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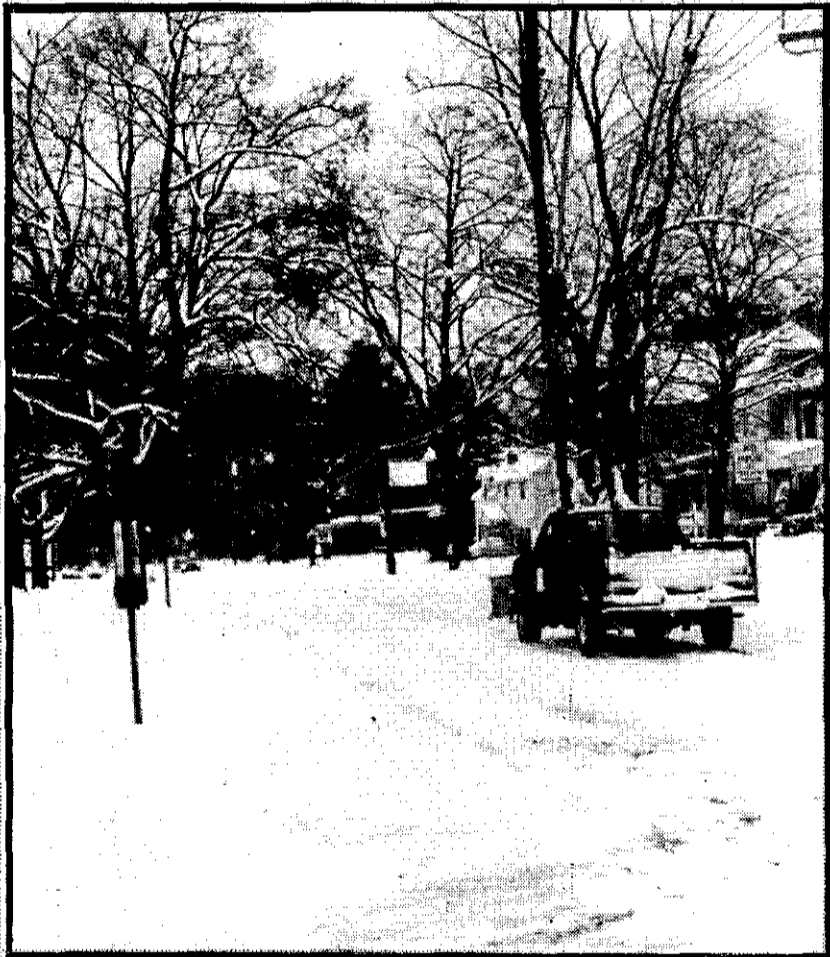
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Crews gearing up for winter's woes



There are sure to be more storms like last Friday's facing motorists this winter.

Elaine McLain

By Debi Boucher

It wasn't a white Christmas, but there's sure to be plenty of winter weather ahead, and area road crews are gearing up for a season of salting, sanding and plowing.

Last Friday's storm had Bethlehem trucks out by 5 a.m. to begin cleaning up the four to six inches of powder that continued falling through the morning rush hour, according to Superintendent of Highways Martin Cross.

Commenting on the season's relatively mild weather, Cross said, "So far I'm happy with it." But it's hard to predict what the next several months will bring, he said. "We just fight it and take care of it and that's it. The only thing you can do is be prepared for whatever comes."

To that end, the highway department has some 1,000 tons of sand and 700 tons of salt on hand. Cross said the department didn't go over its snow removal budget this year, and "we should be all right" in the coming year.

Bethlehem's 1991 budget for snow removal is \$255,353 for materials and labor, according to Comptroller Philip Maher, who said Friday that the 1990 budget of \$243,012 would probably be just about spent by year's end.

In New Scotland, Highway Supervisor Michael Hotaling said his budget had been increased to cover the higher fuel prices triggered by the Persian Gulf crisis. "I think it's a workable budget," he said of the \$150,000 total set aside for snow removal in the 1991 budget. Town Clerk Edie Probst said of that sum, \$100,000 was for salaries, with the balance to pay contractual expenses, including materials. The town uses a mix of sand and salt, and currently has about 1,500 tons of premixed sand and salt, at a 10-to-one ratio, on hand, plus 50 to 100 tons of salt. Hotaling said more would be delivered this month.

The timing of winter storms can have a great impact on the budget.

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Tipping fees going up

By Mike Larabee

Tipping fees at Bethlehem's Rupert Road transfer station will go up on Feb. 1.

The town board voted unanimously for the increases at its regular meeting last week.

Officials say the increase is in response to rising waste disposal expenses in general, and specifically a recent hike in the City of Albany's ANSWERS program fees. New Bethlehem rates will apply to both residential and commercial Rupert Road users and involve not only a fee increase but a change in the way the town measures incoming refuse.

Under the new schedule, rates for residents to dispose of regular household trash and garbage will rise from a straight \$3 per vehicle fee to \$5 per vehicle. But in an effort to encourage waste reduction and recycling, the board voted to limit the \$5 fee to users with six bags or fewer, and added a \$1 surcharge for each additional bag beyond six bags.

In addition, residents who wish to dump construction and demolition mate-

rial in the town's landfill (garbage and trash cannot be dumped there, and are taken to ANSWERS instead) will see the current \$3 per vehicle fee increased to \$60 a ton.

Similarly, commercial hauling firms will find increases in Rupert Road charges. The fee for trash and garbage, which the town is trying to discourage commercial haulers from disposing at the facility, will go from \$6 a cubic yard to \$80 per ton. Also, the fee for dumping brush, logs, and stumps will rise from \$8 per cubic yard to \$80 per ton.

But more important, the rate for commercial firms to dump construction and demolition debris at Rupert Road will increase from \$6 per cubic yard to \$60 a ton. While town officials said last week the increase is needed to bring revenues in line with overall expenses and would still leave the facility far cheaper than others nearby, Gerald Wright of local hauling firm Robert Wright Disposal, Inc. questioned the increase.

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Residents file suit over zone

By Mike Larabee

Five Delmar residents, four from the North Street area, have brought the fight over the town's recently-enacted senior citizens zoning district to a new front — the courts.

Margaret and Harold Beyer Jr., Merle Winn, and Terry and Geraldine Whitney, all of North Street, and Anne Moore of Borthwick Avenue have brought the five-cause action in an attempt to overturn the new law, according to Harold Beyer Jr., who is also attorney for the petitioners.

Supervisor Ken Ringler and town board members Robert Burns, Frederick Webster, Charles Gunner, and M. Sheila Galvin are named as respondents in the suit.

Beyer said the suit is based on zoning arguments, particularly the "floating" aspect of the zone, and does not take issue with the fact that the zone is designed to promote housing for senior citizens.

"This has very little to do with seniors," Beyer said. "This basically has to do with rezoning an area for massive type housing. . . We would be just as upset if they wanted to put in any other form of housing."

After lengthy debate, the town board in December voted 4-1 to create the new district. The district, which was patterned after ordinances already enacted in other municipalities, creates a mechanism for

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Blanchard leader off to gulf

By Susan Wheeler

Selkirk resident Bob Conti's bags are packed and he's waiting to leave. His first stop is New Jersey, then on to the Persian Gulf.

Conti, a 45-year-old Vietnam veteran, received the news on Dec. 16 that he's been called to active duty in the gulf. "When I received the news it was a little unsettling," he said, "but I had time to get my affairs in order and made sure my wife Cindy and daughter Regina will be taken care of."



Conti

"I can't believe that I've been married over 22 years, and now Bob's called to duty," said Conti's wife Cindy. "I'm not thrilled. He's always taken care of me."

The commander of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post in Elsmere said he is the first commander of a post in the U.S. to be called to active duty. He said he has been assigned to join a Navy fleet as a chief petty officer to build a 500-bed fleet hospital. His experience as a specialist in heavy equipment operation with the U.S. Navy Construction Battalion (the Seabees) got him the assignment.

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Ethics board reports on Coyne scholarship

By Don Haskins

Albany County Executive James J. Coyne created "the appearance of impropriety" which "should have been avoided" when his daughter was given a \$10,000 scholarship by a personal friend of her father who was also involved with the Albany Patroons.

But the scholarship award "clearly did not result in your having a conflict of interest," Coyne has been told by a finding of the Albany County Board of Ethics. The finding was released by Coyne last week after a study of the circumstances surrounding the award of the scholarship.

In a cover letter with the board's report, Coyne noted that "In retrospect, I should have advised my daughter more as a politician and less as a proud father."

Public controversy arose late in 1989 when it was disclosed that Coyne's daughter had been given a \$10,000 scholarship from the Patroons, although Coyne earlier had been a trustee of the Albany Patroons Scholarship Fund.

According to the board's report, it is their "understanding" that Albany Patroons, Inc., owned by B.R. Fernandez, a friend of Coyne, sold its interest in the Albany Patroons franchise in June of 1989. The purchaser was New York Patroon, Inc., in which majority shareholders are Joseph J. O'Hara



James J. Coyne

and Glenn Mazula and Fernandez is a minority shareholder.

The board said it learned that during the summer of 1989 there was a search for scholarship applicants for the Patroons scholarship, but that Fernandez urged that the county executive's daughter be given the award, a proposal which O'Hara and Mazula "had reservations" about.

Fernandez then decided "to proceed on his own to award a private scholarship of \$10,000 to your daughter, although the source of the actual funds for such scholarship are unclear," according to the report.

The board told Coyne it found

he didn't participate in the selection process, that he believed his responsibilities as a trustee of the scholarship fund had ended when the franchise was transferred, and noted that his daughter returned the \$10,000 to API after the award became public "in hopes of restoring your family's privacy."

The board said it also understood that Coyne himself was not involved in negotiations for leasing the Knickerbocker Arena to the Patroons, that he did not intercede on behalf of the Patroons "at any time, and did not even communicate with representatives of Spectacor," the agency that manages the arena, in respect to the negotiations. All agreements for use of the arena, the board said, are executed by Spectacor in its own name and are not between the county and facility users.

There was no conflict of interest involving the county executive, the board ruled, because Coyne had no financial interest in the corporations which owned the Albany Patroons franchise, nor any responsibility as county executive "for either negotiating or approving the use agreement with the Patroons relevant to the Knickerbocker Arena and did not participate in said negotiations in any way.

But public officials, the report noted, "are shouldered with the responsibility to instill in the pub-

lic a sense of confidence in the integrity and impartiality of their public officers. This additional responsibility dictates that public officers refrain from any involvement in situations which may give rise to even an appearance of impropriety.

"The awarding of the scholarship to your daughter by persons having a financial interest in negotiations for the leasing of the Knickerbocker Arena by the Albany Patroons, while not constituting a prohibited conflict of interest of your part, certainly gave rise to an appearance of impropriety which you public position dictated should have been avoided by you," the ethics board said.

The report was signed by John J. Biscone and James P. McCaffrey as ethics board members.

Want to stop smoking?

The St. Peter's Hospital Wellness Center will sponsor the American Lung Association's "Freedom From Smoking" program on seven consecutive Mondays beginning Jan. 7 and ending Feb. 18. The program will be held at the St. Peter's Hospital Wellness Center, located at 102 Hackett Blvd., Albany, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The total cost of the program is \$100. A \$15 registration fee is required before, or at, the first session. For more information, call 449-2212.

Student honored

Janet S. Nathan, daughter of William and Elizabeth Nathan of Delmar, was selected for the 1991 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Nathan, a senior majoring in child study at Colby-Sawyer College in New Hampshire, is a dean's list student and a member of the Key Association.

Students are selected as national outstanding leaders based upon their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Philanthropists honored at museum

Elaine and Irving Kirsch of Albany were honored on Friday, Dec. 21 at The New York State Museum for their gift of \$30,000 to support a free after-school program. The Kirsches were recognized by the New York State Board of Regents and the state Department of Education for their support of the Museum Club, an after-school, education-based program for "at risk" kids, age 8 to 13, who live in the neighborhoods surrounding the museum.

Museum seeks volunteers

Historic Cherry Hill, an Albany house museum, is seeking volunteers to give guided tours for adult and family groups. Volunteer tour guides work six hours monthly on weekdays. Individuals should have an interest in local history and a desire to serve in a professionalized volunteer capacity. A limited number of openings are available. If interested, contact Pamela J. Fitzpatrick, volunteer coordinator, at 434-4791 by Jan. 9.

Mountain club to meet

The Albany chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 8 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, located off Hackett Boulevard in Albany. There will be a presentation by one of the chapter members. Admission is free and the public is welcome. For more information, call 899-2725.

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S. Bethlehem man gets nod for planning post

By Mike Larabee

Town Supervisor Ken Ringler has recommended South Bethlehem resident Richard Olson as the replacement for Planning Board member John Williamson, whose term expired Dec. 31, Ringler said last week.

Olson, 36, is executive director of the state Senate Judiciary Committee, a part-time police officer with the Town of Coeymans, and a volunteer fireman for the Selkirk Fire District. Before January 1990, he was executive director of the state Senate Crime and Correction Committee and has worked in the legislative branch of state government since 1976. He is a registered Republican.

Williamson, board chairman from 1985 to 1988, is at the end of his first seven year term.

Ringler said he was recommending Olson in an effort to add a representative to the board from the rural southern section of town. Of the other six board members, only Glenmont resident Gary Swan lives outside the tri-village area. Williamson lives in Delmar.

"There's nothing requiring us to have geographical representation," Ringler said. "But historically the town has tried to do that and I'm trying to do that."



Richard Olson

Olson said that if approved by town board majority, he would join the planning board without any "personal agenda" and would try to learn from the other board members. "I'm going into it with an open mind and open eyes and see what issues are out there," he said. "Certainly, it's going to be a learning process for me at the beginning."

But he added that he's, "not known as a person to sit back and be quiet for very long... Not that I'm an antagonist, but when I feel strongly about something or feel I

should voice my opinion I certainly do," Olson said. He said that while he would "defer to his colleagues' judgment early on, he hoped "to bring a fresh perspective just solely by being a new member."

Williamson said he would have "enjoyed serving a second term" if he had been reappointed. "But that was their prerogative and I have no quarrel with that," he said.

"I enjoyed my past service," Williamson said. "I thought it was very productive. Especially when I was chairman, I thought I ran the board in a very efficient way."

Ringler said Williamson's replacement did not reflect on his performance as a planning board member. "John has served very well," he said. "John has been most dedicated in his concern for our community and has worked very diligently as both the past chairman and a member of the board."

The seven planning board members' terms are spaced so that one is completed Dec. 31 of each year. John Laforge's term will be finished in 1991, William Johnston's in 1992, Gary Swan's in 1993, Chairman Martin Barr's in 1994, Marcia Nelson's in 1995, and Dominick DeCecco's in 1996.

BC pleased with test scores

By Susan Wheeler

Bethlehem Central School District's 1989-90 Comprehensive Assessment Report from the State Education Department revealed that the district's scores are again "strong," according to Briggs McAndrews, assistant superintendent.

McAndrews, who presented the CAR report at a recent board of education meeting, said the Pupil Evaluation Program test results in reading, writing and math meet the district's expectations and compare well with other reference groups. All five elementary schools in the district scored well, he said. This is due to the similar nature of the schools and because the teachers from the different buildings work together to set expectations, he said.

The results of the Program Evaluation Tests, meant to measure the effectiveness of the elementary school science programs in kindergarten through fourth grade and the social studies programs in the elementary and middle schools, were also strong, said McAndrews, who heads the instruction and curriculum for the district. Scores for grade six were above the reference group's scores, he said. The Preliminary Competency Tests, designed to evaluate the remedial programs in

grades one through eight, and the Second Language Proficiency Exam, new for the 1988-89 school year, had good results, according to the report.

The Regents Examination statistics for high school students were encouraging for all but the Sequential Math III Exam and the Physics Exam, McAndrews said. The district had been aiming for a 90 percent passing rate for the math exam, but reached 87 percent, he said. McAndrews said the district was "not pleased" with the results of the physics test, which had a 14 percent increase in the percentage of students taking the exam, but experienced a nine percent decline in the passing percentage.

