong full court press and a man-to-man defense that stymied the Birds.

Kelly Donahue gave Voorheesville the only points of the half in the fourth period, finish-

ing with six points overall. Courtney Langford led the Birds scoring with eight points. The Birds are 2-2 in the league and 3-3 overall.

This week Voorheesville hosts its first-ever tournament on Thursday and Friday. The Birds play Glenville at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Duaneburg plays Schoharie on Friday. The consolation game will be a 6 p.m. and the championship game at 7:30 p.m.

Photographers wanted

The Spotlight needs High School students to take photographs at Bethlehem, Voorheesville, and Ravena school sporting events. Interested persons should call Susan Graves, Spotlight managing editor, at 439-4949.

Dolfin swimmers take meet medals

Members of the Delmar Dolfin swim club swam at two recent meets, including an "A" meet at the Union College pool and the Glens Falls Gators Holiday Invitational.

At Schenectady, Bill Leary took first place in the 100 yard breaststroke for 11- and 12-year-old boys, with a national "AAA" time of 1:14.46. He was fourth in the 100 free, 100 backstroke and 200 individual medley.

At Glens Falls, Brian Dowling, 8, captured a first-place medal in the 25 butterfly and was second in the 25 back and sixth in the 100 IM. Among 8 and under boys, Chris Shaffer was second in the fly and fourth in both the 25 back and 100 IM.

In the 10 and under girls division, Arianne Cohen took a second-place medal in the 50 yard breaststroke, and was sixth in the 50 free and eighth in the 100 IM.

In the boys division, Steve Corson was a second-place finisher in the 50 breast, and took fourth in the 50 free and fifth in the 100 IM. The 10 and under boys took a fourth place ribbon in the 200 medley relay, with an entry consisting of Steve and Tim Corson, Scott Strickler and Andrew Loomis.



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Schalmont edges V'ville in tight council match

By Kevin Taylor

The Voorheesville wrestling team traveled to Schalmont last week for what was billed as the battle of the big guns in the Colonial Council. The Birds lost by one point, 30-29.

Darren Ascone gave the Blackbirds an early win with a pin in less than two minutes, 6-3. Eighth-grader Eric Dommermuth extended the Bird lead to 12-3 with a pin in just over a minute.

The Sabres battled back, winning three straight matches against John Cook, Mike Rourke and Greg Reeth. The Sabres tallied a win at 132 where Voorheesville's Josh Vink was moved up from 126.

Christian Clark won a tight 7-5 decision to close the Blackbird deficit. At 177, Chris Dommermuth was ahead 3-2 with ten seconds remaining when he allowed an escape to his opponent and tied 3-3, a turning point in the match. Chad Hotaling finished the match with a pin, but it wasn't enough as the Blackbirds were knocked out of a first place tie with the Sabres.

"I can't remember any dual match being any closer," said coach Dick Leach said. "We lost by exactly one point. One match point."

Two days earlier, the Birds dismantled Mechanicville, 60-17. Every Blackbird won by pin, except Rourke and Bob Stapf, who accepted forfeits.

At the Hudson Falls Tournament, the Blackbirds managed a team finish of fourth, with 117 total points. Out of the 14 weight classes, the Birds had two champions, two runners-up, three thirds and one

Blackbird boys swamp Cohoes

By Erin Elizabeth Sullivan

At the end of the final quarter against Cohoes last week, the Voorheesville Blackbird boys varsity basketball team's scoreboard showed a 15-15 match. With a Voorheesville blowout in the second and third quarters, Cohoes was downed 73-60.

Tremendous defense seemed to be the key to the Birds' win. From the 19 steals VC had, the team converted about half into points. The baskets scored were not off possessions, but off the steals. Considering that good play is usually characterized by the conversion of about one in every four steals, coach Frank Carrk said he was pleased with his team's performance.

"We were playing in sync and

Basketball

trapping in four different locations on the floor," he said. "We really had them confused."

Todd Rockmore had an excellent statistical game. In addition to his team's high of 23 points, he ripped down seven rebounds and racked up six steals and seven assists. Steve Lapinski played powerfully on the post. Taking 11 shots, he sunk seven.

The Birds showed good team effort, too. They shot 52 percent on the court, both inside and outside. Although Cohoes scored 28 points in the fourth quarter, it was

not enough to overcome VC's 26 point lead at the start of the quarter. VC had a great offensive third quarter, scoring 27 points.

The Blackbirds are beginning to restore their basketball savvy. Hard work in practice is allowing them to pull out of a slow start. Things seem to be turning around since the crushing Academy game. "We may get beat again," said Carrk, "but we will not get embarrassed."

Voorheesville is scheduled to participate in the Shaker holiday Tournament on Dec. 28 and 29. The Birds will play the second game on Friday night. They're competing against Shaker, Colonie and Christian Brothers Academy.

Wrestling

fourth place finisher. Ascone at 98 and Dommermuth at 105, "Arm and Hammer," brought home the first place trophies.

The Blackbirds overpowered the Cohoes Tigers, 52-24. Greg Reeth displayed stamina as he pinned his opponent for a 3-2 win. Hotaling, at 215, scored a 14-0 win. "He was a tough wrestler," he said. "I outweighed him pretty well, and he still kept fighting back."

Leach said he is pleased that the team is wrestling very aggressively and looking for pins.

The Blackbirds were scheduled to participate in a three-way meet at Bethlehem with Averill Park on Dec. 21.

Bethlehem cruising toward 300

Apart from identical scores in both home meets, it was business as usual for Bethlehem Central swimmers last week. The Eagles treated Saratoga on Tuesday and Niskayuna on Thursday as they would friendly sparring partners, submerging each by 136-47.

That made it five in a row this season without a competitive meet, and stretched BC's undefeated string against Section 2 rivals to 298 spread over 20 seasons. The 300th will come on Jan. 15, no big deal, inasmuch as the only foreseeable roadblocks won't appear until Jan. 29-30. Shaker, perhaps the only team in the section with a chance to upset the Eagles, will host BC on Jan. 29, and

Swimming

Queensbury, a regular producer of fine swimmers, comes to Delmar the next afternoon.

The Eagles limited Saratoga to two firsts and two seconds and scored 1-2-3 sweeps in the 50 free and 500. Niskayuna managed a second in the medley relay and went 1-3 in the backstroke. BC swept the 500 and breaststroke and went 1-2 in four other events apart from diving and the relays. The divers had no opposition either day.

Coach Ken Neff used his front-line swimmers sparingly, taking advantage of submissive opponents to spread lane time among his large and eager squad. The Eagles will work out during the holiday recess, and will get back in action Jan 9 at Glens Falls.

Bethlehem Basketball Club standings

The Bethlehem Basketball Club standings as of Dec. 16 are:

All-Star Division

Rockets	2	1
Hawks	2	1
Spurs	2	1
Sixers	1	2
Mavericks	1	2
Bucks	1	2

Pro Division

Celtics	3	0
Knicks	3	0
Bulls	2	1
Lakers	1	2
Pistons	0	3
Nuggets	0	3

College Division

Syracuse	2	1
Providence	2	1
Georgetown	2	1
Seton Hall	1 1/2	1 1/2
St. Johns	1 1/2	1 1/2
Villanova	0	3

Closings detailed

If the Bethlehem Public Library closes in an emergency due to hazardous weather or other conditions, announcements will be made on radio. The library will open at 10 a.m. on days Bethlehem Central schools close or when the schools are one hour late due to weather.

