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Teen enters guilty plea in DWI case

By Dev Tobin

A Delmar teenager pleaded guilty to second degree vehicular manslaughter and driving while intoxicated in county court Tuesday.

Christopher Arnold, 17, of 13 Bedell Ave., a senior at Bethlehem Central High School, had faced a more serious second degree manslaughter charge in connection with a fatal automobile accident Aug. 26.

District Attorney Sol Greenberg said that Arnold will receive a sentence of one-and-one-third to four years when he is sentenced on Nov. 17.

Arnold was driving a friend's pickup truck at a high rate of speed northbound on Route 155 in Guilderland near Wormer Road when he lost control and went off the road.

Erin Cox, 16, of 22 Haddington Lane in Delmar, a BCHS junior, died as a result of being thrown from the back of the truck. Three other passengers, all youths from

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Community carpentry



Hundreds of community-minded volunteers pitched in to build the Kids' Place playground at Elm Avenue Park recently. For close-ups of some of the volunteers, see page 13.

Eldine McLain

Principle of Homestead irks business

By Mel Hyman

When the Homestead provision was added to the books in Bethlehem last March, it was roundly criticized by the business community.

Now that Homestead is an accepted fact of life — the town board majority in favor of it held fast at last week's showdown meeting — business leaders are still opposed. And it's not just because it's going to cost them a few extra bucks.

Starting in January, non-Homestead properties, which include businesses, industry, farms over 10 acres, vacant land and utilities, will be taxed at a slightly higher rate than Homestead parcels, which include all one-, two- and three-family homes.

"It's not really a matter of money," said Dennis Corrigan, a partner in Main Square Shoppes in Delmar. "The dollar amounts are not that great. It's the principle that bothers me. We spent a half million dollars on a consultant to remove the inequities from the system and then we take one step backward."

The whole purpose of full value assessment, which Bethlehem adopted for the first time this year, was to create a standard-

ized system of assessment, he said, based on the true market value of a property.

Historically, in New York State, businesses and commercial enterprises have shouldered a disproportionate share of the

tax burden. Full value assessment was intended to rectify that inequity.

But when municipalities started implementing the system under pressure from

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Neighbors unite against Herber office proposal

By Mel Hyman

When Gregory Jackson first considered applying for a zoning variance for properties he owns on Herber Avenue, he never in his wildest dreams thought it would get the reaction it has.

Jackson's request to build an access drive from Herber Avenue to the site of a proposed office building near Delaware Avenue has raised a storm of protest among neighbors who fear the consequences of encroaching commercialism on their quiet, picturesque street.

The Central Delmar Neighborhood Association has been lobbying hard against the proposal, but it hardly seemed like homeowners needed any prodding at last week's public hearing before the town zoning board of appeals.

More than 50 people crowded the town hall auditorium to rail against the application. Jackson, who owns lots 33 through 41 Herber Avenue, told the board that a developer from Troy wanted to erect a 3,800

□ NEIGHBORS/page 21

DWI panel drives home point

By Michael Kagan

Part three in a three-part series

Two hours is all. Two hours in an auditorium and they're back on the road.

But those two hours, for nearly 200 people sentenced for DWI violations, were spent listening to a Victims Impact Panel, one of the most effective programs now in place in Albany County for preventing intoxicated drivers from becoming repeat offenders.

This meeting, on Sept. 24 at Guilderland Town Hall, was one of six held every year throughout the county. According to Albany County Stop-DWI



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Administrator Dr. Denis Foley, the program has been approximately 50 percent more effective than the county's other programs in preventing past drunk drivers from repeat violations.

To complete their sentences, the offenders, sitting in an auditorium lined by police officers, watch as victims of alcohol-related accidents tell their stories.

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Census takers



Melissa Thomas and Chris Danchetz, eighth graders from BCMS, check over an 1865 census form at the Albany County Hall of Records.

Elaine McLain

Delmar firefighters take safety message trophy

The Hudson Mohawk Volunteer Firemen's Association has announced the winners of the recent Mardi Gras and dress parades.

The parades were held in conjunction with the 65th annual Hudson Mohawk Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention, which was hosted by the Elsmere Fire Department.

The Delmar Fire Department received the trophy for Best Fire Safety Message in the Mardi Gras Parade.

North Bethlehem Fire Department won first place in the best appearing/standard uniform, 20 and over in line category; and Selkirk Fire Department was awarded first place in the best appearing/

standard dress uniform, 15 and over in line category.

New Salem Fire Department was awarded first place for the best appearing/parade dress uniform, under 15 in line category; and Coeymans Fire Department Auxiliary was awarded second place in the best appearing auxiliary, under 10 in line category.

Bethlehem police nab four on DWI charges

Four people were charged with driving while intoxicated over the weekend by the Bethlehem Town Police.

Cynthia C. Koch, 28, of 119 Fairview Ave., Albany, was arrested at 3:05 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, on New Scotland Road near Pine Hollow Road, police said. She was cited for failure to keep right when she almost hit a police car head-on.

She was later charged with having an open container in her vehicle, possession of marijuana (a violation) and DWI. She refused the breathalyzer test, according to Sgt. Joseph Sleurs, and was remanded to the Albany County Jail in lieu of \$750 bail.

Alice E. Bresnahan, 44, of 14 Hartwood Road, Delmar, was stopped at about 12:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, on Route 140 at McCormick Road, police said. She was cited for failure to keep right, failure to stay within pavement markings and DWI.

She was released pending an Oct. 20 appearance in town court.

Robert A. Grone, 34, of P.O. Box 110, East Schodack, was stopped at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, on Route 9W for failure to keep right, police said.

He was also charged with changing lanes without signaling, crossing pavement markings, possession of marijuana (a violation) and DWI.

He was released pending an Oct. 20 appearance in town court.

Jennifer H. Bland, 24, of 42A Beacon Road, Glenmont, was stopped at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, for speeding, police said.

She was later charged with failure to keep right and DWI. She was released pending an Oct. 20 appearance in town court.

RCS board schedules public forum sessions

The Board of Education of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District will host a public forum session on Monday, Oct. 26, in the Pieter B. Coeymans School, Church Street in Coeymans, at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call 756-2155.

Square dance club plans Oct. 17 pie night

The Tri-Village Squares will sponsor a pie night on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

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Mail order gun business has neighbor up in arms

By Mel Hyman

About a year-and-a-half ago, Chester Deleskiewicz decided to expand on a lifelong hobby of gun collecting.

But Bethlehem town building inspector John Flanigan noticed the fliers he's been circulating through town, and now his dream of running a small, retail operation out of his house is in jeopardy.

That put Deleskiewicz in front of the town zoning board, and Bethlehem's zoning code is fairly explicit in prohibiting people from operating businesses out of their homes if they live in a residentially zoned area. Financial hardship must be shown to warrant an exception.

That's not the only impediment, however. Phyllis Coons, a neighbor of Deleskiewicz on Waldenmaier Road, has hired Delmar attorney Roger Fritts to help her convince the town zoning board of appeals not to grant a special use permit for *Onesquethaw Valley Guns*.

Speaking on her own behalf, Coons told the ZBA last week that her neighbor's budding enterprise has been one big headache.

Waldenmaier Road is not a paved street, she said, and dust

kicked up by vehicles traveling across the gravel roadbed on their way to visit the gun shop is a nuisance.

Coons claims that the assertion by Deleskiewicz that the business is strictly a mail order operation with no firearms inventory on hand is incorrect.

"It's definitely a retail shop," she said. "He does have a supply of firearms and accessories on hand. People at the post office have been asked how to get to the Onesquethaw Gun Shop."

I guess I was a little bit ignorant of the zoning law.

Chester Deleskiewicz

Deleskiewicz acknowledged during the hearing that he does permit limited amounts of shooting in the target range he installed behind his house. He said that any shots fired would end up in the hill across the way and that the nearest house was a mile away.

That was another sore point for Coons. "It's not just one or two shots" every few hours, she maintained, but a "random flurry — a

volley of shots not just in the morning or afternoon but all times of the day."

"I guess I was a little bit ignorant of the zoning law," Deleskiewicz told *The Spotlight*. "I didn't realize I was doing anything wrong. I had a letter made up, and I got 16 of the 20 people on this street to sign it. They said they didn't see any increase in traffic, heard no extra noise and had no objection to what I was doing."

"That left Mrs. Coon and my ex-wife (Trudy Deleskiewicz). The Schulers are the only other ones and they're out of town."

It's about a quarter of a mile stretch along Waldenmaier where all the houses are situated, he noted. "As far as I'm concerned," he said, "this is discrimination. They allow lawyers, doctors and psychiatrists to operate out of their homes. I'm not talking about a Joys or a K-mart here."

A Conrail employee now working on call, Deleskiewicz said he only wanted to generate extra income for his retirement.

NEW SCOTLAND

Van Zetten vote change saves well

By Dev Tobin

New Scotland's search for a water supply to replace contaminated wells in the Orchard Park subdivision between routes 155 and 85A almost came to a dead end at last Wednesday's town board meeting.

An initial vote to proceed with exploratory work on county land at 13 Smith Lane deadlocked 2-2, with Councilman John Sgarlata abstaining because he is a county employee.

Many private wells in Orchard Park are contaminated with iron, salt and methane.

Councilman Craig Shufelt said the \$8,000 cost of the proposed test wells is "a lot of money to spend on a maybe."

Fellow Republican Councilman Peter Van Zetten joined Shufelt at first in opposing the drilling, calling it a "Rube Goldberg scheme."

After the tie vote, Supervisor Herb Reilly argued for a re-vote. "All our efforts to get to drill on county land are now moot," he said. "This flies in the face of engineering expertise."

Van Zetten then changed his vote. "I'm not happy about it, but I'd hate to see the money already spent wasted," he said.

C.T. Male will now go ahead with hydrology tests in the Smith Lane area to determine whether water quality and quantity are sufficient to supply Orchard Park.

Reilly reported that efforts to secure a new water supply on adjacent private lands, including the former Tall Timbers golf course,

Net action



Three-year-old Dean Valentini of Clarksville is all business as while searching for butterflies recently at Five Rivers Environmental Center in New Scotland.

Elaine McLain

Middle-schoolers serve through 'People Projects'

By Dev Tobin

One of the Bethlehem Central School District's goals for this year is to increase students' commitment to community service. For eighth-graders, their chance to help others comes in their health education class "People Projects."

"The kids are doing impressive things for other people, and they deserve a lot of credit and recognition," said Jeannette Rice, health education teacher.

Several students are making quilts for babies with AIDS at the Farano House.

"I love babies and I love to sew," said Jaime Leonard, who spent her birthday money on materials for the quilt.

"This is one way I can comfort

children who have been abandoned because they have AIDS or who have parents who are too ill to take care of them," said Kate Muhlfelder.

Two boys in the class who rode their bicycles Sunday in the American Cancer Society's Move-Along-A-Thon fund-raiser, said they wanted to help because cancer has touched their families. Between them, they raised more than \$250.

"My 14-year-old cousin was recently diagnosed with leukemia," said David Austin. "This fund-raiser is fun, and also can help people with cancer."

Seth Fruiterman said his grandfather's recent death from cancer sparked his interest in helping the society raise money.

"Cancer can happen to anyone, not just somebody else's family," Fruiterman said. "I'd want to help fight cancer even if it weren't part of a class."

Jason Dill will see another side of life when he works in a Salvation Army soup kitchen in Albany. "I eat at home every day, and I wanted to help the homeless, who have to eat at soup kitchens," he said. "We have to do something to make the world a better place."

Besides helping others, students learn through the "People Projects," Rice explained. "They learn more about cancer or AIDS or homelessness, and they learn the importance of every person," Rice said.



Peter Van Zetten

have been unsuccessful so far.

In other water-related matters, Reilly said the Clarksville Water District construction is complete and the system has been tested.

"We should hear back from the county health department within the month," Reilly said.

The board also agreed to settle an outstanding claim against it for \$141,000 by Memphis Construction, the contractor for the Clarksville water system.

Finally, Van Zetten said that his well had gone bad, and asked to be included in the Swift Road water district. His driveway is in the district, but his house is not, he related in a letter to the board.

In other business, the board decided, along party lines, not to reappoint Bill Childs to the planning board for a term to expire Oct. 7, 1997.

The board tabled the appoint-

ment decision until its budget workshop session planned for Monday, Oct. 19, leaving a vacancy until that time.

"I'd like to extend Bill Childs, but Pete and I can't do anything about it," said Shufelt.

Reilly noted that the town has received 13 applications for the planning board seat.

In another matter, residents of New Salem South Road presented a petition with 47 signatures asking that the town adopt a noise ordinance to deal with the "buzzing cacophony" of dirt bikes on James Cramer's property and "restore the natural peacefulness" of the area.

"People are very upset," claimed Harvey Teichmann. "This creates a lot of noise and air pollution."

Robin Cramer defended the dirt bikes as a wholesome activity for her children and their friends.

"These kids are not hanging out and using drugs and alcohol," she said. "One reason we bought a large parcel was so our kids could use dirt bikes and other recreational vehicles."

Cramer also argued they have the right to use their property as they see fit.

"These are very good kids, and they have the right to come home to their property and ride dirt bikes," she added.

Another upset neighbor, Bill Grimes, said the dispute involved conflicting rights.

"It's a question of whether we have to pay this kind of cost for that kind of activity," he said.

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Scout wins Silver Award for work with Brownies

Senior Girl Scout Jennifer Schuler, 14, of Feura Bush planned and implemented a Brownie Try-It Day recently at the Elm Avenue Town Park in Delmar.

The event earned Schuler the Silver Award, Girl Scouting's second highest achievement award.

At the event, Brownie Girl Scouts from the town of Bethlehem had the opportunity to work on either the Outdoor Fun Try-It or People of the World Try-It. Try-Its are special activities appropriate for the Brownie age level in Girl Scouting.

The girls learned knot tying, how to read trail signs and how to say hello and good-bye in several different languages.

Schuler said, "I selected this Try-It day as my project because after being a program aide at Camp Is-Sho-Da I realized my love of working with Brownies and wanted to help them receive a fulfilling experience from Girl Scouting."

As a program aide at the Girl Scout day camp in East Greenbush, Schuler spent one week this past summer learning basic camping skills with the emphasis on how to teach these skills to children. Another week was spent working directly with children under the guidance of a unit counselor.

This experience helped Schuler earn the green service bar for program aide. It also satisfied the requirements of the Cadette Leadership Award, which is one of the many requirements for earning the Cadette Award.

In addition to the Cadette Leadership Award and the Silver Award Project, girls must satisfy three interest project patches, and a career exploration activity.

Schuler has been a member of the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council for six years. During that time she participated in three out-of-camp canoeing trips at Camp Little Notch, and is currently a member of Group 900, a high adventure group.

A tenth grader at Emma Willard, Schuler is a member of its orchestra and SCAR (Students Concerned with Animal Rights).

She is the daughter of Pat and Gene Schuler.

Graphic artists' group to meet at paper plant

The Graphic Artists Guild of Albany will meet on Friday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m. at Russell Paper of Troy, 621 River St.

David Russell will present a one-hour demonstration on handmade paper.

For information, call 438-7091.

Safety lesson



Onesquethaw volunteer firefighters paid a visit to the Clarksville Elementary School last Friday to demonstrate safety techniques in honor of National Fire Prevention Week. Onesquethaw Fire Chief Fred Spaulding, above, pauses long enough to have his photograph taken with members of Robin Taft's kindergarten class. *Elaine McLain*

Bethlehem Library plans program on Iroquois Nation

The Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, is sponsoring a program on "The Iroquois Nation: Past and Present" on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be presented by Perry Ground, museum educa-

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tor at the Iroquois Indian Museum. Ground is a Native American with an interest in Iroquois history.

The lecture is free and open to the public. For information, call 439-9314.

BCHS class of 1977 slates 15th reunion

The Bethlehem Central High School class of 1977 is planning its 15-year reunion on Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Albany Elks Club, 25 South Allen St., Albany, at 8 p.m.

Addresses of graduates are still needed.

For information, call Tom Morton at 439-7980 or Jack O'Hara at 439-4076.

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V'ville in run for blue ribbon honor

By Dev Tobin

One year after filing its initial application, Voorheesville Elementary School has made the final cut for recognition as a national Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

Of the 478 state finalists, only 254 schools nationwide, including Voorheesville, were visited by a Blue Ribbon program evaluator, according to Principal Edward Diegel.

The evaluator, an elementary principal from Rhode Island, visited Voorheesville last week, and had "a very busy two days," Diegel said.

"She met with nine groups of people, from parents and students to teachers and our business partners from IBM. She also spent about a third of her time informally observing in classrooms," Diegel said. "I think she was favorably impressed."

Applying for the designation has taken a lot of work, "hundreds of hours," Diegel said, but the process is worth it because "it helps us learn more about ourselves and how we can grow and improve as a school."

Diegel cited extra effort by the staff and strong parental involvement as hallmarks of a Voorheesville Elementary education.

"Last Sunday, when I was in school preparing for the site visit, there were eight teachers in the building," he said. "We see that



Edward Diegel

kind of extra effort on a daily basis from everyone — teachers, aides, secretaries, bus drivers and maintenance workers."

Examples of exemplary parental involvement are also evident, Diegel noted.