McAndrews said that the Food and Nutrition Exam, one of the Occupational Education Proficiency Examinations, is "another exam of concern." Because the scores were "disappointing," the district reviewed the exam with the students who took it and discussed it with the State Education Department, he said. Although they found no firm answer for the low scores, technical and scientific concepts were added to the course, and teachers are working closer with the handicapped students on the exam, he said. The handicapped students who took the exam had a very low passing rate, he explained; non-handicapped students had a 50 percent passing rate.

The class of 1990 had a 62 percent Regents Diploma rate, an increase over last year's 50 percent rate, McAndrews said. Last year's rate was lower than in previous years because the graduating seniors were affected by the new diploma requirements in the Regents Action Plan, he said. The most encouraging statistic was the high school graduation rate, he said. The total graduation rate of 99.6 percent was the highest rate ever achieved by the district, he

said.

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is a "test of basic aptitude on the part of the students," not a direct measure of the school program, McAndrews stressed. He said the 1990 scores were the "highest scores seen, with the highest number of students taking the exam." The percentage of students scoring 500 or better on the test subsections (44.2 percent for verbal and 58.5 percent for math) is also at its highest level, he said.

About 80 percent of Bethlehem's high school graduates continue their education, McAndrews said.

Superintendent Leslie Loomis said McAndrews has done "an outstanding job in the area of instructional leadership." He said he was pleased with the "excellent" CAR results.

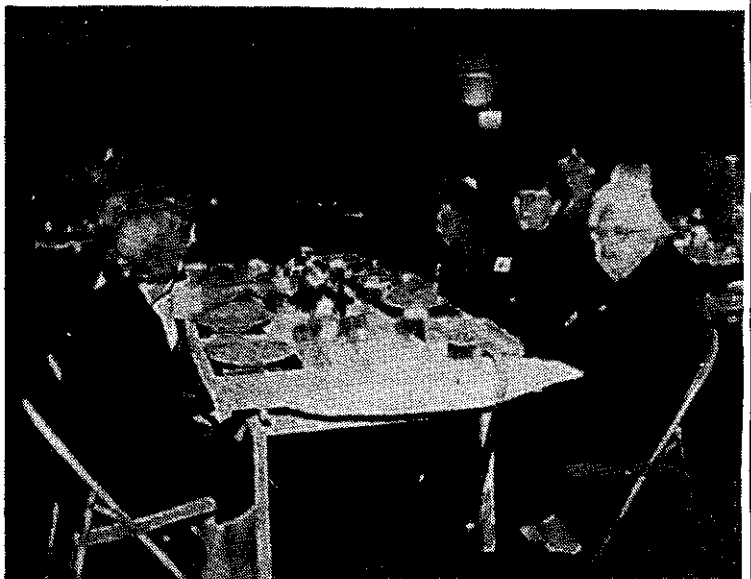
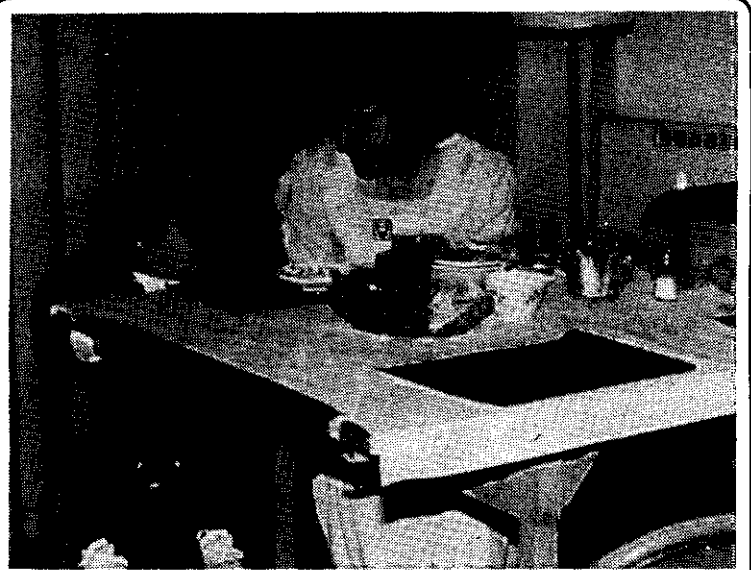
Academy names student officers

The names of the sixth form students earning commissions in The Albany Academy student battalion were announced at the school's first chapel, by Headmaster Carmen M. Marnell. Officers for the 1990-91 year are:

Heath Rosenblat, captain of operations; Chad Sprinkle, lieutenant adjutant; Mark Houston, captain; Hollis Brooks, sergeant; Michael Endres, sergeant; and Jeremy Barlow, sergeant. All are from the Delmar area.

Team wins title

Ethan Eldridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Eldridge of Delmar, was a member of The Gunnery School's varsity football team which captured its first New England Prep Class C Championship recently by defeating The Moses Brown School from Providence, 38 to 12.



Fellowship Hall at the Methodist Church was filled with tables of cheerful diners on Christmas Day. Above, a young guest gets some assistance.

Christmas meal full of good cheer

By Debi Boucher

Bethlehem's Community Christmas Dinner just about doubled its attendance this year, as 76 guests gathered at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar for fellowship, cheer, and a delicious meal on Dec. 25, and another 21 people had meals delivered.

Organizer Vincent Gazzetta, who launched the tradition three years ago, said 45 to 50 dinners were prepared last year. "There was a big jump this year," he said. "We decided in September we would plan for 75, and as things started to grow, the committee would say, 'Well, why don't we make it 80,' and things just went from there."

About three dozen volunteers were on hand to prepare the food, all of which was donated. The group cooked up three turkeys, two hams, mashed potatoes, vegetables and rolls; for dessert there were 10 pies, fruit and coffee. Gazzetta said the leftovers were taken to the Rescue Mission in Albany.

The festivities began at 1:30 that day, when guests began arriving for punch. Dinner was served promptly at two, Gazzetta said, and the party broke up at about 4 p.m.

Joyce Becker, of Bethlehem Senior Services, helped organize the event and was pleased with its success, which she attributed largely to the volunteers who donated their time. "I want to officially thank all the volunteers for helping on Christmas Day," she said. In addition to the kitchen and dining room helpers, there were volunteer drivers to deliver the meals to those who couldn't attend; of the 21 deliveries, two were in outlying rural areas. The senior van was also on the road to pick up nine guests who needed transportation to the church.

In addition to Gazzetta and Becker, organizers included Mary Boutelle of Bethlehem Community Church; Chris Histed of Unionville Reformed Church; Noreen Cooke and Barbara Goodrich of Bethlehem Lutheran Church; Michael and Susan Otis of Glenmont, who coordinated the cooking; Norm Edelfelt, Ted Koch and Edward McEwan of the Methodist Church.

"It was truly a community effort," said Becker. "It really reflected the true spirit of Christmas."

Gazzetta said special thanks went to Kay and John Leonard, drivers of the senior van; Irwin Esmond and Herb Steel, who delivered meals; Hazel and Robert Gill; Linda Dunkerly and her 4-H group; Maynard "Red" and Marijane Goyer; Judith and Joseph Lamprecht; Donald McHarg; William Whan; Town Supervisor Ken Ringler; Wayne Johnson of Johnson Stationers and Roemer & Featherstonhaugh.

Babysitter needed

Cheryl Clary, who writes the News from Selkirk and South Bethlehem column for *The Spotlight*, is in St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Her husband, Brian, is looking for a high school student to babysit their two children, age 5 and 8, from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m. on school days. The Clarys live in Selkirk. For information, call 767-2373.

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Fun in the snow

Photos by Elaine McLain



Kirk Lamitie and Mike Massina dive into the first good snow of the season.



Mark Gilmore, Matt Wagoner and Billy Conway are ready to fly down snowy hills.



Graham Jones takes a spill at Elm Ave.'s "Devil's Peak."



Kevin Gilmore makes a jump at the Elm Avenue Park.



Mike Huff takes sons Daniel, 3, and Matt, 6, for a ride.

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Bethlehem police arrest four on DWI charges

Bethlehem police arrested four drivers for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated last week.

Dane Porter, 31, of Walter Street, Albany was arrested for DWI on Sunday, Dec. 23, after officers responded to a call to investigate a suspicious vehicle on VanWie Point Road, police said. He is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Jan. 8.

David Allen Williamson, 30, of Central Avenue, Albany was arrested for DWI on Sunday, Dec. 23, after he was stopped for traffic violations on Delaware Avenue,

police said. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Jan. 8.

Andrew Hickey, 23, of Centereach, N.Y. was arrested for DWI on Saturday, Dec. 22, after he was stopped for traffic violations on Feura Bush Road, police said. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Jan. 8.

Nowelle Goodrich, 39, of Shady Grove, Selkirk was arrested for DWI after she was involved in an accident on Beaver Dam Road, police said. She is scheduled to appear in town court on Jan. 22.

Accident yields DWI arrest

Albany County Sheriff's deputies arrested a New Hampshire man for driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana in New Scotland on Friday, Dec. 21 after receiving a phone call reporting a one-car accident.

Kevin Cullinane, 28, of Candia apparently ran his car into a ditch off Route 155 and then abandoned the vehicle. When deputies arrived on the scene, the car was empty but after checking the area, Culli-

nane was located and found to be the driver of the vehicle, according to a Sheriff's Department report.

He was charged with DWI and possession of marijuana, a misdemeanor. He was arraigned by New Scotland Town Justice Kenneth Connolly and sent to Albany County Jail on \$5,000 bail. He is due in New Scotland Town Court on Jan. 3.

Program to spin off Oz St. Rose offers aid to new students

"We're off to see the Wizard" will be presented by Sister Joan Mahoney of campus ministry at Russell Sage on Thursday, Jan. 10. She will discuss the power of "The Wizard of Oz" as a modern myth and will help participants discuss facets of themselves through the characters of Dorothy, the scarecrow, the tin man, and the lion. This free discussion will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the John Paine Student Center, Sage Troy campus.

For more information, call 270-2248.

College of Saint Rose representatives will be available to assist newly registered graduate and undergraduate continuing education students with scheduling, fi-

ancial aid and other campus services on Jan. 10 from 4 to 7 p.m. Several offices will also extend their hours. For more information, call 454-5136.

Smoking cessation program offered

Woman's HealthCare Plus, an affiliate of Bellevue Hospital located at 2093 Western Ave. in Guilderland, will offer a free smoking cessation program entitled "Fresh Start" from 7 to 8 p.m. on Jan. 7 and 8. In cooperation with

the American Cancer Society, this program offers strategies for conquering smoking, methods for handling weight control, and stress management for women and their families. For more information call, 452-3455.

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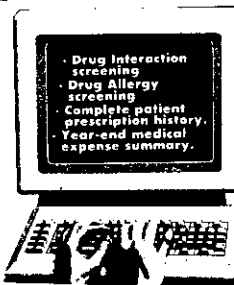
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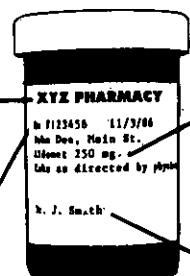
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Looking back — and ahead

The first days of January are eminently apt for review and outlook, named as this month is for the Roman god who is the patron of beginnings and endings. And here in the middle-sized town of Bethlehem we believe that as he looks in both directions at once Janus should see much that pleases in 1990's retrospect and that reassures in 1991's prospect.

Questions and issues abound — some would call them problems. The year just past was a watershed in many respects. A supervisor new to government took over and immediately was presented with a plateful of items all calling for prompt attention.

In response, Supervisor Ken Ringler has acted forthrightly and with a judicious mix of decisiveness and forbearance. Illustrative is the decision to bite the bullet and, in keeping with a mandate foreshadowed by court verdicts, to order a re-evaluation of all real property in the town. In effect, Bethlehem is doing "what had to be done" — but that's an oversimplification. To undertake the process was certain to upset almost everyone, distress many, and anger more than a few. By now the process is effectively underway to update the tax base in the interest of equity. Data collection is going ahead, and the impartial appraisal of the survey's findings is next so that property owners can be informed of their respective share, anticipating the tax rolls as of the spring of next year. Questions relating to policy application of the so-called "reval" remain; specifically to preclude or minimize damage to owners of farms and other open land, which could become prime targets for would-be developers. We commend this important aspect to the best wisdom of town officials.

The finance crunch

Of at least equal import and impact has been the developing crisis in finance and taxation. In common with every other governmental unit, at all levels, our town is treading a scarily swaying tightrope all but blindfolded. The perilous walk demands the constant review that it has been receiving from Supervisor Ringler and the prudent belt-tightening steps that have been imposed. More of these unfortunately are sure to be obligated as funding sources dry up in the national downturn and the state's cutbacks.

Despite the rising tide of inflationary costs (the same tide that supposedly "lifts everyone's boats"), the appropriation for town purposes was held to a rather nominal 4.7 percent — and then spending prohibitions mandated by the Supervisor virtually negate the items that would have consumed the increased revenue. Here's an instance of holding the line that many other governmental bodies would be well advised to follow closely.

Solid wasting away

All of us are well aware of an action item that's been on the top of the town government's agenda all year long. It's most vividly exemplified by inauguration of the recycling program, one in which appeals for cooperation have been mingled with mandatory stipulations of residents' participation.

But disposing of solid waste is far broader than saving tin cans and newspapers. The question of the "landfills," once known as dumps, is hanging fire, as is — more literally — the issue of "to burn or not to burn," and how. The Supervisor appropriately has kept the town's options open, and the new year is sure to see us closing in on answers (no pun here) long before 1992 arrives.

The year just ended witnessed movement in other directions that were ultimately put on "hold," along with registering some gains. The

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creation of the "floating zone" housing district will enable Bethlehem to proceed toward providing affordable dwellings for senior citizens at one or more sites to be decided upon later. The rejection of the proposed site last year need not be a damper on effectively implementing a senior housing program. Some raise a question as to whether such housing is needed; we subscribe to the proposition that "If you don't have any, you don't have enough."

Senior highs

Meanwhile, other positive prospects for our senior citizens have been attained: the geriatric campus, Beverwyck; the Good Samaritan home; the augmented volunteer programs in town; the addition of a "senior van" — all these are encouraging.

The proposed community center was voted down in November; the timing of the idea undoubtedly was unfortunate in view of the unsettled questions about assessments following the re-evaluation process. Downscaling of the project, and its resubmission considerably later appear to be advisable. In the meantime, development of youth programs and other features should be encouraged at available sites.

Some longstanding sore spots were doctored effectively: traffic is moving better around the famed "Four Corners" because of the town's perseverance with the Department of Transportation's engineers to establish a turning lane and improve the traffic signals. . . The new "park and ride" lot on Elm Avenue in which the town collaborated with CDTA is an overdue development. . . Pocket parks in South Bethlehem and in North Bethlehem, where work has been underway, go hand-in-hand with the fostering of community spirit through the first "Community Bethlehem Day" last spring, and neatening up with some handsome planting and signage.

It's not broke — so fix it

But all of that record represents a closed chapter. Turning the page for accounts yet to become known is a challenging exercise in itself.

• Bethlehem is in urgent need of additional taxable properties. The proposed CIBRO project near the Port of Albany; the projected shopping center on 9-W, are examples of where new revenue sources may emerge — as might be the American Ref-Fuel incinerator if it were to gain approval.

• The solid waste problem is not going to disappear, any more than the refuse itself will. But by virtue of having retained a variety of tenable options, Bethlehem's government is in a flexible posture on such alternative possibilities as Ref-Fuel, ANSWERS, going it alone, or working in concert with other smaller communities. Co-composting, landfill locations, incinerator size — all these, too, are elements bearing on the ultimate right decisions.

We'll take a flyer and forecast that at least by the end of this year everyone will be able to discern a sense of direction and that choices made among the options will have been amply justified.

• We anticipate that quite early in 1991 activity toward advancing the senior housing cause. By spring, in fact, it may be possible for an application to HUD to be submitted, seeking 50 units.

• The collision between State and local needs will have to be resolved as best as possible. An example is to be found in the State mandates on landfills which leave the finances almost wholly up to the community. Without the State's assistance in carrying out its sweeping program, community after community will be increasingly resistant to the marching orders.

The "impact fees" that have been found illegal when tested in court are, in fact, a workable solution to finding funds for maintenance and improvement of highways and other portions of the infrastructure. Enabling laws to make this possible should be worked out with the Legislature.

