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## Sergeant tapped for chief's post

23-year veteran of Bethlehem force to be sworn in Jan. 1

By Susan Wheeler

Bethlehem Police Sgt. Richard LaChappelle, a 23-year veteran of the force, Monday was appointed as Bethlehem's chief of police.

"We were impressed with all the candidates from inside the department for this job. It was not an easy decision to make," Supervisor Ken Ringler said. "The board reached a consensus on Dick. He'll do a wonderful job."

The search committee received eight applications, four of which were from Bethlehem Police Department employees. Lieutenants Frederick Holligan and Richard Vanderbilt, as well as sergeants Joseph Sleurs and LaChappelle submitted resumes. All went through a final interview with the entire town board Monday morning, Ringler said.

The applicants from outside the department were ruled out after the first round of interviews. The search committee



Richard LaChappelle

tee decided there were "several qualified individuals within the department," Ringler said.

LaChappelle, who will replace retiring Chief Paul Currie effective Jan. 1, 1992,

said he was surprised to hear of his appointment. "It's a good feeling," said the midnight shift patrol sergeant.

"The town is very fortunate to have had so many qualified candidates within the department from which to choose," LaChappelle said. "Many of the candidates could have filled in (as chief) equally as well."

The Delmar resident began in the department in 1968 as a narcotics officer. He was later appointed to detective, and detective supervisor. In the 1970s he was made sergeant. As inspector from 1977 to 1983, LaChappelle was second in command of the department. He has served as midnight shift patrol sergeant since 1983.

LaChappelle, 47, said he works nights by choice, as do most of those on the midnight shift. "Everyone is very good at what they do. They have my confidence and I respect them," he said. "I'm comfortable working with them. Days are different."

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## Holiday closings

Numerous local municipal offices, banks, and businesses will have special hours during the upcoming holiday season. Here is a partial list of the business hours for some local stores and offices.

Bethlehem and New Scotland town halls will close at noon on Dec. 24 and remain closed through Christmas Day. Regular hours will resume on Dec. 26. The Bethlehem Public Library will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 and will reopen on Dec. 26. The library will also be closed on Jan. 1 and will reopen the following day.

Stores in the Delaware Plaza shopping center are expected to remain open until early Christmas Eve night depending on the volume of shoppers, according to the plaza's owners. The Grand Union will be open until 6 p.m. Christmas Eve and will open again at 7 a.m. on Dec. 26. The Elsmere CVS store will also close at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve and open at 7 a.m. on Dec. 26.

All banks in the Bethlehem/New Scotland area will close at 3 p.m. on Christmas Eve, be closed Christmas Day and reopen with normal hours on Dec. 26.



## Pass it on

Hamagrael Preschool pupil Geoffrey Wilcox, 5, at left, has some private words for Peachy Gioeni, 4, a fellow singer in a school performance of Christmas songs Friday, Dec. 13. *Mike Larabee*

## BC students planning Hoyts boycott strategy

By Eric Bryant and Michael Kagan

Bethlehem student leaders will decide sometime this week whether or not to continue picketing at Crossgates Mall over what they perceive to be unfair ticket pricing by the Hoyts Cinema chain.

On Saturday, several students were detained for a short time by mall security for handing out leaflets in the mall. Although no charges were filed against them, they were asked to leave the Crossgates property in Guiderland if they planned to continue the protest.

Inside the mall at noon, the students began distributing flyers calling for a month-long boycott of the theater chain.

"We started out real cautious because it's private property," said Josh Frye, BC senior and president of the school's Student Senate. But security guards moved in to order the students out of the mall. Frye, other student leaders and faculty adviser Robin Rapaport went to speak to mall management and were told they would have to apply for permission in

□ BOYCOTT/page 26

## State Police continue probe in RCS tainted candy 'gifts'

By Regina Bulman

While the state police investigation continues this week at the Ravena-Coymans-Selkirk (RCS) school district, teachers, students and parents are trying to carry on normally after what officials describe as a "frightening and frustrating experience."

Members of the state police Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) continue to question students and teachers about containers of candy dropped off at the school under the guise of a gift, but laced with an undisclosed toxin which caused several high school teachers and staff to become sick last week. State police and

school officials are not releasing the names of teachers involved.

According to officials and a BCI investigator, approximately six containers of candy addressed to specific teachers with a note of thanks was discovered outside a teacher's door on Wednesday, Dec. 4. Assuming the candy was given in the holiday spirit, the teacher distributed the candy to the other teachers.

It wasn't until more than a week later, on Thursday, Dec. 12, that a teacher in the high school science department tried the candy, but spit it out because of the horrible taste. The teacher later went to

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BETHLEHEM

**Town offices closing**

All Bethlehem town offices, including the switchboard, highway department, parks and recreation department and town landfill, will be closed from noon Tuesday, Dec. 24, until 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 26. The Bethlehem Police Department will remain open.

**All are welcome at town's 4th Christmas dinner**

By Susan Graves

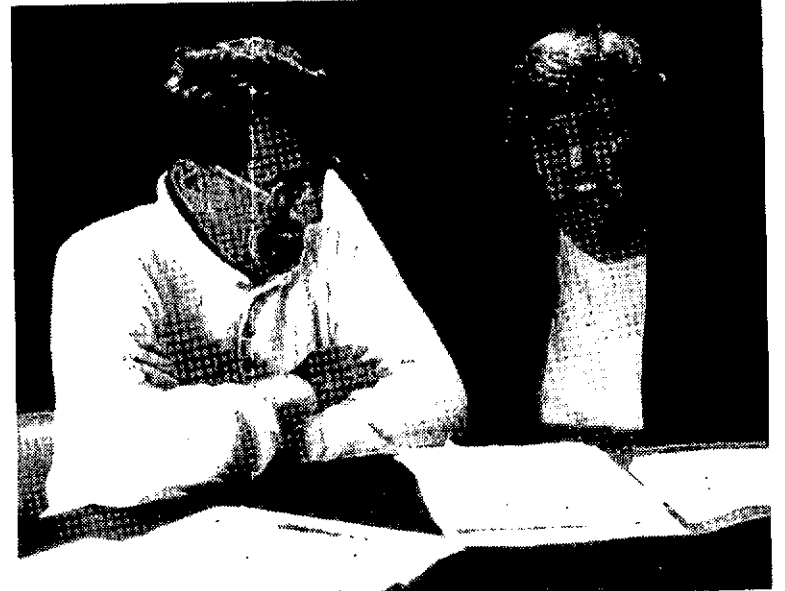
An idea that came "out of the blue" four years ago will be realized once again on Christmas Day.

Vincent Gazzetta, a member of the First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar, said the first community

dinner was planned by a group of parishoners who thought it would be nice to provide a holiday meal to Bethlehem residents.

**We don't turn anybody down.**

Vincent Gazzetta



Vincent Gazzetta and Joyce Becker

"All of a sudden I said, 'I'll do it, let's get started,'" Gazzetta recalls. From there he and a committee contacted the Bethlehem Area Ministers Association, who agreed to participate in the Christmas repast. The first year about 40 meals were served and five delivered to homebound residents, he said.

Last year the number climbed to 97 and this year Gazzetta expects to serve about 150 to 160 dinners. Twenty tables will be set up this year complete with centerpieces, made by Linda Dunkerley and her 4-H group. This year's menu includes turkey and ham and all the trimmings for the home-style meal. More than 30 volunteers work on planning, cooking, serving and cleaning up after the meal, he said.

"Now we're looking at the Knick Arena for next year," quipped Joyce Becker, of Bethlehem's senior citizens service. Becker, who has worked on the holiday meal since the beginning, said volunteers from the service help deliver the meals and also provide transportation to the church for those who need it.

Gazzetta said that it would be helpful this year to have reserva-

tions arranged by Dec. 20, but that "We don't turn anybody down," on Christmas Day.

The meal is free, but good will donations are accepted, he added. Food is provided by the churches and individual donations, and leftovers are donated to area shelters and the City Mission in Albany.

Many people who started by attending the gathering now help serve and prepare the food, Becker said. One couple and their children who are from the midwest came for the first meal four years ago, and now work in the kitchen preparing the meal. "It's part of the reason why it's so successful, most everyone has a role," Becker said.

For information or to make reservations for Christmas Day dinner at First United Methodist Church, call Senior Services at 439-4955.



**A no-heat call in Who-ville**  
(With apologies to Dr. Seuss)

'Twas Christmas in Who-ville,  
The day was not old;  
But the Who's shivered awfully—  
The Who-house was cold!

Their noses and fingers and toes had turned blue.  
Poor little Sally Who cried, "What to do?"  
"We're frozen like popsicles down to our feet!"  
Someone had stolen the Who's Christmas heat.

Mr. Who went, with Who-toolbox in hand,  
Down to the basement, that dark no-Who's land,  
To relight the Who-pilot but with no luck—  
A vent at the Who-furnace flue was sealed shut.

So back to his family he went with a sigh,  
And said to them, "Let's call the Who-furnace guy;  
"The one who cleaned all the damned duckwork last year."  
(Mr. Who it seems, ran out of Who-Christmas cheer.)

The Who-furnace guy left his family and friends,  
Gave his kiddies quick kisses, to his wife made amends.  
"Duty calls," he said, donning his Who-coat and hat,  
"Can't leave those poor Who's in a cold house like that."

To the Who-house he sped, in his Who-service van,  
To fix the Who-furnace—that is if he can.  
He opened the vent, his Who-flashlight shown bright,  
And brought to his eyes a most wonderful sight:

The Christmas Who-kitten crawled out of its box,  
Went down to the basement, played with some socks,  
Dragged them up to the furnace vent, then made a nest;  
Curled up, went to sleep, and well—you know the rest.

The Who-furnace guy pulled the kitten out gently,  
Gave it to Sally and said, "Incidentally,  
"There's no charge today—this call is backed,  
'Cause last year you bought a Who-service contract."

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# Treetopper



Matt Denton of Delmar's Haslam Tree Service takes a cigarette break while decorating the top of Bethlehem's town hall Christmas tree recently.

## BETHLEHEM

# Town to tap Hudson for water source

By Susan Wheeler

After ruling out the city of Albany as a major water supplier, the Bethlehem Town Board last week accepted a report naming wells drilled near the Hudson River as the town's future water source.

The plan, presented by James K. Fraser Jr. of J. Kenneth Fraser Associates, P.C., the firm commissioned by the board in September 1990 to study water supply options for the town, calls for a raw water infiltration system to be drilled near the Hudson River. The system would recover the naturally filtered river water and convey it to a nearby treatment plant located along Clapper Road.

The board voted to begin lead agency coordination for the environmental review process and scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m.

"I view this as a real plus for the town," Supervisor Ken Ringler said. "We're going to be able to take care of the future needs of the town for a long time."

The city, which currently supplies approximately one-fourth of the town's daily water, notified Bethlehem in August 1990 of its intent to cancel their water supply agreement in August 1995. The town entered into the agreement with the city in April 1980.

The town is required to buy a minimum of 500,000 gallons of water a day from the city under the contract, which had a five-year cancellation clause. The contract allows the town to purchase up to 2 million gallons a day. According to Ringler, when the town entered into the contract with city, it paid \$1 per 1,000 gallons used. The city has periodically increased the rate to the current rate of \$1.50.

According to Albany Mayor Thomas Whalen III, the city cancelled the contract to "give us options." He declined to specify The Hudson River based water supply project will cost the town

\$52 million over the next 45 years. the options, but noted the cancellation gives the city to opportunity to see "what was out there in 1995."

Bethlehem Commissioner of Public Works Bruce Secor said the contract, at the town's request, ties the town's rate to the city residential rate as a price protection. The city most likely cancelled the contract "to get rid of the (price protection) clause," he said. "How would we ever protect ourselves against being price gouged?"

"This has caused us to take a hard look, to review our options," he said.

The town's consulting firm investigated seven alternate water supply options for the next 50 years.

Bethlehem's average water use is approximately 3.8 million gallons of water used per day, while use peaks during summer months at 5.7 million gallons. By the year 2040, the firm projected that 6.7 million gallons of water would be used per day, while consumption would peak at 10 million gallons, according to the study.

Town resources can accommodate usage of approximately 4 million gallons of water per day, according to Secor.

The town's water supply demand is furthered by the plan to build a co-generation facility at the General Electric site on Creble Road. The project, expected to be completed by 1995, will require an additional 2.36 million gallons of water per day. The facility's water use will increase the 2040 average to 9.2 million gallons per day and up the peak usage to 13 million gallons, according to the Fraser report.

Poor water quality or cost eliminated five of the seven choices outlined in the study, Fraser said. Economics was the deciding factor between the two remaining choices, the continued purchase of water from the City of Albany at an estimated \$142 million by 2040, or the use of Hudson River water.

# Ross sees reform on GOP agenda

## Bethlehem rep named county minority leader

By Hilary Lesser

The new Republican minority leader of the Albany County legislature from Bethlehem said he took the position so he could lead the GOP lawmakers.

James C. Ross said he became interested in the position when Michael Hoblock was elected to Albany County Executive. "The whole role of the Republican minority changes now that we have a Republican County executive. Now our obligations are multiple, and we will work with him to implement a reform agenda," said Ross. He said the reform would include a more open and responsive government that is less costly.

"Bob (Prentiss) indicated early on that he wasn't seeking reappointment, so I was hopeful that what came about would come about," said Ross. He said that if Prentiss had not stepped down he would have sought the position.

After Prentiss of Colonie stepped down, Ross was appointed

to the position. The selection was made at a caucus of the Republican members of the county legislature on Saturday morning. The appointment will be effective when



James C. Ross

the legislature meets for its organizational meeting on Jan. 1.

"I am extremely honored and pleased that my fellow legislators have seen fit to elect me as their minority leader," said Ross, 57, of Plymouth Ave.

Ross, who represents the 35th legislative district in Delmar, is executive director of the Council of Governing Boards, an organization representing private colleges and university trustees.

Ross has been a member of the legislature since 1983. He serves on the legislature's public works and audit and control committees.

"While we will not necessarily abandon our roles as adversaries and watchdogs over the public's trust, we now also play a much more significant part in shaping the future of our county by work-

ing in a partnership with the new County Executive Mike Hoblock," said Ross.

"Bob was thoroughly committed to the position. He gave it more time and effort than one can expect," said Ross.

"The term minority leader is incorrect. There is only one leader and he will be the catalyst for action. My role will be coordination and communication," he said.

Prentiss, Albany County legislator for the 24th legislative district, decided to resign from his position as minority leader.

"After careful consideration, I have decided not to continue serving as Minority leader of the Albany County Legislature," said Prentiss.

"I simply can no longer take the time, effort and personal expenses away from operating my business enterprises as I have in the past in carrying out my duties as minority leader," said Prentiss.

Prentiss, 55, who owns the Bryant Bureau Personnel Services and Snelling Temporaries in Colonie has held the 24th district seat for 16 years.

The legislature also appointed Paul E. Scaringe of Colonie as deputy minority leader. His appointment will also become effective when the legislature meets Jan. 1.

Scaringe, of Loudonville, is a veteran county legislator from Colonie. He has been a member of the Civic Center Committee since the beginning of construction of the Knickerbocker Arena. He has also served on the finance committee.

# Neighbors speak in support of O.D. Heck group residence

The Bethlehem Town Board approved a proposed O.D. Heck community residential facility at 828 Feura Bush Road last week.

A publicized town board discussion of the plan drew only comments in support from the public.

The facility is sponsored by O.D. Heck/Eleanor Roosevelt Developmental Disabilities Services Office. The agency runs two of the town's six group homes

Edward Solomon, the sponsoring agency's program development unit director, made a public presentation on the home, which

would house eight developmentally disabled individuals. "We were really pleased not only by the approval the town officially gave us, but also by the very positive support we received from the neighbors in that particular area," he later said.

Several residents spoke in favor of the home. Robert Stein, of 49 Dover Drive in Delmar, presented for the record a petition signed by 26 residents in favor of the home. He said 25 signatures were from Dover Drive residents, 16 of which have a back yard bordering the Feura Bush Road home. Susan Wheeler

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## State to rule on status of woman officer's case

By Susan Wheeler

It's up to the state Office of Audit and Control whether or not the Bethlehem Police Department's only woman officer is fit to work, according to a union official.

The town is trying to force Officer Cynthia Reed-Kerr, 36, to early retirement on a disability claim, said Richard Stevens, law enforcement policy chairman of Council 82 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees. Reed-Kerr, a 13-year veteran on the force, who had been out of work on a disability claim, has since returned. The town says she is not capable of working, but her doctor says she is, he said.

Stevens said the union sent a letter several months ago to the state office of Audit and Control, which oversees the retirement system of police officers and firefighters. "Somebody in the state office has to make the decision," he said. "If the decision is not in our favor, we'll look at our next steps."

Reed-Kerr was injured last year, Stevens said, although he would not disclose the nature of her in-

jury. Since that time, she has had recurring injuries on the same claim, he said. "She's back to work now," he said. "Bethlehem wants to force her retirement."

Police Chief Paul Currie said the matter has been taken to the town board. He did, however, say Reed-Kerr's most recent injury was in August. Supervisor Ken Ringler would not comment on the matter which was discussed in executive session.

Reed-Kerr also declined to comment on the case.

Reed-Kerr, who previously took action against the department in 1987, was the department's first woman officer to threaten to file a sex discrimination suit against the department when she was passed over for a sergeant's position.

Reed-Kerr placed first on the Civil Service exam for the sergeant's position. She alleged sexual discrimination when the town board unanimously approved Currie's recommendation to promote Louis Corsi, who placed third, to sergeant.

Two years later, her husband, James Kerr, scored highest on the test and she scored second. In 1989, he was promoted to sergeant.

## Musical program set at Glenmont church

Today, Dec. 18, the Senior Choir and the children of the Sunday school of the Glenmont Community Church, Reformed, will present a program of music and drama at the church. The choir, under the direction of Kathy Johnson and organist, Steve Ableman, will sing festive anthems of the season and the children will dramatize the traditional nativity

story. Lynda Schoonbeek and the Sunday school teachers work with the children. All members, parents and friends in the community are urged to come for this special Christmas Program.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. with a covered dish supper. Each family unit is asked to bring a dish to pass and their own table service.

## Colleagues sing praises of V'ville school secretary

By Eric Bryant

Valerie Ungerer sounds quiet and unassuming when one speaks to her. She calls her life "quite ordinary" and seems embarrassed that someone thinks she is worthy of recognition.

But speak to some of her co-workers and they use words such as "intuitive," "understated," and "outstanding" to describe her personality and work habits as secretary to Voorheesville Central School Superintendent Dr. Alan McCartney.

"I could say the usual things about her," McCartney said. "She's efficient. She does her job very well, but it's more than that. She brings much more to the position - a real human touch. She has a great feel for situations and rapport with people."

Ungerer has worked for the Voorheesville Schools for 13 years, first as secretary to high school principal Pete Griffin from 1978 to 1984 and moving to the district office as secretary to then-superintendent Werner Berglas. For the past three years she has been with McCartney.

"I guess I just do what needs to be done and I do enjoy the people I work with," she said from her home on Koonz Road earlier this week.

In years past, Ungerer would visit the office while her daughter Dorothy was attending district schools. The idea of being part of a busy office environment was what first drew her to a position at the high school. After moving with her husband and daughter to Voorheesville from Valley Stream, L.I. in the early 1970s she worked for a time at the state substance abuse services department and then moved on to the job at the high school's main office as a secretary.

Pete Griffin, who still holds the reins at the Voorheesville High School said he's always been



Valerie Ungerer

blessed with good help in the office and that Ungerer learned under two longtime employees, Ethel Smith and Margaret Barrowman.

"She followed in their footsteps but she's really her own person. I can't say enough about Valerie. She's knowledgeable, organized and she probably understands people more than anyone I can think of," Griffin said.

Griffin also added that through her years of service and experience, Ungerer has become almost invaluable to the smooth workings of the district.

"We have a great crew of people here right now, and I think she's looked on as a leader of sorts. If there's a question, run it by Valerie. And that could be a question from the guidance office or anywhere. I think a lot of the

people respect her and look up to her though she's not one who seeks notoriety."

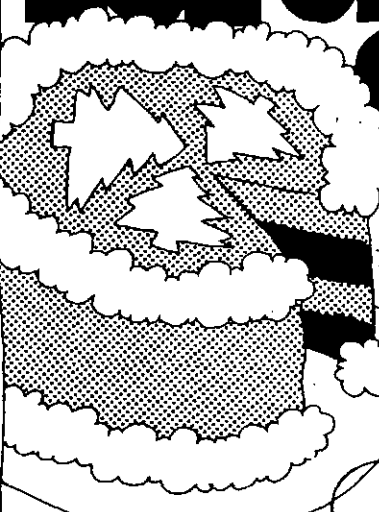
Rita Winchell, who worked with Ungerer for seven years at the district office said "we don't work on job descriptions. When things have to be done they get done and we work together. Valerie is extremely professional-minded and she sets a very high standard for herself."