Star Bowlers



Bowling honors for the week of Dec. 16, at Del Lanes in Delmar, go to:

Sr. Cit. Men — Frank Papp 238, John Erickson 538 triple, Harold Eck 804 (4 game series).

Sr. Cit. Women — Ruth Logan 165, Betty Contento 458 (triple).

Men — Mark Spoor 300, John Datri 705 triple, Marv Sontz 1041 (4 game series).

Women — Jill Winnie 233, Tami Tice 587 triple, Carmella DeMarco 759 (4 game series).

Major Boys — John Dievendorf 269, 694 triple.

Major Girls — Traci Layman 180, 494 triple, Gretchen Seaburg 175, 465 triple.

Jr. Boys — James Duncan 221, 505 triple.

Jr. Girls — Angie Amsler 193, 507 triple.

Prep Boys — Christopher Gerber 235, 512 triple.

Prep Girls — Lisa Morris 163, 444 triple.

Bantam Boys — Dave Philips 103, 283 triple.

Bantam Girls — Denise Doran 109, 184 triple.

Junior Classic League

Major Boys — Lee Aiezza 259, 854 (4 game series), John Dievendorf 244, 852 (4 game series).

Major Girls — Lisa Green 182, 668 (4 game series), Beth Matthews 208, 662 (4 game series).

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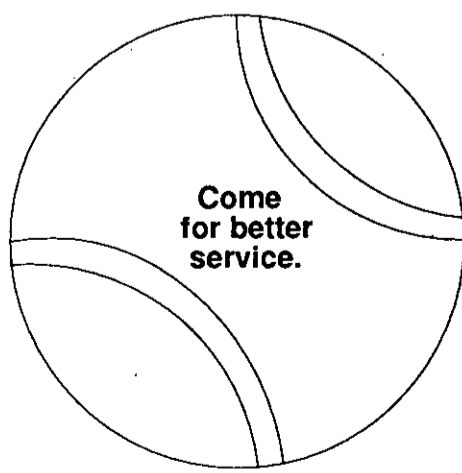
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Action

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and it had gotten "way outta line." He asked her for time to talk with his men, she said.

"I told my men that accusations had been made that people are doing it (making harassing phone calls from the firehouse)," Wickham said. "I told them not to do it."

Wickham said he spoke with the one firefighter Miller had mentioned to him as the caller, and the "fella said he didn't do it." He said, "No facts have been proven yet."

At the recent Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners meeting, Miller read her letter to the board, then gave them a copy of it. She outlined five demands to be met by the board and those involved, including one firefighter in the Selkirk district and one in the South Bethlehem district. She told the five fire commissioners they had one week to honor her demands. If they go unmet, she said she would put out a warrant for the arrest of the Selkirk firefighter and sue the three fire companies (Selkirk, South Bethlehem and Glenmont), the district and the board of fire commissioners for harassment and defamation of her and her family member's characters.

Miller said at the meeting that the demands include a six-month suspension of the Selkirk firefighter and the others present at the fire house the night the taped call was made, or at the least a six-month probation for them. Other stipulations Miller said she wants met by the board are that the vulgar phone calls and "threats" to her person and her family's, as well as to their belongings, stop "immediately;" that the board request the firefighters to write an apology to her and her family in which they include "why they did what they did and what they hoped to accomplish;" that the board assures her in writing that they "do not recognize such behavior as acceptable" and they will take necessary action to see to it that this will never happen again to her or others; and that there is a re-

view of the board in each of the three fire companies and that they should answer why 18 to 20-year-olds have unsupervised access in the establishments after legal closing.

Fritts said the issue "has been taken under advisement" by the board, and they are scheduling a meeting with Miller. He said he does not know if the call was made from the firehouse.

"I know they were at the firehouse," Connie Miller said. "They were using the fire company phone. The police told me this is a class A misdemeanor (aggravated harassment). I have filed a complaint against two people."

Miller said she did not mention in her letter the names of the involved firefighters because she is "trying to be reasonable." She said she does not want to make the divisions between the Selkirk firefighters and the Selkirk community any worse, however "the representatives of the fire district should not be out running around doing things like this."

Miller said her 23-year-old son has received "threats" from firefighters. The night of the proposed service awards program vote in November, his car was covered with garbage while he was in the firehouse, she said. Volunteer firefighters have told him "to shut his mother and father up," on speaking out in opposition of the proposed plan, according to Miller. The Selkirk pension program would have provided the maximum of \$600 per month after the completion of 30 years of active service and reaching 65-years-old to volunteer firefighters.

Fritts said if it is a "proven fact" that the firefighters did make the phone calls from the firehouse, the board will take "necessary action." He said this includes a reprimand or suspension.

Student interns

Ann Fraser of Delmar is working as Dean's Intern for the Junior Year Abroad Program of Wheaton College.

Fraser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser, is a member of the class of 1991.

Water

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tion costs shouldn't rise much due to delays, since the pipes have already been purchased, and the work, which New Scotland will pay to have Bethlehem perform, will not take much time. "It's one of those deals where the paperwork takes longer than the project," he said. "It took the men three weeks to put the pipe in the ground, and it took me three years to get the paperwork ready."

The project was stalled first by the comptroller's rejection of Bethlehem's paperwork, due to a technical problem, Riester said, and then by objections from some Bethlehem residents, who feared the project would lead to increased development in New Scotland, and thus more traffic in Bethlehem. That concern was eased by switching the width of much of the piping from eight to six inches (existing pipes are two to three inches, Secor said). More recently, there were difficulties in drafting a contract for three landowners who wanted to become part of the water district.

Although the three additional landowners agreed verbally in 1987 to contribute \$25,000 towards creation of the district, "We felt it was not appropriate at that time to get those folks to put the money up," Riester said, since their need for water was not imminent, as was the Whites'. By not getting them on a contract, however, "We exposed ourselves to the risk that when it came together, they might not jump on board." This summer, he said, "one of the parties" became reluctant to join in "but since then I think that reluctance has been resolved."

The water district application submitted by New Scotland to the state comptroller's office states that "no indebtedness will be contracted for the improvements proposed" for the water district, "except for the preparation of surveys, preliminary plans and detailed plans. . . unless or until the town shall have entered into a contract with" the three other landowners, identified as Salvatore and

Ann Cannistraci, Richard and Caryl Hedderman and Marilyn Donato.

Bethlehem is only obligated under its water supply permit to service homes less than 150 feet from a road traveled by one of its water lines, Riester explained, but was willing to supply water to the Whites on an interim basis, provided New Scotland work toward creating a water district for the area—which would then rid Bethlehem of some 14 "out-of-district" customers on Font Grove Road.

Mary White said the family moved into the house in August 1987 and had inadequate water pressure from the start. In 1988, they invested in a water pressure system at their own expense, but that broke, causing the family to lose water altogether for a time.

Now, she continued, "It's 1990, and all the Bethlehem side has been hooked up, when we, who initiated it, are not," said White.

Secor confirmed that the pipes for the New Scotland side are on site, lying on the side of the road. "We're all set to go," said Secor, "as soon as New Scotland is ready."

At this point, however, work will not be able to proceed until early summer, after the ground has dried, Secor said. Riester said New Scotland should be able to resolve the contractual problems this winter. "We should be in a position in the springtime to complete the project," he said.

Delmar man joins firm

Delmar resident John R. Hathaway has joined Einhorn Yaffe Prescott Architecture as project architect.

Hathaway, a graduate of Syracuse University School of Architecture, is a member of the health care team, with involvement in two major projects: The Veteran's Administration Hospital/Northport on Long Island and Mt. Loretto Nursing Home in Amsterdam.