• Residential development, currently at an ebb, can be expected to revive when the overall economy brightens, and pressures would heighten for conversion of remaining available tracts. Meanwhile, the recommendation that developers restrict their sights to no more than 25 parcels at a time is proving to have been timely and wise.

Indications are that suburban residential growth, so popular recently along the Northway, is tending to return to our area. Most residents here will feel two motivations: to protect the lifestyle they've chosen while recognizing that it's unrealistic to shut down the town's borders to incursions by "furriners." Judicious compromises will be required, over the coming years, by the town's officials — with the moderating support of today's householders.

• Needless to say, perhaps, is the fact that the re-evaluation process will be continuing behind the scenes, with the result due to be revealed within little more than a year.

Hold that line!

• Fundamental to all other operations is the ability of the town's managers to keep expenditures and commitments under tight control, as it appears they are fully prepared to do

It is critical that residents of the town (where incomes are typically moderate) be able to afford to continue living here in healthful circumstances. Even if Bethlehem's operating costs are tightly controlled, they are not decisive for taxpayers because of the other taxing entities which impact on the bill: school districts, fire, water, and other special districts, and Albany County. Determination to keep governmental charges at a minimum in such times as these must be felt in the budgeting and assessing by each unit. We can be gratified that our town is showing the way effectively.

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Uncle Dudley

'What do you mean—indicted?'

Quite some time ago, I had a certain responsibility that resulted in the account which now follows:

I received a telephone call which obligated me to go to a colleague (whom I didn't know at all well at the time), and inform him that he had just been indicted. The charge, as I now recall it, involved perjury or some activity that was perceived as a violation of another federal statute. On the details, I am hazy.

The indictment had been handed down in Albany, New York, and we were a few hundred miles away in another state. My colleague had been on the staff of Union College in Schenectady, and it was while he was there that the alleged activity or event had occurred.

All this was just at the outset of the energetic exposes of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, who was still considered credible by many people, and the nation had become very tense and sensitive to allegations of involvement with left-wing "fronts" or perhaps out-and-out communist-controlled groups. It was in some such connection that my colleague, a mild-mannered chemist, had gotten himself enmeshed to a degree that provoked a grand jury's annoyance.

Anyway, there I was confronting the chemist. As diplomatically as possible, I broke the bad news.

"You've been indicted," I announced. (How's that for diplomacy?)

"Indicted?" he murmured in reply. "Indicted—what does that mean?"

There's a little sequel to this incident, that I'll get around to before writing "30" to the column.

The professor and his puzzled question came to mind within recent weeks during the newspaper and TV news stir about the indictment of the Speaker of the New York Assembly, Mel Miller,

and the long-standing indictments hanging over the head of Fred Ohrenstein, the minority (Democratic) leader of the State Senate.

Legally, they're in the same position as the chemist was so long ago. They've been formally accused by grand juries of purportedly illegal acts, and unless other considerations intervene to quash the indictments, in due course they will be required to put in an appearance in court and answer appropriately. The further steps

I broke the news bluntly, but I'd only confused him

could reasonably be expected to involve to a plea that could avert a trial, or else a trial before judge and jury, with the consequence in the balance.

But—as I noted, any of various motions can abort the proceeding before that point. And the outcome may well be acquittal. You and I would rather not be in the shoes of Mr. Miller and Mr. Ohrenstein, having to defend ourselves—but we, like they, should expect to enjoy the presumption of "innocence until (unless) proven guilty."

Why go into all this quite elementary review of one of the safeguards in our judicial system?

My reason is the "string-'em-up" attitude foisted on the public by writers—editorialists, columnists, cartoonists—in the local daily paper (and to a degree in the nightly newscasts).

It's obvious that either (a) they are unacquainted with the workings of the system, including the meaning of "being indicted"; or (b) they are informed, but choose to play upon emotions unfairly. "Politicians" are in bad odor generally, what with taxes, budget overruns, and all the other misdeeds and miscues that have accu-

mulated against the credible reputation of the breed over many years.

So here are a couple of relatively prominent politicians who have run afoul of ambitious prosecutorial staffs (that's intended as a compliment to the DA's, honestly). For self-righteous columnists and editorial writers the indicted gentlemen are sitting ducks. Sneer, ridicule, insinuate to your hearts' content; the game is on the run and won't strike back. Adopt the pretense that an indictment is as good as a jury's "guilty" verdict. I for one am revolted by the cheap-shot artists—who surely must know better.

Or can it conceivably be that, like the chemist, they don't understand the significance of "indictment" and its very specific, and limited, position in the totality of legal processes.

Nor do they comprehend, I gather, that no grand jury is better than the prosecutor and what he elects to put before the panel.

I find the performance sad indeed.

Back to the Case of the Confused Chemist: A perplexing aspect that has stuck with me over the years was his recounting of his initial experience when he went to Albany to obtain legal representation for his defense. He was unable, over a period of several days, he said, to find a single lawyer in Albany or Schenectady who was interested in defending an accused "commie sympathizer" in that Year I of McCarthyism.

Eventually (as I recall it) he was assigned counsel. Perhaps you're curious about what ultimately happened to him. On that I can't say; by then I'd left the jurisdiction and I lost track of the case completely.

As Casey Stengel would say, you could look it up.

Here's the book's own definition of doublespeak: "The language of irresponsibility, carefully constructed to appear to communicate. . . . The four most frequent kinds are euphemism, jargon, gobbledygook, and inflated language."

A study found these words among the most popular in TV ads: New, improved, better, extra, fresh, clean, beautiful, free, good, great, light.

—"Doublespeak."

You'll find several sections efficiently organized to convey the perils of being imprisoned in a world that features saying what you don't mean (or believe). Mr. Lutz uses cloying examples from business, advertising, education, medicine, the military, and all kinds of government.

As you might expect, Ronald Reagan wins the most citations, but my personal favorites are sayings quoted from the public words of Oliver North and John Poindex-

ter. In a chapter headed, "With these words I can sell you anything," I like this paragraph about "words that appear to be making a claim when in fact they are making no claim at all"—weasel words.

"Weasel words," Mr. Lutz writes, "get their name from the way weasels eat the eggs they find in the nests of other animals. A weasel will make a small hole in the egg, suck out the insides, then place the egg back in the nest. Only when the egg is examined closely is it found to be hollow." That's the way it is with weasel words—examine them closely and you'll find that they're as hollow as any egg sucked by a weasel. "Weasel words appear to say one thing when in fact they say the opposite, or nothing at all."

It would be impossible to effectively in this space cover the field that the book penetrates so tellingly. Find the book and be illumined. And you can subscribe, for \$8 a year, to the "Quarterly Review of Doublespeak." It's published by the National Council of Teachers of English (1111 Kenyon Road, Urbana, Illinois, 61801).

The night that Grandma came to babysit

This Point of View is by the assistant publisher of The Spotlight Newspapers.

By Mary A. Ahlstrom

I spent a week recently at West Hartford with my daughter and son-in-law.

They had come home from the hospital with their first child, a daughter named Samantha. It was an exciting week and the four of us had some special moments. Susan and I hadn't been together, quietly, in a long time. On several occasions, while Susan practiced her "discreet nursing," we talked about the old days. Conversation got around to my mother and the day she died, and I began to tell this story.

We were living in Larchmont at the time and my husband was working in New York City in the newspaper business, of course. He left very early in the morning and returned home very late at night. On his way to bed, our oldest son, Bill, who was 5 or 6, would say, "Goodbye, Dad, I'll hear you tonight and see you tomorrow."

One weekend, my husband and I had arranged to go on a trip to Niagara Falls. It was on business, but since I had never been to the Falls we were going to make it a business and pleasure trip. My Mom came up on the train from her job in New York to babysit. She arrived long before my husband got home from work. We had a wonderful afternoon together. We were good friends.

I was looking forward to getting away, the five kids were so excited because Grandma was going to be "boss," and my Mom was pleased to be with all of us because she loved us; I mean she really loved us. We could do no wrong. Mom and I and the kids ate an early dinner and while we did so we watched out the kitchen window at our neighbor, Mr. Goldberg, digging holes in his garden and dropping a little fish into each hole. Imagine the squeals of laughter at that table. We were sure Mr. Goldberg was planting a fish tree. It was the best time.



To say that I was disappointed by the delay in our departure would be putting it mildly.

Along about seven thirty, my husband came home. He was dog tired and suggested that we wait until morning to start our long drive to western New York. Well, what do you think my reaction was? Disappointed was putting it mildly. In her unique, unobtrusive way, Mom suggested, "The poor man is tired, give the guy a break." I didn't like it but I managed to pull myself together.

Before long we were relating the story of the neighbor and the fish tree and again we were roaring with laughter.

About 9 p.m. Mom said, "Well, if you're not going to travel tonight I think I'll go to bed." And she did.

About 3 a.m., my mother woke me and asked if I had put something other than aspirin in the aspirin bottle that she found in our medicine cabinet. I said "No, I wouldn't do such a thing." She said she had a terrible pain in her head. I said "Go back to bed, Mom" and she did. My husband was at my side. Somehow realizing the urgency of the situation, he called the police for emergency help.

In the same instant I asked him to call Father Raich, our parish priest. He and the ambulance arrived simultaneously. Mom was stretched out on the pull-out couch where she slept when she visited. I threw myself over her, calling "Momma, Momma" like a child would. She looked up and said to the priest, "Get her out of here." Those were her last words. She died in the hospital about four hours later. My dad was able to get to the hospital to be with her just before she passed away.

This wasn't a very pleasant memory to relate to Susan and Christopher at such a happy time in their lives. But, as I looked at the two of them listening attentively—Susan holding her own new baby and looking up at me as I finished my story—at that moment I felt she knew the meaning of *mother*.

Life seems to be filled with "ifs" and "what-ifs."

If my Mom didn't love to babysit for us she wouldn't have been with us that night.

If my Dad didn't have to work he would have been with her on her babysitting assignment.

If Mr. Goldberg wasn't planting fish, we wouldn't have laughed so hard.

If my Mom didn't think the world of my husband she wouldn't have encouraged me to relax and stay home that night and take off in the morning when he was rested.

If we didn't react to the seriousness of her emergency, we would not have had the help of the EMS and the comfort of the parish priest.

If my husband and I had left that night, our children—whose ages were from 2 to 8—would have been alone with their grandmother on the night she died.

Constant Reader

Saying what you don't mean

Chances are you're not familiar with the name of William Lutz, but he's fighting a lonely battle on behalf of all of us. The Nobel people ought to recognize him. Who is he? He's a professor of English at Rutgers, but the most important thing about him is that he is the editor of the "Quarterly Review of Doublespeak."

And he has authored (an ugly word, isn't it) a book titled "Doublespeak." It was published in 1989 by Harper, and last year (that's 1990, folks) it was republished in softcover by a company that styles itself as HarperPerennial, as though the space bar doesn't work. It's \$8.95, and a bargain. I am in possession of a copy through the thoughtfulness of a friend, who realized (as he bought a copy for himself) that here's a book made for me. I hereby salute my friend, and also, as you may have gathered, the author. (Incidentally, you may be bemused to learn that the copyright on the book is in the name of Blonde Bear, Inc. Judging from the photo on the back cover, I gather that this may be Mr. Lutz himself. No doublespeak about that, for sure.)

Clowning around in Voorheesville



Astro the clown and helper Chris Tracy cook up some magic during a Thursday, Dec. 29, performance at the Voorheesville Public Library. *Elaine McLain*



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Tipping

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Wright, a member of the town's solid waste task force, said the town needs to save some of the money from tipping fees for the establishment of a new construction and demolition debris landfill after Rupert Road closes in November 1991. Wright said he didn't feel people would mind the increase as long as some of the money is applied toward the development of a new site.

"The one thing I would say to them is please take some of this money and put it toward another facility," he said later.

But Town Supervisor Ken Ringler said the new rates have been calculated to meet as closely as possible the costs of running the facility and would not generate surplus funds. According to a report prepared by Town Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor, the construction and demolition debris landfill costs \$334,500 annually when closure and other overhead costs are considered. In arriving at the \$60 figure, he estimated the town would take in roughly 110 tons of the material a week over the next year.

Additionally, Ringler said the town would be applying to the state Department of Environmental Conservation of its permit to operate the facility. "Our sense of it is that it would be approved from what we've discussed with DEC," he said.

Pointing out that the new charge would result in a 200 to 300 percent increase in revenue for the town operation, Wright asked "What are my customers going to say when they're hit with a 300 percent increase?" on the landfill component of the cost for renting a construction debris roll-off container. But Ringler termed the \$60 per ton figure "very equitable," citing a \$130 tonnage rate soon to be implemented in Colonie and a present \$100 Guelderland rate that is expected to increase shortly.

Wright said the increase would translate into a roughly 50 percent increase in roll-off container prices for his company, and criticized that "magnitude" of the change. "If I wanted to raise my rates 300 percent, what would the people of Delmar say?" he asked.

The new rate for residential trash and garbage — \$5 for up to six bags, \$1 each after that — was a compromise between proposals by Secor and Councilman Robert Burns. While Secor initially suggested a flat \$5 fee because it would be easier to administer, Burns proposed an initial \$2 per vehicle charge with a \$1 charge for each bag. Burns said he was concerned that the flat rate would "eliminate any incentive to reduce the trash."

Approximately 275 residents use the transfer station on a weekly basis, according to Secor.

The board said it would review the new fees sometime next year and would make adjustments if necessary.

Conti

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has been in the Navy reserves 24 years, he said.

Friends and relatives hosted a reception in Conti's honor last weekend at the legion hall to wish him well since he's been called to active service, said Conti, an IBM employee. He said he's not sure how long his tour of duty could last, but it could be six months or more. IBM guaranteed that his job will be waiting for him when he returns, he said.

Conti, who is the vice commander of the Bethlehem Memorial Post 3185 Veterans of Foreign Wars, said he didn't think he would need "to make use" of Operation Mustard Seed, a fund-raiser he hosted in November at the legion

for the members of the U.S. Armed Services. "I never dreamed I'd be needing their services," he said.

Cindy said she thinks she'll be all right when her husband leaves in less than two weeks for training and paperwork in New Jersey, but that once he's gone a month, it will affect her. "Thank God, we have a lot of friends associated with the legion," she said. "They're giving me their support. I'm involved with the VFW, and now I'll be more involved. It's a way to keep hands on."

Cindy said the first thing she thought of when her husband received the news that he'd been called to duty was "the worst."

Right now the Conti family is waiting for the phone to ring or a letter to arrive telling Conti it's time to leave, Cindy said. "The holidays were rough," she said. "It's wearing a little" on the family.

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Views On Dental Health

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TEETHING

When your baby was born, he most likely smiled a gummy, all pink smile. But under those gums was a mouthful of developing primary teeth (20 to be exact) ready to erupt through the gums.

Teething usually begins somewhere between the sixth and eighth month starting with the two lower central teeth followed by the two upper central ones. These are sometimes called "milk teeth". Your baby will be teething on and off for the next two years by which time all twenty of his primary teeth should be showing.

A baby may be irritable when teething. His gums are sore and swollen because the tooth is trying to push its way through. He may drool a lot because it hurts when he closes his jaws. And he will probably want to chew on hard things. Give him a teething ring, a hard biscuit, or one of those plastic affairs that you freeze so that it's

hard and cold to baby's gums. The action of biting is good, too, for his jaw development. Teething is natural. It does not cause any illness. If baby is extra uncomfortable, your dentist or physician can prescribe a medicine that numbs the gums.

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Vly Creek Farm reflects earlier time

By Allison Bennett

Keith and Rose Mabie have created a modern and pleasant home at Vly Creek Farm in Voorheesville, but have still retained as much as possible the ambiance of an earlier time in this old house that dates back certainly to the beginning of the nineteenth century.

Situated between the Vly Creek and the Voorheesville-Altamont Road, the property was bought by James Reid in 1819, according to records, but it is not known if the little slope-roofed house was on the land at that time or if Reid built the structure. James Reid was elected to serve as the first supervisor of the Town of New Scotland when it separated from the Town of Bethlehem in 1832.