In her free time, Ungerer does seem to lead a rather quiet country life. She gardens. She is a proud, recent grandmother and at 47... she's learning to ride a motorcycle.

"My husband is making a hand signal to me to tell you that I'm learning to ride a motorcycle," she said with a laugh.

"I guess that's something interesting."

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# Task force reviewing town disposal options

9 firms' proposals under consideration

By Susan Wheeler

Bethlehem's Solid Waste Task Force has several proposals to review before it makes a recommendation on disposal options to the town board.

According to Bruce Secor, commissioner of public works and Solid Waste Task Force chairman, the group was scheduled to review the nine responses at last night's meeting. He said Friday some respondents indicated interest, but said they could not currently make a proposal, while others offered several services.

New Options Now in Latham, Eastern Rensselaer County Solid Waste Management Authority, Wheelabrator Environmental Systems, Waste Management of Eastern New York, Browning-Ferris Industries and Energy Answers Corp. were among the respondents, he said.

The town board in October authorized Supervisor Ken Ringler to distribute requests for proposal forms (RFP) to qualified solid waste management firms. The deadline for returning the forms was Dec. 10.

The RFPs sought specifics and other information on solid waste disposal from the firms, Secor said. Firms were asked to provide information on tipping fees, contract term, degree of local control, public acceptance, environmental impacts and how each "waste stream" would be managed, he said.

The task force compiled a list of seven basic waste streams which require disposal, Secor said, including municipal solid waste, construction and demolition debris materials, recyclables, sludges, yard wastes, industrial non-hazardous wastes and other waste materials.

Secor said the task force was scheduled to cover each response briefly last night. He is looking to

form a sub-committee review the responses in more detail. "We'll hash out our position on things" at the group's next meeting, he said.

The group will compare and analyze each respondent's offer during January, Secor said. All given responses will be placed on a chart and the task force will come to a consensus on a statement. The group will make a recommendation to the town board by the end of February or early March, he said.

Solid waste disposal options for the town include continuing with the ANSWERS program, hauling waste out of town, contracting for solid waste services, withdrawing from ANSWERS and constructing a town-owned landfill, or contracting with neighboring municipalities to create an integrated management program, he said.

American Ref-Fuel, which had planned to build an incinerator in Bethlehem at the Port of Albany, withdrew its plan when it ran into opposition from neighborhood groups.

## Bakery offers bagels in exchange for food

All Bruegger's Bagel Bakery stores throughout the Capital District are giving away bagels in exchange for non-perishable food items during their third annual "Hand in a Can" campaign through Tuesday, Dec. 24.

For each can or other container donated, customers will receive a free bagel.

Last year, Bruegger's collected more than 3,200 items to be distributed to local food pantries.

## Lions clubs offering new light bulbs

The 1991 Lions Club/New York State Electric and Gas Corporation (NYSEG) Light Bulb Program, which raised thousands of dollars for Lions Clubs during its pilot launch last summer, has initiated several additional light bulb programs throughout New York State.

The program, funded by NYSEG, involves Lions and Lioness club members selling high-efficiency light bulbs at a very low price. All of the bulbs are given to the clubs by NYSEG, with all of the proceeds going directly to the individual club's special charities. The Lions Clubs were chosen by NYSEG as energy partners because of their long history of selling light bulbs to raise money for important charitable causes.

The essence of the Lions Club/NYSEG program is to promote energy efficiency throughout New York State. The majority of the light bulbs sold in the pilot program and the new program kicked off in November, are 18-watt Philips Earth Lights, which use less than one-fourth of the energy and last 13 times longer than standard 75-watt incandescent bulbs. The bulbs sell for \$20 retail and are now being offered through the Lions Clubs for only \$3. The packaging used for the Earth Lights is made from 100 percent recycled material.

The campaign includes door-to-door sales and a variety of special events, such as fairs, mall shows, craft festivals and sidewalk sales. Lions Club members will also be promoting the program through referrals from family, friends and colleagues.

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and Carazzo's*

## Museum slates bird workshop

Learn how to take care of the birds this winter and how attract them to your yard in "Birds of a Feather Band Together," a special workshop at the state Museum on Saturdays, Jan. 11 and 18, from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The fee is \$36 per person. Museum members pay \$30.

Environmentalist Richard Guthrie will lead this two-part workshop and field experience on winter birds and conservation.

Registration is required by Tuesday, Dec. 31. For information, call 474-5801.

## SUNY libraries plan Indian exhibit

The University Libraries, SUNY at Albany, recently announced an exhibit on the nature and effects of early European contacts among the Mohawk Indians that will be on display through Jan. 31 in the university

library lobby.

The exhibit will display artifacts from the library's collection to focus on changes in Mohawk Indian culture resulting from contact with European settlers.

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## Matters of Opinion

**A pluralism of faith**

"Multiculturalism" is more than a six-syllable word (one so relatively new in concept as well as in usage that a recent dictionary fails to define it appropriately).

The expression may prove to be little more than one of those faddish "buzz words" that come along and then disappear. And in fact the task of defining it is a difficult one, because it can have just about as many layers of meaning as there are people employing it.

In effect, "multiculturalism" seems to represent an attempt to improve on the pluralism that is entwined with the history of our country. This tradition cherishes the existence in our society of groups that are distinctive in ethnic origin and cultural patterns — and also in religious beliefs and practices.

And this season, when the nation's spiritual and ethical background comes eminently to the fore, may in fact be the most suitable time to remind ourselves of a "pluralism in faith."

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Ours is often referred to as a Christian nation — and, in truth, an overwhelming portion of Americans with religious affiliations are counted among members of Christian churches.

But, even so, in significant numbers other faiths are well represented in our populations — and the steady influx of migrants

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from other lands, other cultures is increasing their representation. Data from recent past years showed no fewer than 6 million Moslems among us, for example, as well as similarly considerable numbers of Buddhists, Hindus, Confucians, Shintoists, and sects loosely described as Chinese folk religionists and Tribal religionists. Further, of course, a substantial segment of our national traditions has been carried forward for centuries by adherents of Judaism.

Even among groups generally known as Christian or Christian-oriented, we recognize the irreplaceable role of worshipers in numbers large and small such as Mormons, Mennonites, Christadelphians, River Brethren, Volunteers of America (and many others).

But each is constituted, after all, by individuals who prize their own heritage, beliefs (or lack of them), practices, and conscience. In a season that so wonderfully expresses the powerful faith of the many, the creeds of the majority will be well served if we remember to honor the traditions of those who, though lesser in numbers, represent the immutable value of each human soul as surely as do we.

**Looking ahead to Nov. 3**

Deliberately, but significantly, the Republican party in Albany County is rehabilitating itself. The election of Mike Hoblock as County Executive was the most apparent, and undoubtedly the most important, single step.

But the arrival in the County Legislature of seven new members — all well-qualified and some of them eminently so on the strength of prior records — is also promising for citizens interested in good government through a two-party check on excesses.

The increase in Republican numbers from 13 to 15 is hardly earthshaking, but it does bolster the trenches and suggests possibilities for a good record and improved prospects.

And then the Republican legislators' choice

**Welcome the change of season**

Like the optimists and pessimists who quibble about whether the glass is half full or half empty, the world's pessimists will shiver as they grumble that the year's shortest day is upon us while the optimists are looking forward to the lengthening of daylight hours.

Forsooth, each day that follows next Sunday will bring another sliver of prolonged sunlight. Within a matter of short weeks, we'll all be exclaiming about the noticeable extra minutes of daylight before the evening's gloom.

**Congratulations, Chief LaChappelle**

One of the most difficult — and important — acts that Bethlehem town officials had to make in 1991 comes in the closing days of the year with the appointment of Richard J. LaChappelle as the new Chief of Police.

An extensive and, we believe, a genuine search was made of potential candidates — and it ended with selection of a 23-year vet-

eran of the department. This contrasts with the selection eight years ago of Chief Paul Currie, who was brought in from out of town.

Chief LaChappelle knows the Bethlehem police, its personnel, its mission — and the town — thoroughly. His training and experience speak well for future law-enforcement administration here.

As the poet said long ago, every mile is two in winter, which we recognize only too well. But as another poet informs us, winter is the mother of spring, as night is the mother of day.

So may we bend to the winter wind, remembering that its blows are only relatively unkind.

After all, we do suffer such bitter weather because we "like the change of seasons," don't we?

**Our Bill of Rights at 200**

The Spotlight Newspapers are devoting this editorial page space for several weeks to a review of the first 10 amendments to the United States Constitution. These important amendments were ratified 200 years ago this week. They became effective on Dec. 15, 1791.

This series of articles was prepared by the Commission on the Bicentennial of the Constitution. Previous articles have analyzed the provisions of the first four amendments and the following "takes (up) the Fifth."

**The Fifth—a cornerstone**

The Fifth Amendment provides, in part, that no person "shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, except on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury . . . nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb, nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; now shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

By prohibiting the federal government from charging a civilian with a capital or other serious crime unless a "grand jury" drawn from the community has found sufficient evidence to warrant an indictment—a formal accusation—the Fifth Amendment prevents the federal government from using unfounded criminal charges to harass or malign innocent citizens by putting them to trial.

The remaining four clauses of the Fifth Amendment are commonly referred to as the "double jeopardy clause," and the "takings clause."

In a criminal case, once a defendant has been judged "not guilty," the double jeopardy clause prohibits the defendant from being tried again for the same offense in the same federal or state court system. (The double jeopardy clause generally does not, however, prevent retrial of a defendant if the jury is "hung" and cannot agree on a verdict; if the court declares a mistrial; or when the defendant requests a new trial.)

Perhaps the most well-known provision of the Bill of Rights—if not the Constitution itself—is the Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination.

Simply stated, this clause provides that the government cannot force a person who is accused of a crime to testify and serve as a witness against himself. Twenty-five years ago, the Supreme Court ruled in *Miranda v. Arizona*, 1966, that the police must inform criminal defendants of their constitutional rights at the time of arrest. Since *Miranda* was decided, the Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination has been widely publicized in film portrayals of police officers advising criminal suspects that they "have the right to remain silent." In addition, individuals who are the targets of criminal investigations often "take the Fifth" by refusing to speak to the police or prosecutors.

In providing for a constitutional privilege against self-incrimination, the Framers were reacting to harsh practices that historically had been followed by both European and colonial authorities.

In ecclesiastical courts and the infamous Court of Star Chamber in England, persons accused of crimes often were forced—by torture or otherwise—to answer all questions put to them, regardless of

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## Of vocation, avocation, retirement

Now here's a chap to envy and admire. I speak of my friend Donald W. Haskins, whose parting shot for *The Spotlight* appears in the adjacent Point of View column. There his topic turns to concerns that have increasingly troubled him in recent years as he has pondered the direction that our governments have been headed.

But he has some other thought-provoking observations to leave with us as he heads south to Myrtle Beach in a new retirement. (Did I say "envy"? As a friend of well over 30 years, Don talked with me the other day about newspapers and the people who work in them, about retirements, and about his own favored avocation. This is one that's often associated in the public mind with retirement, but Don insists that he's been at it for going on to 60 years.

I can empathize especially with Don in his selection of newspapering as a career, a choice made in the seventh grade (as was the case with me). A teacher liked an essay, gave encouragement, and one thing led to another (same here). I count at least five distinct newspaper connections of Don's culminating in 20 years writing editorials and overseeing editorial pages for the Times Union, up to 1981.

Earlier, the most satisfying specialty was in covering politics in Rensselaer County, featuring pleasant and productive association with such giants of their day as Marty Stack, Dean Taylor, Doug Hudson, Joe Casey, Jim Foley, the Mahoneys. But the beauty part was that this provided entree into the real treat of singing and helping to stage the writers' annual satirical shows. The

same bent led him into producing and directing the Wynantskill Minstrels, and lending his tenor to the Troy Vocal Society and various church choirs.

### Uncle Dudley

Of the career that paralleled such satisfying endeavors, Don thinks of newspapering as "a fascinating business," bringing the curious-minded into close contact with other people's lives. "No type of profession or career can equal that of a reporter and editor," in his opinion. "In this business you gain such broad, useful experience and insight in what's going on in the world. It's necessarily broadening rather than narrowing you into a groove."

Nonetheless, Don elected an early retirement at age 62 — and filled in much of the next several years touring the breadth of the U.S. and Canada with his wife Beth in a motor home; and then traveling about a variety of waterways, including the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes, in a series of five boats, among them a 38-foot Hatteras in which they planned to travel to Florida for wintering. (This scheme was frustrated by one of the astronomical increases in fuel costs.)

Another retirement activity was in undertaking another kind of writing: fiction. Two novels written over the years have found no publisher as yet. But now, armed with a slick new word processor and anticipating the opportunity for a full-time attack on the project, he expects to give other stories at least a couple of years' serious experimenting. By the first of the year, he plans to be busy at that glorified typewriter down at Myrtle Beach.

Full-time, did I say? Let us please not forget the sport of golf, "a test in which you alone are responsible for what happens — unlike other sports in which you are interacting with another person's skills." No matter where a golfer goes, whatever course he (or she) finds, "there's a whole new set of 18 challenges — and to my mind there's nothing like it." And, he adds, "it is not an old man's game." Don has been at it since his father introduced him to it at age 15.

Don tore himself away from golf and other retirement interests to come to *The Spotlight* early last year and carry out editing duties with a skill honed for many years. As for his prior experience with retirement, he is firmly convinced that the secret for a happy experience is "to continue to pursue interests that one has always had" — as, in his own case, writing, golf, travel.

The past year was a difficult one, marked by sorrow and adjustment. Just after Don and Beth had celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, she became desperately ill and, in the late spring, she died at their home. Beth, a graduate of Wellesley, was a teacher who came to Rhinebeck, Don's home town, and it wasn't long before the young newsman had won his bride. Their daughter and three sons were born during and soon after World War II. Most live in this area and have been a sustaining resource for Don in the past months.

Uncle Dudley has run out of space. When Don Haskins is safely out of our circulation area, I'll be tempted to write a few more personal notes and comments about my friend and colleague.

## A Victorian dinner for Christmas

As I have mentioned before, the Poughkeepsie-based monthly magazine, "Hudson Valley," has been trying, over the past several months, to locate the key to the Capital Region market. This has proved to be tough — and understandably so, for the magazine's distinctly downstate flavor is very evident. "The 914 magazine," I've called it, in recognition of its geographic (area code) orientation.

The December issue offers a study in contrasts between the necessity of serving the interests of its established readership from Westchester to Ulster counties while trying to reach into the Albany environs for circulation and advertising. In the latter category, a review of the issue's 96 pages yielded exactly one advertiser based in the Albany area (a window designer). Everything else seemed to be south of Saugerties, at best.

Editorially, "Hudson Valley," made a strenuous effort to penetrate our local interests with an enthusiastic critique of Stone Ends, the classy (9-W) restaurant

that is actually on the eastern edge of Bethlehem. The "Table Talk" feature focuses on an "authentic Victorian dinner menu" prepared

### Constant Reader

especially for the Christmas season (Dec. 16 to 25, except for Christmas Eve). And the bill of fare does indeed sound interesting, from Lancashire cheddar cheese soup, a Kentish salad, scones, and a choice of entrees: roast breast of goose with a red currant vinegar demi-glaze or beef Wellington with a Madeira sauce. Desserts will include molded gingerbread with a warm, tart lemon sauce; a dense peppercake flavored with cinnamon and nutmeg, together with a chilled hazelnut mousse; and a flamed plum pudding with hard sauce. These dinners will be \$40.

On the other hand, the issue promotes an annual readers' choice of "the best" in the Hudson Valley, in categories ranging from art galleries, skiing, movies, ca-

terers, orchestras, and historic attractions to restaurants. There are just about 100 "best" selections and our region provides these: The State Museum, Knickerbocker Arena, Mario Cuomo ("best public speaker"), Michael's of Green Island (catering), and Jack's Oyster House.

Otherwise, you are referred to such attractions as West Point, FDR's home, the Hudson Valley Philharmonic, G. Fox in Poughkeepsie, the I.B.M. Country Club, Mohonk Golf Course, a radio station in Woodstock, the Arrowwood Resort Conference Center in Westchester, and the Bethlehem Art Gallery (which turns out to be in Newburgh).

Other contents are assorted: An analysis of the Hudson River Valley Greenway Act, for instance, and a report on polling about public opinion on "The Recession: How Deep Is It?"

"Hudson Valley" has a cover price of \$2.50 and a stated subscription rate of \$18 for the year's 12 issues.

## Does 'excess of democracy' make our nation stumble?

The contributor of this Point of View has been a newspaperman since 1938 when he began as a reporter with the former Poughkeepsie Eagle-News. In most of the intervening years, his newspaper work dealt with state and local government. He attended Rider College in Trenton, N.J., and the former NYS College for Teachers, Albany. Since retiring in 1981 from the Albany Times-Union, he has been a free-lance writer and for the last year and a half, an editor for *Spotlight Newspapers*.

By Don Haskins

In her strikingly vibrant story of the "Miracle at Philadelphia," Catherine Drinker Bowen quotes Alexander Hamilton's bold, nearly six-hour speech, on Monday, June 18, 1787, before the sweltering Constitutional Convention:

"Men love power," he said. "Give all power to the many, they will oppress the few. Give all power to the few, they will oppress the many . . .

"All communities divide themselves into the few and the many. The first are the rich and the well born, the other the mass of the people. The voice of the people has been said to be the voice of God . . . It is not true in fact . . . Can a democratic Assembly, who annually revolve in the mass of the people, be supposed steadily to pursue the public good?"

Popular passions, Hamilton continued, "spread like wildfire and become irresistible." States, he noted, "will prefer their particular concerns to the general welfare."

Urging the framers of our Constitution to follow the British example of government, Hamilton acknowledged his proposals were "very remote from the idea of the people. But the people," he emphasized, "are gradually ripening in their opinions of government. They begin to be tired of an excess of democracy."

The Hamilton views are prophetic for this nation in light of our experience with the democratic process. Hailed as a model for the world, the process has survived. But a scrutiny reveals the time may be drawing near for some national reassessment of whether ultimately disastrous flaws were built into the system.

One basic question is whether a system that depends on a responsible, informed and interested electorate can continue to work in a political climate that shuns the electorate or manipulates it as needed, and disgusts many of the apparently small portion of the electorate that cares enough to try to take part, for instance, by voting.

Suzanne Garment, a research fellow at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington, has just completed a book on abuses in the American political process since Richard Nixon and Watergate. She believes the American people are becoming increasingly disgusted with what they see in the nation's and state capitals.

In a Washington interview early this year, just before the deadline for filing income tax returns, she is quoted that "If people see a system as nothing but dirty politics, then they'll treat it as nothing but dirty politics and make it dirtier." She shares the view, however, of Michael Josephson, who runs a Los Angeles program of ethics training for businessmen, politicians, and others, that the picture is not all black, that some of it is due to greater public (and official) awareness of what is going on, and that, since Watergate, there has been reform.

There exists, nonetheless, an ugly record showing six U.S. senators investigated in the past year for questionable financial dealings; the Speaker and majority whip in the House of Representatives resigning because of questionable financial dealings; indictments, resignations and charges in the legislatures of New York, Arizona, and South Carolina, in the latter two states involving alleged bribery by gambling interests; and here at home, at the local level, indictment of the head of county government.

A 1937 *Fortune* magazine poll found 44 percent of Americans thought their national Congress was about as good as a large nation could have, while 16 percent condemned Congressmen for spending "more time thinking of their own political futures" rather than the public good. Early this year the same poll was repeated by the Roper organization, which found the opinions almost exactly reversed, only 17 percent positive and 41 percent highly critical.

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## Democracy *(From page 7)*

One reason may be, according to Mr. Josephson, that there were "more highly publicized examples of ethical problems during the 1980s than in the last five decades combined."

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According to the Census Bureau, Albany County's 1990 population was 292,594. Of this number, according to the county Board of Elections, only 161,644 are registered to vote, although everyone over 18 has been eligible for the last 20 years. In the recent local election, said to have aroused far more than the usual interest, only 110,750 votes were cast in the top race for county executive. Nearly 51,000 registered voters in Albany County alone, in other words, failed to vote in a contest with wide implications for the future of Albany County government.

At the state and national levels, statistics for recent years indicate that only 50 percent or less of the eligible population participates in the voting process.