He was previously project manager for the Boston-based architectural firm of Dean Tucker.

Camp plans reunion

A search is being conducted for anyone who attended Camp Shalom, the Albany Jewish Community Center Day Camp started by "Uncle" Al Sloman, former physical education director at the center.

The camp has been in continuous operation for over 56 years and former campers, ages 18 and older, are being sought for a reunion as part of the center's year-long 75th anniversary celebration. The reunion is being planned for Saturday, March 2.

Anyone wishing to work with the reunion committee, or who knows former campers, is asked to call 438-6651.

Hearing aids set up

To assist hearing impaired customers, all Super Shop 'n Save stores in New York have implemented a "Hearing Access 2000" program.

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Parents warned of mattress dangers

Attorney General Robert Abrams announced recently that the nation's largest association of mattress makers and suppliers has agreed to educate parents and caretakers about the suffocation dangers of placing infants to sleep on adult mattresses. National statistics show that approximately 200 infants, up to a year old, have suffocated on adult or young people's mattresses in the past five years.

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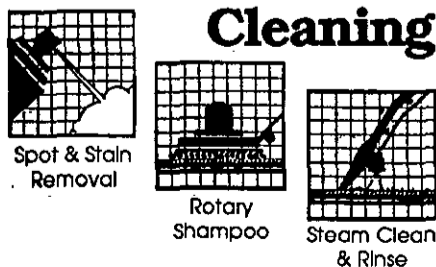
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Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Joseph Danz III

Brunk, Danz wed

Karen Elizabeth Brunk, daughter of Jeanne Barriere of Delmar and Paul J. Brunk of Saratoga, and Theodore Joseph Danz III, son of Theodore J. Danz Jr. of Delmar and Leslie Danz of Slingerlands, were married recently at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Kathleen Gutman was matron of honor. Gretchen Boyd and Pamela Hotaling were bridesmaids.

Timothy Danz was best man. Raymond Brunk and Todd Danz

were ushers. Kevin Gutman was ring bearer.

The bride and groom are both graduates of Bethlehem Central High School. The bride, a cosmetologist, is the Clinique beauty consultant for Filene's department store. The groom is vice-president of Danz Control Systems of Albany.

After a wedding trip to Peurto Villar to, the couple resides in Slingerlands.

Spotlight on the Service

Army Specialist Susan M. Budzyna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred K. Budzyna of Glenmont, was selected as broadcast journalist of the year for the American Forces Network, Europe, in judging conducted at Frankfurt, Germany.

A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University of Maryland, Budzyna received the award as a result of outstanding achievement in writing, directing, editing and producing various radio and television news and feature programs, and hosting a daily television news and information program. Budzyna also wrote and produced a special hour-long Christmas radio program selected by the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service for airing to military personnel assigned to Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

Counselor named

Joan M. Schenkel of Delmar has joined the staff of Beverwyck as a retirement counselor. Beverwyck is a planned 195-unit retirement community located at 264 Krumkill Rd., Slingerlands. Prior to joining Beverwyck, Schenkel was the senior adult community director at Albany Jewish Community Center. She received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Russell Sage College, and has taught at several area schools. For more information, call 439-8731.

Nominees sought

Nominations are being accepted for the Albany YWCA's 1991 Tribute to Women. This annual event, now in its 12th year, recognizes women from throughout the Capital District who have demonstrated exemplary leadership and commitment to the community through their professional work or volunteer activities and women who have contributed to the empowerment of women and "Third World Persons." The deadline for nominations is Friday, Jan. 25. Nomination forms are available by calling 438-6608.

Center has open house

The Capital District Center for Independence will have a holiday open house at 845 Central Ave., Albany, tomorrow (Thursday), from 3 to 7 p.m. Refreshments, music and merriment will be provided, and an auction will take place. The public is invited.

nite Kingdoms," a collection of three fantasy novellas. Illustrated by Janet Auliso, the book is published by Owlswick Press and funded by Hodge-Podge Books, Inc.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. McKay Jr.

Schultz, McKay wed

Carolyn Marie Schultz, daughter of Reed W. Schultz of Delmar and Laurel S. Mennen of Loudonville, and Ronald R. McKay Jr., son of Roger R. and JoAnn McKay Sr. of Cohoes, were married Oct. 20.

Rev. Arthur Becker conducted the ceremony in St. Maries Catholic Church in Cohoes.

Julie Liddle was maid of honor. Stephanie Mennen, Angela Mat-

thews, Juli Marois, Amy McKay and Jill Ferguson were bridesmaids. Emily Schultz was flower girl.

Gary Wells was best man. Kevin McKay, Matthew McKay, Andrew Britt II, Chris McKay and Ethan Mennen were ushers.

After a wedding trip to Canada and Niagara Falls, the couple resides in Cohoes.

YWCA names essay contest winners

Twenty-eight young Capital District essayists, from eight to 17 years of age, representing 19 different public and private schools, have received official notification from the Albany YWCA that their essays have been selected as winners in the 1990-91 Black History Month Essay Contest. Participation in this year's contest reached nearly 1,000, up from 1989-90's 700 entries. Throughout the 28 days of

February, each of the students will be spotlighted in both print and broadcast media.

Winners from Bethlehem were Laura Salhoff, eight, from St. Thomas the Apostle School, Delmar, and Renata Sellitti, 10, from Glenmont Elementary School, Glenmont. For more information, call 438-6608.

Library hosts book-signing

The Albany Public Library will host an autograph party for local author Michael Rutherford on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m.

Rutherford will speak and sign copies of his new book, "The Infi-



Community Corner

Happy holidays from the Spotlight Newspapers

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Obituaries

Eileen J. Farley

Eileen Joyce Farley, 61, of Altamont Road, died Monday, Dec. 17, at home.

Born in Ridgewood, N.J. she lived in Hornell Steuben County, before moving to Voorheesville in 1970.

She was an employee benefits representative at the Travelers Insurance Co., Colonie, for the past 10 years. Before that, she was a secretary for the Walter Motor Truck Co., formerly in Voorheesville.

Mrs. Farley was a member of the the New Scotland Democratic Committee.

Widow of Harold J. Farley, she is survived by two daughters, Daryl Farley and Patricia Thompson, both of Voorheesville; two sons, William Farley of Binghamton, and Charles Farley of Slingerlands; two brothers, Christopher Joyce of Marlboro, Ulster County and Leo Joyce of Bradenton, Fla.; and eight grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Reilly and Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville. Services were from Christ the King Church, Guilderland. Burial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Kathryn Person

Kathryn Hotaling Person, 83, of the Guilderland Center Nursing Home, formerly of School Road, died Monday, Dec. 17, in the nursing home.

Born in Voorheesville, she was a longtime Voorheesville resident. She moved to the nursing home in 1983.

Mrs. Person was a homemaker. She was a former member of the Voorheesville Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and the New Scotland Presbyterian Church.

The widow of Francis Person Sr. She is survived by a son, Francis Person Jr. of Voorheesville; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Reilly and Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Voorheesville Area Ambulance.

William Sippel

William C. Sippel, 57, of South Loudon Lane in Loudonville, died Sunday, Dec. 16, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Hazelton, Pa., he had lived in the Capital District since 1973.

He earned his doctorate in higher education from the University of Pittsburgh. In 1966, he was appointed dean of the Community College of Philadelphia. In 1970, he became dean of Beaver County Community College in Monaca, Pa.