Reid was actively involved in securing a school for the area and many meetings to that end were held at the house as early as 1824. In fact, the old school in Voorheesville was located just across the creek from the Reid house, and the elementary school, in a much newer and larger building, is still located on the same site today. On the Pease map of 1851 the house is listed as Reid's Tavern, owned by Jacob A. Reid, who was a son of James. There were 80 acres of land that belonged with the house in 1850; that today has shrunk to 13 and a half acres. An early deed shows that the property was subject to pay rents to the Van Rensselaers, as were many other farm properties in this area during those early days. These rent payments were not resolved until

the anti-rent wars brought the issue to a head in the mid 1800s.

In 1868 the Reids used the structure as a general store and post office. A marker near the highway states that this building was the first post office for the area. It is said that Frank Van Auken was the mailman at that time and when he brought in the mailbag he would dump its contents on the store counter. Anyone who came in had to sort through the pile of mail to find his own.

For many years the house was the home of Allan and Belle Hurst, and Keith Mabie purchased it from them. He and his wife take pleasure in working on the property and the view from their cozy kitchen, looking out onto the gardens and banks of the creek, shows the results of their hard work. The old ceiling beams have a collection of antique kitchen utensils mounted thereon and the original wainscoting adds an authentic old-time touch. A wood stove augments the regular heating system in colder weather. Outside of the kitchen window can be seen the original hand pump that was used to get water from the hand-dug well before the advent of village water mains.

In the living room, there are also ceiling beams, and antique oak pieces and a large built-in bookcase furnish the room. The sloping roof of the building is carried out onto the front porch off



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the living room. A later addition to the house incorporates some other downstairs rooms. Going up the steep stairs from the living room, which is part of the original house, there are three bedrooms, all with their original wooden doors. When the Mabies were working on these rooms they found that old newspa-

pers had been used at one time to paper the walls. The dormers that now help to light the bedrooms were put in after the original house was constructed.

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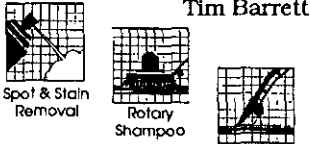
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Albany partners climb their way to the top

By Dev Tobin

Two Albany residents, Stephen Lewanick and Dennis O'Leary, are willing to move mountains to get plans for a new club off the ground. They have proposed a new indoor venue for an age-old sport — rock climbing — for the old Colonial Plumbing building at 146 Railroad Ave. in Colonie. The men formally presented plans for an indoor climbing facility, Albany International Rockworks, to the Colonie planning board last week. Lewanick said they hope to develop the club as a regional facility.

Lewanick and O'Leary said that they had tried to locate their climbing club in the former St. John's Roman Catholic Church in the South End of Albany, but that deal fell through when the price of the building unexpectedly rose by more than \$200,000.

And if the club doesn't end up at the Railroad Avenue site, the men said they still have several other locations in mind.

"Rock climbing has become so popular that it has gone inside," O'Leary said. "Indoors, we can cut down on a lot of the variables and make it a very safe sport, safer than football or basketball."

Lewanick described indoor climbing as "an exercise alternative for people from six to 60 — chess with your body."

Noting that liability is a "big concern," Lewanick said that because of safety procedures, including mandatory training and a system of belaying ropes, insurance rates for indoor climbing clubs are "not that bad."

"Everybody will have to be

certified before climbing or belaying," he added. "Climbers will wear a harness with a rope that protects them from falling no more than 18 inches."

The Railroad Avenue facility would feature "linear rather than vertical" climbing, Lewanick said, with a ceiling height in the current building of only about 22 feet. The partners already have a 22-foot wall ready to install in the building, and the club will also feature smaller four-by-eight-foot panels with different handholds, as well as using roof trusses for overhangs.

"We can change the level of difficulty by rearranging the handholds," Lewanick explained.

Lewanick and O'Leary took their three-sided, 22-foot wall studied with handholds to summer festivals at Hunter and Gore mountains last year.

"The response was tremendous," O'Leary recalled. "People were curious and eager to try it out."

Because they already have the large wall, and will design and construct the smaller walls themselves, Lewanick and O'Leary estimate that they can open at the Railroad Avenue location with an investment of only \$40,000, far less than a health club.

The club would offer a variety of short- and long-term memberships, with projected fees of \$190 for six months, \$115 for three months, \$65 for one month, and \$35 for one week. Walk-ins would also be allowed to climb for \$8 an hour on weekdays and \$10 an hour on weekends.



Steve Lewanick (right) negotiates the top of the simulated rock-climbing wall he and his partner, Dennis O'Leary, hope to install in their indoor climbing club. (Left)

O'Leary and Lewanick's wife, Mary Brennan, demonstrate different climbing techniques on the wall at the Hunter Mountain Summer Festival.

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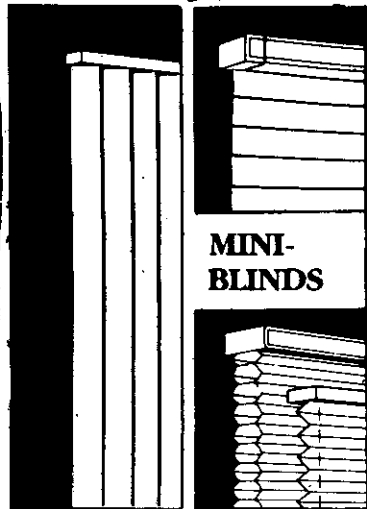
With a background in psychology, Lewanick said that he expected to provide a kind of Outward Bound program during the day for troubled youth, with members using the facility in the evening and on weekends.

Both Lewanick and O'Leary have extensive climbing experience. Lewanick is the only rock-climbing guide in the state certi-

fied by the American Mountain Guides Association, and has more than 10 years experience as a climber and guide. He is president of the New York Climbers Exchange and is also a state-licensed rock climbing guide.

O'Leary has been climbing for more than 20 years and is a state-licensed outdoor guide in Tiers 1 and 2 rock climbing.

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Judge Anthony Cardona speaks at a State Supreme Court swearing in ceremony on Friday, Dec. 28, at the Albany County

Court House. Cardona, the former county Family Court Judge, was elected to the new post in November. Elaine McLain

New motor vehicle laws in effect

The new year has brought with it several new laws of interest to motorists. State laws which take effect Jan. 1 require the use of headlights during bad weather, provide auto registration fee credits to surviving spouses, and increase certain vanity license plate fees from \$15 a year to \$25.

Drivers must turn their headlights on for better visibility whenever windshield wipers are on because of snow, sleet, rain, hail or other conditions.

Failure to comply with the new law could result in a fine of up to \$100.

A second new law allows a deceased car owner's surviving spouse to put the auto's registration in his or her name without paying a new registration fee if the vehicle is valued at less than \$10,000. The widow or widower pays only a \$7.75 re-registration fee, plus title and plate fees if applicable.

Another law increases the annual service charge for most types of special group and vanity license plates from \$15 to \$25. Exempt from the increase are volunteer fire fighter plates, which can still

be obtained for a one-time \$15 additional charge.

A \$15 annual fee will still apply to motorcycle vanity plates, state militia plates including those for the Army and Air National Guard, State Guard and Naval Militia, Purple Heart and Survivors of Pearl Harbor plates, and those for volunteer ambulance service members. Also unaffected by the increase are the \$5 annual charge for ham radio plates, and the exemption of Prisoner of War and Congressional Medal of Honor plates from annual service fees.

A law that takes effect Jan. 18 limits the amount of time a car theft alarm may sound to no more than five minutes. It imposes a fine of up to \$100 for selling or offering to sell a device that does not comply, and a fine of up to \$250 for a subsequent violation. Alarms manufactured on or after Jan. 18 for sale must meet the five-minute shut off standard.

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Fire Fighters Corner

Isabel Glastetter

The following departments responded to emergency calls during the week of Dec. 13 through Dec. 19: Delmar Fire Department, two structure fires; Delmar Rescue Squad, two personal injuries, one cardiac emergency, eight standbys, seven medical emergencies, five auto accidents; Elsmere Fire Department, four auto accidents, three structure fires; Bethlehem Ambulance, four auto accidents, two respiratory distresses, two personal injuries, one cardiac emergency, two standbys, six medical emergencies; Selkirk Fire Department, one grass fire, one structure fire, two rescue calls, two washdowns; General Electric, two standbys, one auto accident; Onesquethaw Fire Department, two structure fires; Onesquethaw Ambulance, two standbys; Voorheesville Ambulance, one auto accident, one cardiac emer-

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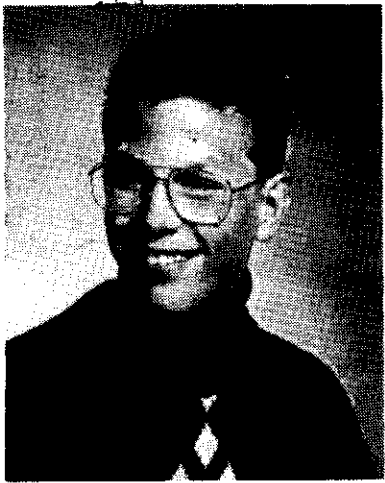
By Susan Wheeler

Kevin Taylor, a senior at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School, went 12 years without a mark on his school attendance record, until last month. He missed almost four consecutive days of classes to participate in the 1990 National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C., but he said he still might get an award for perfect attendance since the conference was education-related.

Taylor, the son of Alan C. and Linda R. Taylor of Scotch Pine Drive in Voorheesville, was selected to attend the conference, The Leaders of Today Meeting the Leaders of Tomorrow, for having demonstrated academic achievement, leadership and citizenship through his PSAT scores and involvement in the National Outstanding High-School Students of America. The Congressional Youth Leadership Council sponsored the six-day conference inviting over 350 high-school students, who represented 43 states.

Activities Taylor is involved in at school include the concert band, the stage band, National Honor Society and the key club. He is also class treasurer and has participated in the Colonial Council Math Contest for four years and the American High School Math Exam since sophomore year.

"All the other students were just like me," Taylor said. "I was sur-



Kevin Taylor

prised and glad. My roommate played three sports just like I do."

Taylor played soccer with this past season's Colonial Council winners. He said he's looking forward to returning to baseball in the spring. He had to take time off from playing basketball this season to concentrate on applying to colleges, he said. So far he's got an application in to his first-choice, Virginia Wesleyan College, in Norfolk, Va., he said.

He'd like to study criminal justice or political science, and go on to law school, Taylor said. While in Washington, he said he and his group toured the Department of Justice. "I found it quite interesting," he said. "It was linked to my studies."

Taylor said that much time

during the week was spent preparing for the the mock congress on National Service held the day before they left for home. He said eight of the 16 groups of students were given the National Service Act of 1991 earlier in the week. The purpose was to prepare an amendment to it.

According to Taylor, the brief on the National Service Act the students received, one as "realistic" as possible, said that all high-school graduates will be required to do one year of paid national service. The money would be put away for college expenses, or into a retirement fund if the individual had already attended college. He said the goal of the act is to phase out financial aid for college students.

Taylor said his group of 23 voted him and fellow group-member Kary Taylor to present the amendment to the mock congress. He said he was "nervous" until he realized what he was doing. "It was kind of an honor" to be chosen, he said. "I had to work on what I was going to say."

The 10 to 15 minute presentation on the amendment, stating that financial aid not be phased out for fear of discouraging college students or potential college students, went well, Taylor said. He said the amendment was passed by a three-fourths plus vote.

"I learned how tough it is to

pass legislation," he said. "I learned what goes into making an amendment and adapting it to the bill."

Taylor said he also learned about the politics of blackmail. He said some students approached him saying they would vote for his amendment if he voted for theirs. He said he didn't like this idea because "people would lie" about voting for his amendment.

While the students weren't working on the National Service Act, they met with politicians and attended guest lectures. Taylor met with a member from Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan's office and one from Rep. Michael R. McNulty's office. A panel discussion with journalists, including Helen Thomas, the senior reporter in the White House press corps, and Fred Barnes, a reporter for The New Republic, interested Taylor, he said. The topics discussed included the crisis in the Persian Gulf and the possibility of a draft.

"Four of the five journalists thought there would not be a draft because it might discourage kids from going to college," Taylor said. "I'm not looking forward to a draft."

Days were full of activities, he said, so there wasn't much free time for relaxing. Breakfast was before 7 a.m. and the students didn't return to their rooms at the 4H Center in Chevy Chase, Md., until near 10 p.m. "We didn't have much time," he said.

Free time was spent in the game room or tossing a football around outside. One night they took a tour of the illuminated city. "The guides knew the facts about each building," he said. "I liked the tour. I was able to take pictures."

Baum gets award

Mitchell P. Baum is one of 40 students to receive the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges award at Messiah College.

Baum, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barrie R. Baum, is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. He is majoring in psychology.

CBA expands program

Christian Brothers Academy will conduct sixth grade classes at the junior high school beginning next September.

The change will be to accommodate numerous parental requests that the CBA program begin in grade six, to match the programs in many of the suburban public school districts. With the addition of the sixth grade, students will have only one transition to make from public elementary school to CBA.

Zonta Club hosts Earhart program

The Zonta Club of Albany will have as its January guest speaker Carl Kopeke, executive director, Empire State Aerosciences Museum, Scotia. Kopeke's topic will be Amelia Earhart, a former member of Zonta International, and he will be joined at the meeting by members of the Zonta Club of Schenectady, who have been instrumental in assisting with a designated area in the Museum in Memory of Amelia Earhart.

The program begins at 7:30 p.m., following a 5:30 cocktail hour and 6:30 dinner at the Italian American Community Center on Wednesday, Jan. 9.

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Another class, "Recreational Swimming" will be held at the high school beginning on Wednesday, Jan. 9 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. The fee is \$10.

Registration will be on the first night of the respective classes.

Car wash helps out

Voorheesville Car Wash owners have agreed to donate 25 cents for each car wash this month to the Creative Playground. For information, call Karen Bingham at 765-3071.

Soviet trip planned

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Voorheesville News Notes

Susan Casler 765-2144



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Participants must have a visa and a current passport. For information, contact Robert Streifer at 765-3314.

Library resumes schedule

The library will reopen at 10 a.m. today (Wednesday, Jan. 2), and story hours will resume on Monday, Jan. 7.

Garden club hosts speaker

The Helderview Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on Route 85 in New Salem. Dee Herbrandson, author of "Shaker Herbs: Their Medicinal Uses" will be the speaker. For information, contact Mary Beth Portanova at 765-4544.

Labor department seeks grant applicants

The state Department of Labor is seeking applicants for safety and health training and education grants for programs to be conducted during the state's 1991-92 fiscal year, which begins April 1.

The final date for receipt of applications is Jan. 7.

Organizations and employees who want more information or would like to be placed on the mailing list for application packages should contact: State Occupational Safety and Health, Hazard Abatement Board, One Main Street, Room 811, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201.

Hospital offers weight loss classes

The St. Peter's Hospital Wellness Center will offer three weight management courses, Optifast, Shapedown, and "Fit, Trim and Healthy" at its offices, located at 102 Hackett Blvd., Albany. The physician-supervised 26-week Optifast program, beginning late

in January, is designed to help severely overweight individuals lose weight and maintain their desired goal. A free orientation session for the Optifast course will be held on Jan. 7 at 6 p.m. For more information, call 449-2212.

Library hosts speaker

The Capital District Civil War Round Table will meet Friday, Jan. 11, at 7 p.m., at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. John McKenzie will present a program entitled, "Lincoln and the 'Civil War State': The Birth of West Virginia." The public is invited.

College holds information session

The College of Saint Rose will hold an information session on Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. in the campus center faculty lounge, 420 Western Ave., Albany. Counselors, current students and college representatives will be on hand to discuss the adult program, evening degree and non-credit programs. For information, call 454-5143.

Parent class offered

A class entitled "Our Baby Is Born: Now What Do We Do?" will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 10 at Woman's HealthCare Plus, an affiliate of Bellevue Hospital, located at 2093 Western Ave. in Guilderland.

Judy Bowden, a registered nurse and ASPO/Lamaze certified childbirth educator will teach the class. The fee is \$15 per family. Pre-registration is required. Call 452-3455 for more information.

Music program offered

The College of St. Rose "Music for All Ages" program will begin its spring session on Monday, Jan. 7. Registration for the 12-week courses must take place by Jan. 3. For information, call Sister Patricia St. John, director, at 454-5193.