"The creative playground, built by more than 500 volunteers last year, is probably the best example," he said. "At this fall's open house, 95 percent of the students were represented. Parents are always there to help, through the PTA, as chaperones and with the after-school science club."

Voorheesville also stands out as one of 12 school districts in the state participating in the six-year

IBM Business Partners program, which brings computers into the classroom beginning in kindergarten.

"Students start out in kindergarten and first grade on a Writing to Read program, then use drill and practice programs tailored to their specific needs in grades two through six," Diegel explained.

The computers also provide a lot of in-service training for teachers, Diegel added.

A new program this year is a pre-kindergarten mini-session for incoming kindergartners who have not attended pre-school.

Using a grant from the state, Voorheesville will run a six-week orientation from 1 to 3 p.m. that will help acclimate children to school, Diegel said.

"Every year, we're always looking to add improvements to the school," he noted. "Last year, we added a yearbook and a drama club."

Six new instructional staff began working at Voorheesville in September. They are: Maryteresa Morgan, music and chorus teacher; Theresa Aspland, resource room teacher; Pamela Hamlin, kindergarten teacher; Mary Anne Milano, computer room teaching assistant; Donna Moore, science teaching assistant; and Sharon Cappelzo, learning lab teaching assistant.

Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling-coordinator

Residents have received a general recycling brochure from the town of Bethlehem outlining the mandatory recyclables.

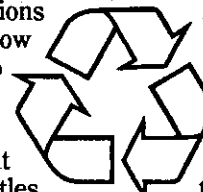
However, some residents have not received instructions from their haulers as to how they would like you to prepare these items for collection.

The first step is to put the additional plastic bottles in the recycling bins with the glass bottles, cans, aluminum foil and plastic bottles that are already being recycled. Also, continue to recycle newspapers, including inserts, in the same way as before.

The other items can be set aside separately, if you wish to save them for recycling. But *do not* put them out for the hauler until you have

been notified that they will be picked up and you have received instructions.

Some people have already saved up an extra box full of magazines or bag of office paper or bundle of corrugated cardboard.



To recycle these materials, take them to the Rupert Road Transfer Station in South Bethlehem. The station is open Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with bins set up for all the mandated recyclables.

A yellow permit sticker is required for residents, and businesses can get the required temporary permit at the highway garage. There is a \$1 fee for the recycling.

Address doesn't change registration

Bethlehem town officials have announced that a change in house number or street name, as a result of the proposed 911 Emergency System, does not affect voter registration or eligibility to vote.

Anyone who has voted at least once in the past four years, and still resides in the same house, is eligible to vote. The card from the board of election has the correct election district and polling location.

For information, call the town clerk's office at 439-4955, ext. 183, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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Matters of Opinion

Down-to-earth budgeting

Time was when Democrats paid no attention to Albany County's budget until late November. Mike Hoblock's first budget — anticipating expenditures of \$328.5 million for 1993 but no tax increase — was issued in the first week of October. And his cohorts in the Legislature will shortly hold a series of budget forums.

Mr. Hoblock's message to explain, justify, and promote its contents was straightforward and hard-hitting. The gist of it was summed up in an eight-word paragraph:

"County government will have to work more efficiently."

Inspirationally, some of his other blunt expressions went like this:

- "We no longer have any excuses for not attempting to address the many problems our county faces."

- "The major accomplishment of this budget is to show our constituents that Albany County can have modern and efficient government."

- "There is only one pool of money — and we (local and county government) must begin to look at using it cooperatively."

- "I am confident that I know the choice the majority of the people will make (between progress or status quo)."

Factually, and also with something of a grim determination, Mr. Hoblock talked turkey:

- "Albany County (in 1992) found itself on the brink of fiscal chaos . . . It was not a perfect year, and we still have work to do to make it through 1992."

- "Despite dire predictions by unimaginative politicians, the executive's budget is not a scorched-earth budget . . . Our work must go on, no matter what obstacles lie in our way . . . We must move forward in times of adversity . . ."

- "Eliminating positions is a painful task. But the alternative was to patch together another budget and keep our fingers crossed, hoping that it will hold together."

Once again: for charter reform

In this issue, The Spotlight Newspapers complete our publication of the 2,500-word "executive summary" highlighting the extensive report brought forward by a special Management Advisory Commission appointed by County Executive Michael J. Hoblock.

The third installment, featuring the Commission's recommendations for reform of numerous aspects of the county's government, is published today on page 9.

We believe that virtually any citizen of Albany County who has interest in keeping personal taxes down — apart from the principle of better, more economic and effective government — will have to support the commission's findings and proposals.

Essentially, the recommendations are in the public's interest by enhancing the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of the public's business. Its several areas of concern range from proper purchasing procedures to matters directly affecting individual citizens, such as health care, Medicaid administration, and services for the aging population.

The issue is, in a real sense, summed up in

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- "Getting our own house in order is only the first step to ensure long-term fiscal stability."

Some of the specifics he concisely enumerated were:

- The budget is "as close to zero growth as is possible . . . The challenge was to balance rapid growth in the cost of mandated services with the need to continue to offer a high level of other important services."

- "The number of positions . . . is down by approximately 300 from last year . . . Consolidations will be required to do the same work with fewer people."

The executive's 1993 budget is 4.8 percent over 1992. (We had) "only two alternatives: reduce the number of positions or increase the property tax. The interest of the citizens of Albany County — who suffered a 24.5 percent property tax increase and a one-cent-on-the-dollar increase in the sales tax already this year — would not be well served by a property tax increase."

Mr. Hoblock describes his budget as "a new direction for Albany County government — presented in a new format that allows for a better understanding of the workings of county government."

Straightforward, hard-hitting, yes; statesmanlike, as well. Despite his obvious determination to follow through, the County Executive wisely promised to "consider any reasonable alternatives" to his proposals, and to be ready to work with legislators toward adopting a balanced budget in a timely manner.

The potential for effective leadership evident in Mike Hoblock's first nine months in office augur well for what he seeks to accomplish for us in his second year.

the recommendation that the county's budget be revised to provide us with "much more information, including a narrative description of programs being funded and their public policy objectives."

But, withal, the commission's reiterated urgings come down to the question of power and prerogatives, in the name, that is, of effective management of our business — plus accountability. The commission's report repeatedly directs attention to the fact that government by a committee of 39 — the County Legislature — can't get the job done right and economically.

The county's dismal fiscal situation attests to that. So do such fiascos as the county airport "planning" and management. So does the fact that in past years, as the Legislature has played along, the executive (while lacking fundamental accountability or responsibility) was allowed to saddle us with such white elephants as the "civic center" in downtown Albany.

Amend the county charter to give the County Executive both power to manage plus the responsibility for results — this is the commission's basic recommendation.

Proposed land use policy called discriminatory

Editor, The Spotlight:

I read with interest the report in the Sept. 30 *Spotlight* regarding forthcoming recommendations of the Land Use Management Advisory Commission, or LUMAC.

In this article our Town Planner, Jeff Lipnicky, stated that the plan will be a blueprint for development and preservation in the town. Of particular interest is where it appears LUMAC is anticipating recommending to the Town Board that land use be substantially curtailed in the southern sections of the town, including Glenmont, Selkirk, and South Bethlehem.

I object strongly to this recommendation for several reasons:

- First, this type of arbitrary assignment of which space will remain open and which space may be developed violates a major constitutional issue, whereby a person has the right to free enjoyment of his property within the

Vox Pop

law. Remember, these large tracts of open land are substantial contributors to the town's tax base, and make up a very large percentage of land mass in the entire town;

- Second, does LUMAC realize that it will be creating a situation where some property would be made several times more valuable, and some property will become relatively worthless as a result? How will this affect our landowners financially? What ever happened to encouraging "affordable" housing for our seniors and middle class residents, or encouraging commercial development to increase our tax base?;

- Third, it seems to be a major thrust of LUMAC that it was OK to build Delmar, Slingerlands, Elmsmere, and North Bethlehem

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Nov. 3 vote held critical for open government

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Election Day, the voters of Albany County have an important job to do.

They can vote for county legislators who will work for open government right now — or they can vote for Harold Joyce and his machine's new slogan "Open government is our future."

That, in a nutshell, is an indication of the difference between Republican candidates for Albany County Legislature and their Democratic opponents — open government now or sometime off in the future. Because when all the smoke clears after this election — and the people have made their decision — we will have one or the other.

After 70 years of machine government for the few, by the few, Mike Hoblock has brought daylight to the dark back rooms of

Albany County government. But to hear the Democrats in the news lately, you would think they have gone through some kind of miraculous conversion — that the decades of shoddy and wasteful government were the mistakes of the past — a warm-up for their open government of the future.

It is hypocritical of Harold Joyce to use open government as the theme of his campaign fund-raiser. How can he talk about open government when he serves as both party and County Legislature chairman? He and the members of his caucus have fought Mike Hoblock's reforms all year long.

Why are they stalling on the creation of a personnel office in Albany County? Could it be that they fear civil service reform because many of their patronage appointments would lose their jobs

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The mysterious parcel

I was later than usual arriving home that evening, and in the gloaming I barely was able to make out an object at the doorstep just before I would have stumbled over it.

Closer examination of the brown paper-wrapped package a few moments later disclosed that it had been sent by "priority mail." But despite the apparent urgency in the mind of the sender I was able to stifle my curiosity while raiding the pantry and icebox.

The weight of the parcel suggested contents which, in keeping with its bulk, hardly would be a letter bomb on the one hand or a thoughtful remembrance of a new shirt on the other. More like an unabridged dictionary, I speculated.

This idea was supported by the name and address of the sender which, though it surprised me, did give a possible clue. The sender of my unexpected package was a man with whom I'd had only a telephone acquaintance some years before. We never had met, for he lived across the continent. He was a writer, a tyro when we first were in contact but later he became a published author of a few books. He was the author; I was his editor.

In half a dozen years since then we'd had a desultory telephone relationship involving two or three calls; even the Christmas cards had dwindled. The most recent call had indicated that he was writing once more, liked what he had done, and might give me a

The on-again Finnegan candidacy

The "Public Affairs Report" of the University of California's Institute of Governmental Studies is kind enough to keep me on the mailing list, and in the current issue there's a very timely article by Gerald C. Lubenow of the institute's staff.

The topic is the in-and-out candidacy of H. Ross Perot — or, in fact, more about the man himself and his character, personality, and motivations. Because Mr. Perot himself has put himself in the public eye and become the center of much interest and speculation, the article seemed to be an important and relatively objective one.

"Perot emerged," Mr. Lubenow notes, "while Clinton was still nursing his wounds, Bush was

'Public Affairs Report' review

self-destructing, and the press was bored and looking for a fresh story.

"Voters, inattentive or turned off after a bloody primary season, may be forgiven for browsing in fantasy land. The press should have known better.

"There were a few exceptions like Newsweek's Washington bureau chief, Evan Thomas, who, recognizing the wisdom of Henry Adams's admonition that knowledge of human nature is the key to sound political judgment, cautioned staff and editors early on that the important thing to remember about Perot was that he was a quitter.

"The press ignored the fact that

Uncle Dudley

chance to see it someday. Good grief, Charlie Brown! Leapin' lizards, Sandy! Could this be his manuscript?

And so it was. After I had decided that, yes, I had to open the parcel, I found a two-page letter, strictly business and tightly typed, cluing me in on what to expect as and when I would read the manuscript.

First, I counted the pages: 354. With his style of tending to cram lines onto a page, that would add up to more than a hundred thousand words — a very decent-sized book (if you ignore the huge tomes that are published so commonly nowadays).

And, as a bonus, my proud author had enclosed (for my "amusement") a screenplay that itself ran to more than 100 pages. I haven't examined it as yet, but after a day or so I summoned up the will to remove the book's title page with its notice of copyright and begin reading.

So, herewith, a book report (but on only the first 50 pages or so). He had chosen to locate his tale in an area of the country with which he was familiar — a promising start. He had not provided an outline of the story, as I might

Constant Reader

Clinton not only survived the primaries but came out of them with a larger percentage of the vote than any Democratic nominee since 1956. When he beat Jerry Brown in California — no mean feat — (the press made) the big story Perot's showing in the exit polls."

"For weeks the press avoided any serious examination of Perot, boosting his poll ratings by trumpeting the can-do billionaire myth. Not wanting to spoil a good story by noting Perot's ignorance of the issues, the press replayed his Menckonian theme that 'Government is the common enemy of every decent man,' as though it represented an unprecedented fusion of political insight and public will when, in fact, it was neither.

"Perot's candidacy quickly unravelled as soon as he emerged from the corporate cocoon his staff and supporters obligingly spun for him. . . . Even later press accounts, negative as they were, didn't begin to plumb the depths of his shallowness. He was, Ed Rollins told a friend, absolutely ruthless: 'You couldn't believe a word he said.'

"Having watched public admi-

have expected, but the long covering letter pretty well served to give me an adequate idea of what I would be finding.

I had previously regarded his work as well above average as action fiction goes — and the publishers' receptivity had borne out that assessment. Good on plotting (often quite intricate), excellent on authentic description of action scenes, nice character delineation. Pretty good on dialogue, though he was an adherent of the school (exemplified to me by Robert Parker) of repeating "said" endlessly, even in the case of questions. I invariably moderated this tendency, but he never remarked on it — maybe he never really read the edited versions

So I started reading; resignedly, I must admit. One advantage of reading a manuscript is that you can pick up a few or several pages at a time and read comfortably with them in bed, rather than having to support and balance a three-pound book.

My fingers itched for a pen to do some relatively minor cleaning up on the text, but I deferred that until learning more about what the author expected of me. Surely he didn't bundle these nearly 500 sheets of paper and shoot them off for my personal entertainment.

In any case, so far I have become diverted by his yarn and will proceed at my own pace down to page 354. One of these days I may likely give you the denouement in the case of the mysterious parcel.

ration for him grow along with his net worth, Perot has become a master at buying credibility by flashing his wad. His public commitment to spend \$100 million to buy the presidency was raised to \$200 million in private conversations with senior campaign staff.

"Too many Americans are fascinated by the notion of a hard-driving businessman as president. Perhaps after Perot they will heed Teddy Roosevelt's warning that there is absolutely nothing to be said for government by plutocrats, 'men gifted with the money touch but with the ideals of a glorified pawnbroker.'

"It's hard to decide whether it was pure ego or a powerful rage against George Bush that fueled Perot's presidential drive, though there was plenty of both. The timing of Rollins's firing and Perot's (temporary) withdrawal were carefully calculated to do maximum damage to Bush, says one insider.

"Always molding the truth to suit his purpose, Perot claims he never wanted to be president and got out (in July) to avoid disrupting the system." His spending hundreds of thousands later to get his name on state ballots was "an exercise that could have no purpose but to feed his ego and disrupt the system. But it let him make mischief on the cheap while avoiding serious scrutiny from the press and the public, as he has most of his life."

When the ill or old need emergency support . . .

The contributor of this Point of View, a resident of Delmar, is Coordinator of the Lifeline program at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany. She holds a degree in psychology from Russell Sage College and has a career background in development, marketing, and public relations.

By Jeanne Barriere

We hear a lot today about increased life expectancy resulting in seniors becoming a steadily growing percentage of our population. Many older citizens of the '90s live independent, active lives and their numbers are being recognized by office-seekers who solicit their votes and by businesses that now market specifically to them.

These older people represent a surprising 12 percent of our population and although they cherish their independence the truth is that many need some assistance to remain in their homes safely.

Point of View

It is estimated that nearly one of every five (19 percent) of all people over 65 need some support and home care. In the three counties of the Capital District alone, over 10,000 elderly persons require daily support. And in a great number of these cases this is being provided by a son or daughter or other relative.

We are moving quickly to a society where large numbers of working adults find themselves part of the "sandwich generation," facing simultaneously by both demands and responsibilities of multiple generations within the family system. These demands often lead to increased levels of stress as exhibited by higher absenteeism from the workplace, inter-relational problems, exhaustion, and depression.



Recognizing the situation is the first step both for the caregiver and for the senior who is fighting to maintain dignity and independence.

The second important step is learning that practical help is available for both senior citizens and their family members.

Here in our area several services and programs, ranging from home-delivered meals, adult day care, and transportation to personal emergency response systems that can summon immediate assistance for seniors when alone. Among several wonderful services our community provides for support, safety, and peace of mind for many people and families is the one I happen to know best — Lifeline at St. Peter's Hospital, the largest and oldest personal emergency response system in the Capital District. This community service was created to help the elderly, the medically vulnerable, and those who live alone to remain independent, secure in the knowledge that help is always just minutes away. Established in the mid '80s, it currently provides that precious peace of mind and emergency help to over 830 people.

Ten thousand elderly persons in our area require aid daily

Lifeline at St. Peter's Hospital provides 24-hour coverage 365 days a year. The program is monitored by trained personnel in the Emergency Response Center located adjacent to the hospital's Emergency Room. All calls are answered locally; the response time for assistance is within a few minutes.

Many of the over 830 folks who depend on our Lifeline Program are active, healthy seniors who feel more secure knowing they are never truly alone during the evenings or when the family is unable to be with them. Lifeline eases the stress for their families by reducing that constant worry about a parent or loved one having an emergency due to sudden illness or a fall and being unable to summon help. When these units are installed it is often hard to determine who is more relieved — the senior or the caring family members.