From 1973 to the present, Mr. Sippel was employed by the state Education Department in Albany. He was assistant executive secretary of the state Board of Medicine from 1973 to 1978, then he was appointed to the position of executive secretary of the state Board for Physical Therapy, Ophthalmic Dispensing and Occupational Therapy. His position was changed this year to executive secretary of the state Board for Physical Therapy, Ophthalmic Dispensing and Podiatry.

Mr. Sippel was a past president and board member of the Lutheran Home in Albany, and co-president, with his wife, of the Tri-Village Square Dance Club of Delmar.

He was a life member of the Doctoral Association of University Professors and a CPR instructor for the State Department of Education.

He was a member, past president and council member of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit in Albany.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Pfeil Sippel; a son, Douglas Sippel of Colonie; a daughter,

Alyson Ward of Guilderland; a sister, Philibena Smith of Hazelton; and a grandson.

Services were at the Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home in Albany and the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, with burial in Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Memorial Fund of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit.

Doris S. Wood

Doris Sexton Wood, 81, of Delmar, died Friday, Dec. 21 at the Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Gloversville, she was a 1919 graduate of Albany Hospital School of Nursing. A Delmar resident since 1953, she retired from the Albany Medical Center Hospital in 1973. She was a member of the New Scotland Senior Citizens Center.

She was the widow of Robert B. Wood.

A graveside service will be held in May at the Valley View Cemetery in Ticonderoga. Arrangements were by Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Highway project completed

John E. Taylor, regional director of the state Department of Transportation's Capital District region, recently announced that the contract to improve I-787 from its intersection with Hoffman and McCarty Avenues to the junction of Rt. 9 & 20 in the city of Albany

has been completed. Since 787 is a major link to downtown Albany, Taylor said, the state invested more than \$7 million in the extensive highway reconstruction and bridge rehabilitation project. For more information, call, 474-6562.

Team names captain

Rich Gray, of Delmar, fullback for Springfield College, was named captain of the 1991 Springfield College football team. Gray was the team's second leading rusher this season with 580 yards on 135 carries (4.3 average) and six TDs. He has 1,327 career yards rushing.

New book available

The state Department of Transportation has announced the publication of a new edition of a book describing available aerial photographs of more than 1,000 areas in New York. "Inventory of Aerial Photography and Other Remotely Sensed Imagery of New York State" is the fourth update of the 1983 edition and includes information on photographs of more than 50 new areas not included in the March, 1989 update.

Copies of the book are \$24 each. Additional information on the publication and on the numerous maps of New York produced by NYS DOT is available from the Map Information Unit, at 457-3555.

Room to spare?

The Northeastern Association of the Blind is seeking temporary room and board within the Capital District for individuals attending vocational training programs at NABA. A caring individual or family environment is needed. Experience is not essential. An expense fee of \$140 per week and staff support are provided. Call NABA's manager of rehabilitation services at 463-1211.

Sage lecture set

Russell Sage College student government will present Dr. Marjorie Pryse, a visiting associate professor for curriculum inclusion at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh, who will discuss "Discovering Our Differences. Racism." The lecture, free and open to the public, will be held at 7 p.m. in the John Paine Student Center, Sage Troy Campus. Also sponsoring this event are the special events office and intercultural committee at the college. For information, call 270-2297.

Getting in tune



Chester String Quartet cellist Thomas Rosenberg plays with a Bethlehem Middle School student during the Indiana-based chamber ensemble's recent visit to the district.

Elaine McLain

THE YOUTH NETWORK

Parent support group formed

The Bethlehem Networks Project is sponsoring a short-term (four-week) parent support and information group. It will be held on Friday mornings from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Jan. 11, 18, 25 and Feb. 1 at the Slingerlands Methodist Church on New Scotland Road.

The group will be facilitated by two Bethlehem parents, Felice Freeman and Janis Horn, who attended a one-day training program sponsored by Effective Parenting Information for Children (EPIC), a nationwide program designed to set up support

dealing with children at various age levels. This group will focus on the special concerns of parents of teens. The topics to be discussed at the four sessions include: fostering self-esteem, encouraging emotional growth, coping with daily conflicts and crises that affect families.

If you would like to be part of this short-term group, please call the Bethlehem Networks Project at 439-7740. The group will be limited to 12 people, so please call as soon as possible. (There will be a \$5 fee per person to cover the cost of refreshments and any hand-outs.)

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'Time out' can cure kids' cabin fever

By Susan Graves

Chances are there's a cure for cabin fever — especially for cooped-up kids suffering from too much TV and too little to do. The good news for parents is the remedy need not be expensive.

A new local magazine, "Kids' Time Out," whose first issue came out this month, lists a host of activities for kids of all ages.

In January, free choices go from things such as Get Out of Your Rut Day (Jan. 26) at the Voorheesville Public Library to a Night Walk (Jan. 4) at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

Other listings cover paid activities, including a workshop called "A Day in the Life," at the Farmers' Museum in Cooperstown where participants can experience a sense 19th Century life through re-enacting activities and chores.

There is additional information on events in and away from the area as well as details on athletic activities such as skating, cross-country and downhill skiing and sledding.

The publication, which took about a year and a half to get off the ground, is available at several area stores, including Critics Choice in Glenmont, Gingersnips in Delmar, Children's Book World in Crossgates Mall and the Book House in Stuyvesant Plaza in Albany, the Book Mark, Variations, Creative Minds, My Child, and Magic Toad, all in Latham.

When Sally Daggett, editor, and Nancy Rice, managing editor, started the project, they were overwhelmed by just how much there is to do with and for children.

Daggett, a former research librarian of North Chatham, said after reviewing materials she decided to break it down to a seasonal approach. "Then it started to make sense," she said.

The premier issue covered events from December through February, but beginning in March, the magazine will be published monthly.

In future issues, there will be more columns covering different activities that



Nancy Rice and Sally Daggett take a look at the first issue of their new magazine "Kid's Time Out."

adults and children can do together. In March, woodworking will be featured. "We will try to tie into the season or the month," Daggett said. A hiking column is planned for April.

The magazine, she said, is just perfect for her and Rice and their other colleague, Peter Solow, production manager and copy chief. The trio also all work on more technical publications in a business called Paradigm, in North Chatham, which provided start-up money for the new publication.

One of the goals the editors have is to pinpoint free activities. "We'll really stress free activities more in the next issues," Rice said. "The idea is to present quality time out where you're not spending a lot

of money," Daggett added. A check mark precedes all listings that are free.

Presenting free and some moderately priced offerings, the editors said, is particularly important given the state of the economy. Even going to a movie is not feasible on a regular basis for many families, they said. And besides, "there are all these alternatives that are just as good if not better," Daggett said.

Rice, who is mother of four children including a newborn, and whose background is in early childhood development, said her work on the magazine is "more than a full-time job."

"I work out of my home, my car, and the office," she said.

She and Daggett both also get input from their children. "We try to keep our kids involved in the publication," Daggett said. In upcoming issues, space will be included for input from children.

The editors also hope to increase circulation so they can distribute "Kids' Time Out" to some of the larger bookstores. "As soon as our distribution network is completed, we may very well double" circulation, Daggett said. One thing they are working on is getting a UPC, or scanner label on the books, which would make them marketable in larger stores.

For the December issue, 5,000 copies were printed. A single copy is \$2.50. For information, call 766-9553.