Women's support group to meet

The Capital District Menopause Support Group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 7 at Woman's HealthCare Plus, an affiliate of Bellevue Hospital, located at 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland. The group is free, and there is no need for registration. For more information, call 452-3455.

Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

The long winter months usually bring some indoor times coupled with a little boredom. One way to alleviate boredom is to write a letter to stop junk mail.

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SPAC offers 1991 season specials

Season lawn passes, featuring a new option, and gift certificates are now available for the 1991 season at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center.

A season lawn pass, good for lawn admission to all performances of the New York City Opera, New York City Ballet (excluding Gala), and The Philadelphia Orchestra, now has a new feature for inclement weather. If the weather is poor the evening of the classical program, the lawn pass ticket can be presented at the SPAC Box Office for a \$5 credit towards the price of an amphitheatre ticket.

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Student wins scholarship

Art student Kirsten Beth Hassenfeld, 18, of Delmar, recently won a \$2,000 scholarship from the Frances Hook Scholarship Fund. Hassenfeld, a freshman at Rhode Island School of Design, was one

of 12 young artists who shared \$15,000 in scholarships. The contest was open to the top high school and college winners from the fund's competition this past spring.

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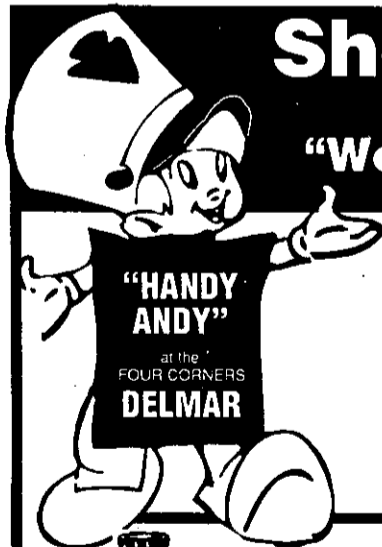
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Roads

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Hotaling noted: weekend weather means overtime expenses, as do midnight snowfalls. Regular hours for the town's 12-man crew are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, and any work that falls outside of that time frame requires overtime compensation. So while last winter may not have seemed terribly harsh, it exacted its toll in week-end storms, as well as ice.

"Ice storms can be very costly," said Hotaling, and on top of that, "it's dangerous for us to be out there." Some of the town's 78 miles of roads creep into mountainous areas, which are especially treacherous in bad weather.

Regardless, the crews are "on call all the time," said Hotaling, who generally rises at 2 a.m. on a night when snow is predicted to begin checking conditions. The goal is to get the roads clear in time for morning commuter traffic, but New Scotland is under less pressure than other localities, since its roads are not that heavily traveled.

While January and February are generally the two worst months, Hotaling said, "sometimes March can be pretty nasty."

William Hotaling, supervisor of public works for the Village of Voorheesville, noted the Almanac calls for "the worst, longest, coldest winter, but so far it hasn't panned out that way." But he pointed out that it's not the severity of the weather that determines how much road maintenance will cost. Work that has to be done before 7 a.m. or after 3:30 p.m. — regular hours for Hotaling's staff of four — is overtime, "and that's

what runs the budget up."

A particularly stormy winter could run up the budget in increased salt and sand tonnage, Hotaling said, explaining that he uses mostly sand, as does New Scotland. Hotaling, in fact, is somewhat opposed to the use of salt. "People get a little spoiled," he said. "If I had my way, I'd just use sand, and people would have to learn to drive on it." Besides being more expensive than sand, salt corrodes roadways, kills vegetation and is "tough on cars," Hotaling said. "Salt's bad for everything." Sand, on the other hand, remains on roadways, necessitating spring cleanup. Hotaling generally compromises with a mix of six parts sand to one part salt, depending on conditions.

This year's budget, according to Village Clerk Phyllis Robillard, is \$10,000 for salt, sand and miscellaneous items, \$7,000 for equipment and \$6,000 for overtime expenses.

While the village includes both county and state roads, Hotaling doesn't pick over boundaries. "When we plow, we plow everything," he said. "When we leave the garage, we sand everything we go over." He added that he and his crew work well with county and state crews. "There's kind of a bond — we're all working for the same thing."

Edward Dannehy, regional highway maintenance engineer for the state Department of Transportation, feels confident that despite budget cutbacks, state roads will be taken care of. "We've always put salt on the road if it's needed, and I haven't heard that it will be any different," he said. "We're doing everything we can to stretch our salt budget and our overtime budget as far as it will go."

Cutbacks, he said, are reflected in reduced service during hours when the roads are not heavily traveled. The department is also trying to save money by only manning trucks with one person, instead of two, during relatively light snows. The passenger, he explained, operates the side plow, which may not always be necessary.

Training sessions, Dannehy added, are emphasizing timely use of salt, which, applied to roadsearly enough in a storm, can cut back on plowing by preventing snow from sticking. State roads get sand only when it's too cold for salt to be effective. "Below 15 degrees it doesn't melt a lot of ice," he said.

About 550 state workers are available for plowing and salting, Dannehy said, with the shifts staggered from 5 a.m. until about 9 p.m. Many of the 820 lane miles of state road in Albany County are cleared by county workers, Dannehy said, since the county sub-contracts for the state.

The state's snow clearing budget includes \$2.1 million in materials alone, Dannehy said, adding that fuel for the trucks comes out of a separate equipment management budget. The fuel may prove to be a budget-buster, he acknowledged: "When they budgeted for it it was costing 60 cents a gallon — that's what the state pays for it. Now, it's over a dollar."

One way to avoid the uncertainty engendered by this year's budget crisis, Dannehy said, would be to provide DOT with "a dedicated funding source" for road maintenance, "so we don't have to go through these gyrations of wondering where the money is going to come from." He added that there had been some propos-

als for such a fund by legislators, although nothing is pending at present.

For now, however, "What we're being told is, 'this is the money you're going to have and you're going to have to operate with these funds,'" he said. "It's just my feeling that no one else is going to let the state roads go uncleared."

Photographers meet

The Schenectady Photographic Society meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the First Methodist Church at the corner of Lafayette and State streets in Schenectady. Members, guests and the public are welcome. For information, call 463-1674.

Woman files complaint

By Susan Wheeler

Selkirk resident Connie Miller said she has filed a complaint with the Bethlehem Police against a Selkirk Fire Department volunteer firefighter. She said the firefighter had made harassing phone calls to her and left a "vulgar, obscene" message on her answering machine from Firehouse No. 1 on Dec. 13.

Miller, a member of Citizens Against Rising Expenditures, filed the complaint on the evening of Dec. 27, she said. The phone calls began when she vocally opposed the proposed service awards program for the Selkirk volunteer firefighters, she said. 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.

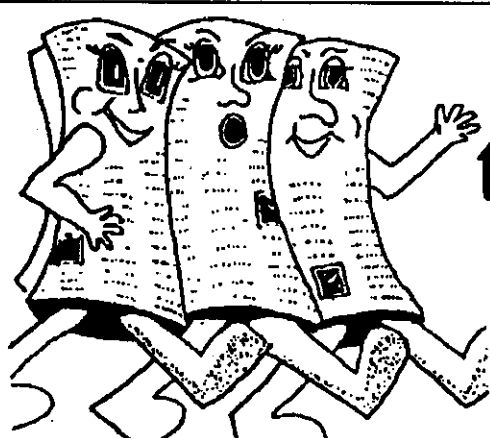
The complaint was filed in response to the eight calls in one hour she said she received on Dec. 13, Miller said. She said the "obscene" message left on her answering machine that night was made from the firehouse because she heard radio transmission sounds in the background, and because her husband found the individual's car parked outside of the firehouse.

At a Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners meeting on Dec. 17, Miller read and presented a letter to the board stating that she would file the complaint against the firefighter if the five demands she outlined were not met within one week. She said she was generous with the district since the complaint was filed three days after one week had elapsed. She said she had not received a letter or a phone call from a commissioner or anyone in the fire department acknowledging the deadline she set or the seriousness of the situation.

"No one has had the decency yet to call me," she said. "I received a letter from the board of fire commissioners on Friday (Dec. 28). I was not satisfied or impressed with it."

Charles Fritts, chairman to the Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners, said the board sent the letter to Miller and had no further comment since it is now a possible litigation issue.

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THE Spotlight Sports

Eagles upset Rensselaer, take 2nd in Helderberg tourney

By Michael Kagan

For the Bethlehem Central Eagle basketball team, a whole season went into one week.

Like they have all year, the Eagles played like one of the area's best one day, defeating the defending Class C state champion Rensselaer Rams 58-54 in the preliminary game of the annual Helderberg Christmas Tournament in Guilderland. But they played like one of the more mediocre teams the next, losing 74-56 to Guilderland in the finals, a team BC beat two weeks earlier.

Against Rensselaer, which had won 33 consecutive Section II games, its last loss coming in 1988, Bethlehem made it clear early that it was not going to be just another pushover for the Rams. The score was tied at the end of the first quarter, and by half time, the Eagles were leading 30-26.

But after the break, the Rams came out firing, scoring the first 10 points of the second half to take the lead by six. At the end of the

third, the lead had been cut, but only to five, 44-39.

Quickly in the final period, the Eagles tied it at 44 on two baskets by Matt Quatraro, one a three-pointer. Neither team could hold the lead until Bethlehem went up to stay at 51-50. Point guard Bill Karins added two more to the lead before Rensselaer got two back. But then Chris Black, the Eagles' premier player off the bench, scored another two points with just over half a minute left to preserve the upset.

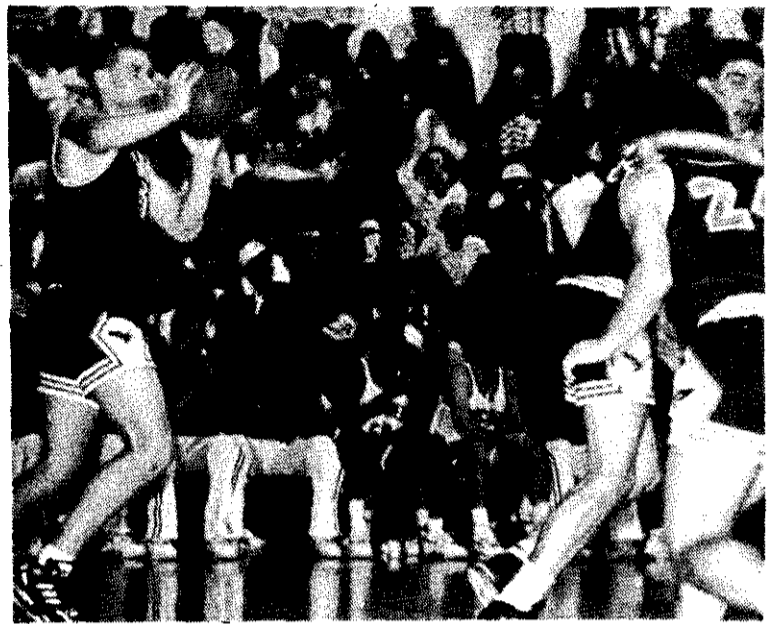
Guard and co-captain Scott Fish led the team with 19 points, including two three pointers. Quatraro followed with 17 with three three-pointers, and Mike Aylward had 10. Black, who coach Jack Moser said "played excellent off the bench" scored 8, and Karins had 4. Starting center and co-captain Eric McCaughin missed the game with a sprained ankle.

The next day against the defending Suburban Council Gold Division champion Guilderland

Dutchmen, it was a totally different story. Guilderland opened the game by taking a 9-2 lead, and then went on an 11-2 run later in the first quarter. Leading 21-15 going into the second quarter, the Dutchmen didn't let up one bit, going on an 11-0 run early and taking a 41-25 half time lead.

McCaughin came back from his injury to lead the Eagles in scoring with 14, while Quatraro followed with 11.

Quatraro and Fish were named to the all-tournament team, while Moser accepted the second place trophy on behalf of the team.



Bethlehem's Matt Dugan looks to pass against Guilderland. *Matt Shortell*

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Blackbirds top Bethlehem, Averill Park

By Kevin Taylor

The Voorheesville Blackbird wrestling team continued their outstanding season by adding victories over Bethlehem and Averill Park to their list of victims. The Blackbirds disposed of both Bethlehem (39-32) and Averill Park (42-27) at a recent three-way meeting at Bethlehem.

The double win marked the first time the Blackbirds had beaten these two teams in succession. Not only had they not beaten either team in the last five years, but it was also only the second time that the Birds had ever beaten Bethlehem.

Against Averill Park, the Birds were forced to come back from a 27-24 deficit, and won the last three matches to pull out the win. The Blackbirds had jumped out to an 18-0 lead with Darren Ascone getting a forfeit at 98, freshman Lucas Weston a pin at 105, and Eric Dommermuth a pin at 112.

After Greg Reeth was pinned at 119 and John Cook at 126, the Blackbirds looked to senior Josh Vink to pick up the slack. Vink moved up to 132, where he lost a hard-fought 11-7 decision. Christian Clark then answered the bell for the Birds as he recorded a pin

Wrestling

in twenty-two seconds, padding the Bird lead to 24-15.

Mike Gaudio (145) and Donald Wright (155) both suffered pins to put the Blackbirds behind. Coach Dick Leach moved Tim Reeth to 167 where he gained a pin in just over one minute to reclaim the lead for the Birds. At 177, Chris Dommermuth put the match away for Voorheesville by falling his opponent in less than two and a half minutes. Chad Hotaling accepted a forfeit at 215 for the Birds' final points. Leach said he was pleased with the job Wright did because it allowed Reeth to move up and gain a victory.

The Blackbirds worked hard during the Bethlehem match. The Birds had many heroes in their win over the Eagles. They jumped out to a 6-0 lead as Ascone continued to display awesome power in getting a pin in 59 seconds. After Weston lost by default, Eric Dommermuth won a 12-4 decision that was a near fall for him several times. Ascone and Dommermuth, "Arm & Hammer," are a combined 19-0, with Dommermuth having one more win, but Ascone having one more pin.

At 119 was one of the Blackbird's heroes of the match, Greg Reeth. Reeth, who has had to wrestle several tough opponents, was trailing 5-2 late in the third period when he got a quick reversal and a near fall to earn a tie. Cook turned in a stellar performance at 126, where he found himself behind 11-5, when he got a reversal and a nifty pin to build the Blackbird lead.

The Birds forfeited at 132, due to the injury Vink received in his match against Averill Park. A third hero might have been senior Clark, who polished off his day with a 6-5 nail-biter at 138. At 145, Gaudio found some tough luck as he was trailing only 3-1 when he was felled with 10 seconds remaining in the match. Tim Reeth recorded his second win of the day by default while leading 7-3. Chris Dommer-

muth then got a pin with 13 ticks left on the clock in the third period at 167, before Harms was pinned at 177 to cut the lead to 33-26.

The Eagles needed to win the next two matches in order to have a chance, but Chad Hotaling put an end to that dream, with a pin in under four minutes. Dave Bartholomew was pinned in nearly five minutes to close out the match.

These two wins moved the Blackbird record to an impressive 6-1. "They're wrestling real well," said Leach. "I hope that they can keep it up coming off the long holiday break."

In the new year, the Birds will be participating in the Ravena Tournament on Friday, Jan. 4 and Saturday, Jan. 5. Their next home match is against currently unbeaten Cobleskill.

Stations accepting student applications

Public broadcasting stations WMHT/WMHX are accepting entries now from local middle and high school students interested in competing in the national video storyboard competition entitled "I Can Change the World." The contest, sponsored by WMHT/WMHX, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and the Public Television Outreach Alli-

ance in conjunction with the All Together Now 1991 PBS national outreach campaign, offers students the opportunity to create a 30 to 60-second public service announcement on the theme "How I'd Like to Change the World."

Entry submission deadline is Feb. 15. Students can request entry forms from their school principals, or by calling 345-1700.

Church maintains temporary home

Mt. Moriah Assembly of God church will hold Sunday Services at 2 p.m. at Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 9W, Albany, until its new building on Rt. 9W in Glenmont is completed. Children's church and nursery care are provided during the regular church service time. The public is welcome.