The electorate is shunned at the local level across New York State by the continuing selection

of judges (and candidates for other offices as well) behind closed doors by political party chairmen who deal with each other about whose turn it is to name the next judicial officer. It doesn't take a professional cynic to suggest that these important overseers of the law and dispensers of justice are put into office under obligation, and all that this implies, to those who give them their lucrative jobs.

Preying on ignorance, bias, and hatred, special interest groups seek legal sanction for their causes by buying it from lawmakers through the fraud of "campaign contribution" payoffs. Any review of such contributions at local, state or national levels indicates the extent to which commercial, industrial and other interests today seek consideration from the political sector. Despite a growing recognition that the ordinary citizen is forgotten when the insurance or banking industry want something, the impression one gathers is that this is the same old political way of life that's existed for a couple of centuries, and who cares if it ignores the ordinary, unorganized citizen. Americans have speculated for 200 years

about smoke-filled rooms and political deals. It remains to be seen if, today, knowing more about them will make any difference.

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It is ironic that these ordinary, unorganized citizens hold the key to whether our form of government will survive.

The framers of our Constitution rejected Hamilton's philosophies about who should rule. They entranced the world with the idea, instead, that the ordinary citizens should have the power, and the freedom, to rule themselves.

The question that must be asked in today's world, 204 years later, is whether the dedicated authors of our Constitution failed to foresee a time when the nation's citizens would lose interest, or throw up their hands in despair, at a government grown so vast, so powerful and so pervasive in all aspects of their lives that those citizens might become convinced they are powerless to make any difference.

Nothing in the Constitution says that, in return for the freedoms and powers it grants the individual citizen, the citizen is also required to exercise his individual responsibility to participate in his democracy, because that's what democracy is all about. So we have the Catch 22 situation of perhaps needing a mandate concerning a government based on as few mandates as possible. A law requiring free men and women to take action that will keep them free. A law compelling those who have turned away from government to turn back, to take part lest it all be lost by default. A kind of seat belt law for democracy — for our own good, whether we like it or not.

When it was made possible for 18-year-olds to vote on June 30, 1971, by ratification of the 26th Amendment, considerable fanfare

arose to the effect that this would create new interest in our democracy, bring new life to the system, grant new, responsible status to a body of citizens heretofore left out of the process.

The young people seem to have largely ignored their new right and privilege, and in most areas seem also to have been ignored by the political establishments.

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But under our system, the nation is only as strong as the will of its people. We must ask ourselves if that will is decaying, if it has become blunted by lack of education, lack of understanding of what is meant by "responsible" citizenship, lack of concern for the fu-

ture, a growing sense of futility at the local, personal levels in the hearts and minds of those whose role it must be to find and support true leaders.

The most disturbing fact of all is that our democracy demands commitment at a time when this seems to be going out of style. An individual who cannot summon the courage or will to commit himself or herself to another person or a family can hardly be expected to pay much attention to the fate of the government.

Perhaps Hamilton was right. Perhaps the people indeed "begin to be tired of an excess of democracy..."

## Election Commissioners clarify voting tabulation

Editor, The Spotlight:

In the matter of an editorial dated Nov. 20, entitled "Certifiable ballot integrity," we are compelled to correct certain misconceptions stated regarding ballot tabulations.

For many years ballot tabulations have been made in the following manner:

At the close of polls, Inspectors of Election canvass machine totals for their polling place, as well as any absentee ballots and other paper ballots as may be in hand at the time. The canvass results and all election materials, as well as the binders, are returned to the Town Clerks.

Town Clerks receive one copy of the canvass, and tabulate the results for their own town. Upon completion of their tabulation, the Town Clerks call in their results to the Board of Elections; these results are combined with those received from other towns and cities in the county. As anyone who has been here on Election

Night to report results knows, the complete results are generally known by about 1 a.m. While complete, the results are "unofficial."

This method has proven far superior to the previous system of counting all votes centrally at the Board of Elections. In those earlier days, only partial results were available until well into the next day.

By law, Boards of Elections throughout the state have until Nov. 20 to complete the official recanvass of voting machines, and Dec. 2 to certify the official statement of canvass of results. The designers of the law, in their wisdom, knew that many absentee ballots are not received until days after the election, and provision for these absentee ballots is made in the law.

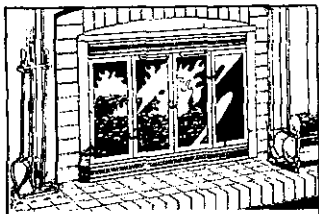
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whether these related to charges made against them. In this way, the courts sought to obtain a conviction of some kind even if there was insufficient evidence to convict a defendant of the crime of which he had been accused. These practices found a colonial parallel in such infamous episodes as the Salem witch trials, where accused persons, were tortured until they confessed or died.

By forbidding forced confessions, the Fifth Amendment erects an important barrier to wrongful convictions, and furthers the fundamental principle of American criminal law that the accused is innocent until proven guilty.

The due process clause, which prohibits the government from depriving a citizen of life, liberty, or property without "due process of law," is found in both the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments.

The due process clause—whose origins can be traced to England's Magna Carta of 1215—imposes important procedural requirements on federal and state governments, and limits the ways in which government can take action that affects the basic rights of the people.

For example, the due process clause has been held to require that defendants in court proceedings must be provided with adequate notice and an opportunity to be heard before the court can take action that affects their property rights (*Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank & Trust Co.*, 1950), and to require that the judge presiding over a case have no financial interest in the outcome (*Tumey v. Ohio*, 1927).

The requirement that the government provide every citizen "due process of law" is one of the most important protections in the Bill of Rights.

The scope of the protection afforded by the clause—or what kind of government action violates the constitutional requirement of "due process"—is a frequent subject of constitutional debate.

Finally, the "takings clause" prevents the government from taking private property without paying "just compensation" for it. Thus, for example, if the government decides to exercise its power of eminent domain to condemn private property for the purposes of building a new highway, a school, or an airport, the takings clause requires that the government compensate the property owners fairly for their loss.

Given the number of important rights that are protected by the Fifth Amendment, it can fairly be characterized as a "cornerstone" of the Bill of Rights.

**Gift of Christmas tree appreciated by church**

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Normansville Community Church, I would like to thank Bob Shafer of Bob's Produce.

Each year, Bob has always been generous to our small church by donating our Christmas tree. Once again this year, without hesitation, Bob Shafer helped to make

our holiday season a special one by his contribution.

We just want to thank him publicly so that he is recognized for his contributions to our community. Without him our country-style one-room church wouldn't have as special a Christmas season.

Darlene M. Tompkins-Bell

**Lymburners thank Selkirk firefighters**

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to each and every Selkirk firefighter who responded to the chimney fire at our home on Beaver Dam Road on

Thanksgiving day. Everyone was professional and courteous taking great care to prevent damage and leave us a minimal cleanup at the conclusion of our ordeal.

Ron and Terri Lymburner

**Bone marrow transplant donors urgently needed to help save lives**

Editor, The Spotlight:

Our 31-year-old son James's diagnosis of chronic myelogenous leukemia hit the whole family like a kick in the stomach. The prognosis was one to three years to live. It was Nov. 13, 1990. His daughter Jaime was two and little Ashley was only nine months old.

Appropriately, on the day before this Thanksgiving he returned home to Delmar from Seattle's Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, where he had been given a bone marrow transplant on Aug. 9.

The donor of his new, life-giving marrow was a 37-year-old male stranger — a person who told us in an anonymous note that he was trying to help our son the way someone else had once helped someone dear to him.

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Voorheesville

Ann and Don Eberle

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## Matters of Opinion

### Change in a law needed for veterans' tax relief

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Nov. 7, 200 to 300 Bethlehem veterans attended a meeting sponsored by the town to explain tax exemption options under full value assessments that go into effect next year. Most were shocked to hear that their town taxes would increase (all other things being equal) as their veterans exemption would be worth less on full value assessment. (Their county taxes would not be affected as Albany County elected to increase veterans exemptions in proportion to any change in assessed values resulting from full value revaluation under section 458(5) of the Real Property Tax Law.)

In fairness to the town, only taxing districts that already had full value assessments were allowed the option of "pro-rata" veterans exemptions.

I call on all veterans and veterans organizations to contact Assemblyman John Faso and Senator Howard Nolan and urge them to assist in having the Real Estate Tax Law amended to allow taxing districts (like Bethlehem) currently going on full value assessments to elect "pro-rata" veterans exemption. Supervisor Ringler has indicated to me that he will back legislation to accomplish this. Kudos to Town Assessor Brian Lastra, a public servant in the true sense of the word, who has assisted me in research on this problem.

Delmar

Gilbert Guzik

### Proposed role for Coyne in trust fund deplored

Editor, The Spotlight:

Although like most people, events frequently disturb me, I am not normally moved to speak out. The Dec. 12 issue of the TU carried a story which very much disturbed me and caused me to write this letter.

The story suggested that the Democrats are considering retaining James Coyne on the public payroll as chairman of the Ad Tech trust fund. This, to me, is the ultimate in arrogance and irresponsibility.

For historical perspective, I was works manager of Al Tech's Watervliet plant and one of 35 investors involved in the creation of Al Tech. I will remember that the Congressman and County Executive in Chautauqua County (where the company's Dunkirk plant is located) were instrumental in our

### Vox Pop

obtaining the \$10 million federal loan which started the company. The terms of the loan were such that as it was repaid, 60 percent was to go to Chautauqua County and 40 percent to Albany County, to be used for creation or salvage of jobs, primarily of a manufacturing nature. I am quite sure Mr. Coyne didn't even know what was happening.

Our president at the time, Thomas J. Gorman, (now deceased) was appointed a member of the IDA board which was to administer allocation of the fund. When Mr. Coyne suddenly discovered the apparent fund bonanza that had resulted, he repeatedly made use of the fund, with considerable publicity, for

some (not all) projects not within the spirit of the loan terms but to obtain undeserved credit for himself and his administration. Chautauqua County's Executive at the time was Joseph Gerace, who was helpful in obtaining the loan and subsequently administered the funds as intended to the best of my knowledge. His successors, Jack Glenzer and Andrew Goodell, have continued his policy.

Mr. Gorman was sufficiently disturbed by the handling of the fund that he resigned from the IDA board after a relatively short time.

It seems to me that the original intent of the IDA on the federal level, and certainly on the local level, has been subverted, and now we are further insulted by this latest move to salvage funds for Mr. Coyne's self-interest by providing him a highly paid job administering the trust fund.

It is such behavior that caused the public to finally awaken and change the county's leadership. Hopefully, Mr. Hoblock, and other members of the county administration will rethink this matter. There are undoubtedly, many citizens in Albany County who are qualified and better intentioned to serve as trustees of the Al Tech fund.

R. R. Netoskie

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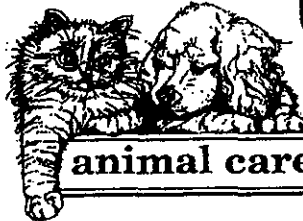
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## Smart shoppers



Second-graders Steven Sanchez and Amber Watson of Hamagrael Elementary School in Delmar made a list and checked it twice to make sure they were getting top nutrition for their shopping dollar. The pupils and their classmates went to a local Grand Union supermarket to purchase holiday meals for donation to the Bethlehem Central School District's annual food drive.

## Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

When shopping for the holidays, keep in mind the three Rs: reduce, reuse, and recycle. There are ways to stuff a stocking without stuffing the local landfill.

Consider what gifts are made of, how long they will last and where they will end up as waste.

Last-minute environmental gifts are recycled stationery or writing pads, homemade apple pies, canvas bags for shopping, low-flow shower heads, bird feeders or binoculars for bird-watching, reusable lunch bags and a thermos, compact fluorescent light bulbs or rechargeable batteries. (Four batteries in a cassette player, operating two hours per day for three years would use 876 alkaline batteries at a cost of \$657, but the four original rechargeables would still be working at a cost of \$26 — purchaser cost \$11, recharger \$10 and electricity about \$5.)

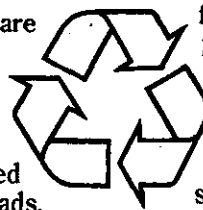
Since scented aerosol sprays just mask original smells, substitute the burning of scented candles, such as vanilla, cranberry or bayberry, or bring in outdoor

aromas with wreaths and swags made from fresh pine boughs and holly sprigs. Homemade potpourri is made by placing orange rind, cloves, cinnamon sticks and fresh ginger in a saucepan, bringing to boil and simmering on low heat.

When wrapping gifts, be creative or use minimal wrap. Ribbons can be saved and reused if they are ironed at a low temperature.

Decorate the tree with ornaments that can be shared with birds later — try popcorn and cranberry garlands.

More than 30 million trees are tossed out after Christmas into the nation's landfills. Help reuse the trees by taking yours to The Garden Shoppe of Feura Bush, Glenmont, on Jan. 11 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Bring your own containers to take home mulch for lining garden pathways and flower beds, or as fodder in the compost heap. The mulch can also blanket the soil and retain moisture for evergreens, rhododendrons or rose bushes.



## Chief

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"I enjoy the midnight shift and the people very much," he said.

Although LaChappelle has enjoyed his current position, he said he is looking forward to the challenges the new position will bring.

"It'll be a tremendous challenge," he said. "There are so many things to do for the community with the police department. We'll have to work within the constraints we have financially.

"That will be tough for someone who wants everything," he said.

According to Ringler, the police department and communications 1992 budget is approximately \$2 million.

LaChappelle said as chief he hopes maintain "the innovations and programs begun by Chief Currie" and introduce more within budget limits. "I have a lot of ideas."

He said the youth program is a "very, very important" and positive aspect of the department, noting it is one of the most visible and appreciated programs. The

youth program organizes the DARE program and annual bicycle rodeo.

LaChappelle will supervise the department of about 45 at an ap-

proximate salary of \$45,000, Ringler said.

The Bethlehem Central high School graduate attended the Albany College of Pharmacy from

1962 to 1966. He and his wife, Joyce, who live on Elm Avenue, have two children, Christopher and Kelli.

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# Cub Scout Pack 73 collects food for area families

Cub Scout Pack 73 of Voorheesville collected 2,560 food items for the St. Matthew's Human Concern Committee. The committee is preparing 32 baskets for distribution to local families. This committee will meet again on Sunday, Dec. 22, to assemble Christmas food baskets.

## Voorheesville News Notes

Susan Casler 765-2144



the children's Christmas list. For information, contact 765-9395.

### Santa to visit rod and gun club

Santa Claus is coming to town at the Voorheesville's Rod and Gun Club on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7 p.m. The public is invited to a pot luck dinner to be held at the lodge on Foundry Road at 6 p.m. Santa Claus will be on hand to listen to

### Living nativity planned at church

A live creche will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22, from 5 to 7 p.m. on the front lawn of the First United Methodist Church on Maple Avenue in Voorheesville. Students and live animals will participate in the nativity scene.

### Community festival slated Dec. 22

The Voorheesville Community Christmas Festival will be on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. The choir will sing traditional and modern Christmas music. The public is invited to attend and enjoy.

### School recess

Voorheesville District students will be on winter recess from Friday, Dec. 27, through Friday, Jan. 3. Classes will resume on Monday, Jan. 6.

### Holiday party planned at V'ville firehouse

Santa will be riding on the back of the Voorheesville Fire Engine on Sunday, Dec. 22 from noon to 1 p.m. throughout the town in Voorheesville. Children are invited to the Christmas party at the Voorheesville Firehouse on Sunday, Dec. 22, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. A magician, Clem Kinnicutt, will perform magic tricks. Refreshments will be served.

### V'ville students dance with Berkshire Ballet

Last weekend four local Voorheesville students danced

with the Albany Berkshire Ballet in performances of the "Nutcracker" at the Palace Theatre. Christen Rymanowski and Beth Tidd danced as Clara's cousin. Megan Longworth and Charmaine Davis performed as soldiers under the direction of Madeline Cantarella Culpo, artist director, for the ballet.

### School nominated for state honor

Voorheesville Elementary School was recently nominated by New York State Commissioner of Education Thomas Sobol as one of 27 public elementary and middle schools in the the Blue Ribbon Schools Program sponsored by the United States Department of Education.

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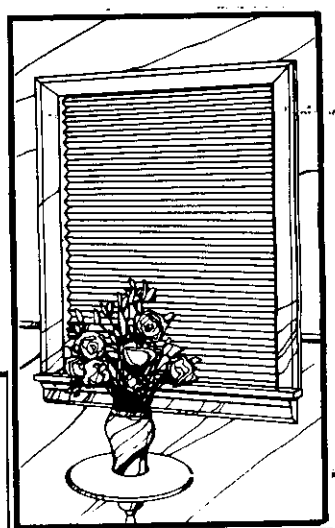
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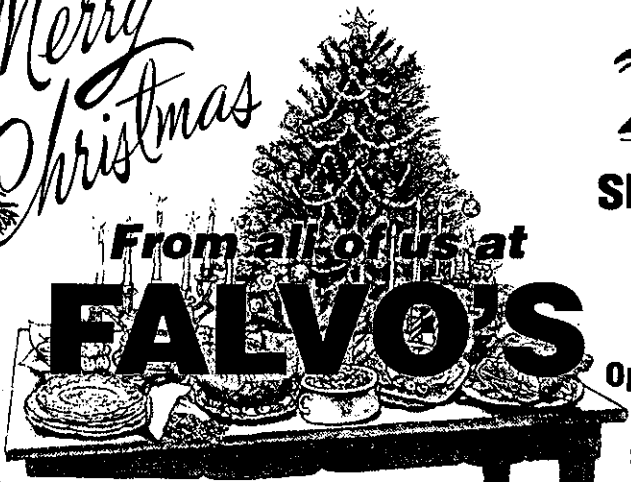
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# Children's film series set at library

A children's film series called "Films for Fun" is planned for the week of school vacation, Monday, Dec. 23, to Saturday, Dec. 28 at the Bethlehem Public Library.

The schedule for the free films is: Monday, Dec. 23, 1:30 p.m. "Adventures of Buckaroo Bonzai," recommended for school age children, 90 minutes long; Tuesday, Dec. 24, 10:30 a.m. "Frog and Toad Together," for pre-schoolers, 20 minutes long; Thursday, Dec. 26, 10:30 a.m., "Abel's Island," for preschoolers, 30 minutes long; Friday, Dec. 27, 1:30 p.m. "Star Wars," for school age children, two hours long; and Saturday, Dec. 28, 10:30 a.m., "A Bear Called Paddington" and "Goldilocks and the Three Bears." Preschoolers should bring their favorite bear for company, 30 minutes.

The library will be closed on Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25.

## RCS seniors get trial lounge area

Seniors at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School are enjoying a newly designated lounge area

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which will function on a trial basis until January.

The lounge opened last week, after students approached the school's building leadership team with a number of privilege requests. The area is open to members of the senior class who sign up in advance with their study hall teacher.

No more than 10 students are allowed in the room at one time, music, within reason, is permitted, all underclassmen are prohibited and a list of a dozen rules must be followed. The leadership team will make a decision in January whether the lounge will continue.

## RCS students receive local awards

Two RCS students recently received local awards which will allow them to compete regionally for higher honors. High school senior Dena Marshall of Selkirk was recently awarded the Good

Citizen Award by the Daughters of the American Revolution. The Good Citizen Award is noted by the National Association of Secondary Principals and has been placed in the advisory list of national contests and activities for 1991-92.

High School senior Elaine Watters of Ravena was chosen to represent the area in the 1992 New York Young Women of the Year program. Judged on scholastic achievement, fitness, presence, composure and the creative and performing arts, Watters will compete in the final rounds of competition in February.

## Bethlehem Grange to hold Christmas party Dec. 21

The Bethlehem Grange will hold its Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 6 p.m. Members, friends, and families are invited and asked to bring a dish to pass. Those who wish to exchange presents should bring a \$3 item marked man or woman. Children who would like to exchange gifts should bring a \$2 item marked boy or girl. Any canned or dry food for Christmas food baskets will be welcome and appreciated.

# Teens nabbed for burglary

Albany County Sheriff's Department deputies last week arrested four local teenagers on felony charges for the November burglary of a Voorheesville home.

Christopher J. Domermuth, 16, of 17 Swift Road in Voorheesville, John W. Wilson, 17, of 106 Smith Lane in Voorheesville, Megan E. Swasey, 17, of 3008 Squire Blvd. in Slingerlands and a fourth youth were all charged with second degree burglary, a felony, and petty larceny, a misdemeanor, according to Sheriff's Inv. Craig Apple. In addition, Domermuth was charged with fourth degree criminal mischief, a misdemeanor, Apple said.

Police did not release the fourth youth's name because the 15-year-old was granted youthful offender status, Apple said.