Lifeline is easy to install and extremely affordable — averaging approximately a dollar a day. It consists of a two-way voice communicator that plugs into a phone jack and links the user to St. Peter's 24-hour emergency response center. A small, portable, transistor button, worn at all times, instantly signals the

Matters of Opinion

New North St. landfill permit gains objection

Editor, The Spotlight:

For 20-odd years, Bethlehem has been, and is, operating the North Street landfill illegally, without a permit from the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

I learned this from DEC. I have been told that the town has been instructed to apply for a permit to operate a landfill. Once I discovered this, I phoned Bruce Secor, commissioner of public works. I asked for what type of permit the town would be applying. Mr. Secor told me that the town intends to apply for a "Construction and Demolition Landfill" permit, the same as the type used to regulate the Rupert Road landfill. This greatly increases the types of materials beyond what is currently being dumped on North Street.

For the past few years, yard waste and tree stumps have been dumped there. Previously, town trucks would pick up anything residents left out by the road, excluding garbage. I have been told by longtime residents of our neighborhood that many tires and some cars have been buried there.

The town currently calls the North Street dump a compost facility, although in my four years on North Street I have yet to see anything come out of the dump except big green dump trucks — many, many dump trucks.

On a normal day I have counted six to eight trucks an hour. On

busy days, during fall and spring pick-ups, I have counted 10 to 15 an hour. That is 10 to 15 up and 10 to 15 back. Eighty to 100 trips a day. Double that to include return trips. These trucks do not creep along and they are not quiet nor are they clean.

The dump on North Street is situated in some ravines which run off into the Normanskill. The water table in this area is very

Bethlehem Commissioner of Public Works Bruce Secor, in response to a question by The Spotlight concerning Mr. Duclos's letter, stated: "The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) originally listed the North Street landfill as an exempt site. The Department recently determined that a permit is necessary. Although a construction and demolition (C&D) permit is the only permit that we can apply for, our application limits our use to leaves and yard waste."

high in wet seasons. Homeowners are big users of pesticides and herbicidal lawn treatments. All these chemicals leach into the ground water and are washed into the Normanskill and eventually into the Hudson.

These are problems with the current use of the dump and they concern us greatly, but we are even more concerned with the

intended future use of the North Street site.

With a "Construction and Demolition Landfill" permit, the amount and types of materials dumped there would be greatly increased. Traffic would increase, as would danger to our children.

The cost to residents of Bethlehem will be a large one in terms of dollars. The town will be required to put a liner in the landfill. The expense of creation of such a facility "would cost upward of \$1 million an acre," as reported in *The Spotlight* issue of Oct. 7. The site on North Street is 22 acres, which the town leases.

This dump site is in the center of Delmar. The neighborhoods directly affected are McCormack Road area, residential areas along Delaware Avenue into Elsmere and, of course, the Hudson Avenue neighborhood.

This is a serious problem which needs to be addressed and an alternative solution found.

In the meantime I have requested that DEC close the North Street landfill until the town acquires a proper permit or the permit application is denied, for we intend to fight this to the end.

Joseph Duclos
President, Hudson Avenue
Neighborhood Association

Delmar

Words for the week

Plutocrat: A person whose wealth is the source of control or great influence; a member of a wealthy ruling class.

Denouement: The outcome, solution, unraveling or clarification of a plot in a drama, story, etc.

Cheerleaders deserve cheers for lots of work

Editor, The Spotlight:

I appreciate *The Spotlight's* article of Sept. 30 about cheerleaders. It's time they get some of the recognition they deserve. They spend many hours training and do a great job supporting the football players.

I must comment further. At the varsity game on "Pop Warner night," Oct. 2, I overheard one of the Pop Warner cheerleaders' mothers complaining about the "half-time" dance. Some changes were made from practice to practice and this mother thought it was terrible that these girls were expected to re-learn some parts of the dance. Well, let me fill you in. The coaches who teach your children are high school cheerleaders and others who volunteer their time. It requires much time for these coaches to get together, pick out music, make up the dance, then learn it well enough themselves to be able to teach it.

It is not uncommon for them to be in school all day, attend two hours of their own cheerleading

practice, and have just enough time to get to Pop Warner practice for another two hours. That means leaving home at 7 a.m. and returning at about 8 p.m., still facing piles of homework. (By the way, they gulp down snacks, sandwiches, or sometimes a hot meal in the car while travelling from one practice to the other.)

These girls also attend all Pop Warner games and help and advise their cheerleaders at these games. Don't forget, they have to cheer at their own games as well, which means they attend two games every weekend.

They also make up and teach the competition routines and will spend the day at competition encouraging these girls. (They must also learn their own competition routines and spend their own day away at competition as well.)

The point is: these girls work very hard for Pop Warner, giving lots and lots of hours of their time for little recognition and, at best, criticism. *Cheerleader's mother*

(Name submitted)

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contributions to the cost of health benefits.

Now that they've had a taste of open government thanks to Mike Hoblock, the Democrats are talking about eliminating the independently elected County Executive in favor of a county manager they would appoint. That would be a giant step back to the days of unchecked waste under machine government.

The future of open government belongs to the people of Albany County. How you vote in November will decide the fate of reform in our county government. Honest, professional government, or mismanagement and waste—that is the choice we face on Nov. 3.

The decision is in the hands of the voters — progress or status quo. If the people of the county choose progress they should continue the work Mike Hoblock started last year by electing more Republican county legislators.

George Scaringe,
Chairman, Albany County
Republican Committee

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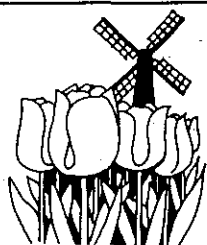
in an honestly run merit selection system?

Isn't it also interesting now that the sales tax has been enacted they are backing away from measures that would make people work 35 hours a week instead of 30? They have even fought against such basic principles as standard public office hours, and employee

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Amendment of charter is basic to County's efficiency

About this report

Following is the third portion of *The Spotlight's* publication of the "Executive Summary" of a report to County Executive Michael J. Hoblock, Jr., by a special Management Advisory Commission he had appointed early in 1992. This portion includes the Commission's recommendations in several areas of Albany County's government. They follow a summary of the Commission's findings, published on this page last week. The commission was chaired by Paul L. Gioia, and other members were David E. Blabey, Charles B. Buchanan, David R. Cornell, Joseph Gomez, Murray M. Jaros, and Ellen Sax.

The Albany County charter should be amended to provide the County Executive with the powers necessary to effectively manage and take full responsibility for the executive branch of county government. These would include power to appoint and remove heads of county agencies and full veto power over county laws and resolutions, as well as appropriations.

Fiscal and Budget

Authority and responsibility for fiscal management should be focused under the County Executive. The director of finance should be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Executive. Coordination among the county comptroller, director of finance, and director of the budget should be improved. There should be a much better sharing of financial information, now under control of the county comptroller, with the directors of finance and budget.

The county budget should be revised to provide the public with much more information, including a narrative description of programs being funded and their public policy objectives. The budget also should provide the County Executive with reasonable flexibility in expenditure of funds within the scope of the legislative appropriation.

The county should adopt a six-year capital spending plan, to be updated annually. The plan should indicate the order of priority of each project, estimated total cost, proposed method of financing, and estimated effect on operating costs.

Purchasing Decisions

Standard procedures should be adopted for all purchasing and contracting decisions. Central oversight and monitoring of such decisions should be implemented. Involvement by the County Legislature in individual purchasing and contracting decisions should be eliminated. To the extent the

charter requires legislative approval of contracts, it should be amended.

Personnel Program

A strong commitment to effective administration of the civil service law in Albany County is required. A Department of Personnel should be established, under the County Executive, to combine functions of personnel administration, civil service administration, payroll, and collective bargaining.

Public Works

The Department of Public Works should be thoroughly reviewed. Staffing levels should be examined and reduced, where appropriate, or employees reassigned to more productive responsibilities. Overly restrictive work rules should be reviewed and an effort made to eliminate them. Consideration should be given to having the department provide greater assistance to other agencies, including use of the department's engineering capability to replace outside contractors. Consideration should be given to merging the Buildings Department with Public Works.

Social Services

Operations of the Department of Social Services should be reviewed. Staffing levels should be reduced where possible, or employees reassigned. Consideration should be given to having

services, including custodial, personnel, purchasing, messenger, and security (now directly provided by the department) handled on a centralized basis. The department should aggressively investigate and implement cost-reduction programs, especially a managed care program for Medicaid recipients.

Legal, Finance

Provision of legal services should be centralized under the county attorney and the use of part-time attorneys should be much more carefully monitored or eliminated.

The Finance Department should improve its effort to collect the hotel occupancy tax, establish written investment guidelines, develop an inventory for capital assets, and develop standards and encourage competition for selection of banks in which county funds are deposited.

Health Care

Operations of the Department of Residential Health Care Facilities should be reviewed and administrative costs reduced where possible. A study should be undertaken on the advisability of returning Ann Lee Home to a traditional residential facility for the elderly and expanding the capacity of the County Nursing Home. The need for capital investments in the county's residential care facilities, including the

possible replacement of the heating plant for Ann Lee Home, should be studied.

Aging

Operations of the Department for the Aging should be carefully reviewed, with special attention to the part-time employment program. Clear policy objectives and standards for participation should be established and steps taken to ensure that it is adequately publicized and made equally available to all eligible residents of Albany County.

Planning, Data Sharing

The Planning Board should take more initiative in comprehensive planning of major county facilities and economic development in the county. The board should work closely with the County Executive to provide better coordination of policy objectives and long-term planning.

The county's use of management information systems should be reviewed. Increased use of computers and more efficient use of existing computers should be carefully evaluated. Sharing of data among agencies should be encouraged, especially the sharing of financial data among the comptroller, department of finance, and director of the budget.

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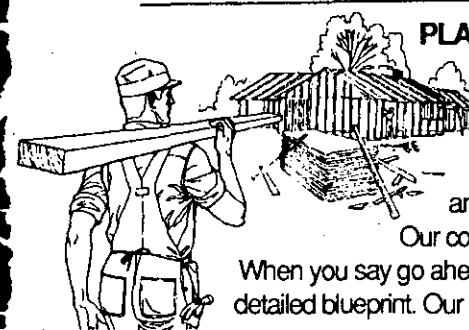
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Your Opinion Matters

□ Lifeline (From page 7)

response center when it is pushed. The system is designed to obtain help for a person in need who is unable to reach the telephone due to sudden illness or accident. One touch on the button alerts the caring professionals at St. Peter's Hospital in seconds. Each caller's needs are identified and help — whether it is a responder, an ambulance, or the police — is sent immediately. Responders are family members, friends, or neighbors chosen by the Lifeline user — someone they know and trust who can reach them quickly.

Lifeline is a unique program that offers a practical, personal, and efficient service to people who would not otherwise be able to continue to live independently while remaining safe. The program is leased on a monthly basis with no long-term contract required. Many post-operative patients take Lifeline home with them as an extension of care recommended by their physician. Another unique characteristic is that its installers are almost exclusively New York Telephone retirees. These dedicated volunteers install Lifeline on a volunteer basis, bringing years of experience with them as well as a genuine concern for the people they help.

As the Lifeline coordinator of this valued community service, I am all too aware of the rather negative concept some seniors may have about personal emergency response systems. Due to insensitive advertising by another system many people were left with the incorrect impression that only the very frail, home-bound use such a service. As a result, they may see it as a compromise of their independence when just the opposite is true.

Lifeline gives seniors and the medically vulnerable more independence; it enables them to remain in their homes, actively pursuing their usual activities, knowing that they can always get help if it is needed. Our users include a 30-year-old single mother, several handicapped people, seniors who live alone, post-operative folks, cardiology patients, Hospice patients, and diabetics.

Many hundreds of people in our community who, upon learning about these services, have taken advantage of all they offer to ease the burden of elder care or to help oneself remain active, healthy, and independent. On behalf of Lifeline at St. Peter's, I encourage anyone who may have questions about the program, about who can benefit from it, or about the equipment to please call me at 454-1004.

Editor's note: Although Lifeline at St. Peter's is the only Lifeline program in Albany County and serves clients in adjacent counties, there are also Lifeline programs at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, St. Mary's Hospital in Troy, and The Eddy in Troy. The rates, fees, and services may vary slightly among the four. Lifeline, which is provided by some 2,000 hospitals throughout the country, is operated under auspices of a national corporation. In this area there are also some other organizations providing such services; these customarily sell the necessary equipment.

□ Land Use

(From page 6)

to its present density, but to hell with the landowners in Glenmont, Selkirk, and South Bethlehem. They will just have to live with the fact that they can't sell their land — just pay taxes on it so the rest of the town can enjoy it!

• I have a suggestion for LUMAC: Propose to the Town Board that the Town of Bethlehem purchase, at fair market value, any land that it doesn't want developed. Many people will be interested in selling, and after the town makes the purchase, the land can remain forever wild just like State land in the Adirondacks.

Although I do not advocate this approach, it is the only fair and equitable way in which the property owners of all this "open land" will see any light at the end of a long, dark tunnel and a proposal would lead them into. Otherwise, the result would amount to little more than eminent domain proceedings over individual landowners without the right of just compensation.

It is not that I don't agree that open land is a beautiful thing, and is important to maintaining a "country" atmosphere. It is simply a fairness issue; an "equal protection under the law" issue; and I believe it simply cuts too deeply into the basic right of an American that we can use our land as we see fit.

In this particular instance, it is time to "put up or shut up" as they say. Either purchase our land, or leave us alone. It is unjust to expect that certain landowners

should shoulder the financial burden of property devaluation in order to make the town more visually pleasing for other residents. We all pay taxes toward the common good, and this type of proposal places the burden on a few for the benefit of the rest, and it's just not fair.

One thing to remember: This town was developed over the past three centuries during most of which we had no Town Planner, Planning Board, zoning laws, or the myriad rules and regulations landowners are forced to face in this day and age. I tend to think additional regulations that curtail a landowner's rights are fundamental violations of the thrust and purpose of the Constitution we all so dearly wish to protect.

Glenmont Keith A. Wiggand

Editor's note: In response to an inquiry by The Spotlight, Supervisor Ringler stated that "LUMAC's recommendations are being formulated based upon a great deal of public input. Before anything is

adopted, there will be many more opportunities for residents to participate and ensure that the final product represents what our community wants for the future."

'Justice for all' called Pledge basic promise

Editor, The Spotlight:

In this season when we as a nation are observing two anniversaries important to our history and traditions—the 500th year since Christopher Columbus landed in the New World, and the 100th since the adoption of the Pledge of Allegiance—I am impelled to remark on the final few words of the Pledge, which are the most significant of all the 31 words that we recite. I am always impressed by the majestic promise of those words which I adopted for my present campaign for election as Justice of the Bethlehem Town Court—that fundamental watchword: "Justice for All."

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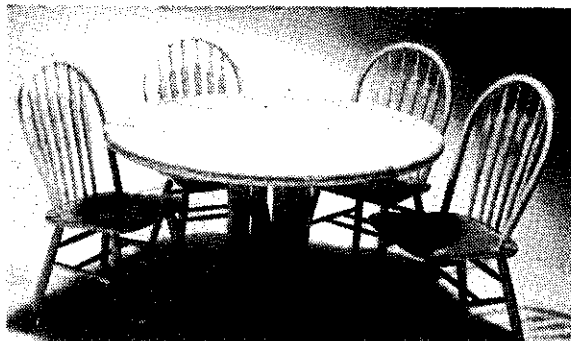
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Sign language for kids to review basic skills

Sign Language for Kids will be taught by Altamont resident Ann Gainer at the library on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 10 a.m.

Designed for children in grades two and three, the session will cover basic signs.

Registration is required by calling the reference desk at 765-2791. Enrollment is limited to 20.

Voorheesville Public Library



Other upcoming activities are designed to serve a wide range of folks of all ages and interests. Young children and their families won't want to miss the Fall-Free-For-All Evening Story Hour scheduled today, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m.

Stories and art activity will feature changing foliage, pumpkins and scarecrows and other trappings of fall.

On Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. the Computer Users Group will cover *Bulletin Boards and Modems*, how to get on them and how to use them. Ken Bingham will present the program and members are encouraged to share their knowledge. All are welcome.

Ravena church slates spaghetti supper

St. Patrick's Church, Ravena, will host its annual spaghetti supper on Sunday, Oct. 25, from 1 to 6 p.m. at the RCS middle school, Route 9W, Ravena.

The menu includes spaghetti, meatballs, antipasto, dessert and

A few spots are left for the AARP's 55-ALIVE defensive driving course co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the New Scotland Senior Club on Oct. 17 and 24.

The two-session course, which will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., will be held at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem. Anyone over the age of 50 can sign up at the library, located at 51 School Road, Voorheesville. A payment of \$8 is due at registration with checks made out to AARP.

Nimblefingers, a needlework group meeting on Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. will continue for a few more sessions due to its success. Come in for advice on your needlework project or just for the companionable atmosphere.

And last but not least, anyone who would like to help plan an Arts Festival in Voorheesville for next May should attend the next community meeting of the Small Town at the Millennium group on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. Parents, club members and other enthusiasts can call Gail Sacco or Barbara Vink at the library for info.