Firm wins grant

InAir Limited, a Delmar research and development company, has been awarded a federal Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant by the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute.

Along with several other Capital District firms, InAir was recognized recently at an awards luncheon held at the Airport Sheraton, by the State Science and Technology Foundation for having received the phase I grant.

The grant was for research connected with the firm's development of new technology in medical equipment.

Kaplan scores 31 in easy Eagle win

By Jason Wilkie

The Bethlehem girls varsity basketball team dribbled and shot its way to an easy 67 to 34 victory over Niskayuna last week. The Lady Eagles' record is now 4-0 for the league and 4-2 total.

BC's 6'5" center, Anita Kaplan, single-handedly added 31 points to the score, while senior Kelly Ryan put five balls in the hoop for the team. Kassie Jeram made three baskets during the game, as did junior Lynn Doody. Tory McKenna scored four points, while Jessica Williams sank two baskets and scored one foul point.

Earlier last week, BC came from behind to conquer the previously undefeated Saratoga Blue Streaks, 56-54. Saratoga grabbed an early 20-6 lead, but BC played ball as a team to compensate for the early deficit.

Andrea Cornell saved the game when she came up with a loose ball that otherwise would have tied the game in the last five seconds of play. Doody and Jeram held up to Saratoga's backcourt and made up for the team's lack of speed with a great one-on-one defense.

Kaplan contributed 29 points to BC's total, Doody scored 16 and Lisa Domermuth gave Bethlehem eight points. Ryan, in her only basket, was the Lady Eagle to take the team from behind to score the winning points.

SVC holds open house

On Tuesday, Jan. 8, from 5 to 8 p.m., the public is invited to come to Southern Vermont College, Main Building, First Floor Gallery, to learn about spring course offerings and evening and weekend degree programs. For information, call 802-442-5427, ext. 220.

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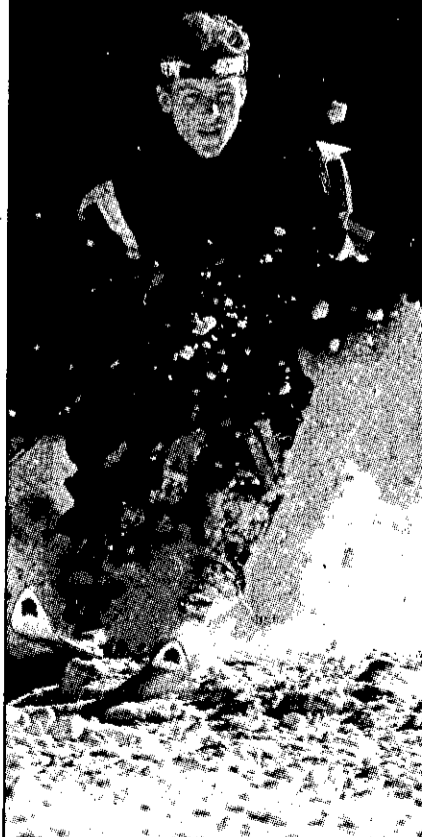
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Maura McKone and Dr. Joseph Rodgers

McKone, Rodgers wed

Maura McKone, daughter of Francis L. and Patricia McKone of Voorheesville, and Dr. Joseph Rodgers, son of Mrs. Joseph Rodgers of Wheaton, Md. and the late Joseph L. Rodgers, were married Sept. 29.

The Rev. Joseph M. O'Keefe conducted the ceremony at the Holy Redeemer Church in Chatham, Mass.

Elizabeth A. McKone was maid of honor. Kathleen McKone and Kathryn Ayan were bridesmaids.

George H. Rodgers was best

man D. Brent Gunsalus and Jeffrey Kirtz were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Boston College and the University of Virginia. She is employed by Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Mass.

The groom is a graduate of Columbia University and the University of Virginia Medical School. He is a physician.

After a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple reside in Staunton, Va.

Aerobics classes launched

An eight-week series of low impact aerobics will begin on Jan. 7 in the Bellewood Room at Woman's HealthCare Plus, at 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland. The aerobics sessions meet from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday and Wednes-

day; 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. All classes cost \$45 for three times a week. For more information, call 452-3455.

Series offered for toddlers, parents

The popular Toddler Time series of five programs for children ages two through five will have sessions from 10 to 10:45 a.m. and 11 to 11:45 a.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 6 at Woman's HealthCare Plus, an affiliate of Bellevue Hospital located at 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland.

The instructor, Pam Smiler, is a certified preschool and elementary teacher who delights both children and parents with her creative storytelling, arts and crafts, and motion activities. The cost of the series, including materials, is \$25 per child, and \$15 for each additional child in the same family. To register, call 452-3455.

Spotlight on the Service

Newly promoted Air Force Capt. Susan D. Kobierski has been named company grade officer of the quarter. She is a staff nurse at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. Kobierski is the daughter of Donald S. and Marjorie W. Bunk of Ridgefield Drive, Voorheesville.

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Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Corinne Ellen, to Shelley and David Le Vine, Delmar, Sept. 28.

Girl, Amanda Leigh, to Debra S. Ross and Robert C. McCoy, Selkirk, Dec. 11.

BOU holds meeting

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited will hold an open meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library. All are welcome. For information, call Holly Billings at 439-6885.

New DWI curb set up

The New York State Police have unveiled a new weapon in the battle against drunk driving, cellular telephones. Beginning this week, drivers who have cellular telephones can use a special telephone number — "DWI" (or "394") — to report suspected drunk drivers directly to the State Police. The program, called "STAR DWI," was developed in conjunction with the state's cellular telephone service providers, including NYNEX Mobil Communications Company. The call is free.

Support group to meet

The Adult Support Group of the Epilepsy Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Streets, Albany. For more information, call 456-7501.

Zone

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developers to build large multi-unit housing projects for senior citizens in areas not previously zoned for high-density housing, provided they can convince town board members the property is appropriate for such a facility.

The law generated criticism from many North Street-area residents, who charged it was designed specifically to accommodate a proposal for property in the neighborhood. The facility, a 50-unit, two-story complex, would have been built on a five-acre parcel adjacent to Whitney's residence and directly across from Winn's residence, according to the case petition.

Ultimately, it failed to win needed federal Department of Housing and Urban Development monies during this year's funding cycle, though developers have said they intend to reapply.

The suit attacks the law on five fronts. First, it argues the law should be struck down because it was drafted outside the auspices of the town's Land Use Management Advisory Committee (LUMAC), which is currently drawing a new town master plan. In addition, it alleges the law's sunset provision — a clause stipulating that an approved parcel will revert back to previous zoning if developers have not started work two years after a zone change is

granted — represents an internal contradiction. "If they say that this is the only place in town where senior zoning... is acceptable, then to turn around and say but in two years it's going to disappear, we say that's not rational planning," said Beyer.

Third, it argues the law should be struck down because the zone has only one permitted use — senior housing — instead of the broad categories associated with conventional districts. "If that's the case, well then there ought to be gas station zoning, Duncan Donuts zoning, etc.," said Beyer.

Finally, it claims the floating-type basis for the zone constitutes "spot zoning" and that provisions allowing for increased density contradict town law.

Spot zoning is the singling out of a particular property for special treatment within a particular zone. In December M. Sheila Galvin, the town board member who voted against the law, said she did so because she felt it represented spot zoning and because she felt the town should wait for LUMAC to finish the master plan before moving ahead with any significant zoning law changes.

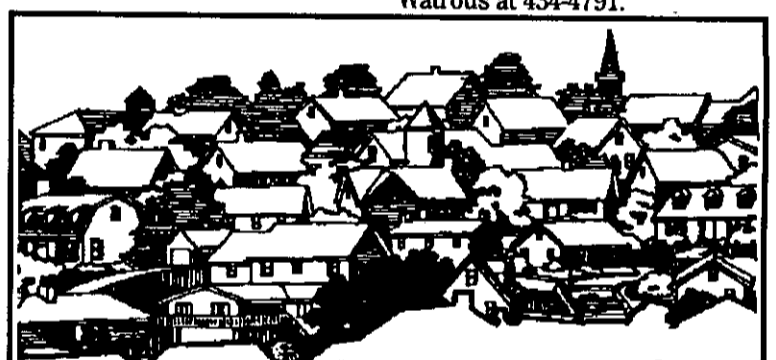
The case has been scheduled for a special term of the Supreme Court in the Albany County Court House, Feb. 15, at 9:30 a.m.

Ringler declined comment on the suit. Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz was out of town last week and unavailable for comment.

Cherry Hill seeking volunteer teachers

Historic Cherry Hill, an Albany house museum, is seeking volunteers to teach award winning curriculum-related programs to school children about five generations of family living. Volunteer museum teachers work six hours

monthly and conduct programs on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays during the school year. Individuals with teaching related experience is preferred. Training classes begin at the end of January. If interested, contact Rebecca Watrous at 434-4791.



Community Corner

Cornell seeks gardening enthusiasts

Help your community learn about horticulture. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County, located in Voorheesville, is looking for community volunteers to assist with gardening lectures, workshops and many other projects to aid the community.

Training for the Master Gardener Program will begin in early February. The only criteria is daytime availability and enthusiasm for gardening. Recruits are required to donate at least 50 hours of service during their first year in the program.

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Obituaries

Joan Glastetter

Joan C. Glastetter, 58, of Glenmont, died Sunday, Dec. 23, in Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Mrs. Glastetter was an active member of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post American Legion Auxiliary. She served on many committees and held various offices including president.

Mrs. Glastetter is survived by her husband, Robert J. Glastetter; three sons Donald R. Glastetter of Glenmont, Daniel R. Glastetter of Selkirk, and David R. Glastetter of Coxsack; two sisters Margaret Jones of Castleton, and Lois Smith of Glenmont; a brother Walter Smith of Westerlow; and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home, Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Better Breathers Club, c/o the American Lung Association, Mountain View Ave., Albany 12205.

Sanford Cohen

Sanford Cohen, of Oak Court, Voorheesville, died Monday, Dec. 24, at his residence.

Born in Troy, Mr. Cohen spent most of his life in Albany and was a graduate of Albany High School and the Crane School of Music in Potsdam, St. Lawrence County.

Mr. Cohen taught music in the Capital District for 30 years before illness forced his retirement nine years ago. After his retirement, he was a substitute teacher at the Guilderland Central schools.

An avid sports fan and musician, Mr. Cohen sang in the SUNY-Albany Choral group and the St. Peter Episcopal Church Choir. He also was lead tenor for the Trinity Methodist Church Choir.

He is survived by his wife, June Mackay Cohen; a son, Jamie Cohen of Rochester; and a daughter, Beth Cohen of Knox.

Services were held in the Trinity United Methodist Church on Lark and Lancaster St., in Albany.

S. Towner Dollard

S. Towner A. Dollard, 89, of Woodwind Drive, Voorheesville, died Monday, Dec. 24, in the Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital, in Albany.

Born in Albany, Mr. Dollard was a lifelong Capital District resident. He was a construction superintendent for the former state Department of Public Works for many years, retiring many years ago.

He was a Navy veteran of World War I. Survivors include his wife, Vera Ruhl Dollard; two daughters, Patricia Mohan and Shirley Lawson, both of Voorheesville; three sons, S.T. Dollard Jr. of Albany, Charles Dollard of California and John Dollard of Voorheesville; 28 grandchildren, and 42 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Maginn and Keegan Funeral Home, in Albany. Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Dorothy M. Labaj

Dorothy M. Labaj, 82, of Delmar, died Wednesday, Dec. 19 at home.

Born in Cleveland Mrs. Labaj was an avid bridge player and noted for her needlepoint. She was also active in volunteer work at hospitals.

In her younger years, Mrs. Labaj was employed by Ohio Bell and in the real estate business. In 1967 Mrs. Labaj and her family moved to Delmar.

She is survived by her husband John Labaj, two daughters, Lenore Heaphey of Delmar, and Beverly Cheselka of Parma, Ohio; two brothers, Donald and Charles Rueger, both of Clearwater, Fla., and three grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Applebee Funeral Home, in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Salvation Army or the Oley Foundation at the Albany Medical Center.

Doris Wood

Doris Sexton Wood, 81 of Delaware Ave., Delmar, died Friday, Dec. 21 in Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Gloversville, she was a graduate of the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing.

She retired from the Albany Medical Center Hospital in 1973, where she worked as a nurse for many years.

Mrs. Wood had lived in Delmar since 1953 and was a member of the New Scotland Senior Citizens Center.

She was the widow of Robert B. Wood.

Arrangements were by Tebbutt Funeral Home in Albany. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery in Ticonderoga.

Wealtha Fraser

Wealtha Belschwender Fraser, 81, formerly of Wellington Road in Delmar, died Thursday, Dec. 27, in Albany Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Gloversville and an area resident for most of her life, Mrs. Fraser was the secretary/treasurer of the former Carl A. Fraser

Inc., Albany, for more than 18 years, retiring in 1968.

Mrs. Fraser was the honorary treasurer of the Holy Spirit Lutheran Cemetery Association in Albany.

The widow of Carl Fraser, she is survived by two daughters, Helen Jenkins of Raleigh, N.C., and Nancy McEwan of Delmar; and six grandchildren.

Services were from the Philip J. Frederick Funeral Home in Albany, with burial in Holy Spirit Lutheran Cemetery in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Surgeon to speak

Plastic and reconstructive surgeon, Dr. Steve Goodman, will present a free community education program entitled, "Enhancing Your Personal Image" from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 10 at Woman's HealthCare Plus an affiliate of Bellevue Hospital, located at 2093 Western Ave. in Guilderland.

Seating can only be guaranteed to pre-registered participants. Call 452-3455 for information.

Support group to meet

Share, a support group for parents who have experienced the death of a newborn, miscarriage, stillbirth, or ectopic pregnancy, will meet on Thursday, Jan. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the large board room of St. Peter's Hospital. This will be an open meeting, providing parents with the opportunity to verbalize their feelings in an accepting, supportive atmosphere. For more information, call 454-1602.

Symphony in need of contributors

Established in 1931, the Albany Symphony Orchestra is now one of the oldest performing organizations in the country.

While its reputation continues to thrive, the orchestra needs more than subscription and single ticket revenue, which only covers one third of the organization's annual expenses.

As this is the final year of the National Endowment of the Arts Challenge Grant, any new or increased dollar gift made over the last year will be matched one to three by the NEA. The orchestra needs to raise \$95,000 this year to meet the NEA requirement.

For information on contributing, call 465-4755.

Embroiderers meet

The New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild will hold its next meeting on Jan. 16, at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, Kenwood Avenue, Delmar. Guests are welcome to attend the meetings for a \$1 fee. A bag lunch is suggested. For information, call 393-7347.

Artists invited to submit work

The Lake George Arts Project Gallery Committee is seeking artists to exhibit work at the Courthouse Gallery during 1992. The gallery focuses on work by professional artists and craftspeople. Preference is given to regional artists and new work.

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For more information, call 668-2616.

THE YOUTH NETWORK

What happens when you drink

The following is taken from an article in the Dec. 18, 1990 issue of *Family Circle* magazine.

Here's how a glass of wine circulates through your system:

1. Alcohol moves down the throat and esophagus, reaching the stomach only minutes after being swallowed. It stays there anywhere from 10 minutes to half an hour, depending on how much food is in there with it and how potent the alcohol is. About 10 percent of the alcohol filters out of the stomach into surrounding tissues.

2. The rest of the alcohol moves on to the small intestine, where it is absorbed by the network of tiny blood vessels in the intestinal

lining and enters and bloodstream; at this point, you begin to feel the alcohol's effects.

3. Within as few as five minutes, the alcohol is carried to the liver by circulating blood. Here it is broken down into water and carbon dioxide.

4. From the liver, the blood carries the alcohol to the heart in seconds, and within seconds the heart pumps this blood to the lungs.

5. From the lungs the blood returns to the heart, brain, and the rest of your system. Because only half an ounce of alcohol can be broken down by the liver each hour, the remaining alcohol continues to be circulated through your entire body.

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Skiing opens horizons for handicapped

By Susan Wheeler

Skiing is a sport for everyone, even the disabled. Two unique Alpine skiing programs for the disabled in the Capital District area cater to all disability levels, including the deaf and hearing impaired, developmentally disabled, blind and visually impaired and others.