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- ✓ 27th **GAMES FOR ALL!**
Bring some of your own to share at the Delaware Branch of the Albany Public Library, 485 Delaware Ave., Albany. 1:30 pm. Free. 463-0254
- ✓ 27th **WINTER VACATION FILM**
At the John A. Howe Branch of the Albany Public Library, Schuyler & Broad Sts., Albany. 2 pm. Free. 472-9485
- ✓ 27th **HOLIDAY AROUND THE WORLD SAMPLER**
For all ages at the New Scotland Branch of the Albany Public Library, 369 New Scotland Ave., Albany. 2 pm. Free. 482-6961
- ✓ 27th **ASTRO THE CLOWN**
For pre-schoolers and their families at the Voorheesville Central School District Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville. 10:30 am. Free. 765-2791
- 27th **WOMEN'S SEKERE ENSEMBLE**
Traditional African and New World singing, dancing and drumming at The New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany. 1 pm & 3 pm. \$2/Adult; \$1/Child. 474-5877
- 27th **MOVIES AND MAKING**
Watch the movie "Crac", a tale of an old chair that finds its home in a museum, and then participate in related art projects, at Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Ages 4 to 8. 10 am to noon. \$3/Family. 463-4478
- 27th **GAMES GALORE!**
Old and new games for winter afternoons at the Main Branch of the Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany. 2 pm. Free. 449-3380

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- ✓ 28th **LEGO BRICK BUILDING WORKSHOP**
With Barbara Bennet at Schenectady County Public Library, 99 Clinton St., Schenectady. 2 pm. Free. Registration required. 382-3500; 382-3540/Children's Room
- 28th **AESOP'S FABLES**
A colorful, energetic production by the Berkshire Ballet at The New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany. 1 pm & 3 pm. \$2/Adult; \$1/Child. 474-5877
- 28th **MOVIES AND MAKING**
Explore Egyptian life and culture through the AIHA Egyptian Exhibit and film "Myth of the Pharaohs" at Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany. After the film, make your own pectoral amulet! Ages 4 to 8. 10 am to noon. \$3/Family. 463-4478
- 28th **OKLAHOMA!**
Rodgers & Hammerstein's musical classic at Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady. 8 pm. \$11.50-\$23/Adult; \$5.75-\$11.50/under 18. Information: 382-1083 Tickets: 346-6204
- 29th and 30th **FOLLOW THAT BIRD**
One of the Kid Pix series sponsored by The New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany. 1 pm & 3 pm. \$2/Adult; \$1/Child. 474-5877
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

OKLAHOMA!
All time favorite musical. Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 28, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY
Big business and high finance. Capital Rep., Albany. Dec. 28-Jan 27, Tues-Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat 4:30 and 8:30 p.m.; Sun 2:30 p.m. Information, 462-4534.

LEND ME A TENOR
Hilarious tour de force, Proctor's Schenectady. Jan. 2-3, Wed. 8 p.m., Thurs. 2 and 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

THE RED SHOES
Hans Christian Anderson's tale. Home Made Theatre, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga. Dec. 29-30, 2 and 5 p.m. Information, 587-4427.

NUNSENSE
Cohoes Music Hall, now through Dec. 31, Thurs., Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 5 and 9 p.m.; Sun. 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 235-7969.

MUSIC

WELCOME HOME!
Original music of Erica Wheeler, John Teleska, Rude Girls and Tom Fisch. Empire State Performing Arts Center, Albany. Dec. 28, 7:30 p.m. Information, 473-1061.

OUT OF CONTROL
Rhythm and Blues Band, New Year's Eve: O'Brien Federal Building, Albany, 7-9 p.m.; The Metro, Saratoga Springs, starts at 10:30. Information, 372-5607.

A NIGHT OF GOSPEL
Featuring Grammy-nominated New Jersey Mass Choir Shining Light and Victory By Faith Community Choir, Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 29, 7 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS MUSIC
Appropriate selections, recorder group, brass choir and woodwinds, Friends of Pruyn House, Newtonville. Dec. 30, 2-5 p.m. Information, 783-1435.

DANCE

THE BERSHIRE BALLET
Performing selections of Aesop's Fables, State Museum, Albany. Dec. 28, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

FESTIVAL

FIRST NIGHT CELEBRATION
Buttons \$8 until Dec. 28, \$10 thereafter. Ticket information, 473-1845.

HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD
Japanese New Year, Junior Museum, Troy. Dec. 29-30, 2-4 p.m. Information, 235-2120.

THE WOMEN'S SEKERE ENSEMBLE
Family holiday festival, State Museum, Albany. Dec. 27, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

SHOW

THE SNOW QUEEN
Life-sized puppet production of Hans Christian Anderson's classic tale. State Museum, Albany. Dec. 26, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

LIVE REPTILE SHOWS
Naturalist Dean Davis, State Museum, Albany. Jan. 5-6, at 1, 2, 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

SECOND ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW AND SALE
Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Troy. Now through Dec. 31. Information, 273-0552.

FILM

FOLLOW THAT BIRD
Big Bird and the Muppets, State Museum, Albany. Dec. 29-30, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

CLASSES

DANCE AND MOVEMENT
Variety of fitness, dance and technique classes. EBA Center, Albany. Jan. 14-March 30. Information, 465-9916.

VISUAL ARTS

THE SETTING OF GOVERNMENT:
Images of the State Capitol and the Empire State Plaza, exhibit of photos, The Empire Center, Albany. Now through Feb. 28. Information, 473-8037.

JENNESS CORTEZ
Also on exhibit, Elizabeth Mowry, Thom O'Connor, Bob Moylan, and Frank Vurraro, Greenhut Galleries, Albany. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Sun. noon-5 p.m. Information, 482-1984.

HOLIDAY EXHIBITION
Henry Musser: Greeting Cards, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Dec. 31. Information, 792-1761.

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS:
Edward Larrabee Barnes, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls. Now through Jan. 20. Information, 792-1761.

GALERIA GRUPO ARTE
Works by the Antibes, France-based Greek artist Alkis Voultsis, Galeria Grupo Arte, Albany. Now through Jan. 30, Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun. 1-6 p.m. Information, 449-1233.

AMERICAN ART POSTERS
Of the 1890s, from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, State Museum, Albany. Now through Feb. 10. Information, 474-5877.

BLOCK PRINT SHOW
Featuring five artists from the national and international community, Visions Gallery, Albany. Now through Jan 30, 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Information, 453-6645.

RENSSELAER COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS
T.E. Breitenbach, Gayle Johnson, Michael Oatman. Now through Jan 6, Wed.-Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information, 273-0552.

INCANTATIONS; FETISHES, TOTEMS & CHARMS
Twelve area artists, gallery, Sage Troy Campus. Now through Jan 13. Information, 270-2248.

ALWAYS OVER LABOR DAY
Celebration of 150 years of Columbia County Fair and 60 years of Spencertown's Tower Club, Spencertown Academy. Now through January. 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.

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.

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.

GIANTS OF THE DEEP:
Ancient Undersea Creatures, State Museum, Albany. Now through Jan. 6. Information, 474-5877.

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

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

THE GALLERY AT THE OLD MILL
Featuring well-known Adirondack artists, Elizabethtown. Wed.-Sat. 1-4 p.m. Information, 873-6843.

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.

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

A FOCUS ON THE FEMALE FIGURE
The Rice Gallery in the Albany Institute of History and Art. Information, 463-4478.



In Capital Repertory Company's production of "Other People's Money," opening Friday, corporate raider Lawrence Garfinkle (Michael Arkin), left, is wary as New England Wire and Cable President Andrew Jorgenson (Frank Lattimore), attorney Kate Sullivan (Kate Kelly) and assistant Bea Sullivan (Peg Small) struggle to avoid a hostile takeover.

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AROUND THE AREA

Wednesday
December 26

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL CAMP
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 9 a.m. Information, 438-6651.