Christine Shields

Unionville church sets family-style dinner

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike in Delmar, is sponsoring a family-style roast beef dinner on Saturday, Oct. 17, with servings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The menu will include roast beef, tomato juice, mashed potatoes and gravy, butternut squash, green beans, cabbage salad, rolls and beverages. Dessert will be a choice of apple or pumpkin pie.

The cost is \$7 for adults, and \$3 for children ages 5 to 12.

For information, call 439-9798.

Soccer club slates barbecue at park

The Bethlehem Soccer Club will sponsor a "Brooks Bar-B-Q" on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Elm Avenue Park pavilion.

The meal includes half a barbecued chicken, baked potato, cole slaw and buttered rolls. Proceeds will go toward funding the new "soccerplex."

The cost is \$7.50 for adults and \$6 for seniors.

For information, call 475-1150.

Annual Applefest to benefit church fund

The Glenmont Community Church, Chapel Lane, Glenmont, is sponsoring its annual Applefest on Friday, Oct. 16, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The cost is \$2.25 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. Proceeds will benefit the new building fund.

For information, call 465-8732.

ASO director to present family music program

Children's Librarian Beverly Provost has announced that David Alan Miller, Albany Symphony Orchestra's music director, will visit the library on Sunday, Oct. 25, at 2 p.m.

Miller will present a "Family Music Hour" for children and their families.



Miller will talk to children about what it means to be a musician and to parents about how they can encourage their kids to get involved in music. There will be a short performance during the program.

The ASO director will also discuss upcoming concerts of special interest to children including an appearance of 12-year-old virtuoso Tamaki Kawakubo.

The Sunday symphonies feature Miller in costume as a 500-

year-old man who leads the audience on an irreverent jaunt through the history of music.

To arrange to attend the free program, call 439-9314.

This week at the library, the 300th anniversary of the Salem Witchcraft Trials will be marked by a lecture by Ronald A. Bosco, distinguished service professor at the University at Albany. Bosco will speak on the trials and their effects on Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

The hysterical fear of witchcraft reached its height in Salem, Mass., in 1692 when 19 people were tried and convicted as witches.

Bosco, who is the author of several books on Puritanism, will discuss how the attitudes that resulted in the trials affected the Puritans.

The talk is free and open to the public.

Anna Jane Abaray

Glenmont school collects register tapes

Glenmont Elementary School recently announced it is taking part in the Price Chopper register tape collection program.

Register tapes from any sponsoring Price Chopper supermarket can be redeemed by the school

for educational equipment such as computers, band and sports equipment and textbooks.

The program will run through January 31, 1993.

For information, call 463-1155.

Church offers family dynamics course

The Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., Delmar, will sponsor a three-week course, "Understanding Family Dynamics," beginning Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 8:15 to 9:30 p.m.

Topics of discussion will include family dynamics, skills for strengthening families and techniques for working through family problems.

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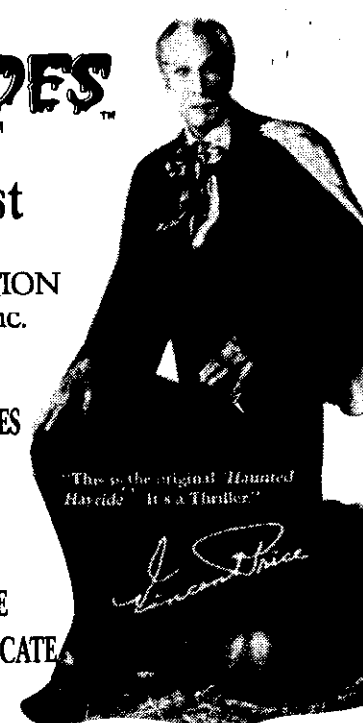
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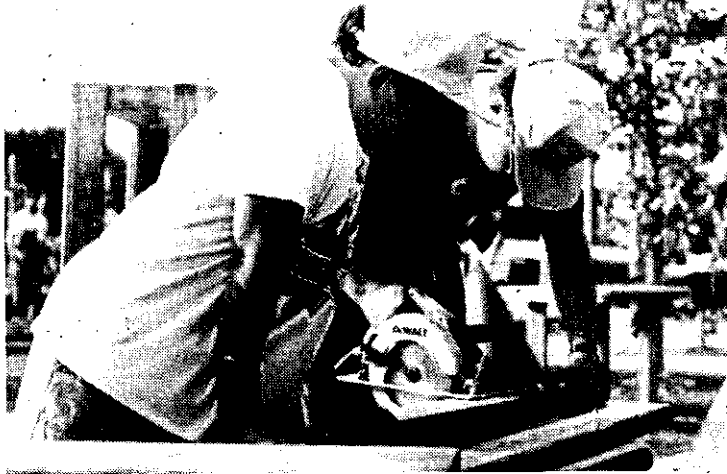
Many hands make light work....

Residents pitch in to construct new park playground

Photos by Elaine McLain



Foreman Arthur Himmelfarb and Mark Melcher of Delmar hammer home a point during construction of the new Kids' Place playground at Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park. The giant play area was completed by volunteer workers between Sept. 30 and Oct. 4.



Peter Smith and Frank Allen cut wood for the project.



Bob Miller of Delmar and Gaston Cadieux of Slingerlands work together on a playground bench.



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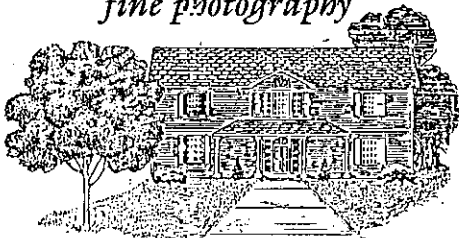
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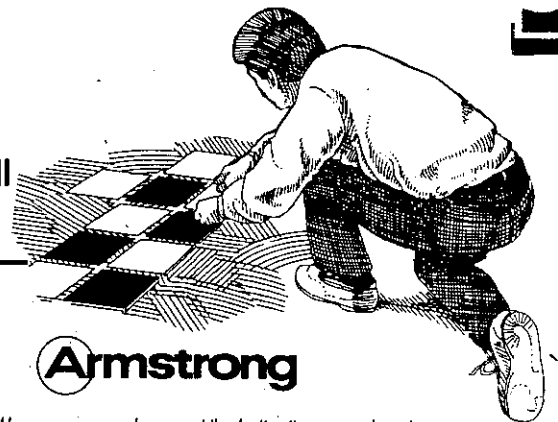
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The Spotlight remembers 10 years ago

This week in 1982, these stories were making headlines in *The Spotlight*.

- Bethlehem's tentative town budget for 1983 called for a 7.5 percent tax increase, although Councilman Robert Hendrick said the board "may not go for that."
- New Scotland Supervisor Steve Wallace proposed a 1983 budget that would increase spending only \$2,050. "That's about as tight as you can go," Wallace commented.
- The Voorheesville Board of Education proposed a \$714,600 rehabilitation and energy conservation bond to fix up the elementary school. More than 60 percent of the cost of the work, which included replacing the building's heating system, was covered by federal and state grants.
- The Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar celebrated its 75th year as a parish and the 30th year in its church building on Adams Place.
- Tri-Village Little League elected the following officers for 1983: Jim Dillon, president; John Skilbeck, executive vice president; Don Graham, player activities director; Frank Mengel, treasurer; and Bill Davies, secretary.

Saratoga park sets winter walks

Saratoga Spa State Park has announced that it will offer its "Senior Walk through Winter Program" beginning next month.

The program is designed to help older people remain active through the cold months and involves walking two-and-a-half

miles each week in preparation for indoor activities.

The group will meet on Mondays, Nov. 9, through March 29, at 10 a.m. in the Lincoln Baths parking lot on the south side of the baths building off Route 9.

Registration is not necessary. For information, call Sheryl Zink at the Park Office at 584-2535.

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Aptitude tests set for Bouton juniors

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) and the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMQT) will be given on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Clayton A. Bouton mathematical reasoning abilities room.

The exams are recommended for all 11th graders because it is a trial college entrance test that is similar to the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) given in the spring. The guidance department will attend junior classes in order to distribute information. The fee is \$8.50, and students must register by Friday, Oct. 16, at the main office.

For information call 765-3314.

Committee to honor Democratic candidates

The New Scotland Democratic Committee will honor the Democratic town and county candidates on Friday, Oct. 16, at Kathy and John Biscone's home on Altamont Road in Voorheesville.

Community members will have an opportunity to meet the Democratic candidates and discuss issues of concern. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be available from 6 to 8 p.m. for \$15 per person

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Susan Casler
765-2144



or \$25 a couple. For information, contact Mike Burns, Democratic party chairman at 765-4390.

Key Club seeking community input

The Voorheesville Key Club, sponsored by the New Scotland Kiwanis, is a service organization that is looking for input from the community, says Rebecca Coffin, president.

They Key Club is trying to evaluate the local community and would like to know of any person, business or organization that is in need of assistance.

For information, contact Coffin at 765-4556. Key Club meetings are on the first and third Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at Clayton A. Bouton Junior Senior High School in Room 105. Prospective student members are welcome.

Boosters discuss upcoming events

The Voorheesville Sports Boosters club met recently to discuss fund-raising and activities.

A 50-50 raffle will be held at the varsity football games. For information, contact Lois Parmelee at 765-3027.

Course openings in continuing ed program

The 1002 Continuing Education Program still has a few openings this fall.

Flower drying workshop taught by Joanne Brady on Monday, Oct. 19, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 140 at the Clayton A. Bouton Junior Senior High School. Registration is \$7 and material fee is \$6.

Another course, "No Sew Country Style Rag Wreath Heart and Joy Sign" is taught by Brady. This course will be on Tuesday, Oct. 20, 27 and Nov. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 104. The fee is \$19 and kit fee is \$8.50.

The last course offered to adults and children is the teddy bear workshop taught by Merry Sparano on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the high school. Participants are requested to bring their own scissors, sewing equipment and polyester fiber fill. For information on any course, call 765-3314.

Fire auxiliary slates craft fair

The McKownville Firehouse Auxiliary is sponsoring a craft fair on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the firehouse, 1250 Western Ave., Albany.

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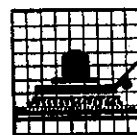
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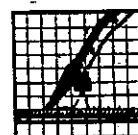
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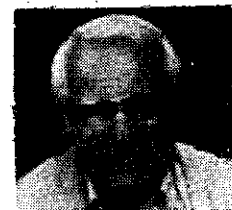
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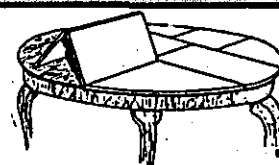
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Homecoming to feature fund-raising carnival

The newly-formed Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk parents coalition and the RCS Student Council will sponsor a homecoming carnival on Saturday, Oct. 17, which will coincide with senior high school weekend events.

The carnival will be at the high school on Route 9W in Ravena from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Events will take place outside, weather permitting, or in the gymnasium if it rains.

Attractions will include a carnival midway with game booths for children of all ages, Mr. Bouncety-Bounce, pony rides, equipment and personnel from many area volunteer firefighting companies, clowns, face painting and music.

Also featured will be a DARE representative, officers from the Bethlehem Police Department, the "crash dummies" and booths with information on parent-teacher organizations.

A bake sale is also scheduled, and food booths will feature cotton

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candy and fried dough. For information on donating baked goods, calling 756-6179.

This event is a community effort to help raise money for programs not funded by the 1992-93 school year budget. The group hopes to raise between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The money will be distributed through a student council fund to programs most in need.

Board of education sets meeting dates

The next meeting of the RCS Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the board office, 26 Thatcher St., Selkirk.

The board has also scheduled a public forum at the Pieter B. Coey-

mans Elementary School, Church Street, Coeymans, on Monday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p.m.

High school PTSA names new officers

Newly-elected officers for the RCS senior high school Parent Teacher Student Association are: Jane LeBlanc, president; Juanita Roberts, vice president; John Volker, secretary; and John Vandriel, treasurer.

Parents can sign up for membership during the homecoming weekend carnival in the high school gymnasium. The next scheduled PTSA meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. at the high school library.

For information, contact any of the officers.

County music festival set at high school

RCS will host the annual Greene County Music Educators Association Fall All County Festival.

About 200 students from the six component school districts will rehearse on Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 3 to 8 p.m. The concert will be on Friday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the senior high auditorium.

The cost is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students and senior citizens or \$5 per family.

Ravena library goes to the dogs

Local dog expert Howard Shaw, a representative of the Troy Kennel Club, is scheduled to discuss dog selection and care at the Ravena Free Library, 106 Main St., today, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m.

A children's story hour, "Dog on Dogs," has been scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 17, at 10:30 a.m.

Both programs are free and open to the public. For information, call 756-2053.

Church schedules trips to New York City, Israel

The South Bethlehem United

Methodist Church on Willowbrook Avenue has scheduled a bus trip to New York City for the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Show on Friday, Dec. 11.

Cost for the transportation and show will be \$50. Reservations and deposits are required.

A 10-day excursion to Israel is also planned from Feb. 15 to 24. The cost is \$1,695 per person and includes round trip air fare from New York City, round trip transfers, portage and baggage handling, accommodations in four star hotels (double occupancy) and breakfast, lunch and dinner daily.

Also included will be sightseeing and touring by deluxe motor coach, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, a cable car to Masada, services of expert local guides and entrance fees.

Transportation to New York City from Albany will be available. Both trips are planned by Rev's tours of South Bethlehem.

For information or reservations, call 767-2281 or 767-9953.

LEGAL GUIDE

It's THE LAW

By Paul W. Van Ryn of Maxwell & Van Ryn, Attorneys

Q. I keep seeing ads on television for "Will Kits." Is there any reason I can't write my own Will without a lawyer?

A. There is no requirement that a Will must be drafted by a lawyer. However, in New York there are so many technical requirements concerning the execution of a Will that it is almost certain that anyone but a lawyer will commit some kind of technical error. Even a small error or variation from the statutorily prescribed procedure could result in the Will being found invalid. Also, there is often a technical meaning to an ordinary word used in a Will which could result in your Will saying something different than from what you intend. Because of the many technical rules concerning Wills in New York State, only a professional should draft your Will for you. Finally, most attorneys charge very modest prices for simple Wills. A Will can cost as little as \$75.00, and usually is not any more than \$150.00. Therefore, spending \$25.00 on a "Will Kit" may not really be a bargain.



Paul W. Van Ryn

Q. I just received my second speeding ticket. Do I have to worry about losing my license?

A. The Department of Motor Vehicles completely revised the "Driver Violation Point System" as of July 1, 1988. Under the old law there were two categories of speeding, carrying three or five points in penalties. That system was revised and now three "points" are imposed if you were driving 1-10 miles over the speed limit, four points if you were driving 11-20 miles over the speed

limit, six points if you were driving 21-30 miles over the speed limit, and eleven points over the speed limit.

Any three tickets will result in the suspension of your drivers license. Two speeding tickets may result in the suspension of your drivers license if the total number of "points" received is eleven or more. Therefore, two speeding tickets may be enough to have your

license suspended. However, you may also have a mere six "points" as a result of two speeding tickets, well within the eleven point limit.

"Points" only stay on your license for a period of eighteen months. Therefore, you can accumulate more than eleven points if the dates on the violations are more than eighteen months apart. However, keep in mind that the

important date is the date of violation, not the date of conviction. Therefore, the eighteen month period is measured from the time you receive the first ticket, to the next date you are stopped, regardless of how long the court proceedings took thereafter.

You may wish to take the safe driving course, which is sponsored by the New York State Department of Motor

Vehicles. This course would entitle you to remove up to three points from your license. Further, it also results in a reduction of your liability insurance premiums.

If you have a legal question, mail your questions to "It's the Law," Spotlight Newspapers, 125 Adams Street, Delmar, N.Y. 12054.

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Newcomer poses challenge to longtime legislator

By Mel Hyman

Republican Mark Stuart knew he would be fighting an uphill battle in his quest to unseat longtime incumbent Sal Garufi.

Unfortunately for Stuart, only a small portion of the newly-drawn 10th Legislative District lies in the solid Republican stronghold of Bethlehem. The vast majority lies in the city of Albany, which is solidly Democratic.

Often what you need most in local races is name recognition. After decades of involvement in Albany politics and civic groups, plus 11 years as a county legislator, Garufi definitely has that.

A lifelong resident of Albany, Garufi has served on the boards of the Italian American Community Center, the South End Teen Center and Masterson Day Care Center. He's been the city's deputy commissioner of Parks and Recreation since 1982.

Garufi points to his accomplishments in office as a reason for voters to return him. In particular, as chairman of the Legislature's Penal Committee, he said his innovative sentencing programs are "models of excellence for other counties in the state."

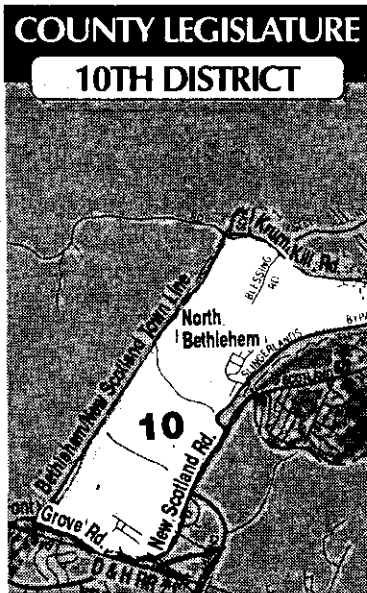


Mark Stuart

Garufi lives on Par Circle in Albany.