Ski Windham in the Catskills began its disabled skiing program eight years ago as a pilot project in partnership with the Eastern Professional Ski Instructors Association, said Gwen Allard, program director. She said their program handles "all disabilities" including victims of autism, who are difficult to teach. Participants are as young as three-and-a-half years old.

Mary Ellen Snelson, director of Sports and Therapeutic Recreation Instruction/Developmental Evaluations, Inc. (STRIDE, Inc.), said she began her program as a research study to show the improvement in self-image for the disabled skiers. "The total academic program ties into skiing," she said.

Snelson is the adaptive physical education teacher at the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene County Board of Cooperative Educational Services. Students learn "academic, cognitive and balance" techniques through her program, which is funded by donations, grants, and special gifts.

Snelson said STRIDE, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation with an annual budget of about \$10,000, "came about as a need." People she knew through work asked her to work with their children, she said. "The program is for the children who fall through the cracks," she said, "those with mental and physical disabilities."

BOCES extended the program into the community, said Snelson, a certified instructor for handicapped skiers. Through Project STRIDE at BOCES, she and the volunteer instructors have worked with "over 100 kids representing all different disabilities," she said. She teaches primarily in the East Greenbush and Ichabod

Crane school districts.

Students learn in the classroom about weather, working with money, writing about experiences in a journal and skiing techniques, she said. If weather permits, they practice on a small hill near the school.

Students are equipped with skis to fit their disabilities, Snelson said. Six disciplines are recognized by the National Handicapped Sports and Recreation Association.

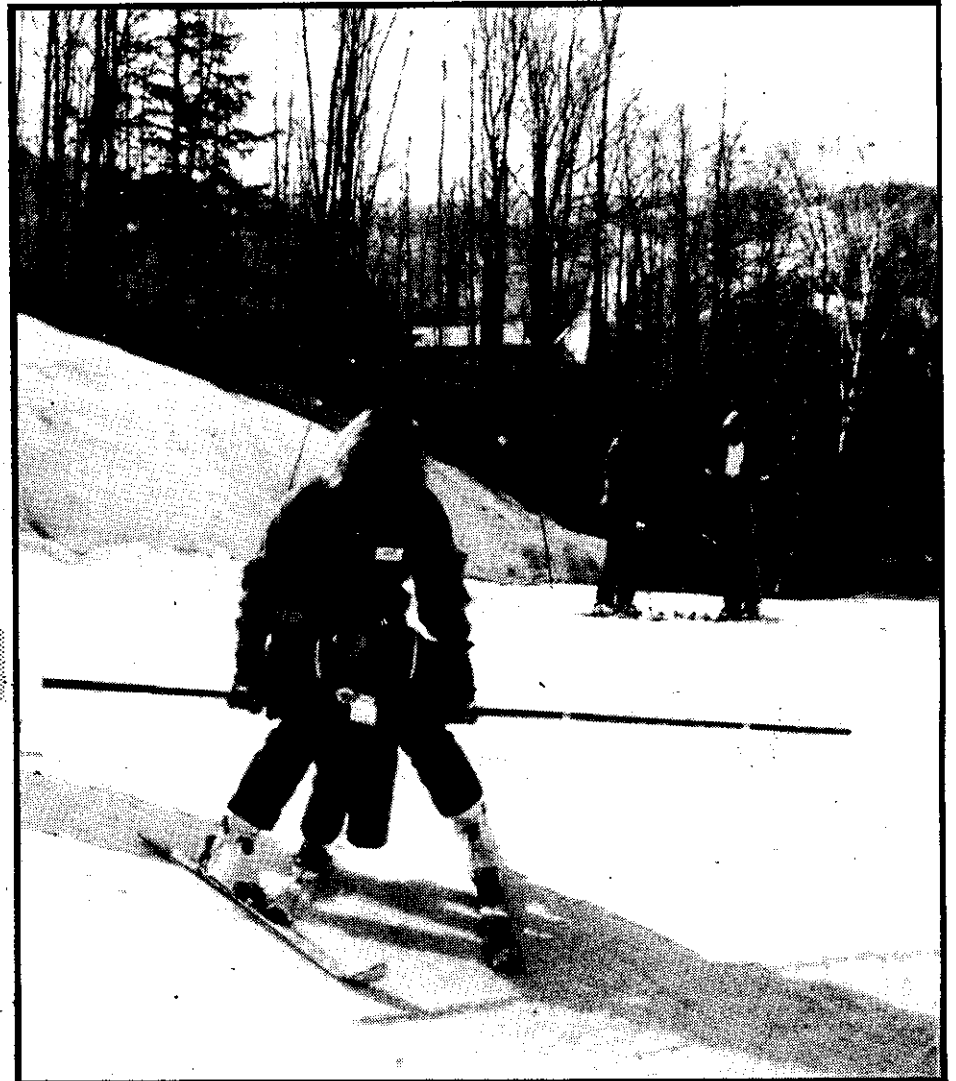
The sit ski, for quadriplegics and those without abdominal strength, trunk stability or upper arm strength, is a sled on the ground. Mono-skiing is a sitting device mounted on a ski with shock absorption. It is higher off the ground than the sit ski and the skier, usually a paraplegic with a strong upper body, uses small outriggers on the arms.

Outriggers are "a Canadian crutch assembly system with flip-skis on the end," according to Snelson. The flip-skis flip down for gliding on the snow, or up so that walking is possible.

Other disciplines include three-track skiing for amputees and orthopedically impaired, and four-track skiing for orthopedically impaired individuals, Snelson said. Last season she was a three-track skier after a receiving a knee injury that required an operation.

Blind skiing, in which students ski with a guide, and developmentally delayed skiing, which requires special instruction, are also recognized as disabled skiing disciplines.

Project Stride takes eight field trips annually to Ski Windham, Snelson said. She said that Windham utilizes her and the other volunteers to instruct the students. Snelson's certification is through the National Handicapped Sports and Recreation Association, which is recognized by the Professional Ski Instructors of America. Volunteers are trained in the American Teaching System, a skill development progression, to offer specialized instruction to the skiers. Depending on



"Don't let a handicap stop you" is the philosophy of Ski Windham's Disabled Ski Program where 4-year-old amputee Danny Cavallero receives lessons from one of the volunteer instructors.

the disability, the instructor to student ratio can be as high as two to one.

Kelly Swanson, a 16-year-old cerebral palsy paraplegic, has been skiing for almost four years. She skis under Snelson's direction, and receives part of her equipment through Project STRIDE, she said. "Skiing came natural, I think, she said. "I like it a lot. It's a good experience."

Swanson is joining Snelson and 11 other skiers on Jan. 3 and 4 for a field trip to Bromley Mountain in Vermont for the skiers to demonstrate their skills. Although she is a racer, the upcoming trip is just for "fun," she said. "Skiing has taught me to work harder," she said. "Because I race, I have more confidence in myself."

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Explorers Club full of family fun for all

By Debi Boucher

"User-friendly" is one way to describe the Albany Institute of History and Art's new family program, being launched this month with an open celebration.

The "Explorers Club" is a way for children and their families to enjoy all the museum has to offer — at their own convenience. Instead of attending scheduled activities on set dates, members will follow printed activity sheets involving puzzles, treasure hunts, walking tours, quizzes and other exercises related to specific objects in the 17 different galleries of the museum. It's located at 125 Washington Ave., in downtown Albany.

Children and their families can come to the Explorers Club "blast-off" party on Sunday, Jan. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m., to learn about membership and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment.

Folksinger and storyteller Chris Shaw will lead sing-alongs and share stories, and refreshments will be served. The first 100 children who arrive at the Explorers Club party will receive a free Explorers Club T-shirt and have a chance to win an autographed copy of Thomas Locker's book, "Snow Toward Evening."

"We're really excited about this," said Ted Lind, director of education at the institute. He said the new program is unique among area museums. "I haven't

seen anything like this before."

For a \$2 annual membership fee, participants will get a membership card, a folder with a set of activity sheets, an easy-to-follow map and instructions.

Each time they visit the museum, they can check in at the Explorer's Center, which will be located in the museum shop, to pick up a new activity sheet and a sticker to place on their folder. Completion of six "explorations" entitles the participant to an invitation to the annual Explorers Club party and a special prize.

"Kids love to belong to clubs," said Lind, explaining that while the members will all be children, involvement by parents "is encouraged all the way down the line."

As members, the children are responsible for keeping all the materials, which instills a sense of importance, and for directing the activities — being "in charge," as Lind put it. The amount of help

a child will need from an adult to carry on the activities will depend on the age of the child, Lind said. The program is geared for ages four to 10; those at the higher end of that age group will need very little assistance, Lind said.

In developing the program, funded by a grant from the state Council on the Arts, Lind worked with Clare Weber, former education programs coordinator for the institute; Maud Coyle, of the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass.; Marla Shoemaker, of the Philadelphia Museum of Art; and Judy David, of the Bank Street College of Education in New York City.

In the course of their work, the group did extensive studies of programs available at other museums, and, Lind said, found problems with most of them. "A lot of them are either confusing, or aimed too high, too slick — just not usable," he said.

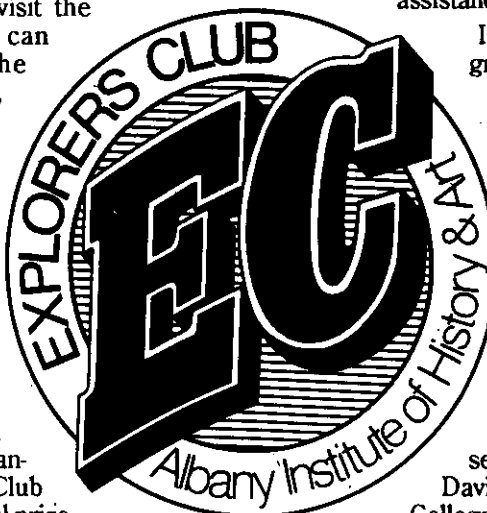
To avoid similar pitfalls, the institute spent a lot of time developing the program, Lind said. "We didn't want to do

something that wouldn't work." To that end, the museum tested many of the planned activities in the the family programs it periodically conducts.

The institute's family program has been growing in leaps and bounds since being launched three years ago, Lind said — a point of pride for the institute. "Families going to museums is not a new concept, but I guess families going to the Institute of History and Art is a new concept," he said. The new program's January start-up date is significant, he added, since it marks "the first month of our third century." The institute, founded in 1791, will celebrate its bicentennial in February.

The Explorers Club, Lind said, will encourage "multiple visits" to the museum to counteract the all-too-common belief that once you've been to a museum, you've seen it all. With 17 different galleries spread out among three floors, the institute has enough to keep visitors interested no matter how often they choose to come — if they only know where to look. The Explorers Club activities will help children — as well as adults — focus on a particular object long enough to really learn about it.

And in the process, they'll have fun: "This program is designed to communicate that it's fun to learn about history and art," Lind said.



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO
Performed by the New York City Opera National Company, Proctor's Schenectady, Jan. 12, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

WORLD WITHOUT END
Performer Holly Hughes in her solo piece, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Albany, Jan. 4-5, 8 p.m. Information, 473-1061.

THE LION IN WINTER
Comedy with passion, Albany Civic Theater, Jan. 4-20, Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 5 and 9 p.m.; Sun. 3 p.m. Information, 462-1297. First Night preview, 7 p.m.

STARLIGHT EXPRESS
Musical spectacular, Knickerbocker Arena, Jan. 4-6, Fri. 8 p.m.; Sat. 2 and 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 476-1000.

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY
Big business and high finance, Capital Rep., Albany, Now through 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.

MUSIC

MUSIC AT NOON
Empire State Youth Percussion Ensemble, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Jan. 8, noon. Information, 273-0038.

SHOW

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

FILM

BABAR, THE MOVIE
Jean de Brunhoff's classic tale, State Museum, Albany, Jan. 5-6, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

PSYCHO
Free, open to the public, Sage Troy Campus, Jan. 8, 7 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

AUDITIONS

THE SIGN IN SIDNEY BRUSTEIN'S WINDOW
Reading of Lorraine Hansberry's, Theater Voices, Albany, Jan. 12-13, Sat. 11 a.m., Sun. 6 p.m. Performance dates March 15-17. Information, 439-6404.

GETTING OUT

By Marsha Norman, Albany Civic Theater, Jan. 7-8, 7 p.m. Information, 462-1297.

WORKSHOPS

IMPROVISATIONAL WORKSHOP
Rob Kovich, choreographer, Meader Little Theater, Sage Troy campus, Jan. 10-11, 17-18, 1-4 p.m. Information, 270-2248.

CLASSES

ARTS AND FINE CRAFTS
For adults and children, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, Beginning Jan. 7, Information, 273-0552.

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.

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 Voulotisk, 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.

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.

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.

EZRA AMES AND CHARLES LORING ELLIOTT
19th Century paintings, Albany Institute of History & Art, Now through Jan. 20, Information, 463-4478.

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.



A handicapped skier is helped down the mountain by a volunteer instructor.

□ Skiing

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Tom Coons, a 17-year-old senior at Ichabod Crane High School and quadriplegic, said skiing has taught him that he can participate in a sport he thought he never could. After five years of sit-skiing, he said he's "still practicing." Instructors that ski down the hill with him are there to answer questions and not give "in-

depth advice" to him, he said, because he knows "the tricks of the trade."

Skiing is "fun because it is challenging" said Coons, who sit-skis on the beginner trails. "I plan to continue skiing until I get tired of it. But I don't think I ever will. I enjoy skiing. Mary Ellen said she's very proud of my accomplishments and so am I."

For information on Ski Windham's program call 734-4300. For information on STRIDE, Inc.'s programs call 462-6683.

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Company appoints new service manager

JGL Enterprises, Inc. of Albany has appointed Dale Mueller as service manager. Mueller was a full time mechanic and shift leader for companies such as A.R.G. Trucking and National Freight, and was self-employed for years as a local and long-distance hauler. He owned and maintained his own trucks.

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AROUND THE AREA

Wednesday
January 2

ALBANY COUNTY

EPILEPSY MEETING
sponsored by the Epilepsy Association, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 456-7501.

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

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

AFTERNOON STORY TIME
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.

SQUARE DANCE
St. Michael's Church, Linden St., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 654-2353.

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

SENIORS LUNCHEAS
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.

Thursday
January 3

ALBANY

CANCER WELLNESS MEETING
St. Peter's Hospital, So. Manning Blvd., Albany, 5:30 p.m. Information, 454-1526.

BEREAVED PARENT'S MEETING
sponsored by SHARE, St. Peter's Hospital, So. Manning Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-1602.

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

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

Friday
January 4

ALBANY COUNTY

GALLERY TOURS
Albany Institute of History & Art, Washington Ave., Albany, 12:15 p.m.

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

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SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

Sunday
January 6

ALBANY COUNTY

GALLERY TOURS
Albany Institute of History & Art, Washington Ave., Albany, 1:30 p.m.

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

Monday
January 7

ALBANY COUNTY

SENIOR'S FITNESS
Woman's Healthcare Plus, Western Ave., Guilderland, 10:30 a.m. Information, 452-3455.

LOW IMPACT AEROBICS
sponsored by Woman's Healthcare Plus, Western Ave., Guilderland, 5:30 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

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

OPTIFAST PROGRAM
weight loss program, St. Peter's Hospital, So. Manning Blvd., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 449-2212.

STOP SMOKING PROGRAM
Woman's Healthcare Plus, Western Ave., Guilderland, 7 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

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

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

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

Tuesday
January 8

ALBANY COUNTY

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

INFORMATIONAL SESSION

College of St. Rose Division of Adult and Continuing Education, Western Ave., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 454-5209.

ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN CLUB

Albany chapter, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 473-0279.

SENIORS LUNCHEAS

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

CAPITAL TOASTMASTERS CLUB
for people who wish to develop speaking skills, Gaspar's Restaurant, 164 Madison Ave., 5:45 p.m. Information, 851-9859.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Albany Senior Squadron, Albany Airport, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4406.

SCHENECTADY

CULTURAL LECTURE
Union Presbyterian Church, Park Ave., Schenectady, 9:30 a.m. Information, 399-7224.