Thursday
December 27

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL CAMP
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 9 a.m. Information, 438-6651.

TEEN SKI TRIP
Departs Albany Jewish Community Center 8 a.m. Information, 438-6651.

SARATOGA COUNTY

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP
Four Winds Hospital, Algonquin Activities Building, Crescent Ave., Saratoga 7:30-8:30 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

Friday
December 28

ALBANY COUNTY

BASKETBALL CAMP
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 9 a.m. Information, 438-6651.

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

Saturday
December 29

ALBANY COUNTY

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

Sunday
December 30

ALBANY COUNTY

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

Monday
December 31

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

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

Tuesday
January 1

ALBANY COUNTY

LIBRARY CLOS
for holidays, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany.

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

NEW YEARS AEROBICS
YWCA of Albany, Colvin Ave., Albany, 11 a.m. Information, 438-6608.

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

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

CIVIL AIR PATROL
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.

EATING DISORDERS GROUP
Union College, fourth floor campus center, Schenectady, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

Wednesday
January 2

ALBANY COUNTY

OPEN HOUSE WEEK BEGINS
Albany YMCA, Washington Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Information, 449-7196.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME
Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 10:30 a.m. Information, 449-3380.

AFTERNOON STORYTIME
Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 1:30 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

MOVIE
"The Cheap Detective," Peter Falk, Ann Margaret, Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 449-3380.

TODDLER STORY TIME
Albany Public Library, Washington Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. Information, 449-3380.

SQUARE DANCE
St. Michaels Church, Linden St., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 664-2353.

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

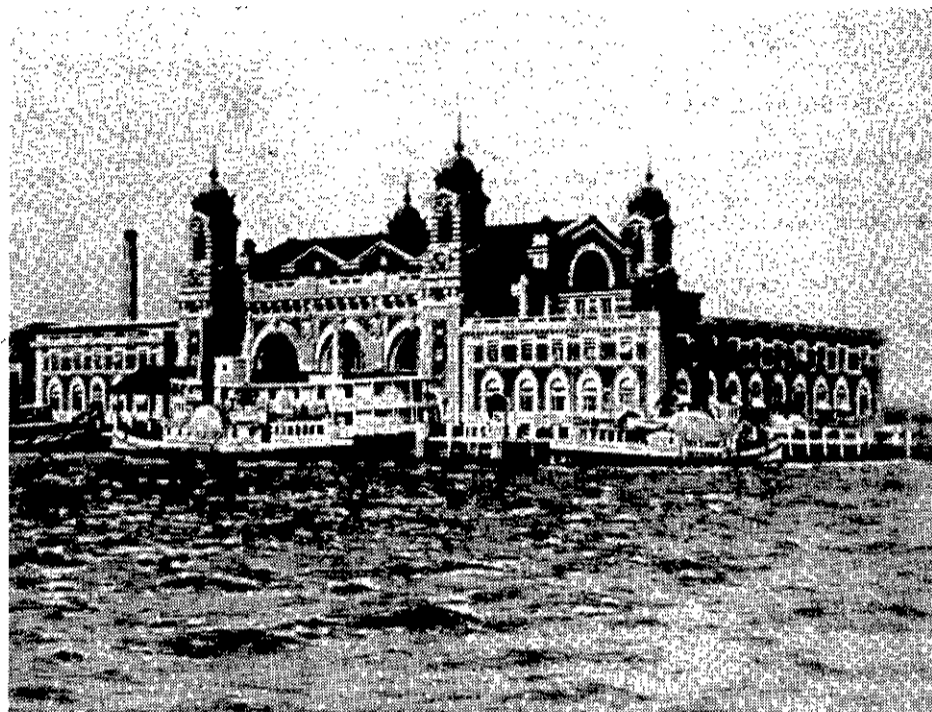
SENIORS LUNCHE
Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

APPLE COMPUTERS USERS CLUB

Farnsworth Middle School, State Farm Rd., Guilderland, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2609.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

PHOTOGRAPHY LECTURE
Magic of Monochrome, Schenectady Photographic Society, First Methodist Church, Lafayette and State St., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-1674.



The Bethlehem Public Library will present two programs in January to commemorate the opening of the renovated Ellis Island Immigration Museum. On Thursday, Jan. 3, there will be a talk at 7:30 p.m. titled "17th Century Immigration to Bethlehem," and on Jan. 5, the program will be "Ellis Island and More: Ports of Entry to Your Past."

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YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
 Parks and Recreation Office, Delmar, 2-4 p.m. Information, 439-0503.
TESTIMONY MEETING
 First Church of Christ Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.
NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Bible study and prayer meeting, 10 Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

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

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

Thursday December 27

BETHLEHEM
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.

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 December 28

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 December 29

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

Sunday December 30

BETHLEHEM
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday worship service, 10:15 a.m., Sunday school, 9:15 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.

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.

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

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.

SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 worship service, church school, 10 a.m.; fellowship hour and adult education programs, 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.

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.

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

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND
EVENING SERVICE
 Clarksville Tabernacle, 7 p.m., Route 443. Information, 768-2733.

UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH
 worship, 9:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, children's story hour, 11 a.m. Information, 439-5303.

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

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

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 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-7112.

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.