Stuart, 30, has spent long hours on the campaign trail trying to familiarize voters with his name and his ideas. A former journalist, he currently works as a program coordinator for the Republicans in the state Assembly.

Stuart has proposed a four-pronged approach to reviving the area's moribund economy. His initiatives include establishment



of a Job Development Congress, drafting a five-year economic recovery plan, offering tax incentives to businesses and rebuilding the Port of Albany.

Stuart attributes the lack of progress on airport modernization to political chicanery among the Democrats, who hold a 25-14 edge in the county Legislature. One example, he said, was when the low bidder for a contract to install a new security system at the air-



Sal Garufi

port did not receive the bid and a long legal battle ensued.

Regarding the 125 jobs eyed for elimination next year by Republican County Executive Michael Hoblock, Stuart questioned why Albany County should not be held to the same efficiency standards as the private sector.

"It's been borne out in the press that many of the jobs were created

and may not be crucial to the functioning of certain departments.

"We need a new majority," Stuart added. "Not necessarily of Republicans or Democrats but of people who are new thinkers."

Stuart lives in Bethlehem Terrace Apartments with his wife Carol.

MS self-help group to meet at library

The Multiple Sclerosis self-help group of Albany County will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Library, Delmar.

The group provides an opportunity for education, sharing and socialization for those with Multiple Sclerosis, and their families and friends.

County hall of records to host open house

The Albany County Hall of Records, 250 South Pearl St., Albany, will host an open house on Wednesday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., as part of its recognition of Archives Week.

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Morris predicts GOP sweep; Kansas: time for new faces

By Susan Graves

Fourteen-year Albany County Legislature veteran W. Gordon Morris Jr. said the Democrats' "proven incompetence" will assure not only his victory, but that of enough GOP candidates to move the party to the majority ranks of the governing body in January.

"I think the Democrats are proving everything I've said for the last 14 years," he said. "In '91, 12 Democrats ran on a platform promising change and reform, and the 12 have fallen into the arms of the regulars and fulfilled none of the promises to the constituency."

According to Morris, "If you're a Democrat, you enjoy the privilege of sitting there and saying nothing."

Morris, 67, who is being challenged by political newcomer George Kansas, dismisses his opponent's claim that he is unknown in the 34th District. "I don't think people are going to come to the door and shout 'We know Gordon Morris.'"

But, he added, "I'm sure if he (Kansas) lives on Forest Road, he knows me, but I've never seen him at a county Legislature meeting."

Further, Morris thinks there are already too many lawyers in government — Kansas is an attorney — and that more business people are needed.

The veteran lawmaker is confident that this will be a banner year for the GOP. "This is the year the GOP will take the majority. ... No thinking person with a conscience can want to continue the charade which has been called Albany County government for the past 20 years."



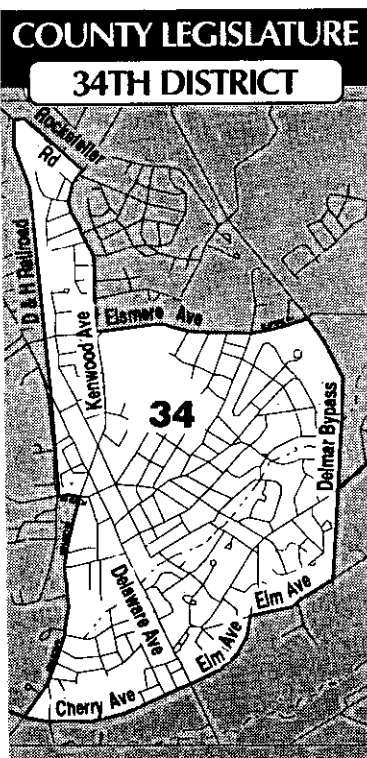
W. Gordon Morris Jr.

Should Morris's predictions be realized, he said, Charter reform is guaranteed and will be before the voters no later than November '93.

"The single most important part of Charter reform will be the creation of a strong county executive office," said Morris.

What has stalemated Charter reform is the Democratic majority's refusal to relinquish control. "They acknowledge the need for change, but corporately as a body, they publicly refuse to give up their power."

The most glaring instance of that refusal is related to the county airport. "The leading example is American Airlines, in respect to the expansion of the airport. They've withdrawn their support because they can not deal with a dozen Democrats, all of whom say



they're in power. They want to deal with one county executive," Morris said.

For Morris, getting out the vote is key to county change. "The most important thing we can do today is to get the message across to Albany County voters that, in spite of how they feel about national and state affairs, they must go to the polls and vote for county offices and must vote for Republicans if they truly want change."

Morris promises that when the GOP has the majority, it will "treat everyone in the county equally and see that their needs are met."

Morris and his wife, Lee, live on Ridge Road in Elmsmere.



George Kansas

By Susan Graves

Democrat challenger George Kansas decided to run for the 34th District county legislative seat because he thinks the time is right for a newcomer to enter the political arena.

To begin with, more voters traditionally go to the polls during a presidential year, and with a strong Democratic ticket, that should be a plus for his chances of beating 14-year incumbent W. Gordon Morris Jr.

"The whole concept behind my decision to run is that a lot of different elements fell into place," he said. Kansas, 28, an attorney and longtime resident of Delmar, is taking his first shot at political life.

"Simply put, I want to represent the people of Delmar the way I learned they should be represented," he said.

Kansas, who is running a door-to-door campaign, said he has talked with about 1,500 of the approximately 5,000 registered voters in the district. "Easily half said, 'Who are you running against?' when he introduced himself. 'The point is, he (Morris) is not doing the job it was intended to be.'"

He added that, if he is elected, he will have meetings in the district to afford residents the opportunity to vent their views.

Kansas also said he would work to ensure that the 1 percent additional sales tax would be rescinded as promised within a year. "My purpose is to see it does end when it should end, Sept. 1, 1993."

The candidate agrees with County Executive Michael Hoblock as far as reducing the county payroll. "Everybody — both Democrats and Republicans — has been talking about decreasing the payroll." And, Kansas said, it should be accomplished without "screaming at each other."

He thinks the payroll can be cut through attrition and voluntary retirement. "It can be done without hurting hard-working people," he said.

Kansas and his wife, Kate, and their 3-year-old son live on Forest Road.

RPI to host first space conference

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy will host the first annual Northeast Space Development Conference on Saturday, Oct. 24, beginning at 9 a.m.

The conference is intended to bring investors and existing companies together with the

people who are creating ideas for the commercial use of space.

Admission is \$85 per person, or \$20 for students with identification.

For information, call Al Halstead at (607) 565-8438.

Saint Rose sets open house

The College of Saint Rose will host an open house for prospective undergraduate students on Sunday, Nov. 1, from 12:30 to 5 p.m. in the college's Activities Center, 404 Western Ave., Albany.

Two seminars covering academic and financial aid opportunities at the college will be offered, and members of the Saint Rose community will be on hand to answer questions.

Campus tours will be offered every 20 minutes, and a short bus trip to the Picotte Art Building has also been scheduled.

An open reception and light buffet will begin at 3:30 p.m., at which parents and prospective students will be able to meet college personnel.

For information, call 454-5150.

Doctor to discuss eating disorders

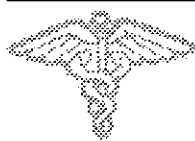
Woman's HealthCare Plus of Bellevue Hospital will offer a free workshop entitled "Exercising, Eating Right and Growing Up Female" on Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

The workshop will provide information on the prevention and treatment of exercise dysfunction

and eating disorders in adolescence, which can cause menstrual irregularities and premature osteoporosis.

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Plouffe, Houghtaling agree economy top issue

By Dev Tobin

Charley Houghtaling knows the economy is rough because his market in Feura Bush cashed more unemployment checks last year than ever before.

A Democratic county legislator since 1983, Houghtaling said that the biggest issue for people he meets door-to-door or at his store is the economy.

"We have to work at bringing in more business to the county," he added.

Houghtaling faces Republican Annette Plouffe of Westerlo in the November election made necessary by redistricting. The 38th district is little changed, including most of New Scotland outside of Voorheesville and all of Westerlo.

Although he is a small businessman affected by the tempo-

rary 1 percent sales tax increase enacted this year, Houghtaling supported the hike as necessary given the county's fiscal emergency. The recession had increased the county's mandated spending on social services while limiting its state aid and sales tax revenue, he pointed out.

Houghtaling criticized Republican County Executive Michael Hoblock's proposed budget for cutting highway workers and the soil and water conservation district.

"The county does a lot of the roadwork and plowing in the Hilltowns, and those workers are needed there," he said. "The soil and water district serves farmers regardless of politics."

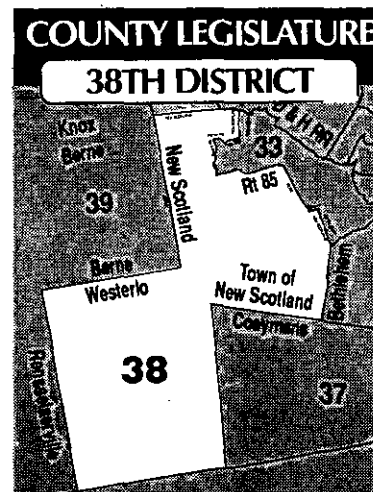
Houghtaling, 59, lives on New Scotland Avenue in Feura Bush with his wife Anna and three sons.



Charley Houghtaling

Plouffe said she is running because she is "tired of taxes going up to continue spending. It has to stop — people can't afford to pay any more in property taxes."

The county Industrial Development Agency should work to bring new businesses into the county, she said. "Until now, most of the money has gone into the Knick



Annette Plouffe

and an ice skating rink."

Plouffe supports Hoblock's call for charter reform, but was against the temporary 1 percent sales tax hike that Hoblock proposed to fill this year's budget gap.

"It's time to turn things around from people working for the government to government working for the people," she said.

Noting that state mandates have increased county spending, Plouffe said that no mandate should be created without funding to go along with it.

Plouffe, 49, lives on Fancher Road with her husband George, a retired Navy chief. They have four grown sons who are all married.

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Boy Scouts plan fourth holiday wreath sale

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Five different wreaths are available, ranging from \$12 to \$18.

All orders are pre-paid, with the wreaths to be delivered on Saturday, Dec. 5.

The Scouts will be taking orders for wreaths at the Grand Union in Glenmont on Friday, Oct. 23, from 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 24, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Delmar church to host embroiderers' meeting

The New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the Delmar United

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Most beer is fermented to contain about 4.5% alcohol by volume and dinner wines contain between 12-14% alcohol — des-

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Don't let Halloween mean trip to graveyard

Alcohol and automobiles still a ghastly combination

By Derek J. Ewing

Halloween weekend is rapidly approaching and many may have plans for heavy partying.

That's great, many good times are had during holidays, especially ones that fall on weekends. But it's important to make sure celebration and safety go hand in hand.



Ewing

During the holiday weekend, traffic collisions involving drunk drivers are likely to occur somewhere in the Capital District. Unfortunately, some may be followed by obituaries the following day.

Drunk driving is a serious problem that affects many people, both young and old. The following are some important facts.

I know, you're probably thinking, "More boring statistics on how dangerous it is to drink and drive, and how someone will get injured or killed." You've heard it all before. It will never happen to YOU, right?

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Did you know:

- A third of the fatalities in New York State involve impaired or intoxicated drivers and pedestrians.

- With increased blood alcohol concentration (BAC), crash risk increases sharply. A driver with a BAC of .08 is four times as likely to cause an accident as a driver who has not been drinking, while a driver with a BAC of .16 is 25 times as likely to cause an accident.

- Young drinking drivers are the highest risk of all. Drivers 20 years old or younger are almost three times as likely to be involved in alcohol-related fatal crashes than other drivers.

The following chart describes BAC while drinking during a two-hour period. As you will see, BAC depends on weight, number of drinks and the period of time in which they were consumed.

DRINKING DURING A TWO-HOUR PERIOD			
Weight	No. of Drinks Consumed	Blood Alcohol Content (BAC)	Offenses
100	4	.10	DWI
140	5	.10	DWI
180	6	.10	DWI

A 12-ounce can of beer, a 5-ounce glass of wine, or a shot of 86 proof liquor all contain about the same amount of alcohol.

Note: BAC levels are estimates.

Okay, let's say you know all about this, but you choose to drive under the influence of alcohol anyway. After all, your house is only a mile from the party, and

the chances of getting caught are very slim. Hell, you're a great driver, they won't bother you, right?

Wrong!

Drunk driving enforcement and prosecution are becoming more effective as a result of the state's STOP-DWI law. The law returns drunk driving fines to counties which set up programs for drunk driving enforcement, prosecution, adjudication and education. Every county in the state has a STOP-DWI program. This means more police with better equipment are on the roads looking for drunk drivers, more district attorneys are prosecuting them and more judges are hearing drunk driving cases. Recently, local police agencies have joined forces in county-wide sobriety checkpoints, unannounced roadblocks designed to apprehend unsuspecting drunk drivers. This has proven effective several times.

If, when stopped, you refuse the Breathalyzer test, your license will be suspended at arraignment and revoked at a Department of Motor Vehicles hearing for at least six months (one year for second offenses). You would also be subject to a civil penalty of \$200 (\$500 for second offenses).

If you're a driver under 21 years of age when arrested for DWI or DWAI, your license will be revoked for one year upon conviction, adjudication as a youthful offender or a finding that you refused the test.

A second such offense committed while you are under 21 results in a revocation for

at least one year or until you are 21, whichever is longer.

In either case, if you are in the Drinking Driver Program (DDP) and have received a conditional license, you will remain in conditional status for the full period of revocation.

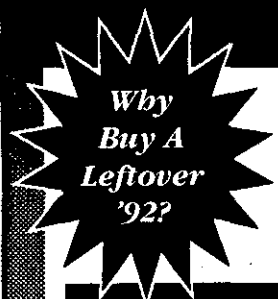
Your license may be suspended for 90 days if you are found guilty of using a state driver's license as proof of age to illegally purchase alcoholic beverages.

I know, you're probably thinking, "More boring statistics on how dangerous it is to drink and drive, and how someone will get injured or killed." You've heard it all before. It will never happen to YOU, right?

The penalties and fines are very stringent and getting more so every year. Add to these the potential loss of a friend or loved one, and that great holiday weekend can turn tragic very fast.

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Driving), New York State Office,
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• Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD), PO BOX 800, Marlborough, Mass. 01752; (508)481-3568.

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• RID (Remove Intoxicated Drivers), PO Box 520, Schenectady, N.Y. 12301; 518-372-0034.

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• National Commission Against Drunk Driving (NCADD), Washington, DC 20036; 202-452-6004.

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The Defender appeals to consumers who want a one-of-a-kind, go-anywhere vehicle. It features high ground clearance, a rigid boxed steel ladder chassis and permanent four-wheel drive.

The U.S. model, with more than 450 new components, is a highly refined generation of the One Ten Series that debuted in 1983. The manufacturer's suggested retail price is \$39,000.

The Defender 110 has a five-door station wagon body with front bucket seats, center console, a rear bench and four folding jump seats in the cargo area for a

total passenger capacity of nine.

Equipped with a 3.9 litre, 180bhp V-8 engine and five-speed manual gearbox, the U.S. Defender is the most powerful production Land Rover ever built.

A Class III trailer towing hitch receiver is standard equipment in the Defender, which is capable of towing up to 7700 pounds in low range, and 5000 pounds in high range. An optional 8,000 pound capacity Warn winch is also available.

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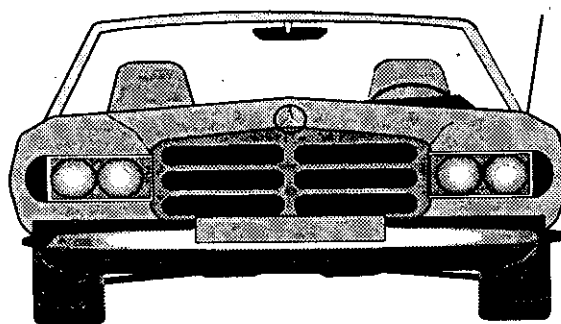
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New Mazda sedan offers room for family elbows

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The new 626 is one of five new vehicles to join the Mazda lineup. Available in three distinct versions and expected to be classified as a "domestic" car, the 626 sedan is designed for families.

In keeping with its philosophy of expanding choice, Mazda will offer the 626 in three models: the entry-level DX, the upgraded LX and the top-of-the-line 626 ES, featuring the only DOHC 24-valve V-6 engine in this class.

The 1993 Mazda 626 LX and DX models come equipped with a four-cylinder engine. Standard equipment includes driver's side air bag supplemental restraint system, tilt steering wheel, three-point safety belts for driver and passengers and illuminated key slots in doors and ignition.

The ES model, powered by the same V-6 engine as the 1993 MX-6 LS, offers four-wheel disc brakes and alloy wheels, as well as optional leather upholstery.