SECULAR SOBRIETY GROUP
group for recovering alcoholics, Temple Gates of Heaven, corner of Ashmore Ave. and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-5569.

Wednesday
January 9

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

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

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

FOSTER PARENT INFORMATION
Parsons Child and Family Center, Academy Rd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 426-2600.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

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

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- Sat., Jan. 5 10 a.m.-12 noon
- Thurs., Jan. 10 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

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Cathie St. Lucia 439-4447
or
John Dalton 439-2695

SPOTLIGHT TEENSCENE

By Juliette Braun

This is a great time for you to experience life, so do something you wouldn't ordinarily do. Expand your horizons.

Are you tired of going to movies and dance clubs every Friday night? Are you ready for something a little more avant garde? Attend the Gallery Poetry Society poetry reading series, sponsored by the Hudson Valley Writer's Guild. Readings take place at least twice a month, at the Albany Art Gallery on Jefferson Street in Albany. The first of these will be held on Jan. 11 at 8 p.m. For information, call 434-7351.

Experience a new culture! The Voorheesville Central School District has invited members of the Voorheesville community to tour Manhattan with visiting Russian students and their chaperones on Jan. 12. The bus is scheduled to leave the Clayton A. Bouton Jr.-Sr. High School parking lot at 7 a.m. and return at 11 p.m. This is an excellent opportunity to view our country through the eyes of another culture as well as observe the

differences between youth in the Soviet Union and yourselves. For information, call 765-3314.

Tone up! The YMCA, located on Washington Avenue in Albany, will be offering its winter programming session beginning Jan. 7 and running through Feb. 24. They offer lots of great teen swimming, karate, judo, gymnastics, and aerobics programs. For information, call 449-7196.

Shape up, shape down! St. Peter's Hospital Wellness Center is offering program to aid you if you are overweight and under the age of 18. The shapedown program is a comprehensive change program designed to help participants make alterations in diet, exercise and overall lifestyle. The program is scheduled to begin Jan. 8. To register, call 499-2212.

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

Public television stations launch student contest

Public broadcasting stations WMHT/WMHX are accepting entries now from local middle and high school students interested in competing in the national video storyboard competition entitled "I Can Change the World." The contest, sponsored by WMHT/WMHX, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and the Public Television Outreach Alliance in conjunction with the All Together

Now 1991 PBS national outreach campaign, offers students the opportunity to create a 30 to 60-second public service announcement on the theme "How I'd Like to Change the World."

Entry submission deadline is Feb. 15. Students can request entry forms from their school principals, or by calling 345-1700.

1991 Special Issues

January

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Issue Date: 1/23

Deadline Date: 1/16

February

NEW
Progress Issue

NEW
Issue Date: 2/6

NEW
Deadline Date: 1/25

A special section with news and photos of advertiser activities

Valentine's Day

Issue Date: 2/13

Deadline Date: 2/8

Home Improvement Section

Issue Date: 2/27

Deadline Date: 2/20

March

St. Patrick's Day

Issue Date: 3/13

Deadline Date: 3/8

Senior Scene

Issue Date: 3/20

Deadline Date: 3/13

April

Fitness & Health

Issue Date: 4/10

Deadline Date: 4/3

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Issue Date: 4/24

Deadline Date: 4/17

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Automotive '91

Issue Date: 5/8

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Memorial Day (May 27)

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Wednesday January 2

BETHLEHEM

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

TESTIMONY MEETING
First Church of Christ Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

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

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP
provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience Monday and Wednesday mornings. Information, 439-6391.

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

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

Thursday January 3

BETHLEHEM

HOW WE CAME TO AMERICA
Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 7:30 p.m., with Peter R. Christoph. Information, 439-9314.

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

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

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

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

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

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
Thursdays, Bible study, 10 a.m., Creator's Crusaders, 6:30 p.m., senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

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

NEW SCOTLAND CLARKSVILLE TABERNACLE 890 Delaware Ave., Clarksville, 7 p.m. Information, 768-2733.

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB
Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85, 7 p.m.

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

Friday January 4

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.

FREE LEGAL CLINIC
for Bethlehem senior citizens, first Fridays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Appointment required, 439-4955.

ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT
first Fridays, North Bethlehem firehouse, 307 Schoolhouse Rd., 8 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

Saturday January 5

BETHLEHEM

REGISTRATION
Bethlehem Tomboys Girls Softball League, 10 a.m.-noon, Bethlehem Public Library.

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES
square dance, 8-11 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Information, 768-2882.

ELLIS ISLAND AND MORE
Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 2 p.m., with Diane Snyder Ptak. Information, 439-9314.

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

Sunday January 6

BETHLEHEM

MID-WINTER FILM FESTIVAL
Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar, 2 p.m., with films of Maya Deren. Information, 439-9314.

Monday January 7

BETHLEHEM

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

DELMAR KIWANIS
meets Mondays at Sidewheeler Restaurant, Days Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

AL-ANON GROUP
support for relatives of alcoholics, meets Mondays, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA
rehearsal Mondays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP
provides regular volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience Monday and Wednesday mornings. Information, 439-6391.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM
first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

LEGAL NOTICE

**CITATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK,**
By the Grace of God Free and Independent

GORDON HOFFMAN
(Street Address Unknown)
Auburn, New York 13021,
or if deceased, the heirs, next-of-kin and distributees of Gordon Hoffman, all of whom are unknown by the petitioner:

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).

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW YORK
SURROGATE'S COURT:
COUNTY OF ALBANY**

In the Matter of Proving the last Will and Testament of **ARLENE W. SWARTHOUT, a/k/a ARLENE E. SWARTHOUT,** Deceased.
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, in the Village of Ravena, Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York.

Dated: December 5th, 1990.
Yours, etc.,

BISCONE AND NERI
(John T. Biscone, Esq., of Counsel)
Office & Post Office Address
311 State Street
Albany, New York 12210
Telephone - (518) 465-2239
December 26, 1990
January 2, 1991

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of one new or used 3-5 ton Blacktop Roller for use of the Highway Department.

Bids will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on the 14th day of January, 1991 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. Kenneth J. Ringler, Jr., Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope which shall bear on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL and ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
CAROLYN M. LYONS
TOWN CLERK
Dated: December 26, 1990
January 2, 1991

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 9, 1991, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Floyd and Gayle Henderson, 2 Winding Road, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy and Article XVII, Side Yard, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for the addition of a one-car garage on the first floor with master bedroom and bath above the existing garage and proposed garage at premises 2 Winding Road, Delmar.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
January 2, 1991

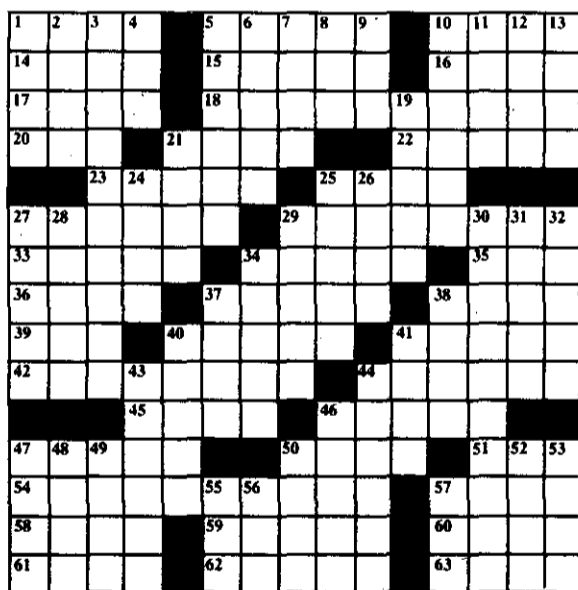
Weekly Crossword

"ADIOS '90"

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 National Deficit
- 5 Better than
- 10 Former sitcom
- 14 Once again
- 15 Driving maneuver
- 16 Urn
- 17 Roman dough
- 18 Maestro Leonard (and family): Deceased Oct. 15, 1990
- 20 Building extension
- 21 Noun suffix
- 22 City in France
- 23 _____ been a good year
- 25 Errs
- 27 Jim _____: Deceased May 16, 1990
- 29 Feb. 11, 1990 Nelson _____ freedom day
- 33 Superbowl 1990 losing quarterback
- 34 Marion _____: Arrested Jan. 18, 1990
- 35 Banking Abbreviation
- 36 Pinocchio, eg
- 37 Eliminate
- 38 Constructed
- 39 Guy's date
- 40 Sudden increase
- 41 More unusual
- 42 "A lazy man does _____ as possible"
- 44 Rich dessert
- 45 Meddlesome
- 46 Sharpen the pencil, eg
- 47 _____ ed: Scared (southern)
- 50 David Souter's concern
- 51 Table crumb
- 54 Mr. Bo Jangles: Deceased May 16, 1990
- 57 Person from Tulsa
- 58 My Friend _____
- 59 Delete
- 60 1990 World Series winners
- 61 _____ Connery: "Hunt for Red October" actor
- 62 "For something is _____ or out of place"
- 63 Poets words

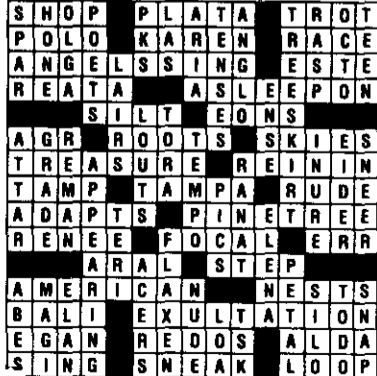


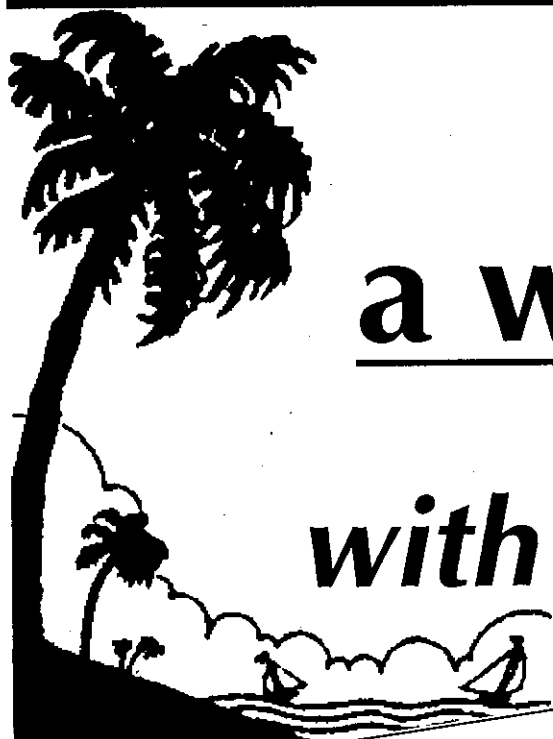
- 1 appointee
- 2 Wicked
- 3 Its fall led to 1990 reunification
- 4 "La-la" precoder
- 5 _____ Desert in Sudan
- 6 Canals or passages: Anat.
- 7 Remedy
- 8 Sea eagle
- 9 Nightingale's followers
- 10 Reluctant
- 11 Post
- 12 Feudal slave
- 13 Capone's nemesis
- 19 Jessica _____: 1990 Oscar winner
- 21 Sailor's call
- 24 Ivan or Nicholas, eg
- 25 Beatie Bailey's boss
- 26 In reference to
- 27 Hagar's wife
- 28 Inventor Howe
- 29 Homer Simpson's wife
- 30 1990 best seller: 2 wds
- 31 South American Mountains
- 32 Unit of cordwood measure
- 34 Hefty
- 37 Places
- 38 Hawaiian Island
- 40 Bernstein's West Side
- 41 Repetition from memory

43 "Humor _____ is a good trait"

- 44 Confusions
- 46 Drug busts
- 47 Used car term
- 48 Ticket price
- 49 _____ Lazarus: Statue of Liberty pool
- 50 L plus LVII
- 52 Tease or nag
- 53 Dick Tracy character
- 55 Narc's org.
- 56 Beggar's fare
- 57 Native metal

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As the first anniversary of Travelhost Travel Agency of Delmar approaches, we would like to thank The Spotlight for helping us have a very successful first year in business. When we first opened, advertising in The Spotlight enabled us to get the word out that Travelhost Travel Agency had come to Delmar. Now, our weekly ads allow us to announce specials, suggest travel ideas, and inform the readers of our many travel services.

Our decision to advertise in The Spotlight was based on our desire to reach the people in the Bethlehem area. To our pleasant surprise we found that The Spotlight reaches well beyond the Bethlehem area. The overwhelming response from Spotlight readers supports our decision to use The Spotlight as our main advertising medium.

As we anticipate the future growth of Travelhost Travel in Delmar, we know that The Spotlight will play a major role. We also want to thank Robynne, our account executive, for all of her help during this first year and we look forward to working with her in the future.

Sincerely,

Jaye Sprinkle

Jaye Sprinkle, Owner

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Delmar \$225,000

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More power in your stereo means better performance, too. It makes for better efficiency in your audio system and provides greater enjoyment. True, with more power you can have louder volume, but the real benefit is that at any volume level you'll enjoy more accurate sound reproduction than ever before.

Because of the nature of sound reproduction, the more reserve power you have, the better sound production you'll enjoy. Just as engine power gives you reserves

you can count on when you need it, more audio power delivers music nuances that you've never heard before.

Most head units (the thing that goes in your dashboard) usually have just about enough power to drive the speakers that the manufacturer put in the car. If you want better sound, similar to what your home stereo produces, you're going to have to add an auxiliary amplifier.

Adding a power amplifier is as easy as adding a new speaker to your system at home. Most head units have the necessary flexibility to add an amplifier without much trouble. Since the amplifier goes in the trunk, even the installation is simple.

By making extra power available, the amplifier makes your system sound better, and now you can add extra speakers so that back seat passengers can enjoy the sound as well.

So if you want more power out of your stereo, consider adding more power.

Check tires for safe winter driving

Winter weather creates the worst driving conditions that a motorist encounters. Good traction on wet, icy and snow-covered roads is essential and cannot be taken for granted.

As part of your preparation for winter driving, tire experts recommend a close inspection of your vehicle's tires to see if the "tread wear indicators" are showing. These indicators appear as solid bands of rubber across the face of a tire when the tread wears down to the minimum acceptable depth.

A tire showing a tread wear indicator should be replaced immediately because its traction capabilities and puncture resistance are minimal.

Tire experts also recommend regularly checking the air pressure in the tires, because falling temperatures will decrease the amount of air in a tire. Keeping the recommended pressure in tires not only prolongs the life of the tire, but also provides optimum traction in all types of weather conditions

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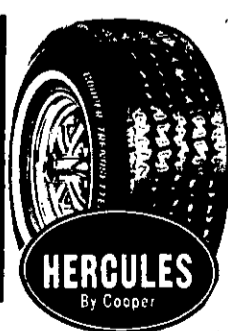
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A leaky radiator cap can leave you stranded

The scene is a familiar one: A car on the side of the road, hood up, a geyser streaming from the radiator. A typical summer scene, right?

Wrong. This scene could come true any time of the year, and may be the end result of a bad radiator or cooling system cap.

A car's radiator cap is one of those many little "out of sight, out of mind" car parts you probably don't think about. But it does a very big job, holding your car's coolant/antifreeze mixture under pressure in your radiator and engine block.

A leaky radiator cap, or a cap that is otherwise in poor condition, can cause your cooling system to be improperly pressurized, which can cause your engine to overheat, rupture coolant hoses if the cooling system pressure is too high, or damage the radiator itself.

One way to tell if the cap is not in good shape is simply to inspect it, something you can do yourself. Before you remove the cap, however, it's best to wait until your engine cools. Boiling coolant can cause serious burns.

When the engine is cool, slowly remove the cap and check the rubber gasket inside. If it is cracked or looks deteriorated, consider replacing it before it causes trouble.

Also check to ensure that the cap fits tightly and that someone, somewhere along the way, has not replaced it incorrectly. If the cap is cross-threaded, meaning it has not been replaced properly, it will probably be sitting at an angle, possibly leaking.

If you suspect that the cap is damaged or should be replaced, you can have the service station or dealer make a pressure test on the cap, which requires a special device—and the know-how to use it.

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