Albany's First Night Schedule

LOCATION	7:00 - 8:00	8:00 - 9:00	9:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 11:00	11:00 - 12:00
CITY HALL BASEMENT LEVEL	DENNIS D'ASARO - FOLKSINGER				
CITY HALL 2nd FLOOR	HILARY KRAMER PSYCHIC 7:00 - 8:00	ANN FISHER PSYCHIC 8:00 - 8:45	HILARY KRAMER PSYCHIC 9:00 - 10:00	ANN FISHER PSYCHIC 10:00 - 10:45	
COUNTY COURT HOUSE	STRAIGHT AHEAD JAZZ 7:00	STRAIGHT AHEAD JAZZ 8:00	ST. REGIS STRING BAND 10:00	UNTIL 11:30	
CHANCELLOR'S MALL (EAST ENTRY OF STATE EDUCATION BUILDING)	NOT NECESSARILY THE BLUES (1/2 hr. sets) 7:00 7:45 8:30		LEE SHAW TRIO 9:00 11:30		
ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART		QUEEN'S THEATRE 8:00 - 8:30	QUEEN'S THEATRE 9:00 - 9:30	QUEEN'S THEATRE 10:00 - 10:30	
ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY	POPPY DOODLE PUPPETS 7:30 - 8:10		POPPY DOODLE PUPPETS 8:30 - 9:10		
155 WASHINGTON AVE. (DOWNSTAIRS)	1313 MOCKINGBIRD LANE		LETHAL LIPSTICK 9:30 11:30		
155 WASHINGTON AVE. (UPSTAIRS)	STARFLEET INTERNATIONAL - FEATURING "CLASS REUNION" BAND				
ARMORY	MOTHER WAS RIGHT (ROCK) WPYX BROADCAST ALL EVENING!		THE SHARKS (ROCK) 9:30 11:30		
BOULEVARD CAFE	RAINBOW ROOM TRIO 7:00 - 7:30 CHARLIE "TAPS" DIMURA 7:30 - 8:00	RAINBOW ROOM TRIO 8:00 - 8:30 CHARLIE "TAPS" DIMURA 8:30 - 9:00	RAINBOW ROOM TRIO 9:00 - 9:30 CHARLIE "TAPS" DIMURA 9:30 - 10:00	RAINBOW ROOM TRIO 10:00 - 10:30 CHARLIE "TAPS" DIMURA 10:30 - 11:00	RAINBOW ROOM TRIO 11:00 - 11:30 CHARLIE "TAPS" DIMURA
UNITARIAN CHURCH	FOLAN & VAN OORT SONGS & WORKS FOR FORTEPIANO		COURTNEY RALPH PIANIST 9:30 - 10:00	COURTNEY RALPH PIANIST 10:20 - 10:50	COURTNEY RALPH PIANIST 11:00 - 11:30
PAGE HALL	OPERA 7:00 - 7:30 THE TACONIC TRIO 7:45 - 8:15	OPERA 8:30 - 9:00	THE TACONIC TRIO 9:15 - 9:45	OPERA 10:00 - 10:30 THE TACONIC TRIO 10:45 - 11:15	
1st PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL	A CABARET REVUE 7:30 - 8:00	A CABARET REVUE 8:30 - 9:00	A CABARET REVUE 9:30 - 10:00		
1st PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (ROSE ROOM)	PATRICK PISANELLO PIANIST 7:00 - 7:30	PATRICK PISANELLO PIANIST 8:00 - 8:30	PATRICK PISANELLO PIANIST 9:00 - 9:30	PATRICK PISANELLO PIANIST 10:00 - 10:30	
TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH	BRIDGET BALL 7:30 - 8:15	CHRISTOPHER SHAW 8:30 - 9:15	BRIDGET BALL 9:30 - 10:15	CHRISTOPHER SHAW 10:30 - 11:15	
TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH HALL		JIM SNACK MAGICIAN - 8:00	JIM SNACK MAGICIAN - 9:00	JIM SNACK MAGICIAN - 10:00	
GALERIA GRUPO ARTE (247 LARK ST.)	POETS CONSPIRACY				
EBA STUDIO (CORNER HUDSON & LARK)		EBA AND YALLAH DANCE ENSEMBLES (40 - MIN.)	EBA AND YALLAH DANCE ENSEMBLES (40 MIN.)	EBA AND YALLAH DANCE ENSEMBLES (40 MIN.)	
BOY'S CLUB	SUPER STAR MAGIC CIRCUS 7:30 - 8:30		SUPER STAR MAGIC CIRCUS 9:00 - 10:00		
NYS MUSEUM LOBBY	DOC SCANLON'S RHYTHM BOYS				
EMPIRE STATE PLAZA SOUTH CONCOURSE		DESERT PLACES MID-EASTERN DANCERS 8:00 - 8:30	DESERT PLACES MID-EASTERN DANCERS 9:00 - 9:30		
EMPIRE CENTER ("THE EGG") HART THEATRE	BERKSHIRE BALLET 7:30 (20 MIN.)	KUPERBERG - MORRIS MOVEMENT THEATRE 8:00 (20 MIN.) BALLET 8:30 (20 MIN.)	KUPERBERG - MORRIS MOVEMENT THEATRE 9:00 (20 MIN.) BALLET 9:30 (20 MIN.)	KUPERBERG - MORRIS MOVEMENT THEATRE 10:00 (20 MIN.)	
EMPIRE CENTER SWYER THEATRE	EMPIRE STATE YOUTH ORCHESTRA JAZZ ENSEMBLE		MASSACHUSETTS AVE. JAZZ ENSEMBLE		
CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	EXCELSIOR STRING QUARTET UNTIL 11:30				
HALF MOON CAFE	JAZZ DUO "CYGNUS" UNTIL 11:30				
CAPITOL CITY LODGE (120 MADISON AVE.)		SUPA KUMBA (REGGAE)	TERRI HOLLINGER SINGER - IMPRESSIONIST UNTIL 11:30		

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The Capital Region Foster and Adoptive Parent Association will be sponsoring a Yule Tide Party. This will be held at the Glenmont Fire House on Dec. 29 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. All foster and adoptive families are invited to attend.

For information, call 767-3090.

Doctor presents program

Dr. Paul Saskin will hold a program on the causes and treatment of sleep disorders in children and adults on Jan. 16 from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, on Delaware Avenue, in Delmar. Saskin is a specialist in sleep disorders as well as eating disorders and nocturnal enuresis. For information, call 439-9314.

YMCA opens house

The Albany YMCA will hold an open house the week of Jan. 2 through Jan. 5 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. Interested individuals new to the Albany YMCA's programs will be able to participate in any adult fitness class during the week free of charge. For information, call 449-7196.

SPOTLIGHT TEENSCENE

By Juliette Braun

Soon a new year full of exciting possibilities will be here. What better time to reflect on your past and make plans for the future? What are your New Year's resolutions?

Many of you are very concerned about the college admissions process. Seniors are struggling through applications while juniors are contemplating the 3,500 plus college choices in this country alone. There is help. Boston University recently advised that applicants proofread their applications thoroughly for small typographical errors that can affect the admissions process. Another tip stipulates that applications should be mailed in well before the due date to provide plenty

of time for the application to be reviewed. The essay should be written about something of genuine interest to the writer and should not be focused solely on impressing the admissions official.

There are lots of sources of helpful college advice available to the individual applicant. To find them, contact your high school college guidance official or visit your local library.

What could be a better time to start on that new fitness program than the first of the year? Begin the year on the right foot with aerobics at the Albany YWCA, on Colvin Avenue, Albany. The New Year's Day aerobic workout, open to teens, will be held on Jan. 1 from 11

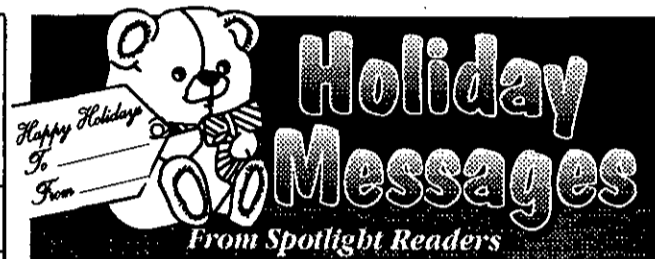
a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For information, call 438-6608.

For a fun New Year's Eve get together with all your friends and attend Albany's First Night, a city-wide festival of events taking place from early evening and culminating in a fireworks display at 12:30 a.m. To be admitted to all the great music, poetry, comedy, dance and other entertainment plus gain access to CDTA busses, purchase a \$10 First Night button, available at a number of local businesses.