Built at Mazda's U.S. plant in Flat Rock, Mich., with a domestic content exceeding 75 percent, the vehicle is expected to be classified as a domestic car by CAFE standards.

By lowering the hood and cowl, Mazda engineers reduced the 626's coefficient of drag to 0.31. The wheelbase has been increased 1.4 inches over the current model to 102.8 inches, yet despite its additional length, the new 626 has a smaller



The new four-door 1993 Mazda 626 sedan features seating for five, a spacious trunk and a driver's side air bag.

turning radius than its predecessor. Overall length and width also have been increased, while height has been reduced.

The car's interior features increased headroom and legroom for both driver and passengers. The cowl and windshield have been moved forward, while the rear window has been moved back.

For 1993, consumers can choose from

two engines—a powerful and new DOHC V-6, or an economical new DOHC four-cylinder.

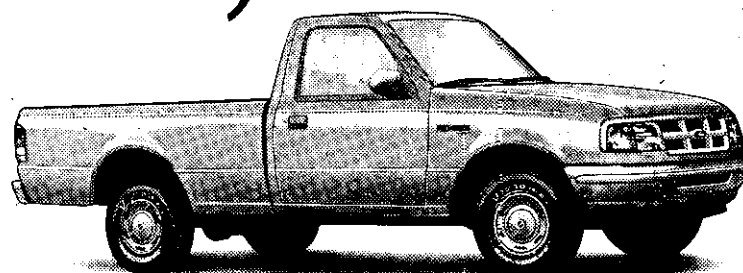
The V-6, which produces 164 horsepower at 5,600 rpm and 160 foot-pounds of torque at 4,800 rpm, offers exceptional performance and refinement for a vehicle

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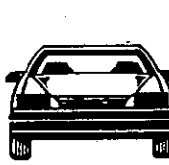
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- The belt should fit snugly across the hips, as far below the waist as possible. The shoulder belt should be positioned diagonally across the center of the chest against the collarbone.

- Safety belts provide the best protection when the seat is in an upright position.

- Lap and shoulder belts, instead of lap belts alone, should be in the rear seat. Safety belts should be easy to reach, fasten and release.

- An air bag is not a substitute for a safety belt. It's designed to offer further protection for the driver or a front seat passenger in a frontal crash. Together, air bags and safety belts provide the best available crash protection.

- Most air bag systems protect only the driver, but passenger side air bags are available in some cars. A car with a full front seat air bag system will have air bags hidden in the steering wheel hub and in the right side of the instrument panel.

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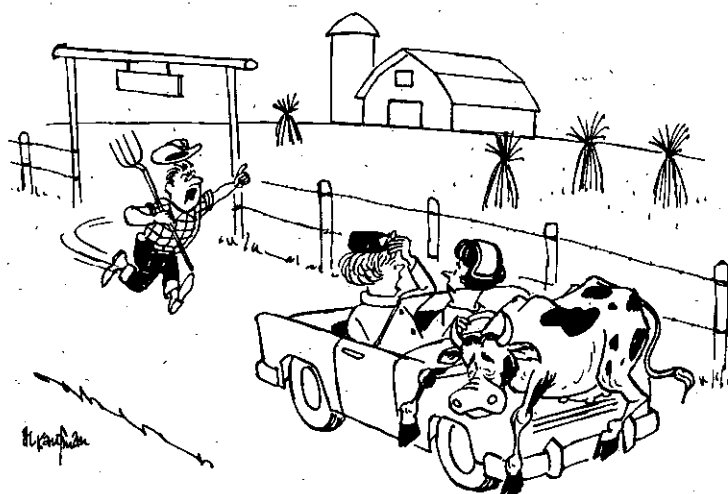
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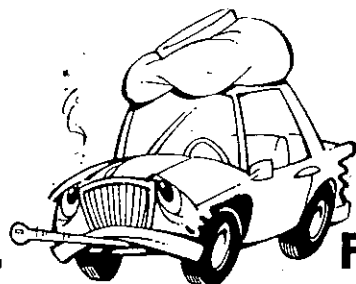
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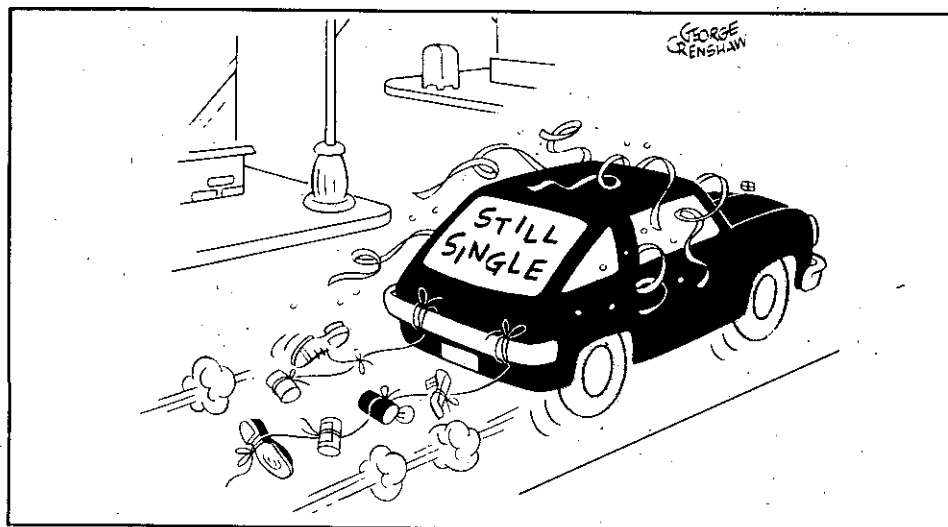
Before forming a car pool for nursery school or Little League, drivers should check to see if they have medical payments coverage in their automobile insurance plan, said Barbara Taylor Burkett, author of *How to Get Your Money's Worth in Home and Auto Insurance* (McGraw-Hill).

According to Burkett, consumers without proper medical coverage could be liable for expensive injuries in the event of an accident involving other people's children. She recommends that drivers check with their insurance agent to be sure their

basic automobile insurance includes medical payments coverage. Not all states require this type of coverage.

Consumers should also check to see if they have uninsured (or underinsured) motorist coverage, which is optional in many states, Burkett said. While not expensive, the added coverage gives protection if an uninsured motorist hits the car.

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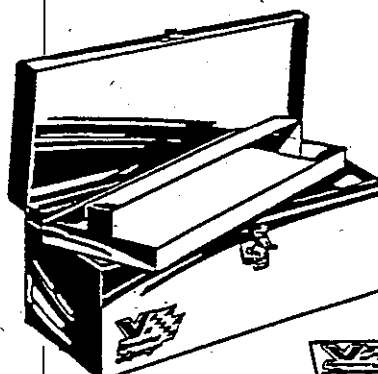
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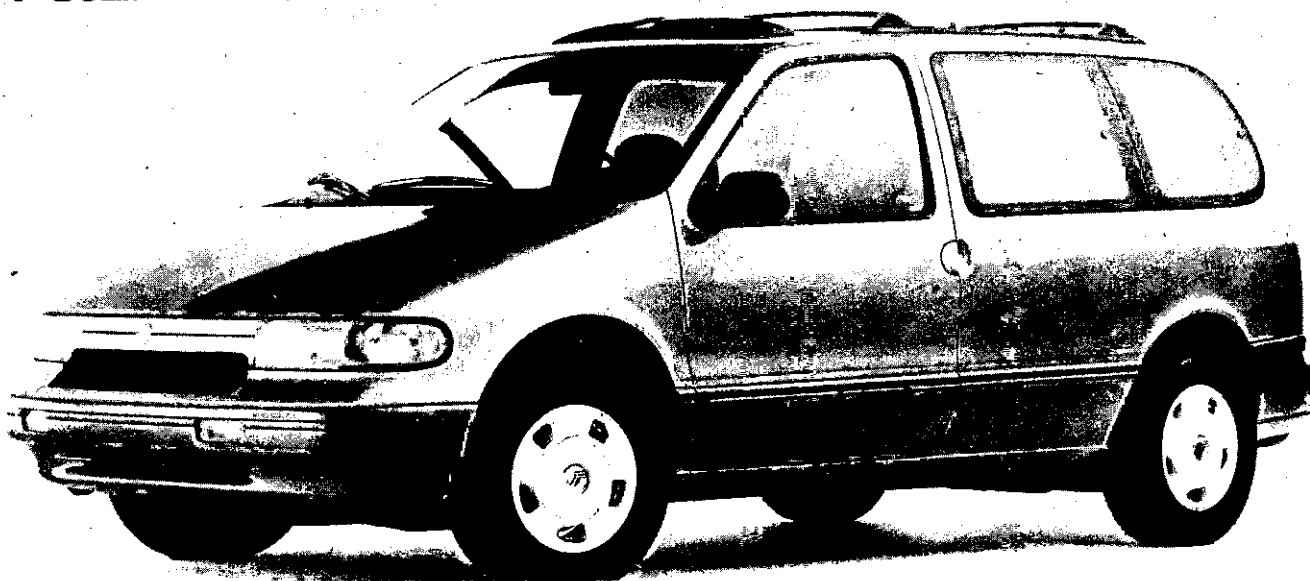
Villager is the only minivan designed to meet all federal motor vehicle standards for cars and trucks, and offers standard anti-lock brakes. It has seating for as many as seven passengers, with seats that can be rearranged in a variety of ways depending on the number of people and the amount of cargo.

The Villager is powered by a 3.0-liter V-6 engine with an overhead camshaft and sequential electronic fuel injection. The engine, which delivers 151 horsepower and 174 foot-pounds of torque, is coupled with an electronically controlled four-speed automatic overdrive transaxle. This powertrain, along with the optional towing package, gives Villager a towing capacity of 3,500 pounds.

On the outside, the Villager features contemporary styling with air-craft style doors, a lightbar grille, foldaway mirrors, front cornering lamps, side-body molding and color-keyed bumpers, handles and moldings. Clear-coat paint protection and corrosion-resistant steel are used to protect the body.

On the inside, Villager contains a high level of standard equipment including an electronic four-channel anti-lock brake system, power rack-and-pinion steering, power brakes, a brake-shift interlock system, tinted glass, interval windshield wipers, a rear-window wiper/washer, remote fuel door release, childproof lock on the side sliding door, cloth reclining bucket front seats with in-board armrest, an AM/FM stereo with four speakers, a built-in clock, an interior hood release and 10 cup holders.

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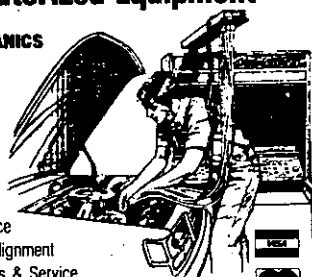
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A lease agreement can run from one to four years or more. A primary consideration in determining the length of the lease is how many miles you plan to put on the

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The biggest advantage to leasing is that the initial investment is minimal.

this lease expires, your financial responsibility ends.

On the other hand, when an open-end lease expires, you must purchase the car for a price written into the agreement. This buy-back amount should be carefully negotiated because it affects your overall

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Most leasing companies require that you return the car in "good condition," less ordinary "wear and tear." Make sure you understand the meaning of these terms, or you may owe the dealer steep fees when the lease expires.

Another snag is the "early termination" penalty you may have to pay if you decide to end a lease agreement prematurely.

Experts say that it is wise to purchase gap insurance when leasing a car. If you get into a serious accident and destroy the car, your automobile insurance policy is likely to reimburse you only for the depreciated market value of the car — not for the amount outstanding on the lease. Gap insurance covers the difference.

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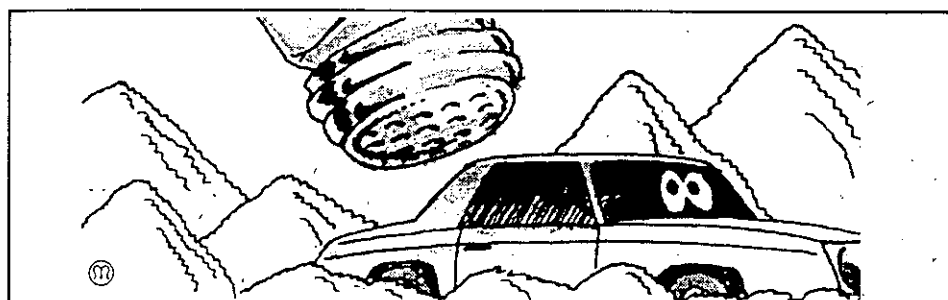
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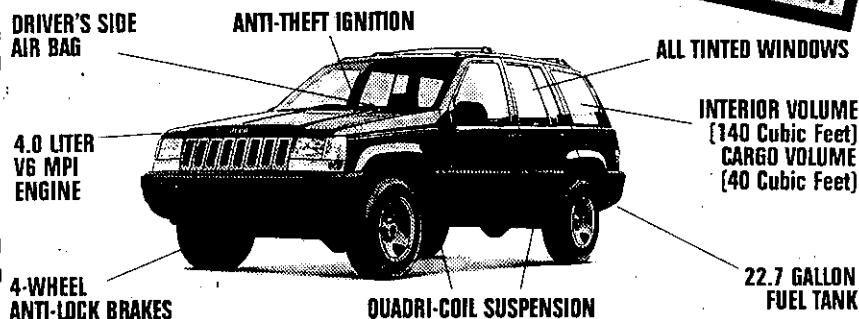
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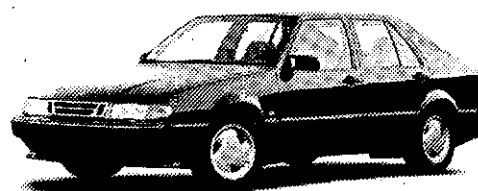
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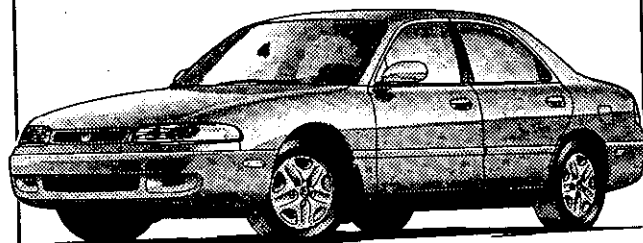
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Ross confident of GOP win; Rooney mounts 2nd challenge

By Susan Graves

James C. Ross, who is throwing his hat into the 35th District Albany County Legislature ring for the third time, is optimistic the GOP will wrest control from the Democrats for majority standing.

Ross, 58, a nine-year legislative veteran and minority leader of the Legislature, thinks the Democrats' "false promises" and "arrogance" will be their downfall come Nov. 3.

He views this election as the second step in a process that began with County Executive Michael Hoblock's victory last year.

This year, the goal is "to get him a Republican majority to put in programs that he has advanced," he said.

Getting those programs, however, means changing the Albany County charter and reducing county costs and expenditures.

A major hurdle toward this end is establishing a county human resources department, Ross said. "Albany County is the only county with a population with more than 100,000 that does not have a personnel office."

According to Ross, "If you look for a personnel office, you may find it at the Democrat county headquarters" on State Street, where most jobs are now filled.

Coping with the county work force has been frustrating for Ross this year. "The Democrats agreed in negotiations on the sales tax to extend the work week hours from 30 to 35, but on Sept. 1 they tried to postpone that until Jan. 1," Ross said.

Out of embarrassment, they may institute the longer work week in October, he added.

Another frustration for Ross is that the legislature has not been able to give Hoblock the support he needs.

"I'm optimistic," he said of his party's chances to take control of

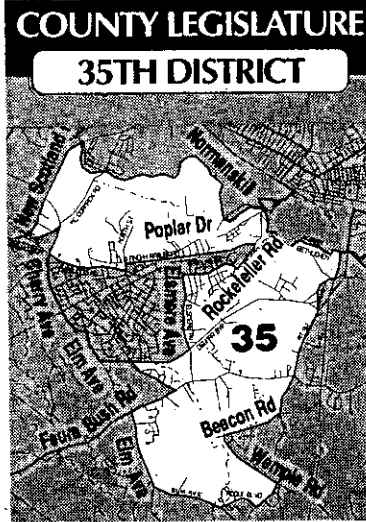


James Ross

the legislature. "I think they (voters) understand that Mike Hoblock needs help."

Campaigning is business as usual for Ross, who works full-time as the executive director of the Council of Governing Boards. Ross will take his message door-to-door the "same as always."

Ross and his wife, Margaret, live on Plymouth Avenue in Elsmere.



By Susan Graves

For the second time, Bethlehem Democrat Francis Rooney of Delmar is challenging incumbent James Ross for a seat in the county Legislature.

Rooney is confident about not only his own race in the 35th District, but for all the Democrats in the county, who will try to maintain or improve the 25-14 majority in the Legislature. "They're (Democrats) working harder than I've ever seen," said Rooney. "They're mobilized and organized



Francis Rooney

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For Rooney, a prime consideration in the election is for the Democrats to be representative of a suburban township. He said he also wants the county to "maintain the high standards" in various departments such as Social Services, the county jail and the county nursing home.

Rooney, 40, contends that decreasing the county work force — pressed for by County Executive Michael Hoblock and the Republicans — has already been accomplished. "In my view, we have in fact redirected the job question through early retirement and attrition," he said.