The four were charged in the Wednesday, Nov. 20, early afternoon burglary of a Danbury Court, Salem Hills home. According to Apple, the teens allegedly kicked in a rear door and took a compact disc player, 30 compact discs, 20 cassette tapes and various bottles of liquor. The materials were valued at \$983, Apple said.

Wilson was arrested Friday, Nov. 6, Swasey was arrested Monday, Nov. 9, and Domermuth and the fourth youth were arrested Tuesday, Nov. 10, Apple said.

"We had a few suspects, we brought them in and questioned them and ultimately there was a confession which led to the arrests," Apple said.

All four were arraigned before village Justice Kenneth J. Connolly. Domermuth was released to his parents on \$1,500 bail, Apple said. Swasey and the 15-year-old were both released to parents, while Wilson was remanded to Albany County Jail with no bail, he said. Wilson was on probation for a previous felony conviction, Apple said.

Mike Larabee

## Area residents to sell paint to Israel

Lou Benacquista, owner of Racklyn Paint and Nancy DuBois of Delmar, have just completed an agreement to sell 4,000 gallons of paint to Israel. The paint will be used at various Kibbutz sites in homes supplied by Northern Homes.

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# WMHT elects officers, new trustees

The board of trustees of WMHT Educational Telecommunications recently elected a new slate of officers and five new trustees.

Board Treasurer Charles Touhey was elected chairman and will serve a two-year term. Elected to one-year terms were Matthew Bender IV, vice chairman; John J. Puig, treasurer, and William F. Bortis, secretary.

New members elected to the board were Elia Hidalgo Christensen, director of the Division of Affirmative Careers in the New York State Department of Civil Service; Francis N. Edwards, senior vice president of sales and marketing for Garden Way Inc.; Katherine S. Rozendaal, Gary D. Smith, general manager of the

Desmond hotel; and Monte I. Trammer, president and publisher of *The Saratogian* newspaper.

Trustees re-elected to the board were Lorinda Ackley, Linda C. Christensen, Earle B. Mullen, John H. Puig and Larry C. Schrader. Leaving the board after two terms was Helen T. Hoole, who was elected in 1985.

The third annual WMHT Employees' Choice Award was presented by President and General Manager William E. Haley Jr.

to Dorothy (Dot) Pasko, educational services assistant. The award is presented to an individual who has made a significant contribution to the station and who demonstrates excellence in dealing with the public and co-workers.

*In Voorheesville The Spotlight is sold at Stewarts, Voorheesville Pharmacy and Voorheesville Mobil*

By Christine Shields

There will be lots of holiday fun at the Voorheesville Public Library in the coming week.

On Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m. Fred Gee will perform in a concert showcasing American folk songs and sing-a-longs. Bring the whole family and be prepared to join in!

Immediately following the concert, there will be a "Goodbye Reception" for Young People's Librarian Nancy Hutchinson who is moving to Nevada. Please join

us between 3:30 and 5 p.m. to wish her well.

The library will close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 24 and will reopen at 10 a.m. on Dec. 26. We wish all of our patrons the happiest of holidays.

Fall Story Hour will end on Dec. 20. Stay tuned for details of our winter schedule in this column.

Bundle up in your warmest pjs and join us tonight, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. for "Every Little Wish," a Bedtime Story Hour with a holiday theme.

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# Bethlehem Central names honor roll students

Bethlehem Central High School has announced students on the first quarter honor roll and high honor roll.

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Also, Brooke Marshall, Scott Maybee, Kathleen McGinn, Aaron Mimura, Michael Moon, Meredith Moriarty, Kathryn Nehrbauser, Jill Notis, Matthew Ostroff, Gregory Phelps, Janni Plattner, Michael Pressman, Keith Riccio, Ethan Schoolman, Nicole Sherrin, Richard Sherwin, Leah Staniels, Margaret Teresi, Aaron Thorpe, Jennifer Tompkins, Gloria Tsan, Kyle Vanriper, Karena Zornow, Daniel Zox.

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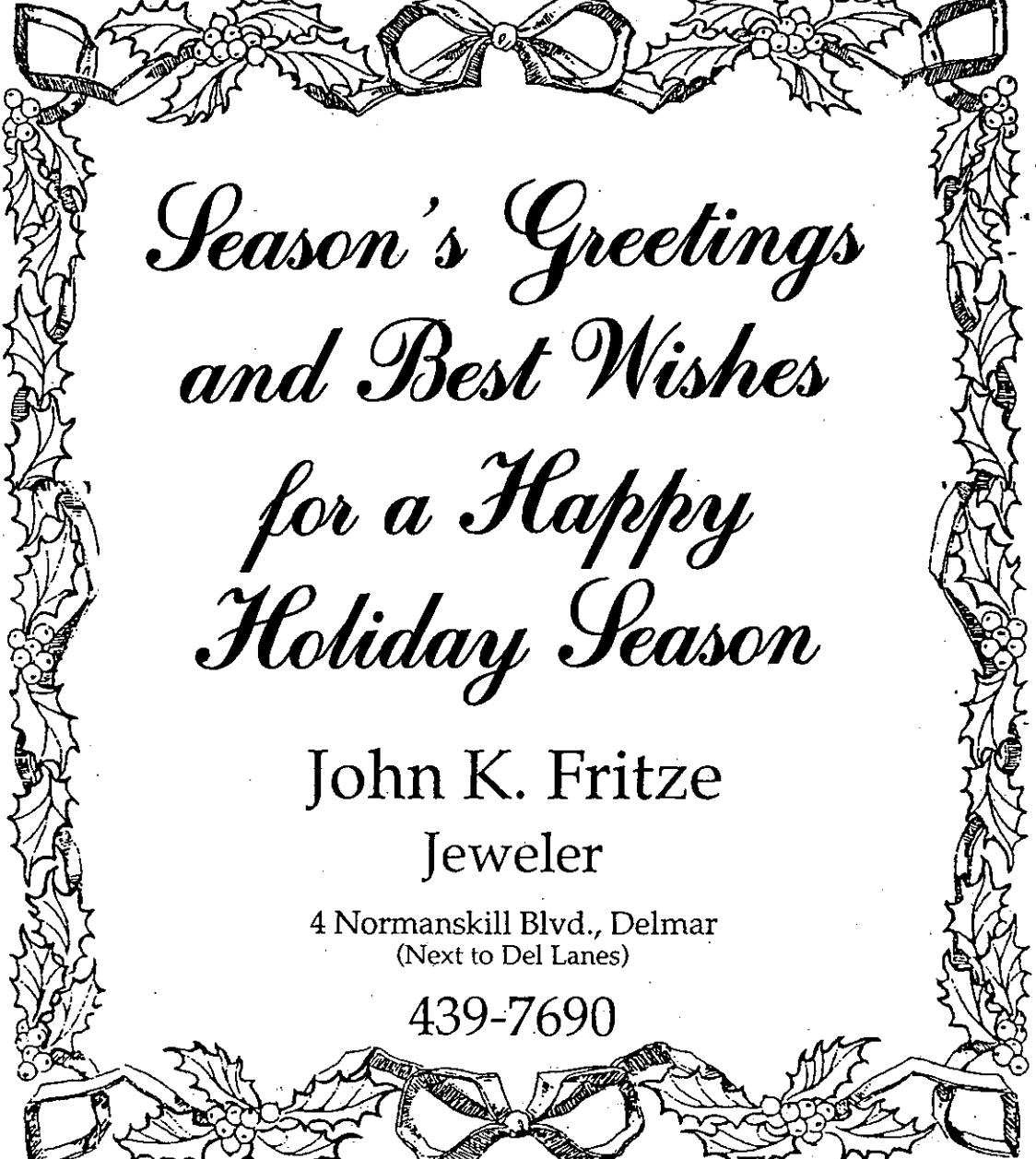
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### Police make four DWI arrests

Bethlehem police arrested three motorists on misdemeanor charges of driving while intoxicated during their participation in last weekend's county-wide patrol targeting drunken drivers.

Robert J. Snyder, 49, 47 Gipp Road, Albany, was arrested for DWI Saturday, Dec. 14, at 1:41 a.m. after he was stopped for failure to keep right on Route 85 near Route 140, police said.

Jerome Vaughan, 40, 16 Laverne Drive, Rutland, Vt., was arrested for DWI Saturday, Dec. 14, at 3:44 a.m. after he was stopped for failure to keep right on Delaware Avenue near Plymouth Avenue, police said.

Tammy Stock, 19, 74 Walter St., Albany, was arrested for DWI Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3:51 a.m. after she was stopped for speeding and failure to keep right on Delaware Avenue at the town line, police said.

In other arrests, Bethlehem police arrested one motorist on felony charges of DWI.

John David Cook, 31, 102 Udell Road, Westerlo, was arrested for felony DWI Monday, Dec. 9, at 12:26 a.m. after he was stopped for failure to keep right on Feura Bush Road near Elsmere Avenue, police said.

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### CDTC to meet

The Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) will meet on Thursday, Dec. 19 at 3 p.m. at the Saratoga County Facilities Building, Saratoga Springs.

The agenda includes a revision to the 1991-92 work program and a discussion of the draft plan to implement the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Accessible Transportation Act.

Citizen involvement is encouraged and the meeting is open to the public. For information, call 458-2161.

### Methodist church events set

The Grace United Methodist Church, 16 Hillcrest Drive, Ravenna, is hosting several events.

Chancel Choir will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 19.

Sunday School will begin at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 22. Morning Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by a coffee and fellowship at 11:30 a.m. The RCS Ecumenical Cantata will meet at 7:30 p.m. The Jr. High UMYF will not meet. The group's next meeting will take place on Sunday, January 12, 1992, at 7 p.m.

The Junior Choir will rehearse at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 23. Den 9, the Grace Ringers and Alcoholics Anonymous will all meet at 7 p.m.

Lessons and Carols—Christmas Eve service will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 24.

Chancel Choir and TOPS will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 26.

For information about any of the events, call 756-6688.

### Delmar residents part of Tula project

Delmar residents Gerald Shaye and Victoria Cheshire are members of the Albany-Tula Alliance, a project of the city of Albany organized to aid the people of Tula, Russia.

The alliance, initiated by Albany Mayor Thomas M. Whalen III and organized by a coalition of educators, business and commu-

nity leaders and government officials from Albany and the Capital District has arranged for an emergency airlift of needed supplies to the economically ravaged city of Tula by mid-January.

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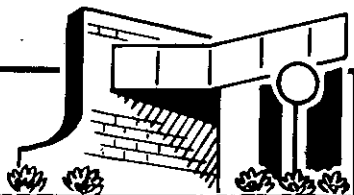
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# Check It Out

BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY



By Anna Jane Abaray

Families with children age three and older are invited to come to the Bethlehem Public Library tonight, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. for a "Winterfest" concert.

Lucy McCaffrey, Celtic harpist, singer, and storyteller from Elsmere, will present a medley of song, story, and harp music attuned to the season. The Sound System Singers, a select group of 18 Bethlehem Central High School students under the direction of Joseph Farrell, will entertain with pop and holiday favorites.

The library will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 24 and 25.

Preschoolers ages two through five and parents are invited to see School's Out Films on Thursday, Dec. 26 at noon. No registration is necessary for the hour-long program featuring three short films. Shown will be "The Snowman," based on the book by Raymond Briggs about how a young boy's snowman comes alive for one very special night, "Morris's Disappear-

ing Bag," the story of Morris's very special, magical Christmas present from the delightful book by Rosemary Wells, and "The Bear's Christmas."

On Friday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m., children in grades 3 and up are welcome to see the School's Out Film, "A Cry in The Wild, (82 minutes). The story, based on the Newberry Award Book "Hatchet," by Gary Paulsen, is about a teenage boy whose plane crashes in the wilderness and his lone struggle for survival.

On Tuesday, Dec. 31, join us at 11:30 a.m. for the "New Year's Eve at Noon." Usher out the old year and welcome in the new with stories, songs, and refreshment. We provide the punch — please bring cookies to share. Families can call 439-9314 to register.

### Delmar woman promoted

The Troy Saving Bank recently announced the promotion of D. Marisa Finn of Delmar, manager of the bank's main office in downtown Troy, to assistant treasurer.

# In the courts

John Nallan, 33, 40 Old Route 299, New Paltz, arrested Sept. 1 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired, a violation, in Bethlehem Town Court on Dec. 3 and was fined \$350 with a 90-day license suspension.

Robert F. Woolheather, 31, of Selkirk, arrested Sept. 14 for misdemeanor DWI, pleaded guilty in Bethlehem Town Court on Dec. 3 and was fined \$350 with a 90-day license suspension.

Marit B. Swift, 57, 13 Leaf Drive, Delmar, arrested for misdemeanor DWI Sept. 10, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of DWAI, a violation, in Bethlehem Town Court on Dec. 3 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Juhan Kahk, 29, 1098 State St., Albany, arrested Oct. 27 for misdemeanor DWI, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of DWAI, a violation, in Bethlehem Town Court on Dec. 3 and was fined \$250 with a 90-day license suspension.

Finn, who joined the bank in July 1990 previously spent nine years as a customer service representative and later branch manager of an area commercial bank.

### Selkirk woman named to Academy post

Rosemary Durso Pascone of Selkirk was recently appointed the assistant director of admissions for the Albany Academy.



**Capital District Transportation Committee**  
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### DOT to begin work on Route 32 stretch

State Transportation Commissioner Franklin E. White recently announced that the Department of Transportation (DOT) has received \$36,448,640.81 in apparent low bids, including a \$8.9 million project to reconstruct more than six miles of Route 32 in the towns of Westerlo and Coeymans.

The work area extends from two-tenths of a mile north of route 406 in the Town of Westerlo and proceeds north 6.2 miles to the Coeymans/New Scotland Town line. John Taylor, regional director of DOT's Capital District Re-

gion, will supervise the project.

In Albany County, Route 32 will be resurfaced for 1.1 miles in the Town of Bethlehem. The work area extends from the Owens Corning Fiberglas driveway to the intersection with Route 910A. Other work includes improving the profile of Wemple Road.

Callanan Industries, Inc., South Bethlehem, received three contract bids.

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## Candy

(From Page 1)

the school nurse and eventually left the school to seek medical attention when he experienced severe nausea and vomiting.

Two other teachers, two spouses of teachers and a custodian who tried the candy but did not swallow it, complained of burning in their mouths and nausea. State police also say some containers of candy were mailed directly to teachers' homes.

Upon learning of the incident, High School Principal Andrew DeFeo called the police and all containers of candy were confiscated.

RCS Superintendent William Schwartz called a press briefing on Friday to inform the community and he recently sent a letter home with students explaining the situation to parents. To ensure the safety of students and reduce any panic in the district, he immediately had the school food service checked for any tampering.

According to Captain Lloyd Wilson of the BCI, the candy was intentionally tainted and while he would not disclose the material used, he said it was extremely toxic

and could have been fatal if enough was ingested.

"This was not your typical product tampering cause where someone put a needle in a product and left it on a grocery store shelf," said Wilson. "Someone purposely introduced a foreign substance and saw to it that it was delivered to particular individuals."

Wilson said there have been no more complaints related to the candy, and state police believe no students ingested any candy. He said while the severity of penalty would be left up to the District Attorney, the individual or individuals responsible do face serious felony charges.

According to DeFeo, while the situation was extremely frightening, teachers and administrators are trying to put the event behind them.

"It is very frightening when you think of what happened and certainly what could have happened if a child had gotten a hold of the candy," said DeFeo. "We're counting our blessings that it wasn't worse and hoping for a quick resolution."

DeFeo made a brief announcement over the school's public address system on Friday informing students of the situation and

cautioning them against eating any food whose origin is not known and is not wrapped in a tamper-proof seal.

He said while circumstances and the scores of investigators at the school could have created a chaotic situation, teachers have managed to remain professional by briefly discussing the incident in class and continuing on with lessons.

"It is such a shame because the candy is not the only thing that is tainted here," said DeFeo. "We have such a great staff and we try to do so many good things for the kids, that when someone takes a shot like this at us, it really erases so many positive things the district stands for."

Wilson described the BCI's attention to the matter as "full court press" and said every effort is being made to investigate any theories they have on exactly who would be motivated to commit such a crime.

### St. Nicholas exhibit planned at SUNY

The University Libraries, SUNY at Albany, recently announced an exhibit on St. Nicholas that will be on display in the cases in the reserve area on the lower level of the University Library through Jan. 31.

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# THE SPOTLIGHT Sports

## Eagles struggle with third quarter blues

By Michael Kagan

Something happens to the Bethlehem Central boys basketball team in the locker room at halftime.

Over the first four games of the new season, the Eagles have not won a single third quarter. BC (1-1, 2-2) overcame those dreaded eight minutes on Tuesday to gain a 62-53 home victory over the Mohonasen Warriors, but then were sunk by a disastrous second half on the road Friday against the Columbia Blue Devils, losing 79-64 in two league games.

On Tuesday, Bethlehem won every quarter but the third. After leading 33-26 at halftime, the Eagles saw their lead trimmed to two, 46-44, by the end of the third period before they regained form in the fourth.

Fred Luck led BC with a personal season high of 23, while Matt Quatraro added 11. Point guard Bill Karins, who hadn't scored a single point in the previous two games, scored 10 points. Mike Pelletier scored eight, and Mike Aylward, who pulled down 10 rebounds, seven.

Bethlehem put four players in double figures Friday, but couldn't handle the Blue Devil's defensively. Quatraro scored 20 points, Luck 12, Pelletier, who sank three three-pointers, 11 and Aylward 10. Chris Macaluso added seven, while Karins and Dan Willi each contributed two.

The Eagles began the game by opening up 8-0 and 13-3 leads. Columbia answered back with 11 straight points and led at the end of the first quarter, 20-17.

Coach Jack Moser said, "We came out red hot early and it went

to our head."

BC pulled to 36-35 by halftime, but slumped after halftime. "We had the third quarter blues again," Moser said. A lethargic Eagle offense which led to multiple fast breaks and easy layups allowed the Blue Devils to go on an 11-2 run to open the quarter. Bethlehem did not score until 2:08 into the period, when Pelletier converted two foul shots. Columbia won the quarter 21-11, opening up a 55-46 lead. Columbia outscored Bethlehem by six points in the fourth quarter as well to hold on for the win.

According to co-captain Aylward, the team wasn't focused on the third and fourth quarter, but should. "The defense plays good for one half, then it just disappears," he said.

Bethlehem will play in Niskayuna on Friday night.

### BC girls win opener

Despite the absence of All-American graduate Anita Kaplan, the Bethlehem Girls varsity basketball team crushed Mohonasen 42-18 in its first game of the season.

Leading BC scorers were Lynn Doody, who had 11 points, and Ninja Moring with 13.

Warner noted his team's speed, depth, outside shooting and pressure defense as important assets.

They are scheduled to play today at Saratoga.

Moser said, "John Lyons (29 points)—he killed us. We couldn't stop him. We didn't execute our game plan. We executed our game plan perfectly on Tuesday night. They're (the Blue Devils) always tough, but you can't make excuses."