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

Albany's First Night Schedule

LOCATION	7:00 - 8:00	8:00 - 9:00	9:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 11:00	11:00 - 12:00
KNICKERBOCKER ARENA	WGNA BROADCASTS ALL EVENING!				
	BOOT HILL BAND 7:00 - 7:50	BOOT HILL BAND 8:10 - 9:00	MYSTERY RANCH 9:30 - 10:15	MYSTERY RANCH 10:35 - 11:20	
STARR'S	WQBK BROADCASTS ALL EVENING!				
	JIM GAUDET FOLKSINGER 7:30 - 8:15	RON DISCENZA COMEDIAN 8:30 - 9:15	JIM GAUDET 9:30 - 10:15	RON DISCENZA 10:30 - 11:15	JIM GAUDET 11:30 - 11:45
STARR'S LOBBY	MARK RABIN HI-TECH SOLOIST				
	RAMSEY MEYER COMEDIAN 7:45 - 8:15	MARK RABIN 8:30 - 9:15	RAMSEY MEYER 9:30 - 10:15	MARK RABIN 10:30 - 11:15	
ALBANY SAVINGS BANK	UPTOWNE CATS DIXIELAND BAND PLUS WIZZIE THE CLOWN				
KENMORE RAIN-BO ROOM	PHIL FOOTE ORCHESTRA ALBANY SCHOOLS DISTRICT FLUTE ENSEMBLE IN ROTUNDA BETWEEN SETS				
OTB	CRANBERRY THE CLOWN				
	7:15 - 7:35	8:00 - 8:20	8:45 - 9:05	9:30 - 9:50	10:20 - 10:40
CAPITAL REP	PAUL STRAUSMAN SONGS & TALES				
	7:00 - 7:30	FRANK BRIDGE STORYTELLER 7:30 - 8:00	PAUL STRAUSMAN 8:00 - 8:30	FRANK BRIDGE 8:30 - 9:00	PAUL STRAUSMAN 9:00 - 9:30
FIRST REFORMED CHURCH HALL	SQUARE DANCING 7:00				
		CONTRADANCING 8:00	SQUARE DANCING 9:00	CONTRADANCING 10:00	UNTIL 11:30
CITY ARTS OFFICE (60 ORANGE ST.)	PARK PLAYHOUSE BROADWAY SHOWTUNES				
	7:15 - 8:00	8:45 - 9:30	10:00 - 10:30	10:15 - 11:00	
CENTER GALLERY	NICK BRIGNOLA				
		8:00 - 8:45	9:30 - 10:15	11:00 - 11:45	
ALBANY ARTS STUDIO (25 MONROE ST.)	DISPLAYS AND EXHIBITS BY RESIDENT ARTISTS ALL EVENING!				
		BERKSHIRE BALLET JUNIOR TROOP 8:00	BERKSHIRE BALLET JUNIOR TROOP 9:00	DEMONSTRATIONS BY OTHER RESIDENT ARTISTS UNTIL 11:30	
PALACE THEATER	AN EXCITING EVENING OF MUSICAL NOSTALGIA AS OLDIES 99.5 FM PRESENTS FELIX CAVALIERE'S RASCALS 10:00 - 11:30 EXTRA TICKET REQUIRED CALL 434-2032 OR 465-4663 FOR INFORMATION UNTIL 11:30				
SWEET PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH	TWO GOSPEL CHORUSES ALTERNATE ALL EVENING INCLUDING THE HEAVENLY ECHOES, & SOLOIST MARY BRICE				
O'BRIEN FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING	WFLY BROADCASTS ALL EVENING!				
	OUT OF CONTROL RHYTHM & BLUES BAND 7:00	9:00	CHARLIE SMITH BLUES BAND 9:00	UNTIL 11:30	
URBAN CULTURAL PARK VISITORS CTR.	LUCY McCAFFREY HARPISIT FROM 7:30 UNTIL 11:30				
NORSTAR PETER KIERNAN PLAZA	L'ENSEMBLE'S VIENNA WALTZ BALL				
	7:30 - 8:30	9:30 - 10:30			
POST OFFICE BUILDING	WTRY BROADCASTS ON-THE-SPOT ALL EVENING!				
	SPECIAL STAMP CANCELLATION EVENT ON ANYTHING BEARING 25¢ STAMP. VENDORS ALL EVENING - RELAX, MAKE FIRST NIGHT AGENDA, EAT, DRINK, AND BE MERRY!				
BROADWAY ARCADE	GLENDA FORSYTH BALLOON FANTASY SHOW				
	7:00 - 7:30	8:00 - 8:30	9:00 - 9:30	10:00 - 10:30	
HAMPTON PLAZA	PHIL RESTIFO ORCHESTRA FOR YOUR DANCING PLEASURE TIL 11:00				
UNION NATIONAL BANK	GERMAN BAND: DIE HOFBRAU MUSIKANTEN				
NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK	A VENT GARDE WOODWIND QUINTET				
		ROBERT CONANT HARPSICHORDIST 9:00 - 9:30	ROBERT CONANT 9:45 - 10:15	ROBERT CONANT 10:30 - 11:15	
112 STATE STREET	SKIP PARSONS RIVERBOAT JAZZ BAND				
	7:00 - 9:00	COLE BRODERICK & FRIENDS JAZZ 9:30			
ST. PETER'S CHURCH	ALBANY PRO MUSICA				
	7:00 - 7:20	8:00 - 8:20	9:00 - 9:20	10:00 - 10:20	
	KEN KROTH ORGANIST 7:20 - 7:40	8:20 - 8:40	9:20 - 9:40	10:20 - 10:40	
		MENDELSSOHN CLUB 7:40 - 8:00	8:40 - 9:00		
MASONIC TEMPLE 2ND FLOOR	MUSIC OF THE '40'S				
	JOHN HAMILTON 7:00 - 7:40	JOHN HAMILTON 8:30 - 9:10	KARISMA 9:20 - 10:00	JOHN HAMILTON 10:10 - 10:50	KARISMA 10:55 - 11:30
MASONIC TEMPLE (LODGE STREET ENT.)	MIKE PURCELL PIANIST, ENTERTAINER				
	7:00 - 7:45	MIKE PURCELL 8:00 - 8:45	DANNY RYAN FOLKSINGER 9:30	UNTIL 11:30	
ST. MARY'S CHURCH HALL	COMHALTAS IRISH MUSIC AND DANCE				



Special Holiday Greetings to our family away from home. Kathleen, Melissa, Patti in Germany and T.I. in Dessert Shield. Love, Mom Dad, Judy & Abby.

Merry Christmas Lucy, Greg, Sara and Randy. — Love, Mum, Dad & Gran.

Merry Christmas Hanger! — From Your Secret Pal.

Merry Christmas, Judy. Why has everyone gone bye bye. Love You, Melissa.

To all our friends in Delmar, Happy Holidays. We miss you guys very much. — Love, Lori, Mark, Dani, Steffy & Chelsea

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The buttons sell for \$8 through Dec. 28 and \$10 from then on. The buttons entitle celebrants admission to almost all of the First Night events, as well as CDTA bus service between them. Admission is free for children under 5. For information on sales locations and for a complete schedule of first night activities, call 434-2032.

League aids children's arts

The Albany League of Arts has begun the process of selecting nine children's performing groups to appear at performances of the Moscow Circus in Albany's Knickerbocker Arena.

The purpose of this project is to draw attention to the importance of the arts in children's lives. Each group selected will perform as opening act for one of the shows of the circus. Applications are now available at the Albany League of Arts, Clinton Avenue, in Albany.

For information, call 449-5380.

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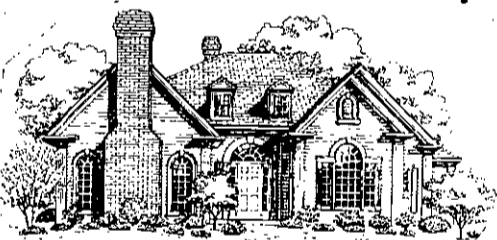
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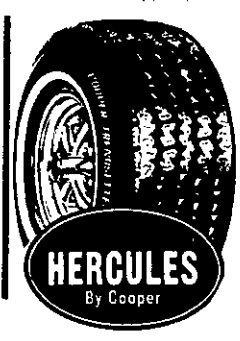
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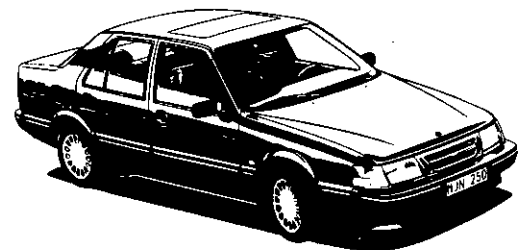


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