He also thinks the county budget woes, which caused a 1 percent increase in the county sales tax, are due to the recession rather than local mismanagement. "It's a trickle down effect that's finally gotten to the county level," he said. "This regime had to deal with increases in taxes — not popular at any time."

Rooney also takes issue with the Republicans as far as Charter reform is concerned. "I don't believe it's been proven that it's a good measure at this time," he said.

Rooney and his wife, Kerrilyn, live on Merrifield Place in Delmar.

Button club to meet at Bethlehem library

The Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, at noon.



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The Hudson Mohawk Runners Club is holding its annual New Scotland Run on Sunday, Oct. 18, at 10:30 a.m.

The course will begin and end at the New Scotland Town Park on Swift Road. The event is open to runners of all ages and abilities.

The cost is \$3 for club members and \$4 for non-members. Registration will begin at 9:15 a.m. the day of the race.

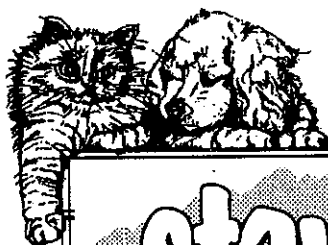
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Historical society to discuss apples

The Bethlehem Historical Society will meet Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Schoolhouse Museum of the Bethlehem Historical Association, Route 144 in Cedar Hill, at 8 p.m.

The topic of discussion will be "Apples — Old and New," led by Peter Ten Eyck II of Indian Ladder Farms in Voorheesville.

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First-time candidates both active in community

By Mel Hyman

Democrat Lou Neri and Republican Robin Reed, candidates for the Albany County Legislature from the South Bethlehem — North Coeymans area, have a striking amount in common.

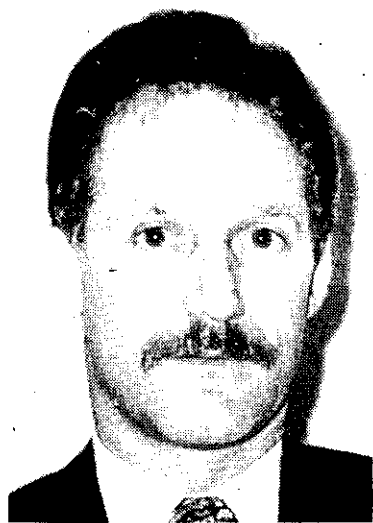
They are both young, dynamic and seemingly well prepared for political office.

Neri, 39, served on the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education, and also helped organize the South Bethlehem Neighborhood Association and the Citizens Lobby to Alternative Waste Solutions (CLAWS).

Reed, 31, making her first run for political office, is also no novice when it comes to public service. She has served on Bethlehem's Land Use Management Advisory Committee and currently sits on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

District 36 is not a bedrock Republican area, although the GOP does hold an enrollment edge over the Democrats. Like elsewhere around the country, the number of independents is growing fast.

Neri considers himself more of an independent than a Democrat

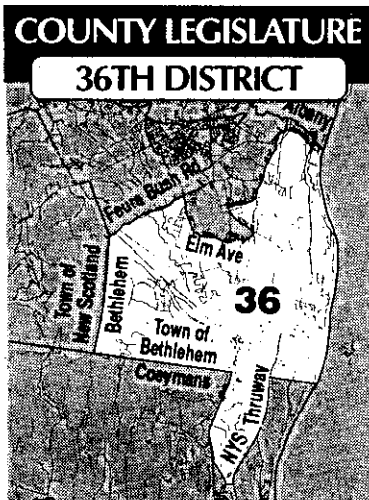


Lou Neri

and notes that he has "not come up through the old boy network."

It's the "old boy network" that Reed is running hard against. She stands solidly behind GOP County Executive Michael Hoblock in his effort to keep a lid on property taxes by eliminating superfluous county jobs.

She also said that a "new majority" is needed for the county Legislature, which has been in Democratic hands for as long as most



people can remember.

Only with a new majority will there be the impetus to finally do something about the "mess" at the Albany County Airport, Reed said.

Neri supports creation of a public authority to get the long-delayed airport modernization project underway. It would "take it out of the political arena," he said, where it has languished for several years now.

On the issue of charter reform, Reed was adamant about the need to strengthen the hand of the



Robin Reed

county executive, who has few powers under the current arrangement.

Neri said a go slow approach is advisable, because having a more powerful county executive would not benefit rural areas since the person who got elected would invariably be from Colonie or Albany.

Outlying areas like Bethlehem and Coeymans have traditionally been neglected or ignored by county government, Neri said, and he pledged to take an activist approach with regard to local concerns. Neri, who lives on Babcock Terrace in South Bethlehem with his wife Peggy, was an

outspoken opponent of plans to build a regional garbage incinerator in the town.

Reed, who lives on Maple Avenue in Selkirk with her husband Patrick, countered that Neri is raising expectations that can't be fulfilled. Many of the issues affecting people in the towns cannot be solved on the county level, she said.

People in the rural areas are "not forgotten," she insisted.

In her campaign travels, Reed has noticed considerable unhappiness with the extra 1 percent county sales tax recently imposed. She said it should probably not be renewed next year. Neri agrees.

She said people also seem willing to accept a reduction in the county work force if that's the best way to balance the budget and hold down property taxes.

Many of the job cuts proposed by Hoblock in his 1993 budget "appear politically motivated," Neri said. "I find that it's cold-hearted in a recession like this to be laying people off when they have families to feed."

Slingerlands school schedules book fair

Slingerlands Elementary School will hold its annual book fair in the school gymnasium, 25 Union St., Slingerlands, on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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Neighbors

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square foot, Colonial-style office building with an 18-spot parking lot.

Before he could sell the vacant parcel he owns at 41 Herber for \$25,000, Jackson said the developer needed to know if a variance would be granted.

Notif Mary Bayham-Caraco had her way. The increased traffic that a commercial building would bring would make an already hazardous traffic situation on Herber Avenue that much worse, she told the board.

"I have two young children, and I'm concerned about their safety. It's frightening. When I hear fire engines at 3:30 in the afternoon I run out. I call the police every two months or so about the speeders."

But traffic isn't her only worry. There is a deep ravine running between Herber and Delaware avenues that Jackson has proposed backfilling to some degree. This would "destroy a wildlife habitat that's a tremendous plus for the neighborhood," she said. "We have skunks, raccoons, a fox, and we've seen a deer in our backyard. (The ravine) is a natural walkway for wildlife. I think it's beautiful just the way it is."

Marion Carlson, also of Herber Avenue, noted that 165 signatures have been garnered on a petition opposing the variance. And to further drive her point home, she said, "A little girl from our neighborhood went around and got signatures from 27 other children" who disliked the idea.

"We want to keep things the way they've been. We don't want to become like Central Avenue or a street off Central Avenue in Colonie."

In another reference to the growing traffic problem on Herber, Carlson said the street routinely gets vehicles going to and

from the Main Square Shoppes and Roger Smith's (Decorative Products). Moreover, there are slews of people "trying to dodge Delaware because it's so overcrowded."

"One of the reasons people like living in Delmar is the aesthetics," she added. "Colonie or Schenectady doesn't have those aesthetics."

For the past 10 years the Central Delmar Neighborhood Association has been vigilant about preserving the neighborhood's residential character, according to association vice president Kevin Mahoney, and will continue to do so.

After more than hour of critical comments, Jackson said, "It's not my intention to ruin anyone's life. We're not talking about a quickie mart or a video rental here."

"If I were to take that ravine," he continued, "which in my mind is an dangerous eyesore, and plant some bushes and grass after leveling off the slope, it would make the neighborhood look nicer and it would be safer."

The only option to backfilling the ravine would be to construct a retaining wall, he noted, since the access drive would border the gully.

Jackson said neighbors' fears about huge amounts of additional traffic were unfounded. A small-scale office building would not

generate much inflow or outflow, he maintained. Should the proposal be turned down, there is the possibility that someone else could purchase 41 Herber and a couple of adjoining lots and decide to put in a much larger development, he said.

"Hopefully, in the long run they (the neighbors) won't wind up with something worse."

The board is expected to discuss Jackson's request at its next meeting on Oct. 21. A decision must be rendered within 60 days from last Wednesday (Oct. 7).

The basic concern of many Herber Avenue residents still seems to be what the future will hold in store should the ZBA allow a commercial developer to get a toehold in the neighborhood.

"What happens when the bottom falls out of dog collars?" quipped Everett Ogden of 16 Herber Avenue. "Maybe they'll want to put a Burger King in there."

Earth Summit lecture slated at Page Hall

Maurice Williams, a top-level participant in the recent Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit and president of the Society for International Development will present an insider's view of the summit's proceedings on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m. at Page Hall in the downtown campus of the University at Albany.

For information, call 485-5964.

Homestead

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the state, local politicians started getting heat from homeowners whose taxes would rise as a result, Corrigan said.

The New York State Legislature in turn passed home rule legislation whereby municipalities could implement a two-tiered system designed to mitigate the impact on homeowners. This is what was called Homestead.

"What really irks me is that in Bethlehem there was no hue and cry among single family homeowners in favor of Homestead," Corrigan recalled. "They didn't pack any of the town board meetings. ... Why should a doctor earning \$500,000 a year get a tax break at the expense of a small business person who is just barely trying to make it."

One of the three board members in favor of Homestead, Charles Gunner, gave a lengthy and somewhat impassioned defense of the local law at last week's special town board meeting.

Gunner said he was most concerned with what he called the average homeowner who prior to revaluation was responsible for about 57 percent of the tax burden. After the switchover to full value, residential property owners would have been responsible for about 61 percent of the tax levy with business and industry footing about 39 percent of the tax bill for the town.

If nothing else, Homestead would at least bring that proportion back to where it was before — 57 to 43 percent — thereby mitigating the negative impact from revaluation on the homeowner, Gunner said.

Gunner explained that as a result of revaluation, 70 percent of the properties receiving reductions in their assessments from the tentative roll prepared by Finnigan Consultants were non-Homestead, while only 30 percent went to residential parcels.

Supervisor Kenneth Ringler, who along with board member Frederick Webster opposed the two-tiered tax rate provided under Homestead, tried in vain to change a mind or two in the weeks leading up to last week's meeting.

Joining Gunner in upholding Homestead were Councilwoman Sheila Fuller and Councilwoman M. Sheila Galvin.

With Homestead now in place, residential property owners will be paying about about \$1.80 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation next year for the general fund and the highway department combined.

Non-homesteaders will be taxed at the rate of about \$2.27 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

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SPORTS**BC booters look toward Shen**

By Steve Dorman

On Thursday, Oct. 8, the BC boys soccer team beat one of the two Suburban Council superpowers.

With the 1-0 win over the Guilderland Dutchmen, Bethlehem moved one game closer to making the sectionals.

The victory put Bethlehem into a first place tie with Guilderland in the Gold Division of the Suburban Council. Bethlehem's league record is 5-2 and the team's overall record is 9-3.

The Eagles won this tight defensive game when Adam Peters placed a perfect crossing pass to striker Yona Belfort at 14:05 into the second half.

For BC, its next two games are chances to avenge tough losses. On Thursday, Oct. 16, the Eagles host Scotia in a game that should put the team into the sectionals.

The team can avenge its Sept. 14 loss to Shenendehowa when it travels to Clifton Park on Tuesday, Oct. 21, to face the defending national champs.



BC's Ryan Tougher takes a shot on goal against Guilderland in last week's 1-0 win. *Seth Hillinger*

A tough weekend

It was a long weekend for all five teams despite some outstanding efforts. In Saturday's opening game, the Junior Midget Hawks lost 22-14 to the Colonie Giants.

The game featured a 175 yard rushing effort by Geof Linstruth. Mike Geis, Steve Rucinski, and Jesse Brozowski led the defensive charge, while Brad Tougher had a solid game on the offensive line.

In the second game, the Midget Eagles were caught up in an offensive explosion, losing 36-19 to the Colonie Packers. Kevin Fournier and Adam Helligrass led the Eagles with each having more than 100 yards rushing. Mike Follis' steady receiving aided the offense, while Chris Thornton and Mike Ragone had a strong defensive game.

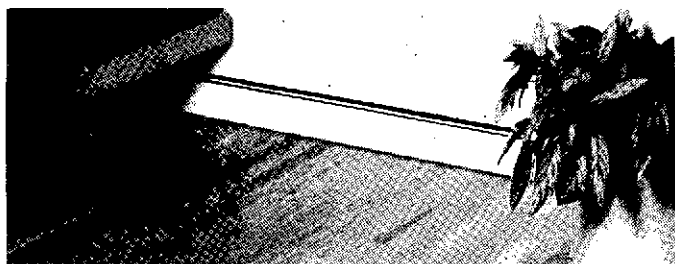
On Sunday, the Junior Pee Wee (A) Condors battled the Giants of Colonie, losing 17-0 despite fine offensive efforts by Mike Conway, Aaron Griffen and Joe Bellochio. Adam Dömermuth (11 tackles) and Mike Conway were the stalwarts on defense.

The Condors (B) team was shut down by the Niskayuna Warriors 21-0. Josh Smith, Paul Wolfert and Sonya Rook all had excellent defensive games, while Mike Ryan and Dave Sargent sparked the offense.

In the weekend finale, the Pee Wee Falcons lost a hard fought game to the Colonie Raiders 24-8. The running of Billy Noonan and Corey Reid was impressive and Scott Lasky led the offensive line, while Tom Bleau and Brendan Griffen spearheaded the defense.

The Bethlehem Pop Warner football meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the town hall. All commissioners and head coaches should attend.

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RCS drops close one to La Salle

By Kevin Van Derzee

On a warm fall Saturday in October, the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Indians took their home field to host the Cadets of LaSalle. The game bounced back and forth with the Cadets getting their first win of the year, 26-24.

The Indians started the game with a good kickoff giving the Cadets the ball at their own 26-yard line. Ten plays later they were attempting the extra point to make the score 7-0. After exchanging punts, the Indians received the ball on their own 10-yard line. On the first play from scrimmage, quarterback Chris Romano hit split-end Seth Roe on a 90-yard pass play for the touchdown.

LaSalle then took 12 plays to drive 79 yards to make the score 13-6. RCS received the ensuing kickoff and drove 64 yards on 10

plays for a touchdown. The last play of the drive was an eight-yard pass from Romano to Shawn Hildebrandt for the touchdown.

The second half of the game started off as a defensive struggle with the teams exchanging punts the whole third quarter. La Salle then put the first points of the second half on the board with a 13-play, 63-yard drive to make the score 19-12.

After receiving the kickoff, RCS got a first down and turned the ball over to the visitors on a fumble. The Indians defense held strong and stopped them on downs giving the Indians the ball on their own 34-yard line. With less than four minutes to go, the Indians started their drive. On the first play from scrimmage, Roman hit Dan Gallagher on a nine yard pass.

On the very next play, Romano hit flanker. Elton Tune on a 57-yard pass for the touchdown.

La Salle responded with a TD off an on-sides kick to give the visitors a 26-18 lead with one minute and 20 seconds left in the game.

With five seconds left in the game, the Indians' Romano hit Tune for the touchdown as time ran out. The extra point attempt for the tie failed as the pass fell just short of Gallagher's hands giving LaSalle the win 26-24.

"Steve Dragon and David Baranska had a great game on the defensive line stopping the run," Coach Gary Vanderzee said. Dragon, Baranska and Mike Jordan combined for 39 tackles on the day. Romano was 17 of 29 for 278 yards passing while Roe had five catches for 134 yards.

Soccer club fundraiser on Saturday Oct. 24

The Bethlehem Soccer Club presents Brooks Bar-B-Q at the Elm Avenue Park pavilion on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The meal includes 1/2 barbecued chicken, baked potato, cole slaw and buttered roll. Soda and baked goods will also be provided.

Proceeds will benefit the club's new soccerplex. Call Cathy at 439-3530 for reservations and information on ticket prices.

BC netters on top

By Josh Norek

The Bethlehem girls varsity tennis team shook things up in the second round of sectionals, crushing Guilderland 8-1 on Saturday, Oct. 10.

The victory was particularly rewarding because Guilderland had defeated BC 5-4 during the regular season. Bethlehem received a bye in the first round of the sectionals because it is seeded fourth.

BC's singles winners were Penny Silk, Lauren Boyle, Kelly Dobbert, Maggie Plattner and Jen Piorkowski.

BC coach Grace Franze attributed the team's success to harder practices and keeping the players healthy.

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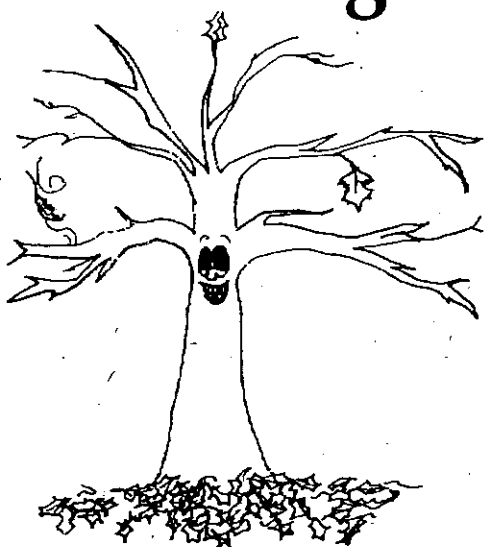


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V'ville girls prevail in soccer

By Greg Sullivan

The Voorheesville girls varsity soccer team upped its level of play last week and came away with wins against Lansingburgh and non-league opponent Clifton Fine.