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For Home Equity Credit Lines (x .75)	75,000	80,000	_____
For Home Equity Loans (x .80)	-40,000	-40,000	_____ (A)
Less current balance of your first mortgage	\$ 35,000	-\$ 40,000	\$ _____
Your appropriate maximum amount based on home equity		\$ 3,300	\$ _____
<b>STEP 2</b>			
Total monthly household income (gross)	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,300	\$ _____
For Home Equity Credit Line (x .33)	1,100	1,188	_____
For Home Equity Loan (x .36)			_____
Less total monthly obligations (mortgage payments, insurance, utilities, real estate taxes, installment loans, credit cards, and other debt payments that will continue for more than six months).	-500	-500	_____
Multiply by 60 (x 60)	\$ 600	\$ 688	_____ (B)
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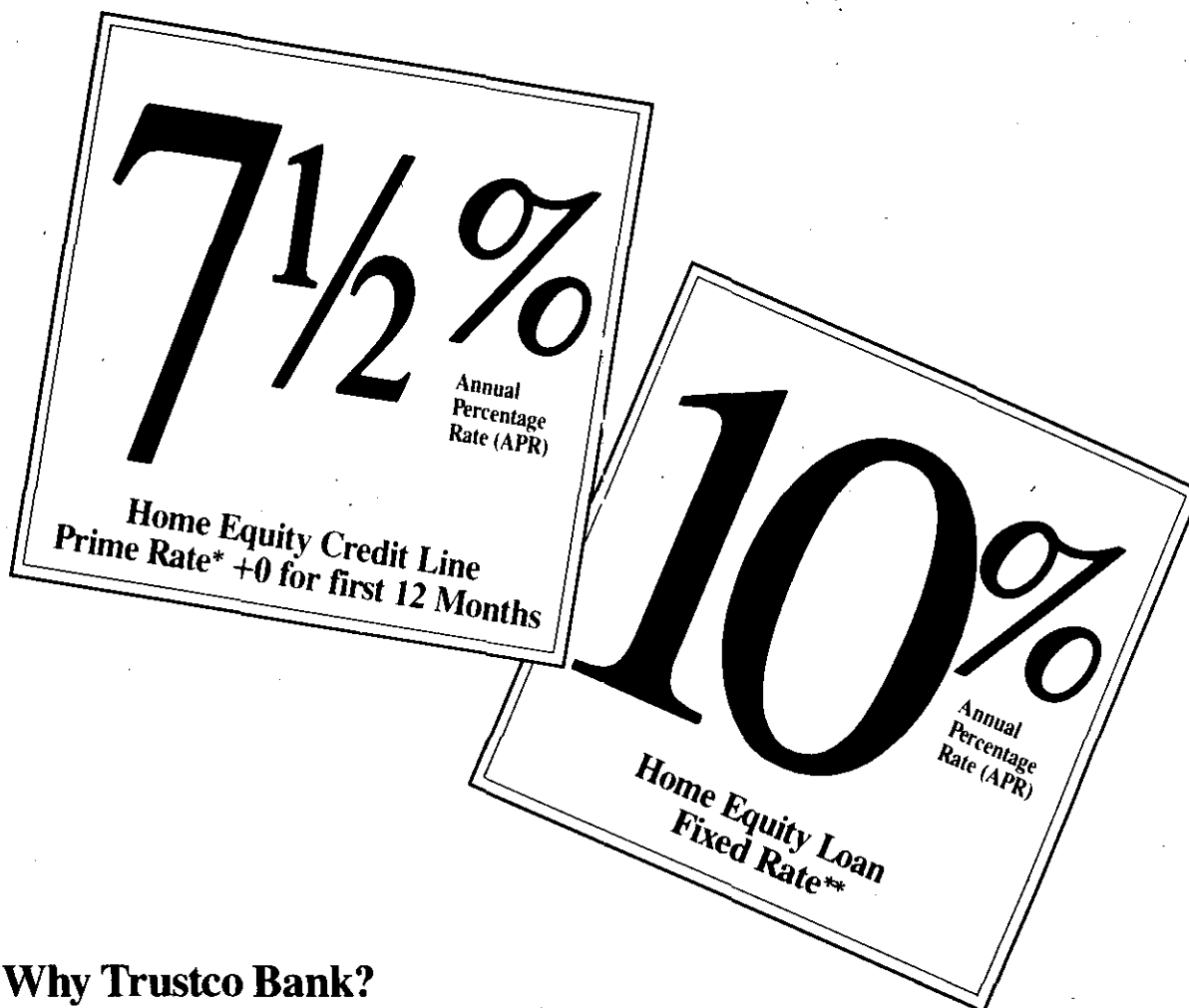
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# Boycott

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order to protest at the mall. They were also told that students would be arrested if any more flyers were handed out, Frye said.

Rapaport said, "I have to say, while they may have seemed to act kind of quickly, I think the security guards acted very responsibly." He said he had warned the students prior to the protest that they might be asked to leave the mall while protesting.

The rally was then moved off Crossgates property and continued across Western Avenue where approximately 80 students, mostly from BC, walked with picket signs, chanted slogans and handed leaflets out to drivers stopped at the red light. The protest kicked off

what is planned as a month-long boycott of Hoyts theaters in the area.

The boycott, which will extend to Jan. 15, is being sponsored and promoted by the student governments of 14 local schools.

"Hoyts is taking over the Capital District, and they're able to pretty much charge whatever they please...It's becoming a monopoly," Frye said.

Karen Racene, a BC freshman, said, "They've almost monopolized the whole area, and they just keep raising the prices."

Frye said on Sunday that he would meet with the representatives of the Student Senate and discuss whether to fill out the paperwork provided by Crossgates to seek authorization for another protest. He said the response the demonstrators received from pas-

sersby on Western Avenue was "really great."

"We had people honking as they were going by. We even had some college students get out and help us," he said. "They're affected by the lack of student pricing as well."

If they go ahead with another protest, Frye hopes to involve a wider range of high school students and those attending local colleges as well.

Contacted on Friday, Hoyts management at Crossgates forwarded questions to the company's national headquarters in Boston. On Monday, Hoyts spokesman Morris Englander rejected claims that the theater chain has dropped any student discount or raised their prices in the past two years. He said movies are still one of the cheapest entertainment values around.

"I'm sorry the students have targeted us instead of the price of a new Michael Jackson cd or the cost of a new Nintendo system ... the opportunity is there for them to reduce their ticket price down to \$4.50" if they choose to purchase a 10-ticket discount pack, Englander said.

Frye said, "Obviously, if they can sell tickets for \$4.50 for ten tickets, than they can sell them for \$4.50 for every ticket and they'll still be making money."

Frye said a letter had been sent to Hoyts' Boston office several weeks ago informing them of the boycott, but there had been no response as of Monday.

Organizing the boycott proved more difficult than the BC students had originally imagined. Letters and flyers were sent to student governments at each of the 10

Suburban Council schools, yet according to Frye, several faculty advisers attempted to block their students' participation in the rally.

Frye said the purpose of the boycott is to send a message to Hoyts that they cannot arbitrarily set prices. With the exception of the independently owned Madison and Spectrum Theaters, all other theater screens in Albany County are run by Hoyts.

The current rates at the Crossgates location are: \$6.75 for general admission adults, \$4.25 for senior citizens and children under 11 and, \$4.50 for matinees. The Spectrum in Albany on average charges \$5.75 for adults and \$2 for children under 14. There is a student rate of \$4 on Tuesdays. At the Madison in Albany the price is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children under 11.

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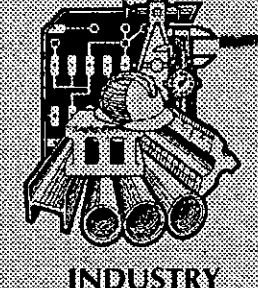
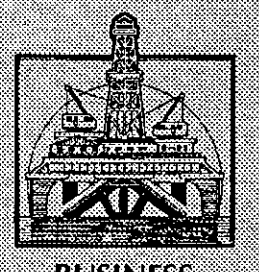
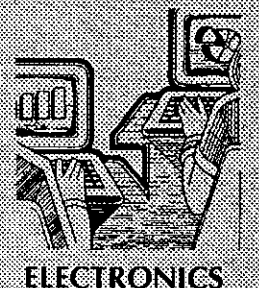
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# Voorheesville defense puts clamp on Cadets

By Erin Elizabeth Sullivan

The Voorheesville Blackbirds basketball team split two games this past week, losing to Schalmont 52-48 at home on Tuesday, Dec. 10, and winning a hard-fought battle at Albany Academy on Friday, Dec. 13.

The Birds' home game against Schalmont was a "disappointment" to coach Skip Carrk. "We did not play very well together as a team," he said. "It seemed like whoever got the ball took a shot."

It was Voorheesville's defensive tactics that kept them in the game. The Birds were able to shut down the Sabres' 6-foot-4-inch center, Jason Jahnel, limiting him to two points in the first half. In the fourth quarter, the Birds came together and had a chance to take the lead. But a missed jump shot and a Blackbird foul cut short

Voorheesville's momentum, handing the Birds their second loss of the season's league play.

With no scoreboard or visible clock at Albany Academy on Friday, the Birds began with a slow start. Both teams were missed shot opportunities in a poor-shooting contest. Midway through the second quarter, the Cadets put on a big rush and raced to a ten point lead. Academy's surge rattled the Blackbird defense and left Voorheesville to chip away at this lead until they trailed by only three at the half.

Academy was allowed only two points from the second quarter until three quarters through the third period. The Blackbirds were able to maintain a three to five point lead for the rest of the game, and held on to secure another win.

Steve Lapinski led the Blackbirds with 18 points, 13 rebounds and five blocked shots. Tom Gianasio added 10 points and eight rebounds. Erin Sullivan contributed eight steals. "Erin's performance was one of the most inspir-

ing defensive efforts that I have seen," Carrk said.

The Academy win was important after Tuesday's loss to Schalmont. "In the beginning of the season I looked at the first six games to be quite challenging," Carrk said. "We came out three

and three. I would like to have seen about a five-and-one or a four-and-two, but realistically, our record is not bad."

Voorheesville was scheduled to play Ravena at home yesterday (Tuesday) and will travel to Cohoes on Friday, Dec. 20.

## Students named to honor roll

Albany Academy for Girls has announced honor and high honor rolls for the first trimester of the 1991-92 academic year.

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From Ravena, Josephine Tracey, grade 10.

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### Hampton comeback spurs Eagle victory

By Jared Beck

The Eagles of Bethlehem Central High School flew to victory, Tuesday, Dec. 10, as their varsity wrestling squad scored its first win of the year, at home against Guilderland.

Starting off what ended as a 36-30 triumph for the Eagles, was a 5-3 decision earned by Scott Cunningham, in the 98-pound class. Following were forfeits to Anthony Genovese and Pete Loux in the 105 and 112 weight classes, respectively, to stake the Eagles to a 15-0 lead.

Then, Zack Hampton provided BCHS with a spirited pin at the 119 pound class. Down 0-5 at the

end of the first period, Hampton came out firing in the second, and scored his fall at the 2:33 mark.

After surrendering its first points of the match by forfeiting in the 126-pound category, BC struck again, with a 6-3 decision by Shane Cunningham grappling at the 132 class. Ralph Carotenuto added a 16-1 technical fall at 155 pounds and Eric Horowitz provided a pin at 2:20 of his 177-pound match to help BC hang on and capture the tournament despite dropping four of its final six contests.

The Eagles are now 1-1. Friday, they traveled to Oxford, N.Y. to play in a tournament there.

### Tigers break RCS wrestling hold

By Kevin Van Derzee

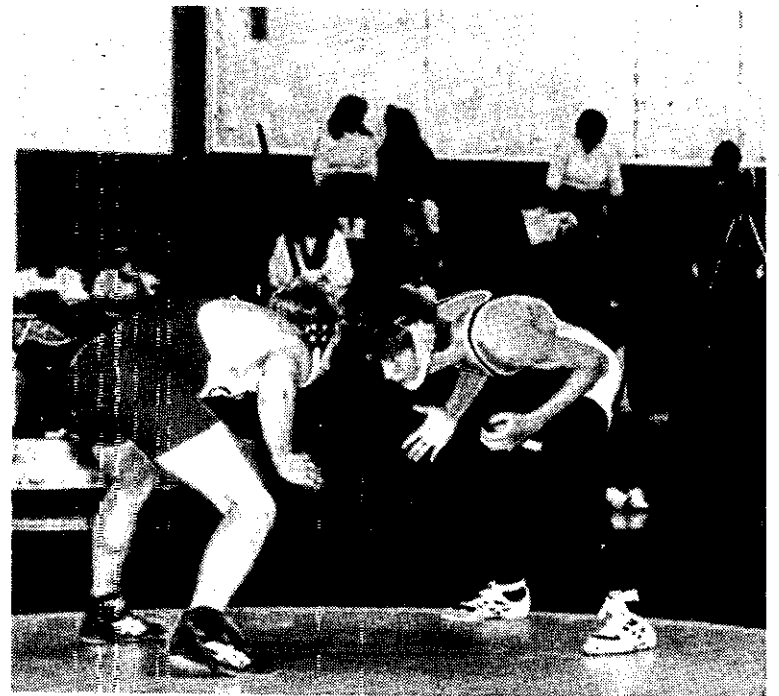
The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Indians were looking to extend their 10 match winning streak over the Cohoes Tigers last Thursday.

But Ravena came up lame, losing 48-16.

The Tigers were up 15 to 0 after three matches in which Anthony Martone, Randy Beach and Adam Smith each wrestled well in losing efforts. Tom McGrail came up with Ravena's first win, beating his opponent 7-1 while controlling the whole match.

Brian Whitney, John Engeland Brian Irving each put up tough fights in losing efforts. Kevin Craft posted the Indians second win, 16-14, in a very exciting and close match. Dave Baranska and John Mantynen each chalked up pins for the Indians. Jason Demerest wrestled well against the defending Section II champ Ed Jesmain, but was beaten.

On Saturday they traveled to Colonie with only part of a varsity lineup for Colonie's holiday tournament. Beach started things off with a win, before he lost his next match to send him into the consolation round. But he won his next



RCS wrestler John Engel, right, and Mike Green of Cohoes in action during a recent 138-pound match.

Mike McNessor

two matches quickly before he losing a tough match

Beach finished in fourth place. RCS took fifth out of twelve teams in the tournament.

Engel lost one and won his last

match 10-9. Smith reached the semifinals, where he lost to send him into the consolation round. He finished with a third place medal.

McGrail, Craft and Demerest each reached the semi's before being beaten. Craft ended up taking sixth place wrestling against some tough opponents. McGrail took fourth place. Jason Demerest finished in third.

David Baranska won his first two matches convincingly before having to forfeit because of the flu in the finals. John Mantynen also reached the finals with two very quick and decisive pins, before losing 12 to 1 in the finals.

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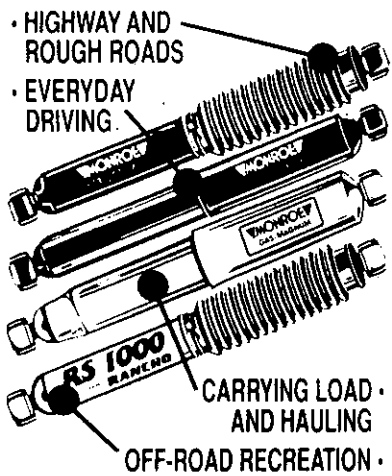


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# Hoop club squads battle to buzzer

Several Bethlehem Basketball Club (BBC) games battled down to the wire this week.

In All-Star Division action, the Hawks upended the Spurs 30-21. Pete Dorgan's rebounding and eight point production spear-headed the victors while Ed Bardelli paced the losers with 16 points. Behind the 13-point performance of Bill Robinson, the Rockets outlasted the Sixers 40-29. Will Cushing's floor leadership and defense lead the Sixers.

In other All-Star play, the Bucks topped the Mavs 38-25 as Kevin Blanchard lead the winners with eight points and numerous assists. Cory Czajka scored eight points for the Mavs.

The Lakers and the Nuggets battled to a 31 tie in Pro Division play. Ryan Peterson helped the Lakers down the stretch with three key baskets while Tim Staniels of the Nuggets contributed numerous rebounds and tough defense. The Pistons barely edged a feisty Celtic squad 31-30 as Dan Burrell scored 14 points to lead the win-

ners. John McCormack played an outstanding game for the Celtics as he scored 11 points and blocked numerous shots.

A fired-up Bulls squad topped the Knicks 48-29 in Pro Division action. The Bulls' J.J. Kasarjian played a solid offensive and defensive game as he scored 10 points and contributed seven assists. For the Knicks, Paul Patane ripped the nets for eight points.

In College Division action, Villanova just got past St. Johns 34-28. For Villanova, Tim Moshier controlled the boards and contributed 10 points. St. Johns was paced by Brian Cheeseman and Omar Feliciano with six points each.

In other College Division play, Georgetown prevailed over a

rugged Syracuse squad 24-17 as Andy Gutman led the Hoya attack with eight points. Andy Hartman contributed six points for the Orange offensive attack. In a great team effort, Providence topped Seton Hall 37-20. For the winners, Aaron Smith scored six points. Chris Messina played an outstanding game at both ends of the court with 10 points and six rebounds.

## Area students perform in dance program

Sharon Reiss of Delmar and Karen Shamoun of Slingerlands recently performed with the Emma Willard Dance Theater at the Egg of the Empire State Center in Albany.

Reiss is a junior and Shamoun a freshman at Emma Willard School in Troy.

## BC swimmers take 2nd win

The Bethlehem Central boys varsity swim team continued into its second week of competition with a 108-62 win over Hudson Falls on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Andrew Finley started off the individual events with a strong 200 freestyle, placing first with a time of 2:09:34. Freshman Pat Gallagher also performed well, swimming a solid 200 free for his first time in a varsity meet.

The boys continued to accumulate points, despite the fact that many of the usual top placers swam exhibition, earning no team points. Paul Engel, swimming exhibition, dropped a second off of his fastest 100 butterfly time, clocking 58:74.

Finley maintained the pace in the 500 freestyle, with a time of 5:59:37, better than his swim last week. Ian Salsburg was touched out in the 100 breaststroke by less than a second by Hudson Fall (and Section II) strongman Bill Coleman.

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# Indians top Averill Park for first win, 81-64

By Mike McNessor

Volker did a really nice job."

The RCS varsity boys basketball team earned their first win of the season 81-64 with a bittersweet victory over Averill Park, Tuesday, Dec. 10.

The match-up was marred by numerous pratfalls. Ravena's Asuer Bowen came out of the game late in the first period with an injured ankle, halfway through the second period the game was stopped because of a discrepancy in the score and both sides earned excessive personal fouls.

"We make it interesting, don't we?" Indians head coach Jim Gorham quipped scratching his head.

"We needed a win," Gorham remarked. "We really played better the last two games, but tonight was a win. We've got to work on control."

"Certainly Asuer's injury hurt us," he continued. "But John

In the first half, Averill Park's Jerry McMeel led his team with eight points, four of which McMeel netted in three separate free-throw attempts. Jason Hickling and David Amsler scored four apiece, while Brendon Baldwin, and Brian Criscone also contributed to Averill Park's first half tally of 25.

Ravena's Carlton Winslow netted eight points, followed by Reggie Skipper who scored six. Christopher Romano scored five. Joe Salin, Elton Tune, and Seth Roe contributed four apiece, and Michael Burns added two.

The second half gave RCS sophomore Christopher Roman a chance to demonstrate his offensive prowess, as he scored twelve points for the Indians to give him a game total of 17. Also with 17 points were hard-drivers Winslow and Skipper. Skipper led the team



A Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk player pushes the ball up court in action last week against Averill Park. RCS won 81-64. Mike McNessor

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in rebounds with 14, while Winslow followed with 13.

Salin scored six points, and Tune scored four for RCS. Eric Powell contributed four to the effort, while Seth Roe added two, with six assists.

Despite Coach Gorham screaming, "Watch 55 on the jump shot!" Averill Park's brawny Amsler kept charging up the center scoring 10 in the second half. Criscone and McMeel contributed eight points each, and Hickling also worked to bring the Averill Park total up to 64.

The Indians will play two away games this week, Tuesday, Dec. 17 at Voorheesville, and Friday, Dec. 20 at Mechanicville.

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Bantam Girls — Denise Doran, 120, 318 triple.

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Women — Linda Watt, 215, 559 triple.

Boys — Steve Bradt, 236, 585 triple; Tom Preska, 235, 645 triple.

Girls — Marella Brady, 205, 531 triple.

## Dance set at church

Tri Village Squares invites all class-level dancers to attend a dance on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Tom Vitow will call class level with a plus tip and rounds.

For information, call 768-2882.

# Ladybirds top Sabers despite flu

By Greg Sullivan

In their second week of league play, Voorheesville's girls varsity basketball team split two Colonial Council contests. They opened up the week with an impressive road victory over Schalmont, but were defeated at home Friday night by a tough Holy Names team, 41-30.

On Tuesday night, plagued by the flu, a sick Voorheesville team mustered enough strength to overcome Colonial Council foe Schalmont. Despite a close first half, Voorheesville managed to open the game up with a quick second half start. Juniors Becky Baily and Cortney Langford led the charge with 14 and 12 points, respectively.

Baily, who is extremely tough under the hoop, also collected 11 rebounds in the game.

Voorheesville coach Nadine Bassler remarked that "while we did not play well, it was a good win on the road."

Friday night's loss to Holy Names saw a closely played game that was won with a third quarter spurt. The Ladybirds couldn't recover.

A low-scoring first half ended in a deadlock with both teams scoring only 16 points. This pleased Bassler, who noted the necessity of keeping the score low in this game. Voorheesville had thus far successfully muffled an explosive Holy Names offense that would eventually decide the game.

With the start of the second half, Holy Names came out firing and outscored Voorheesville 14-2. The Ladybirds could not recover and finished with a 41-30 loss. In the losing effort, Cortney Langford finished with 12 points and teammate Becky Baily collected nine points and 12 rebounds.

Over the first two weeks of the regular season, Voorheesville has accumulated two wins to go with two losses. This week they were scheduled to play last night at Ravena and will play undefeated Cohoes at home on Friday.

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**Mr. and Mrs. David Heffelfinger  
Kelp, Heffelfinger wed**

Nancy B. Kelp, daughter of Harold W. and Dorothy R. Kelp of Delmar, and David Michael Heffelfinger, son of Ellen Ohnmacht of Clifton Park and the late George Heffelfinger, were married Aug. 31.

Rev. Dr. Arthur Hagy conducted the ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Dana E. Flood was matron of honor. Katie Lynn Morton was flower girl.

Darren M. Heffelfinger was

best man. Thomas J. Morton was usher.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Stratford Business School. She is employed by the Capital District Transit Authority.

The groom is a graduate of Shenendehowa Central High School and Hudson Valley Community College. He is employed by General Electric-Albany in Feura Bush.

After a wedding trip to Niagara Falls and Toronto, the couple resides in Delmar.

**On The Senior Side**

A blood pressure screening test will be held Tuesday, Dec. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the auditorium at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

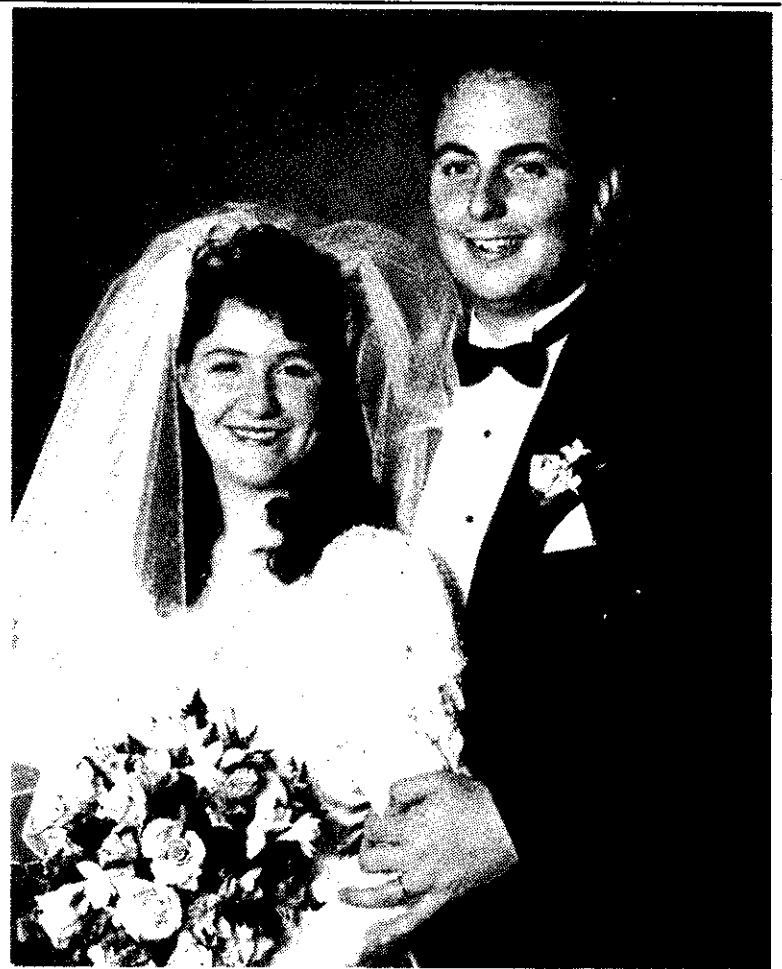
The free screening is available to all town residents on a walk-in basis.

In conjunction with the test, under the auspices of the town's "Marion Martin Displays for Independent Living," Diane Busick of the town's assessor's department will be on hand to discuss property tax discounts for senior citizens.

Also, Bethlehem Senior Services is compiling an interest list for a hearing screening to be held at a future date. To add your name, call 439-4955, ext. 170.

**Glenmont to hold  
Christmas Eve service**

A Christmas Eve service will take place at the Glenmont Community Church Reformed at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 24. The church is located on Chapel Lane, (behind K-Mart) in Glenmont. The public is invited.



**Mr. and Mrs. Brian Johanson  
Clark, Johanson wed**

Lisa Suzanne Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry A. Clark of Delmar, and Brian Keith Johanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Johanson of Loudonville, were married Sept. 28.

Dr. Rev. Arthur Hagy conducted the ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Francesca Tandi Nocito was maid of honor. Nina Lempert, Ellen Yacobian, Jill Johanson, Janet Rice and Sandy Gallagher were bridesmaids. Katherine Aidala and Bethany Griffin were flower girls.

Stephen Savard was best man. Dean Paugh, Edward Morgan,

Andrew Baucom, N. Robert MacDonald and Michael Wehner were ushers. Eric Olson was ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Potsdam College. She is a research scientist in Immunotoxicology at Bristol-Myers Squibb, Syracuse.

The groom is a graduate of Shaker High School and Clarkson University. He is an electrical engineer with I.I.T.R.I. in Rome, N.Y.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple resides in Oneida, N.Y.

**THE YOUTH NETWORK**

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The Bethlehem Youth Employment Service is a non-profit referral service designed to meet community needs and develop the town's "natural resource" — its youth.

Young people between the ages of 14 and 21 looking for temporary, part-time or seasonal employment can register at the town's Elm Avenue Park administrative offices Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoons, from 2 to 4:30 p.m., or at the high school guidance office Thursday mornings. High school registration dates and times will be announced over the school's public address system.

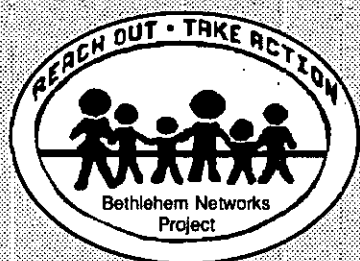
After discussing a range of job possibilities, the agency strives to match youths with jobs suitable to their interests and experience. YES offers advisement regarding job preparation and interview skills, and this can help prepare young people for work.

Bethlehem residents who need assistance with animal care, babysitting, housecleaning, yardwork and other tasks can find capable, reliable workers by contracting the service.

In addition, local businesses can use YES to screen prospective employees for retail work, computer programming, maintenance and restaurant services. The service can provide businesses with information concerning Child Labor Laws passed in September.

We encourage the community to develop its own "natural resource," Bethlehem's youths. Call YES at 439-0503 for information.

*This week's Networks article was written by Sharon Felson, YES director, a Bethlehem resident and mother of 13- and 8-year-old boys.*



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Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Smith  
**Schaeffer, Smith wed**

Susanna Schaeffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. Schaeffer of Glenmont, and Gregory Scott Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Smith of Flemington, N.J., were married Oct. 5.

Monsignor Robert Hogan, cousin of the bride, and the Rev. James Daley conducted the ceremony at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Cynthia Morris was maid of honor. Lisa Smith and Lauri Hassan were bridesmaids.

James Stanton was best man. Jeffrey Schaeffer, Philip Redmond, John Rendina and John Richardson were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Hood College and The American University, Washington. She is the assistant director of career programs at The George Washington University, National Law Center.

The groom is a graduate of The University of Maryland and is currently pursuing graduate studies at The Johns Hopkins University. He is a senior computer scientist with Securities Research & Application, Inc.

After a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple resides in Bethesda, Md.

**Becker school collects popcorn labels**

The A.W. Becker Elementary School is collecting UPC labels from Orville Reddenbacher Popcorn Company products until Feb. 14.

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**Births** 

**Albany Medical Center Hospital**

Boy, Jack Charles, to Mary Ellen Munley and Charles Rositer, Delmar, Oct. 5.

Girl, Mary Elizabeth, to Ann Marie and William Carswell, Delmar, Oct. 7.

Boy, Tyler Richard, to Maura and Scott Macri, Glenmont, Oct. 13.

Boy, Christian Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Deera, Slingerlands, Oct. 16.

Girl, Christina Marie, to Melanie S. and Stuart C. Henderson, Feura Bush, Oct. 18.

Boy, Christopher Francis, to Margaret and Vincent Moehringer, Glenmont, Oct. 19.

Boy, Gregory Francis, to Geraldine and Laurence Roth, Feura Bush, Oct. 19.

Boy, Sean Gregory, to Robin and Mike Pauquette, Glenmont, Oct. 23.

Girl, Bari Jean, to Deborah and Arnold Dorman, Delmar, Oct. 24.

Boy, Kyle Sheridan, to Susan R. and Kenneth G. Wehner, Slingerlands, Oct. 26.

**Bellevue Hospital**

Girl, Alexandra Jesse, to Suzanne Sanduski and Thomas Vresilovic, Delmar, Nov. 16.

Boy, Cory David, to Denise and David Ragone, Voorheesville, Nov. 20.

**St. Peter's Hospital**

Boy, David Julius, to Barbara and Jeffrey Ostroff, Delmar. Grandson of Mrs. Bonnie Ostroff, Slingerlands, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Catalano, Slingerlands.

**BC grad publishes Adirondacks history**

Former area resident and Bethlehem Central High School graduate Michael Steinberg has written a history of the Adirondack State Park entitled "Our Wilderness" which was published by the Adirondack Mountain Club.

The book is intended for readers 10 and older, but is suitable for all ages.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Kaulfuss  
**Kaulfuss, Lloyd wed**

Michael J. Kaulfuss, son of the Rev. Charles H. and Jane Kaulfuss of Elizabethtown, formerly of Delmar, and Barbara A. Lloyd, daughter of Elmer and Roselia Lloyd of Mt. Jewett, Pa., were married Aug. 24.

Rev. Charles H. Kaulfuss conducted the service in The Church of the Good Shepherd, Elizabethtown.

Karen Yaffe Staie was maid of honor. Kate Pellettier was bridesmaid.

Stephen Kaulfuss was best man. Mark Kaulfuss and Guy

Anderson were ushers. Eric Anderson was ring bearer.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Schenectady County Community College. He is employed by Edward W. Boutelle & Son in Delmar.

The bride is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University and is employed by Prentice Hall Legal & Financial Services.

After a wedding trip to Manchester, Vt., the couple resides in Delmar.



**Community Corner**

**Youth group presents 'A Christmas Carol'**

The youth drama group of Bethlehem Community Church, known as The Bethlehem Stars, will present "A Christmas Carol" on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 6 p.m. at the church.

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## Obituaries

### Katherine Hecox

Katherine Olivia Hecox, 90, of Delmar died Saturday, Dec. 14 at her home.

She was born in Leominster, Mass., and lived most of her life in the Capital District. She was a graduate of Albany Academy for Girls and Abbott Academy in Andover, Mass.

She was a member of the Albany Country Club, past president and life member of the auxiliary at Memorial Hospital and past board member of the Trinity Institute, the Springfield Historical Society, the Bethlehem Historical Society and the First Presbyterian Church Women's Association.

She was the widow of John Dennison Hecox.

A service was held in Tebbutt Funeral Home, 633 Central Ave., Albany. Burial was in Cobleskill Rural Cemetery.

### James A. Lorette

James Alexander Lorette, 45, of Selkirk died Friday, Dec. 13, at his home.

Born in Burlington, Vt, he was employed as a chemical operator for BASF Corp. in Rensselaer.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Lederer Lorette; a daughter, Michelle Dawn Lorette of Selkirk; a son, David James Lorette of Selkirk; his father, Robert L. Lorette of Delmar; and a brother, William E. Lorette of Delmar.

Services were from Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, Adams Place, Delmar. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association of the Capital District, 50 Colvin Ave., Albany 12206.

Arrangements were by Meyers Funeral Home, Delmar.

### Louis J. Grieco Sr.

Louis Joseph Grieco Sr., 66, of North Main Street in Voorheesville died Monday, Dec. 9, at Albany Memorial Hospital.

Born in Albany, he was a life-long Capital District resident.

For more than 27 years, he was a chauffeur for the Albany County Department of Health, in charge of delivering vital records to the state. He retired in 1990.

He was a member of the Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club and the East Berne Rod and Gun

Club. He was also a member of American Legion Post 1493.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Grieco was husband of the late Rose Altimari Grieco.

Survivors include two sons, Louis J. Grieco Jr. of Voorheesville and Michael Grieco of Albany; two daughters, Carol Ann King of Mellenville and Susan Mackey of Albany; and three grandchildren.

Services were from Brunk-Meyers Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

### Edward M. Hoffmeyer

Edward M. Hoffmeyer, 76, of Delmar died Wednesday, Dec. 11, at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Born in Slingerlands, he was a lifelong area resident.

Mr. Hoffmeyer worked for the New York Central Railroad and Con-Rail as a locomotive engineer for 36 years, retiring in 1977.

Mrs. Hoffmeyer was a past master of the Ten Eyck Lodge 831, F & A M, a 32nd degree member of the Scottish Rite and a member of the Wadsworth Lodge 417 F & A M in Albany. He was also a past president of the Past Masters Association of Albany.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Bell Hoffmeyer; two daughters, Marilyn E. Hoffmeyer of Fayetteville, and Mrs. Bette Jean Bittel of Phoenix; a brother, Larry C. Hoffmeyer of Delmar, and three grandchildren.

Services were from Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to either St. Peter's Hospice, 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany 12208 or the First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar 12054.

### Advent family night scheduled tonight

Advent Family Night will take place tonight, Dec. 18, at the Glenmont Community Church at 6 p.m. A covered dish supper will be followed by the children's Christmas Pageant and choral sing. The church is located on Chapel Lane, behind K-Mart, in Glenmont. The public is invited.

## NEW SCOTLAND

# Town to hunt for Orchard Park wells

By Eric Bryant

The proposed Orchard Park Area Water District may have moved a little closer to reality Monday evening when New Scotland town board members voted to use a \$40,000 member item to investigate additional well sites.

John Montaigne, of Latham's C.T. Male Associates, said the move could be a first step toward a scaled-down water system for the area. The system would cost Orchard Park homeowners approximately \$500 in capital and operation and maintenance costs on a yearly basis, according to budget estimates provided by Montaigne.

The proposed scaled-down system would use its own well, be run through less-expensive PVC piping and would not accommodate fire hydrants, according to Montaigne, an engineer who gave a presentation to the board at Monday evening's special meeting. The system would, however, be a positive first step in a two year search for an additional municipal water source, he said.

"What we're dealing with is a situation where no one is willing to take the first step," Montaigne said. "It's a Catch-22 because the town would like to put some type of system in as a catalyst but it has a limited amount of funding. We're trying to look at a way to scale the project back, reduce the cost."

Montaigne argued that the town should move forward with some

### Library to honor children's librarian

The Voorheesville Public Library will hold a reception on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in honor of Young People's Librarian Nancy Hutchinson who will be leaving that day. Hutchinson is moving with her husband to Las Vegas, Nev.

All are welcome to attend the reception and a 2 p.m. concert featuring musician Fred Gee who will be performing traditional American tunes.

For information call 765-2791.

### Candlelight services set at Delmar church

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar will have two Christmas Eve Candlelight Services at 7 and 9:15 p.m. The first service will feature the children's choir, the Creator's Crusaders and the Senior Choir under the direction of Ruth Rice. There will be a special message for the children. The Senior Choir and instrumentalists will make the music very special at the second service at 9:15.

On Christmas Day, there will be a 10 a.m. service with Holy Communion.

type of water system even though it may not use the optimum materials. Using part of the \$40,000 in member item funding could help locate a well site closer to the development and thereby cut down on cost. Supervisor Herb Reilly said he plans to apply for additional member items during the upcoming legislative session but

torney John Tabner to discuss with landowners in the area the possibility of increasing the number of gallons of water the town could access should a well be dug on their property.

"We know there's water out there, but we're dealing with a skittish Department of Health.

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John Montaigne

the \$60,000 they obtained last year must be used soon or it will be lost. The projected total cost for the downscaled system would be \$473,000.

Board member Craig Shufelt questioned the expenditure of \$40,000 on investigation and voiced concern over the lack of fire protection for the Orchard Park residents if the down-scale system is installed. Later, Shufelt was appointed by Supervisor Herb Reilly to sit in during meetings between a C.T. Male hydrogeologist and representatives of the Albany County Department of Health.

As a part of the resolution to move forward with the investigation, the town also authorized at

They know about the other contamination problems that have arisen out in this area, but they are willing to work with us and they have no problem with a downscaled system as long as they can be in on the analysis and monitoring from the beginning," Montaigne said.

The engineer said a significant amount of testing has been done on the water in the Orchard Park area, but the county Department of Health has not made any recommendations because there has never been ready figures on how much water would be pumped. Contaminates in the ground water surrounding the area could be drawn into the new system if too much is pumped, Montaigne said.

## Police recover stolen U-Haul

A routine license check during a Friday morning traffic violation stop led Bethlehem police to recover a U-Haul van stolen last week in Maine, police said.

Ralph Louis Wasson, 31, of Sabattus Street, Lewiston, Maine, was arrested on warrants from both the Green Island Police Department and the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department after he was stopped Friday at 3:30 a.m. for failure to keep right on Delaware Avenue near Mason Road, Bethlehem police Lt. Frederick Holligan said.

Officer Scott Anson ran a license check on Wasson at the scene, Holligan said. The check showed that Wasson was wanted on felony burglary and larceny charges by Green Island police and the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department. Further investigation revealed the U-Haul was reported stolen in Augusta, Maine the week of Dec. 1, he said.

### CDTA shopping spree promotion on to Jan. 1

The Capital District Transportation Authority is giving customers the opportunity to win a Shop 'n Save shopping spree.

The Great Fall Shopping Spree promotion will continue until Jan. 1, 1992.

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Wasson was turned over to Green Island police and Rensselaer County Sheriff's deputies Friday. He is awaiting hearing at Albany County Court in Albany County Jail, police said.

Following further investigation, Holligan said, Wasson has become a suspect in the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation copper wire case. He said a suspect has been cutting power lines, stripping the insulation off the line and keeping the copper wire for sale.

The Bethlehem Police Department is expected later in the week to lodge charges against Wasson for the stolen truck, Holligan said. The U-Haul company in Augusta will need to sign an affidavit, saying that Wasson had no right to possess the truck. Once the department receives it, they can write up a warrant and charge him, he said.

Susan Wheeler

shopping venture at Shop 'n Save, a \$150 shopping spree or a CDTA monthly pass.

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## Museum's the place to be for after-holiday events

By Kathleen Shapiro

Once the gifts have been unwrapped and the carolers have dwindled away, the day after Christmas can be a letdown for many families. Fortunately, Dec. 26 marks the beginning of holiday activities at the New York State Museum in Albany.

Live musicals, storytelling, mime and puppets are just a few of the events featured in "Winter's Tales: A Family Holiday Festival" taking place at the museum from Thursday, Dec. 26, through Sunday, Dec. 29.

The festival is held each year as a way of keeping families occupied during the holidays, said Melissa Evans, a public relations spokesperson for the museum.

"We try to offer a variety of entertainment that gives families something to do and contributes to the festive atmosphere of the season," she said. "It gives them a place to go, and also helps introduce them to the museum."

For this year's festival, organizers attempted to recruit entertainers who have not performed previously in the Capital District, Evans said. "We've tried to bring in different groups so people don't feel they're always being offered the same thing," she said.

Performances will be held each day at 1 and 3 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. Tickets for all events will be available at the door.

Children can enjoy an introduction to theater with the Broadway-



Leland Faulkner's Light Theatre, above, and a production of the "Nutcracker," below left, are just two of the after-holiday events scheduled at the state museum in Albany.



style musical "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" on Dec. 26. The show features live performers telling the favorite holiday tale of good triumphing over evil. The spectacle is highlighted by lively original songs and choreography, exquisite costumes, scenery and special selections from the music of Tchaikovsky.

On Friday, Dec. 27, the museum will present "Heads to Tales," a one-man show of mimicry, masks and stories by children's performer Michael Cooper.

The Starbird Puppet Theater will be featured on Saturday, Dec. 28. As part of the entertainment, the troupe will present "The Raven and the Village Without Daylight." The production, which combines hand puppets and rod marionettes, tells the story of an Eskimo village where the sun never shines, a group of greedy Sky People who want to keep all the light for themselves and a tricky raven who sets out from the earth to capture light for the villagers.

The festival will come to an end on Sunday with Leland Faulkner's Light Theatre and a "Celebration of World Folktales," a production which brings together the imagination of the mime, the illusions of the magician and the fantasies of the storyteller. Under Faulkner's guidance, audience members will be treated to an exploration of myth and magic, where butterflies dance and shadows take on a life of their own.

The museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information, call 474-5877.

## Puppet playhouse handles ballet classic

By Hilary Lesser

The Bennington Marionettes are rehearsing for "The Nutcracker" to be performed at the newly opened Puppet Playhouse in Lansingburgh.

Performances will be on Saturday, Dec. 28, at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Troy Puppet Playhouse, 3361 6th Ave. in Lansingburgh.

Cedric Flower, owner of the company, said this is the tenth season the puppet theater has put on a Christmas show.

"People just love the show," said Flower. "You can't go wrong with puppets," he said, adding the show is geared for family-type audiences.

The Nutcracker is based on a ballet by Russian composer, Tchaikovsky. The story is a German

folktale by 17th century writer Eta Hoffman who tells the story of a prince who gets transformed into a nutcracker.

In The Nutcracker, a young girl gets a magic nutcracker for Christmas. The nutcracker is actually the prince who has been transformed into a nutcracker. The nutcracker gets into a war with the mice. The nutcracker defeats the mice, turns into a prince, and he and the young girl who becomes a princess go off to candyland together.

Flower started the company 15 years ago when he was teaching at Bennington College in Vermont. He came to Troy four years ago and bought an old church in Troy where the group is able to rehearse and perform. Flower said he transformed the church into a puppeteer house where puppet companies from all

over New England perform.

The company employs approximately 10 puppeteers who have backgrounds in theater. Flower said the company performs all over the United States.

"The Nutcracker" is presented as part of a regular Saturday matinee series at the Troy Puppet Playhouse. In addition to performances by the Bennington Marionettes, other puppet touring companies appear in twice-monthly programs.

Tickets for the performance are \$5 and can be purchased at the door or by calling the Puppet Playhouse at 270-8009. Don't be surprised if when you call you talk to a puppet. When you call this number, the puppet will tell you to leave a message and a real person will get back to you.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## THEATER

**A CHRISTMAS CAROL**  
youth production, Bethlehem Community Church, Delmar. Dec. 22, 6 p.m. Information, 439-3135.

**THE NUTCRACKER**  
The Northeast Ballet Co., Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 21-22, Sat. 7 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 476-1000.

**A RENNELAERVILLE CHRISTMAS CAROL**  
original children's play, written and directed by Richard Creamer, Rensselaerville Institute. Dec. 21-22, 1 p.m. Information, 797-3684.

**THE GOLDEN GOOSE**  
story from Grimm's Fairy Tales, Spencertown Academy. Dec. 28, 2 and 4 p.m. Information, 392-3693.

**LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS**  
musical, Cohoes Music Hall, through Jan. 5, Thurs.-Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. 9 p.m., Sun. 2 and 7 p.m. Information, 235-7969.

## MUSIC

**THE CHRISTMAS STORY**  
Waverly Consort's performance, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. Dec. 21, 8 p.m. Information, 273-0038.

**KEYBOARD MUSIC, 1840's-1870's**  
family songs from the mid-1800's. Keyboard Music, 1970's-1910, State Museum, Albany. Jan. 12, 2-2:45 p.m., 3:30-4:15 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

**ONE HEART**  
Ken Shea and Maureen DeLuke, every Thursday, 9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. at Monaco's Village Inn. Information, 899-5780 or 393-5282.

**SKIP PARSONS' RIVERBOAT JAZZ BAND**  
second weekend, every month, The Fountain, Albany. Information, 439-2310.

**OUT OF CONTROL**  
performing at The Bijou, Saratoga, Dec. 20, 10:30 p.m.

## DANCE

**OLD SONGS COUNTRY DANCE**  
Contras, Squares, Circles, Guilderland Elementary School. Dec. 21, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

**A CHIPMUNK CHRISTMAS**  
Alvin & the Chipmunks, Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 23, 4 and 7 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

**HOLIDAY MAGIC SPECTACULAR**  
Illusion with music, pantomime and comedy, Proctor's Schenectady. Dec. 27, 7 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

**SCHUYLER MANSION'S ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE**  
music, crafts, refreshments, decorations. Dec. 15, 1-5 p.m. Holiday hours for walk-in visitation, Dec. 18-21, Wed.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 22, 1-5 p.m. Information, 434-0834.

**KEVIN ROTH AND FRIENDS**  
Christmas/Hanukkah treat, The Empire Center, Albany. Dec. 22, 2 p.m. Information, 473-1845.

## WORKSHOPS

**DIGGIN' INTO OUR PAST:**  
A Family Archeology Workshop, State Museum, Albany. Jan. 4, Feb. 1. Preregistration by Dec. 24. Information, 474-5801.

**VIDEO WORKSHOP**  
explore uses of the video camera, Adirondack Trust Bank, Saratoga Springs. Through Dec. 21, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 584-4132.

## FESTIVALS

**WINTER'S TALES**  
family holiday festival, State Museum, Albany. Dec. 26-29, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

**THIRD ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW**  
RCCA Center, 189 Second Street, Troy. Through Dec. 23, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday. Information, 273-0552.

## AUDITIONS

**PIRATES OF PENZANCE**  
Gilbert & Sullivan, Schenectady Light Opera Co., Dec. 19-20, 7 p.m. Information, 869-1257.

**PERFORMANCE AND TECHNICAL INTERNS**  
send resumes to: Heritage Artist, Cohoes Music Hall, PO Box 586, Cohoes, N.Y. 12047.

## FILMS

**MOVING MEMORIES: LUNCHTIME FILMS**  
State Museum, Albany. Frankenstein's Cat, 12:15-1:15 p.m. Dec. 19; The Three Caballeros, Dec. 21-22, 1 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

## VISUAL ARTS

**LAIGHTON GALLERIES**  
juried exhibition, Schenectady. Through Jan. 2, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

**DREAMSCAPES**  
series of color photographs, Museum of the Hudson Highlands, Cornwall-on-Hudson. Information, 534-7781.

## THE JANES WHO MADE THE PLANES

new exhibit commemorates the 50th anniversary of WW II women aircraft builders, State Museum, Albany. Through June 30. Information, 474-5877.

**MEMORIES OF CHILDHOOD**  
features 63 winning entries from the Museum of American Folk Art's International crib quilt contest, State Museum, Albany. Through Jan. 5. Information, 474-5877.

**DOROTHY ENGLANDER**  
exhibition of paintings, drawings and mixed media works, The Albany Center Galleries, through Jan. 3. Information, 462-4775.

## FIBERS OF FAITH-OLD AND NEW

antique and contemporary liturgical fiber art, Visions Gallery, Albany. Through Jan. 30, Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Information, 453-6645.

**INSIDE STORIES**  
exhibit features Caren Canier, Marta Jaremko, Lou Schellenberg and Deborah Webster, Russell Sage College Gallery, Troy, through Dec. 20, Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sun. noon-4 p.m.

**LISA VANDEGRIFT DAVALA**  
monotypes and drawings, Sage Junior College of Albany's Rathbone Gallery, Albany, through Dec. 20, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 6-8 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

**ALLELUIAS OF LOVE**  
selected works 1979-1991, Rathbone Gallery, Sage Junior College of Albany. Through Dec. 20, Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 6-8 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

**THE CLOUDS TO NEW YORK CITY:**  
A Hudson River Journey by Don Nlce, Albany Institute of History & Art, through March 8. Information, 463-4478.

**PICTURING AMERICA:**  
lithographs by Jacques-Gerard Millert, Albany Institute of History & Art, through March 8. Information, 463-4478.

**THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE:**  
life and works of 19th century Albany artists, Albany Institute of History and Art. Through May 17. Information, 463-4478.

**CUMMINGTON ARTISTS GROUP SHOW**  
Dietel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy. Through Dec. 21. Gallery hours, daily 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Information, 274-4440.

**CHARLES SCHADE**  
watercolors, Voorheesville Public Library. Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

**THEY ALSO SERVED**  
New Yorkers on the Home Front during World War II, illustrates the state's response to the challenges and impact of war, State Museum. Through Dec. 31. Information, 473-8037.

**THE DISCOVERY PLACE**  
hands-on learning center, State Museum, Albany. Daily 2-4:30 p.m., Sat., Sun. 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

**KEYBOARDS**  
variety of musical instruments from the museum collections, State Museum, Albany. Through Jan. 15. Information, 474-5877.

**TYPE PICTURES**  
original abstractions by Albert Schiller, Waterfall Gallery, Rensselaerville. Information, 797-3671.

**TRUMBULL PORTRAIT**  
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The fee is \$36 per person. Museum members pay \$30. Preregistration is required by Tuesday, Dec. 31. For information, call 474-5801.

Environmentalist Richard Guthrie will lead this two-part workshop and field experience on winter birds and conservation.

Each session will begin with an introduction to bird identification, feeder operation, habitat preservation and other interesting topics. Participants will visit local outdoor areas to catch, band, and release birds, hawks, and owls.

Participants must bring their own lunch and provide transportation to field sites. This winter outdoor experience is for the hardy and warm of heart (and hand!).

Environmental Ed, Oblivious Ostrich and Futurus the Vulture are only some of the eco-puppets who will teach youngsters in kindergarten through grade 6 about saving the earth in special classes for kids at the museum on Saturday, Jan. 11.

Fees are \$12 per child. Museum members pay \$10. Preregistration is required by Dec. 31. Participation in each class is limited to 20. For information, call 474-5801.

Environmental Ed's Eco Class features Environmental Ed, the Puppet Puppy who teaches kids about the importance of not littering. Children will see a musical show, meet and talk with Ecology's friendliest puppy, and play games that show them how they can help keep the earth beautiful. 1 to 2 p.m.

A Most Beautiful Place features eco puppets Oblivious Ostrich and Futurus the Vulture who will teach youngsters more about how they and their family can make a difference in the future of the planet. Kids in grades 3 to 6 learn about pollution, recycling, endangered species and conservation in this lively, hands-on class. 3 to 4 p.m. (Grades 3 to 6).

Parents and youngsters can enjoy a fun family adventure and learn all about fossils in How Hard Can fossils Be?: A Family Workshop at the museum, Saturday, Dec. 21, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The program will be repeated on Saturday, Jan. 18, and Feb. 15.

The fee is \$8 per adult per session, \$4 per child. Museum members pay \$6 per adult and \$3 per child. Preregistration is required. At least one adult must accompany every three children. For information, call 474-5801.

Participants will handle 300 million year old animal fossils and their living ancestors in this two-hour safari through Adirondack Hall led by Museum Educator Paul Weinman. They will learn how fossils are formed, make fossils of their own, and tour "rock outcrops" at the museum.

Kid Pix a family film program at the museum has scheduled "The Three Caballeros" for Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 21 and 22. A kaleidoscope of sights and sounds, this Disney feature brims with startling visual effects all flowing to a stream of lilting Latin rhythms.

Admission is \$2 adults, \$1.50 for children. Tickets are available at the door. Film is shown at 1 and 3 p.m.

For information, call 474-5801.

## SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

### Heritage Artists extend performances of Little Shop of Horrors in Cohoes

The production of *Little Shop of Horrors* which opened the Heritage Artists season in November at the Cohoes Music Hall has been extended six performances beyond its original closing date of New Year's Eve. The extension fills out the week for the show which has been attracting good-sized audiences at the 115-year old theater since its mid-November opening.

Tickets are being sold also for the second production of the season which opens January 22 at the Music Hall. *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill* is a musical revue of the life of blues singer Billie Holiday.

The company is rehearsing in Buffalo and will arrive locally one week before the Cohoes performances to continue rehearsals.

### Little joy at Christmas time among Theatre Institute staff

There are heavy hearts among the costumers and scene design staff members of the New York State Theatre Institute as they clean costumes and store scenery and props from the recently-closed *Beauty and the Beast* at "The Egg" in Albany.

While preparing for the show's one-week production in mid-January in New York, they are aware that fully one-third of their fellow staff members are ending their employment as the year draws to a close.

This staff reduction of 20 employees on Dec. 31 from the approximately 60 staffers originally on the payroll is part of the budget cutback made by the State University of New York. The Theatre Institute is a unit of the State University system, housed on the Albany campus.



Martin P. Kelly

Eventually, the cuts are programmed to leave only 15 people on staff by May 1, 1992, three of whom will be actors. Plans for the originally scheduled June production are contingent on working out a halt in the reduction policy. It's an uphill battle in this climate of economic downturn for state government.

### Expensive musical ends brief run in New York

Richard Feldman, a retired teacher from Bethlehem Central High School and now adjunct faculty member at Siena College, predicted in a conversation several months ago the demise of a new Broadway musical preparing to open.

For almost a year, the musical *Nick and Nora* has been the center of speculation as its original opening last winter was put off to this past fall while work was done on its book and music.

Based on the *Thin Man* films the 30s and 40s which featured William Powell and Myrna Loy, the musical finally arrived in New York in early October where it proceeded to perform preview performances. The opening was postponed twice.

Feldman's contacts in New York assured him that *Nick and Nora* wasn't a show to put on his list of bus tours he leads to New York. Long a leading teacher and authority on musical comedy, Feldman took their advice and it proved correct.

The show finally opened and drew negative reviews and poor audience reaction. This past Sunday, the six-year saga of bringing *Nick and Nora* to Broadway ended with its closing after 37 preview performances and 17 regular shows. Its total investment of \$4.5 million was lost.

### Christmas shows and events throughout the region

Proctor's Theater in Schenectady stages the Northeast Ballet Company's production of *The Nutcracker* Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 21 & 22) and follows it up with *A Chipmunk Christmas* Monday (Dec. 23) for two performances.

This show leads the Chipmunk trio, Alvin, Simon and Theodore, through a series of Christmas adventures featuring music, dance and comedy.

Proctor's has also scheduled a *Holiday Magic Spectacular* Friday, Dec. 27 which combines fairy tale characters with magic displays by the Landis & Company Theater of Magic of Philadelphia. For more info on all these performances, call 346-6204.

*The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* completes its holiday run at Ancram Opera House in Ancram, Columbia County this week. Performances by LEAP Productions of the adaptation of the Barbara Robinson book, are Thursday and Friday (Dec. 29 & 30) For more info, call 329-3300.

*A Christmas Carol* also completes its engagement at the Berkshire Public Theater in Pittsfield, MA this weekend. Performances of the Charles Dickens classic are Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 21 & 22). For more info, call (413) 445-4634.

*The Second Shepherd's Play*, a medieval Christmas drama, is being done by the River Arts company in Woodstock, Ulster County, this Friday, Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 20, 21, 22). For more info, call (913) 679-2100.

*A Rensselaerville Christmas Carol*, an original children's Christmas play with music, is being offered Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 21 & 22) at the Guggenheim Pavilion Theatre at the Rensselaerville Institute. For more info, call 797-3783.


*Stuyvesant Plaza Holiday Entertainment* with strolling Santa, guest carollers and horse and carriage rides Saturday and Sunday (Dec. 21 & 22).

*Winterfest*, a program of Celtic harpist and storyteller Lucy McCaffrey and the Sound System Singers at the Bethlehem Public Library 7 p.m. tonight (Dec. 18).



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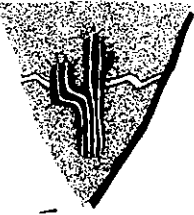
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**Lunch**  
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*Sauteed Shrimp and Sirloin - \$18.95*  
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*During the Holiday Season  
more than ever, our thoughts  
turn gratefully to those  
who have made our progress possible.  
And in this spirit we say,  
simply but sincerely  
Thank You and Best Wishes  
for the Holiday Season  
and a Happy New Year*

*Peace . . .*



**Spotlight Newspapers**

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# The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 18**

**BETHLEHEM**

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Dr. and Mrs. William P. Blackmore, 9 Hartwood Road, Delmar, 7:30 p.m., Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-4955.

**TESTIMONY MEETING**

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

**WINTERFEST**

family holiday concert, Sound System Singers, 18 Bethlehem Central High School students, Bethlehem high school, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9314.

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**  
1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, evening prayer and Bible study, 7-9 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

**BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP**

provides volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience Monday and Wednesday mornings, archaeology lab, Rt. 32 South. Information, 439-6391.

**BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB**

meets first and third Wednesdays, Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Rd., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

**BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233**  
meets at lodge, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. first and third Wednesdays. Information, 767-2886.

**ONESQUETHAW CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**  
first and third Wednesdays at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

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

**STORY HOUR**

4 p.m., Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2791.

**EVERY LITTLE WISH**  
holiday bedtime story hour, 7 p.m., Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2791.

**NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS**

every Wednesday, Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2109.

**THURSDAY  
DECEMBER 19**

**BETHLEHEM**

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

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

**BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**  
meet every Thursday at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**KABBALAH 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. Information, 439-9976.

**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**

85 Elm Ave., 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.

**AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEONS**

for members, guests and membership applicants, Sidewheeler Restaurant, Albany Motor Inn, third Thursday, noon.

**FOOD STAMP FORM AID**

third Thursday of odd numbered months, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 9:15 a.m.-noon. Appointments required, 439-4955.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

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

**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 20**

**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. Information, 439-9976.

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**CHABAD CENTER**

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

**DUPLICATE BRIDGE**

all levels welcome, third Fridays, St. Stephen's Church, 7:30 p.m. Information, 462-4504.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**STORY HOUR**

10:30 a.m., Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2791.

**YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS**

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

**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 21**

**BETHLEHEM**

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**CHABAD CENTER**

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

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

585 Delaware Avenue  
439-9252

*Christmas Eve Services*

Carols, Scripture  
Candle Lighting  
7 p.m.

Worship, Communion  
11 p.m.

— Join us for worship —

**GIFT WRAP SERVICE**  
sponsored by Slingerlands Parent Teacher Association, proceeds to benefit playground project. Slingerlands Elementary School cafeteria, Union Ave., Slingerlands. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 439-7044.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**FRED GEE**

family concert, American folk songs and sing alongs. Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 2 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

**GOODBYE RECEPTION FOR NANCY HUTCHINSON**

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 3:30-5 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

**SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 22**

**BETHLEHEM**

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

worship service, 10:15 a.m., Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; Tuesday Bible study, 7:15 p.m. Meetings held at the Auberge Sulsse Restaurant, New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Information, 475-9086.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH**

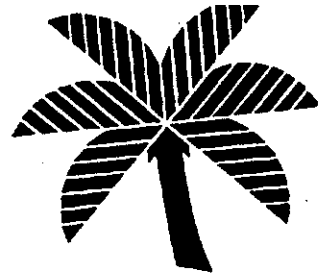
morning worship service, nursery provided 10:30 a.m. Sunday school 9 a.m. Evening fellowship, 6 p.m., 201 Elm Ave., Delmar. Information 439-3135.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Sunday school 9:15 a.m. Nursery care available 8 a.m.-noon, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-4328.

**DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH**

worship and Sunday school, nursery provided, 9 and 11 a.m. adult education and children's program, 10-10:50 a.m. Nursery care available. 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929.



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10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Festival Service

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**CHRISTMAS EVE  
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8:00 PM CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

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*Celebrate Christmas with us!*  
Join us for our

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

with

Carols and Choirs

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 24

Refreshments following

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**CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE**

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 25

765-3390



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For God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son...  
John 3:16



**Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**  
December 24, 7:00 and 9:15 P.M.

**Christmas Day Service**  
December 25, 10:00 A.M.

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

85 Elm Avenue, Delmar  
439-4328

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To list an item of  
community interest  
in the calendar,  
send all pertinent  
information — who,  
what, where, why,  
when and how to

**Calendar of Events  
Colonie Spotlight**  
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Albany, NY  
12205

"For unto you is born this day in the City  
of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11)

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Christmas Week Schedule:

Saturday, December 21	10:30 a.m.	Super Kids Christmas
Sunday, December 22	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Worship Service Worship Service Caroling
Tuesday, December 24	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Live Nativity Live Nativity Family Christmas Eve Service
	11:00 p.m.	Traditional Christmas Eve Service

Christmas Day,  
Wednesday, December 25

2:00 p.m.	Community Christmas Dinner
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428 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar  
for information, call the church office 439-9976

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

worship, church school, nursery care, 10 a.m.; coffee hour and fellowship, 11 a.m.; adult education programs, 11:15 a.m.; family communion service, first Sundays, 585 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9252.

**EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**

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

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM**

church school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; youth group, 6 p.m. Rt. 9W Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF DELMAR**

worship, 9:30 a.m.; church school, 9:45 a.m.; youth and adult classes, 11 a.m.; nursery care, 9 a.m.-noon, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9976.

**GLENMONT REFORMED CHURCH**

worship, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, Sunday school, 10 a.m., 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont. Information, 436-7710.

**NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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

**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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

**SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

worship service, church school, 10 a.m.; fellowship hour and adult education programs, nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. Information, 439-1766.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**

1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, worship 11 a.m. Information, 439-4314.

**SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

**UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Rd., Delmar. Information, 438-7740.

**LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

worship meeting, Bethlehem Grange Hall 137, Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, 11 a.m. Information, 235-1298.

**BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM**

Rt. 144, Selkirk, 2-5 p.m. Local artists exhibits. Information, 436-8289.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 732-7047.

**CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m., coffee hour following service, nursery care provided, Clarksville. Information, 768-2916.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE**

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

**MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**

Bible hour for children and adults, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., evening service, 6:30 p.m. nursery care provided for Sunday services, Rt. 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

**NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH**

worship service, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, Routes 85 and 85A, New Salem. Information, 439-6179.

**ONESQUETHAW CHURCH**

worship, 9:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., Sunday school, Tarrytown Rd., Feura Bush. Information, 768-2133.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND**

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

**UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH**

worship, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, Delaware Trnpl., Delmar. Information, 439-5001.

**UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m., choir rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening service, 6:45 p.m. Rt. 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

**MONDAY DECEMBER 23**

**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

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**DELMAR KIWANIS**

meets Mondays at Sidewheeler Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Days Inn, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-4580.

**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 volunteers with excavation and laboratory experience Monday and Wednesday mornings, archaeology lab, Rt. 32 South. Information, 439-6391.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**QUARTET REHEARSAL**

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

**STORY HOUR**  
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 24**

**BETHLEHEM**

**WELCOME WAGON**  
newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.

**DELMAR ROTARY**

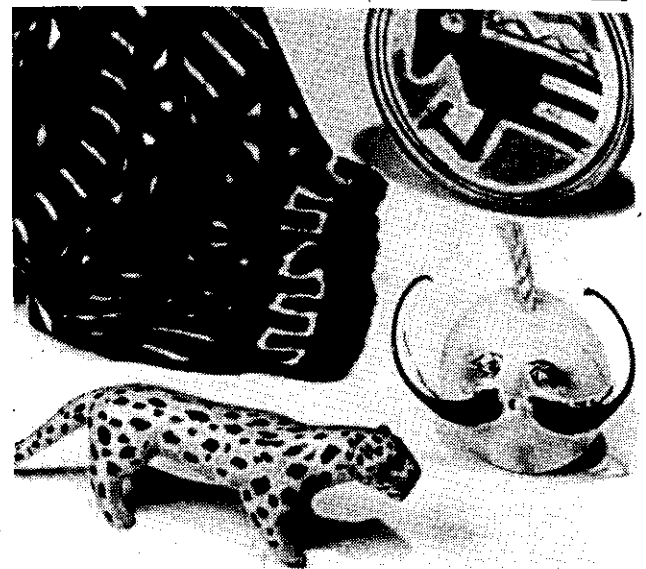
meets Tuesday mornings at Days Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont. Information, 482-8824.

**TOWN OFFICES, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND LANDFILL CLOSAS AT NOON**

Information, 439-4955.

**NEW SCOTLAND**

**STORY HOUR**  
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10 a.m. Information, 765-2791.



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- Christmas Eve: 4:00 p.m. Family Eucharist
- 10:30 p.m. Festival of Carols and music led by the Choir of Saint Stephen's
- 11:00 p.m. The Midnight Mass
- Christmas Day: 10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist with Hymns and Carols of Christmas



**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
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439-3265

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The Bethlehem Lodge of Elks would like to invite you to be their guests to bid farewell to 1991 and welcome in 1992

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY**

Bethlehem Elks Lodge  
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**Roast Beef Dinner 7:00pm**

Served Family Style includes:  
Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetable,  
Salad, Rolls, Coffee

2 Free Drinks, Draft Beer and Soda  
Dancing 9-1 DJ Vic Trola  
Continental Breakfast Included

\$45.00 per couple \$25.00 per single

For tickets and information, please call  
767-9959 or John Dickinson at 767-9784

**RESERVATION DEADLINE DECEMBER 23RD**  
Dress code in effect. Please, no jeans.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**TELE-THEATER**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
\$99.00 per Couple

Package Includes...  
Dinner (Served 6:00-10:30 p.m.)  
A Bottle of Champagne  
Complimentary Bar 8-9 p.m.  
w/Hot & Cold Hors D'oeuvres

- ★ All Party Favors
- ★ Champagne Toast at Midnight w/A Balloon Drop
- ★ A Late Night Assortment of Pastries w/Coffee & Tea

Music Throughout the Evening by:

LIVE MUSIC BY: "RETROROCK"  
DJ SERVICE BY: "DR. SOUND"

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**MENU**

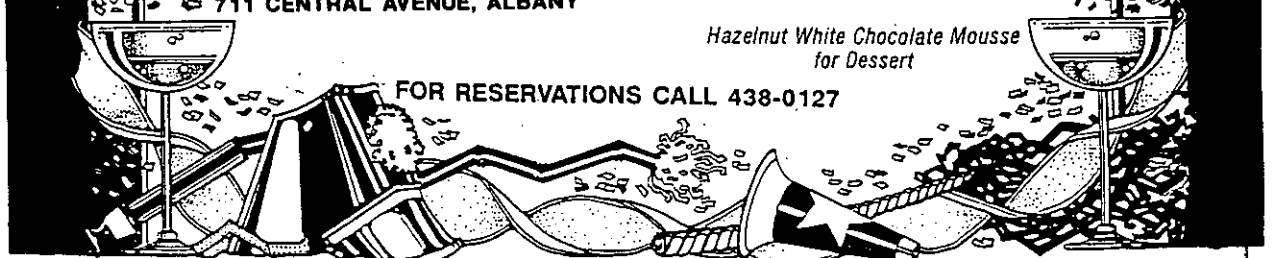
Choice of Appetizers:  
Lobster Bisque  
Shellfish Cardinale in Puff Pastry  
Vegetable Terrine w/Tomato Basil Couli

Choice of Dinner:  
(Served w/Caesar Salad)

- ★ Roast Rack of Vermont Lamb Pecan w/Roasted Garlic and Rosemary
- ★ Prime Filet and Lobster Tail w/Caramelized Onion and Bordelaise
- ★ Roast Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus w/Yorkshire Pudding and Horseradish Mousse
- ★ Champagne Poached Filet of Lemon Sole w/Lobster Stuffing and Saffron Butter

Hazelnut White Chocolate Mousse for Dessert

FOR RESERVATIONS CALL 438-0127





# AROUND THE AREA

**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 18**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**ZOPPE CIRCUS EUROPA**  
sponsored by the Empire State Performing Arts Center, International Circus, Hart Theater, 7:30 p.m. \$10 adults, \$6 children 12 and under. Information, 473-1845.

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY**

**CHORUS REHEARSAL**  
sponsored by Capitaland Chorus, Woodward St., Troy, 7:30 p.m. Information, 383-8051.

**SQUARE DANCE**  
St. Michael's Community Center, Linden St., Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 664-6767.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**

**RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING**  
Glen Worden School, 34 Worden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4264.

**THURSDAY  
DECEMBER 19**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**SENIOR CHORALE**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP**  
Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**LA LECHE BREASTFEEDING**  
sponsored by Woman's Healthcare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 439-1774.

**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 20**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**MOTHER'S DROP IN**  
sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 482-4508.

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

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**

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

**SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 22**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

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

**MONDAY  
DECEMBER 23**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**SENIORS LUNCHESES**  
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  
DECEMBER 24**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**BINGO**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**CAPITAL TOASTMASTERS CLUB**  
for people who wish to develop speaking skills, Anthony's Park Plaza Restaurant, 27 Elk St., Albany, 5:45 p.m. Information, 489-0936.

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

**SCHENECTADY**

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

**GREEN COUNTY**

**EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP**  
Christ Episcopal Church, Union Street, Hudson, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 25**

**ALBANY COUNTY**

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY**

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**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**

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Glen Worden School, 34 Worden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4264.

## JCC to conduct senior dinner dance

The Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road., Albany, is offering several events for area seniors in December.

A holiday celebration dinner and dance will take place at the center for all seniors age 60 and older, on Sunday, Dec. 22, at

5:30 p.m. Cost is \$23 per person and reservations must be made by calling 438-6651 by Friday, Dec. 13.

On Monday, Dec. 23, the musical comedy "Shakin' the Blues Away," will be performed at 6 p.m.

## SPOTLIGHT TEENSCENE

By Erin E. Sullivan

If holiday spirits awaken a drive to dance, two upcoming events offer salvation.

Local eighth and ninth graders are invited to the Innovative Teen Center's Friday Night Jam on Friday, Dec. 20. Sponsored by the Guilderland Community Center, the event features music and dancing from 7 to 10 p.m.

Admission is free. Call 456-3634, for information.

If country dancing is more your style, Old Songs, Inc., of Guilderland, will have a country dance on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 8 to 11 p.m. A beginner dance workshop will precede the event at 7:30 p.m. David Kaynor will call to live acoustic music by Fennig's All Stars.

The dance will be participatory, with contras, squares and circles, so partners are not required. All dances will be taught and beginners are welcome.

The Old Songs country dance will take place at the Guilderland Elementary School, Route 20, Guilderland. Admission is \$5 per dancer. For information, call 765-2815.

To commemorate the attack on Pearl Harbor, the film "In Harm's Way," a sea action-romantic drama set in the Pacific, will be shown at the New York State Museum, Albany, on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m. John Wayne, Kirk Douglas, Patricia Neal and Henry Fonda star.

The film will be introduced by Dr. Joseph Meany, senior historian at the New York State Museum. A discussion will follow. Admission is \$1 per person.

Call 474-5877 for information.

Christmas would not be complete without an annual presentation or showing of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

The Bethlehem Stars will present a dramatic holiday play in the tradition of this Christmas Classic. The performance will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22, at the Bethlehem Community Church,

201 Elm Ave., Delmar, at 6 p.m.

Admission is free and refreshments will follow the production. Call 439-3135 for information.

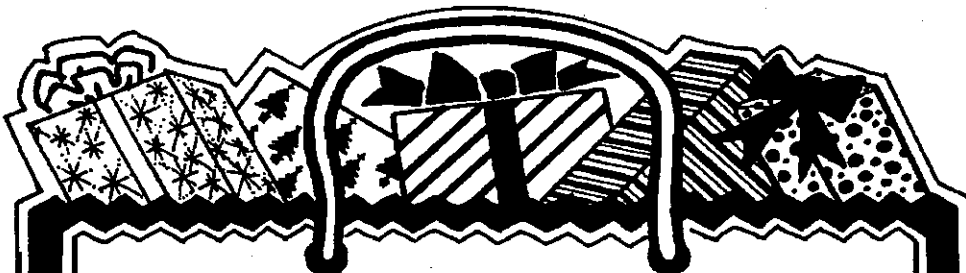
Teens will be given the chance to celebrate the holiday season in a new way on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 21 and 22. The Junior Museum at 282 Fifth Ave., Troy, will explore the African American holiday Kwanzaa, based on African Festivals. Participants in the event will make a woven "mkeka" mat.

The Kwanzaa celebration is part of the museum's program of "Holiday Celebrations from Around the World." Participants will learn about the exciting diversity of our world through multicultural festivities, and the many different traditions of each culture will be discussed. The Japanese New Year will be celebrated on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 28 and 29.

For information about "Holidays Celebrations from Around the World," call the Junior Museum at 235-2120.

Another cultural program will take place Wednesday, Dec. 25. Congregation Ohav Shalom on New Krunkill Road, Albany's annual festival of Jewish culture will offer a variety of activities for teens and their families from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Craft rooms will be open all day for children. Crafts will include Popsicle stick art, jewelry making, magnet critters, face painting, clay art and candy making (beginning at 11:30 a.m.). Israeli dance workshops will be offered for adults from 10:45 to 11:15 a.m. and for children from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

There will be an open discussion of the Middle East peace talks from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and a discussion about the Soviet situation from 1 to 1:30 p.m. Food and drinks will be available throughout the day. The community is welcome. Admission is \$2 per person and children under three are free. For information, call Congregation Ohav Shalom at 489-4706.



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# Gift wrapping at plaza benefits American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society is offering holiday gift wrapping at Stuyvesant Plaza, Western Avenue, Albany, through Dec. 24. The service will be offered Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The cost for wrapping is \$2 for a small gift, \$3 for a medium gift and \$4 for a large gift.

All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

# Hayrides to benefit Camp Good Days

Faddegon's Nursery, 1140 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, is sponsoring holiday hayrides to benefit Camp Good Days and Special Times Inc., a not-for-profit group for children with cancer, on Saturday, Dec. 21, and Sunday, Dec. 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The hayride is \$1 per person, which includes an official Camp Good Days kazoo, a chance to visit Santa Claus and holiday caroling.

For information, call 438-6515.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

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### LEGAL NOTICE

CAROLYN M. LYONS TOWN CLERK Dated: December 11/1991 (December 18, 1991)

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- (8) Typing desks-fair condition
- (29) Student desks-poor condition
- (32) Student chairs-poor/very poor condition

Sealed bids for each item will be received no later than Thursday, January 9, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. by the Assistant Superintendent for Business at the above address and then publicly opened and read. Bids must be in a sealed envelope, plainly marked on the outside stating the bid proposal as shown above.

Inspection of items for sale will

### LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Fuel Oil for the use of said Town, including Water District No. 1, during the year 1992, as and when needed.

Bids will be received up to 2:15 p.m. on the 6th day of January, 1992 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 sealed envelopes 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 shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

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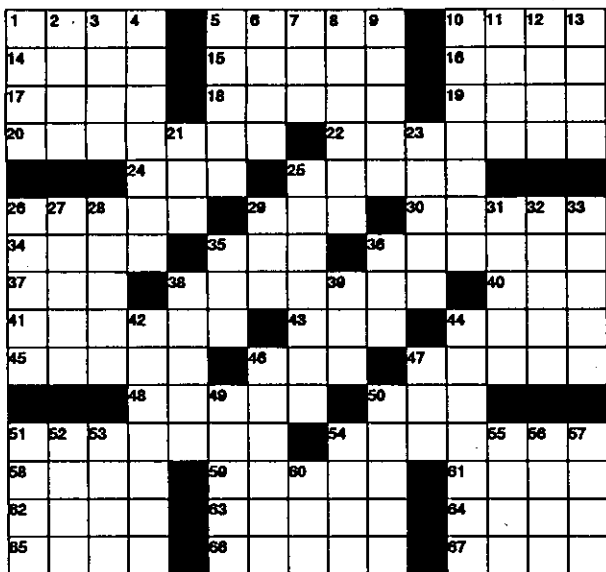
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## Weekly Crossword

By Gerry Frey

### " Ms. White & Friends "

- ACROSS**
- 1 Prisoner's ransom
  - 5 Banquet
  - 10 Flintstone's pet
  - 14 Meat stamp initials
  - 15 Small egg
  - 16 River in Germany
  - 17 Prevaricates
  - 18 Fall beverage
  - 19 Chair, eg
  - 20 Ms. White's friend
  - 22 Pencil ends
  - 24 Fed. agency
  - 25 Extra
  - 26 Cow palaces
  - 29 L.A. Law's Susan
  - 30 Word with line or bar
  - 34 Mr. Cassini
  - 35 Old \_\_\_\_\_:Sun
  - 36 Aquatic rodent
  - 37 Record:abbrev
  - 38 Very near:2 wds
  - 40 Rugged mountain
  - 41 Ms. White's friend
  - 43 Period of time
  - 44 Dud
  - 45 Fastener
  - 46 Broadway initials
  - 47 Mean
  - 48 Small sea gulls
  - 50 \_\_\_\_\_ Moines
  - 51 Shade provider:2 wds
  - 54 Boobers
  - 58 Medicinal plant
  - 59 In a furor
  - 61 Ardor
  - 62 Skier's aid
  - 63 Chemical compound
  - 64 Treaty org.
  - 65 Concordes
  - 66 Side road
  - 67 Murdered
- DOWN**
- 1 Underground plant bud
  - 2 Continent
  - 3 15th day of the Roman month
  - 4 Flogging
  - 5 Concentrate
  - 6 Wicked
  - 7 Public bldg.
  - 8 Ms. White's friend
  - 9 \_\_\_\_\_ firma
  - 10 Meal ender
  - 11 Idea in Paree
  - 12 Close
  - 13 Table scraps
  - 21 Fed. Reserve System
  - 23 Debate
  - 25 Peter \_\_\_\_\_
  - 26 Bjorn and family
  - 27 Vigilant
  - 28 Happen again
  - 29 Ms. White's friend
  - 31 Cities in China & Russia
  - 32 Helmsman
  - 33 Ms. White's friend
  - 35 Under cover person
  - 36 Nat. Student's org.
  - 38 Word with crust or class
  - 39 Spanish gold
  - 42 Subjects of interest
  - 44 Attaches
  - 46 Ms. White's friend
  - 47 New:Combining form
  - 49 Recondition
  - 50 Ms. White's friend
  - 51 Corrodes
  - 52 Law degrees
  - 53 Castle pool ?
  - 54 Polynesian dance
  - 55 Israeli Airline
  - 56 Grade
  - 57 Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ White
  - 60 Drag



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In Brazil, they have begun to do something about the dependence on oil. In the early 70s, during one of the oil crises, the Brazilian government started a program to replace most oil use with an alternative fuel—alcohol made from sugar cane. The alternative fuel program was controversial at first, but is becoming more accepted by the Brazilian people. The biggest problem at this point is that alcohol fuel is more expensive than gasoline—a factor that should change as more people use the alternative.

Although there are no far-reaching plans for phasing out oil-based fuels in the United States, research and development is being carried out in the hope of developing a good, inexpensive and readily available alternative fuel that will be based on renewable resources. For example, there already has been considerable work done on ethanol and methanol, which are alcohol-based and made substantially from grain. A renewable resource that is plentiful in the United States, grain reduces the amount of gasoline needed per gallon.

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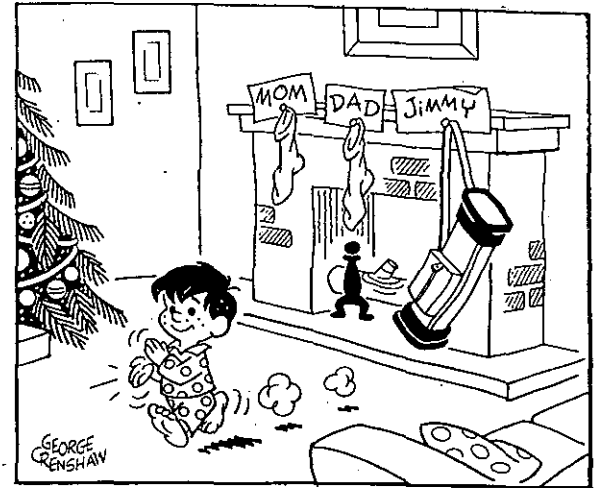
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One problem with these alternative fuels, however, is their performance, which simply has not measured up to that of gasoline. While they are less expensive, they need bigger on-board tanks, which could rupture and explode in an accident.

There also has been considerable experimentation with electric engines, but so far nobody has produced a small battery that can hold enough electricity to make such power practical on a wide scale. There are working electric cars that can run for eight hours at up to 50 mph, but they are expensive and bulky. Another problem with electric cars is that most of our electricity is produced in coal-burning plants. Burning coal pollutes the atmosphere, and coal is a non-renewable resource.

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 MOHAWK MALL  
 COURTESY DESK  
 NATIONAL UPHOLSTERING  
 NICOLE'S RESTAURANT  
 PICTURE THIS FRAME  
 SHOP & GALLERY  
 POLLACK'S JEWELERS  
 REIGNING CATS & DOGS  
 ROGER SMITH  
 DECORATIVE PRODUCTS  
 SHIRLEY'S GIFTS & CERAMIC  
 SOUTH STREET FRAMERS  
 & GALLERY  
 SUN INDIAN JEWELRY  
 SWEETWATERS BISTRO  
 TABLE & CHAIR OUTLET INC.  
 TEDDIES PLUS  
 TELE-SERVICE  
 THE MAGIC TOAD  
 THE PEANUT PRINCIPLE  
 THE "SILK" GARDEN OUTLET  
 THE SHOPPE  
 THORPE ELECTRIC SUPPLY  
 WACKY WINGS RESTAURANT  
 WEISHEIT ENGINE WORKS  
 WINDROSE GIFT BASKETS  
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**Gift Certificates Drawing**

**Two Drawings - Dec. 9th and Dec. 20th**

Each drawing will consist of \$1500 in Gift Certificates

One 1st Prize of \$500 in Gift Certificates  
 Two 2nd Prizes of \$200 in Gift Certificates  
 Six 3rd Prizes of \$100 Gift Certificates

Nine winners in each drawing.

*Winners will be notified and given Spotlight Newspapers gift certificates to be redeemed at any of the participating stores.*

**Drawing Rules - No Purchase Necessary**

One entry per customer per store. Entrant must be over the age of 18. Employees of Spotlight Newspapers and participating merchants and their families are not eligible. By claiming a prize, Spotlight Newspapers Gift Certificate winners consent to the Spotlight Newspapers publication of their names, photos and pertinent geographical information.

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