On Tuesday, Oct. 6, the Ladybirds exploded out of the gates at Lansingburgh, dominating the early portion of the game.

"The girls were really keyed up for this one," said Voorheesville coach Jim Hladun.

The battle, however, was not easily won, as the Ladybirds played 80 minutes of scoreless soccer before tallying in the first overtime.

Senior midfielder Kate Pakenas controlled a long serve and dished the ball to Becky Bailey, who banged it just inside the near

post for the 1-0 victory.

"I was very pleased," said Hladun. "It was the best game I have seen all year with the girls."

Later in the week, Voorheesville played another tough opponent in class B Cohoes. Coming off a high from beating powerhouse Lansingburgh, the Ladybirds had a tough time keeping up the intensity.

They were wounded early when a handball in the box resulted in a penalty kick for Cohoes giving them a 1-0 lead.

From then on, Voorheesville clawed its way back until, with about two minutes left in regulation, senior Mirissa Conley let loose a shot from 18 yards out that floated into the back of the net, sending her team into their sixth overtime game of the season.

After two overtime periods in which Hladun commented that "we had some nice opportunities, but couldn't capitalize," the two teams ended deadlocked at 0-0.

Finally, on Saturday, Oct. 10, Voorheesville traveled to Keene, N.Y., to play Clifton Fine.

After Clifton Fine tied the game at 1-1 early in the second half, Renee Parmelee tallied two goals and Megan McCartney accounted for one of her own to give Voorheesville a convincing 4-1 victory.

The 2-0-1 week left Voorheesville at 4-2-4 in the league and 5-3-4 overall. They continue their season next week with games against Mechanicville and non-league opponent Maple Hill.

Soccer title hopes fade for V'ville boys soccer

By Kelly Griffin

Last week was disappointing for the Voorheesville boys soccer team.

After losing to undefeated Waterford for the second time this season, the Blackbirds' chances for the Colonial Council title may have vanished into thin air when they succumbed to Schalmont, which knocked the team's league record down to 7-3.

Voorheesville and Waterford, both influential forces in their league, battled it out on Monday, Oct. 5, at Voorheesville. The Birds opened the game strong, dominated the action and enjoyed a 2-0 lead at the half.

But less than nine minutes into the second half, Waterford rallied and tied the score. They then sealed the win with 13:12 left in the game with their third and final goal.

Voorheesville overpowered

their opponents in terms of shots on goal, but could not capitalize on enough opportunities to be victorious.

On Friday, Oct. 9, Voorheesville traveled to Schalmont for a hard-fought, penalty-ridden game, containing numerous direct and indirect kicks for pushes and slide tackles. Four yellow cards were also issued, three to Schalmont and one to Voorheesville.

The score stood at 1-1 at half time, with senior Tom Dutkiewicz having scored for Voorheesville. A little over 10 minutes into the second half, the tie was broken by another Schalmont goal and the Blackbirds could not retaliate before time ran out.

Last weekend, Voorheesville participated in a tournament at Scotia-Glenville. On Saturday night, the Blackbirds faced off with Catskill, winning in a 3-0 shutout. Kevin Meade, Brad Rockmore and Rich Schultz scored goals.

BC soccer girls are not so fortunate

By Jessica Romano

The Bethlehem girls soccer team record slipped to 2-6 with a 2-0 loss to undefeated Shenendehowa and a 3-1 loss to Guilderland last week.

BC coach Tony DiSilvio was disappointed with the Guilderland loss.

"The style of the game and skill level was even," said DiSilvio,

adding that "although the girls had a lot of chances, we didn't score in the second half because we didn't finish our chances."

BC outshot their opponents, but only managed to put one in the net on a goal by Jessica Romano, assisted by Casey Cannistraci. Guilderland scored off three break-ways all in the first half.

Bethlehem's defense became stronger in the second half, allow-

ing only a single shot on goal-keeper Melissa Mann, who had 17 saves overall.

BC put in a strong performance against powerful Shenendehowa. Although unable to score, DiSilvio said goalkeeper Mann, sweeper Sue Rich, fullbacks Colleen Doody and Lisa Dearstyne and stoppers Jen Martin and Janice Gallagher, played outstanding defense.

BC field hockey team beats Scotia again, Shenendehowa next

Bethlehem beat Scotia for the second time this season last week.

In their first meeting, BC beat Scotia in a 1-0 nail-biter. However, this time around Bethlehem made

the game a little less exciting, downing their opponent 3-0.

Bethlehem jumped on top right off the bat. Co-captain Stephanie Sodergren scored her eighth goal of the season, aided by an out-

standing assist by Nicole Rinsler.

The win will definitely boost the Lady Eagles as they ready themselves for tough Shenendehowa on Friday.

Laura Del Vecchio

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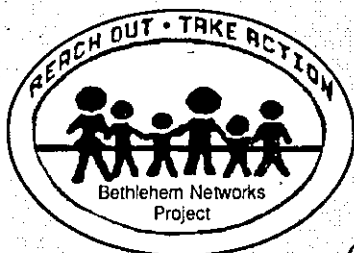
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Maybe it was the rain

By Michael Kagan

Maybe Eagles don't like running in the rain. They certainly don't like it when others do.

The Bethlehem Central football team saw its defense dissected on a moist Friday night at Bishop Maginn, losing 28-12.

Maginn did to BC what BC usually does to other teams, which is to run them over. Three Maginn runners combined for 325 yards of ground yardage, one of them for 200 yards, largely from runs up the middle where the Eagle line is relatively small.

Maginn also exposed the BC secondary for 120 yards and a touchdown pass.

Bethlehem rusher Mike Gambelunghe, who had been held

under 100 yards only once in four games previously, gained 90 yards and scored no touchdowns.

Maginn led 12-0 in the second quarter before BC quarterback Josh Lanni hit tight end Dan Willi for 20 yards to make the score 12-6.

Maginn took a 20-6 lead early in the second half on a two-yard touchdown run and a two-point conversion. Bethlehem's best moment in the game came after that score in the third quarter, when Gambelunghe, in a rare twist to the playbook, found quarterback Lanni on a halfback option for a 55-yard score.

Maginn scored another eight points on a 12-yard run and a two-point conversion in the fourth quarter.

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Roberts, Martino wed

Cynthia Roberts, daughter of Carol and Douglas Roberts of Delmar, was married to Joseph Martino Jr., son of Judith and Joseph Martino of Ballston Lake, on May 31.

Judge Doran conducted the ceremony at the Canfield Casino in Saratoga Springs. A reception followed at the Casino.

Debbie Dale was matron of honor. Elena Vaida, Susan Lennon, Randy Frank, Jennifer Gillen and Carolyn Payne were bridesmaids.

David Martino was best man.

Douglas Neary, Sean Dewey, Tony Payne and Kenneth Roberts were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University of Rhode Island. She is self-employed as a personal trainer in Albany.

The groom is a graduate of Shenendehowa High School, Cornell University and Albany Medical College. He is currently employed at the Albany Medical Center.

After a wedding trip to Caneel Bay on St. John, the couple resides in Albany.

Poetry by Rossiter selected for anthology

Poetry by a local writer, Charles Rossiter of Delmar, has been selected to be included in the *Midwest Haiku Anthology*, the first major anthology of Midwest haiku to be published in a library cloth-bound edition.

The haiku in the anthology is based on Midwestern experiences, values and perspectives. The publication is in conjunction with this month's Midwest Haiku Festival at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill. Rossiter has been invited to read his poetry at this festival.

For information about the *Midwest Haiku Anthology* and the festival, contact Dr. Randy M. Brooks at Millikin University at 217-877-2966.

Work on waste group slates lasagna dinner

The Bethlehem Work on Waste will sponsor a lasagna dinner on Sunday, Oct. 18, at 5 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The event features all-you-can-eat homemade lasagna, salad, garlic bread and dessert.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6 through 12 and free for children under 6. The money raised will support Bethlehem Work on Waste's efforts to increase waste reduction, reuse and recycling in the community.

For reservations, call 439-6128.

Glenmont church collects used books

The Glenmont Community Church, Chapel Lane, Glenmont, is collecting used children's books to be sold at its annual Children's Book Fair on Saturday, Nov. 7.

Book donors have the choice of either receiving half the profit of the sold books or donating all the profit to the church's building fund.

Books can be dropped off at the church Monday through Friday, from 4 to 5:30 p.m., or on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

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Miller, Vullo marry

Jennifer Lynn Miller, daughter of Linda and Richard Miller of Glenmont, was married to Joseph James Vullo, son of Elsie and Joseph Vullo of Schenectady, on Sept. 20.

Rev. Robert Hess and Rev. Joseph Cotugno conducted the service at the Delmar Reformed Church. A reception followed at Wolferts Roost Country Club in Albany.

Melinda Baller was maid of honor. Debra McClean and Kimberly Thomas were bridesmaids.

Brian Vullo was best man. Michael Miller and Jerry Griggs and Matthew McNeil were ushers.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Siena College. She is currently employed at KeyCorp in Albany.

The groom is a graduate of Mohonasen Central School and Siena College and is working with General Electric in Schenectady.

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



Delmar church to sponsor family-style roast beef repast

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike in Delmar, is sponsoring a family-style roast beef dinner on Saturday, Oct. 17, with servings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The menu will include roast beef, tomato juice, mashed potatoes and gravy, butternut squash, green beans, cabbage salad, rolls and beverages. Dessert will be a choice of apple or pumpkin pie.

The cost is \$7 for adults, and \$3 for children ages 5 to 12. For information, call 439-9798.

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Obituaries

Dexter H. Davis

Dexter H. Davis, 89, of Forest Road, New Scotland, died Thursday, Oct. 8, at his winter home in Port Charlotte, Fla.

Born in Varysburg, Wyoming County, he lived in Olean from 1935 to 1949, when he moved to Voorheesville.

While he lived in Olean, he ran a grocery store with his wife. In 1949, he opened the Stonewall Market in New Scotland in a three-door garage, selling seed and homemade ice cream until his retirement in 1983. The store is still in the Davis family and is run by his granddaughter, Zoe Ann Anderson.

Mr. Davis was a member of the New Scotland Presbyterian Church, a 50-year member of the Masonic Temple in Varysburg and a 29-year member of the New Scotland Kiwanis Club.

He was husband of the late Marian Johnson Davis.

Survivors include a daughter, Wilma Anderson of Olean; a son, Durwood Davis of Seaford, Del.; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services will be today (Wednesday) at 2:30 p.m. from Reilly & Son Funeral Home, 9 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville.

Burial will be in the New Scotland Cemetery.

Emily Reed Welch

Emily Reed Welch, 77, of Glenmont died Wednesday, Oct. 7, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was an Albany native and a nurse at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital, retiring in 1980.

She was the widow of Franklin H. Welch, and is survived by nieces and nephews.

Services were from St. John's/St. Ann's Church. Burial was in St. Matthew's Cemetery, Glenmont.

Arrangements were by Tebbutt Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to St. John's/St. Ann's Church.

Violet G. Root

Violet G. Root, 58, of Delmar died Sunday, Sept. 27, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mrs. Root was born in Philadelphia, she was a longtime resident of Delmar.

She was a member of the Delmar Presbyterian Church.

She was the widow of Richard H. Root Sr.

Survivors include three sons; Richard H. Root Jr., Paul H. Root and Douglas A. Root; and two daughters, Nancy E. Panza, and Barbara A. Veltman all of Delmar; a brother, William Groves; two sisters, Florence Brubaker, and Eleanor Warren, all of Pennsylvania; and six grandchildren.

Services were from Delmar Presbyterian Church with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery, Delmar.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad, Adams Street, Delmar 12054.

Andrew Cossac

Andrew Joseph Cossac, 76, a native of Voorheesville, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mr. Cossac of Loudonville had worked for the Albany Machine and Tool Co. for 15 years as a machine painter, retiring in 1980. He previously worked for the Army Depot in Voorheesville for 20 years, retiring in 1965.

An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Joseph E. Zaloga American Legion Post in Albany and a member of St. Casimir's Church in Albany.

He was husband of the late Stella Ozimek Cossac.

Survivors include a daughter, Andrea Freeman of Loudonville; two brothers, Joseph Cossac of New Port Richie, Fla. and John Cossac of Schoharie; and a sister, Helen Bailey of Voorheesville.

Services were from Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home and St. Casimir's Church. Burial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Pressure screening set

The town of Bethlehem will sponsor a blood pressure screening clinic on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at the town hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Couple's dreams bear fruit

By Michele Bintz

As the cool, crisp nights and sunny days of fall touch the trees with Nature's palette of colors, my family's thoughts turn to visions of — apples.

To fulfill their longings, my husband and I took our children to a small family-owned and operated orchard near Clarksville that friends of ours had been talking about.

The owners, Peter and Judith Saidel, have dreamed for years of owning and operating a gentlemen's farm. In fact, in 1973, they gave each other four apple trees as an anniversary gift.

Finally, they were able to purchase a 45-acre Clarksville farm and spent 11 years restoring the building and orchards. This year, their dream was realized for the first time, as the Bennett Hill Farm opened for its first public picking season.

"This farm was a 200-acre working sheep farm and apple orchard. It was one of the oldest farms in the area," said Peter. "The Schultz brothers owned it, Howard and Ralph, that's the recent history, the history area residents remember the most."

"We restored this farm the way people would go into the city and restore an old house," Judith said.

Although the buildings look similar to the way they were in the past, the orchard is very different from the one which stood on the side of Bennett Hill 20 years ago.

A few of the old large Milton trees still stand and are heavily laden with fruit, but the new orchard is made up of six varieties of dwarf apple trees, which only grow about 9 feet tall. This type of tree is ideal for a family-oriented orchard, since both young and old can easily reach the fruit on the bent branches of the heavily-laden trees.

Currently, Bennett Hill patrons can choose from an assortment of McIntosh, empire, Jona-Macs, red and golden delicious and Cortland varieties.

"We plan to add more McIntosh trees in the spring and some other varieties people have been requesting, like Macoun and Northern Spies," Peter said.

"Each tree in our orchard was planted by a family member or friends," said Judith. "Many of the trees were planted over the years by Bethlehem high school friends of our children, Andrew and Lisa. Even grandma Dorothy Saidel had a hand in the planting."

Peter and Judith function as



Peter and Judith Saidel pick the fruits of their labors at their Clarksville orchard, Bennett Hill Farm.

Michele Bintz

proprietors and orchardists, while Sheila Audet, resident of the farm's restored tenant house, serves as retail operations manager. Keith Wright of Greenville assists Peter maintaining the orchard.

"We both work outside the orchard. Judith is director of the Center for Women in Government at SUNY Albany and I have my own insurance business," said Peter. "It's been a slow process, very rewarding and very depressing. Each year we plant a few more trees and each year we watch a few more give way to the deer or the weather. It makes you feel small, it makes you realize you only have so much control over the workings of nature."

Some time in the future, Judith would also like to open a fine crafts and art gallery in one of the restored outbuildings that stands directly across from the orchard. Next year, they plan to sell their own brand of honey.

"We want to keep it simple, to maintain the pastoral environment, to keep it natural, a place a family can come and enjoy picking

apples," said Judith.

"This is our vision," Peter said, pointing to the orchard. "We wanted something to really enjoy in our retirement, a labor of love. I can honestly say I could never have done it without Judith, the children and our vision."

At a cost of \$5 a half bushel, the Saidels have welcomed an average of 75 families each weekend this year. Picking hours are from noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, and Sunday only. The picking season began in early September and will continue through Oct. 25.

Remaining apples will be picked by volunteers from the regional food bank.

The farm is located just outside the hamlet of Clarksville off Plank Road on Bennett Hill Road. For information, call 768-2976.

Highway department announces leaf rules

The town of Bethlehem highway department recently announced that leaves should not be piled for collection on any roadway or sidewalk.

Residents are asked to place leaves at the edge of the pavement, so that vehicular and pedestrian traffic is not blocked.

Correction

Due to a reporting error, Betty Martin's place of residence was incorrectly identified in an article about drinking and driving last week.

Martin lives in Glenmont.

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Singers and sailors celebrate the Hudson

By Michael Kagan

Can some pumpkins and a few musicians on a sloop really educate the public about water pollution?

Come to the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater Pumpkin Sail Festival and find out.

For the information of non-sailors, a sloop is a sailboat. And the pumpkin sail festival is an annual environmental education program sponsored by the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater organization.

"The most famous thing about 'Pumpkin Sail' is we have tons of pumpkins," said Steve Kent, who handles publicity for the festival.

Locally-grown pumpkins are loaded on a sloop and taken down the Hudson. The boat stops at various locations along the way for community waterfront festivals, and the pumpkins are sold for between \$1 and \$5.

The first of these festivals will be in Riverfront Park in Rensselaer on Saturday, Oct. 17, from noon to 5 p.m.

The main purpose of the festivals is to increase awareness about the river.

"We have music and fun to celebrate what it means to live in this valley," said Kent. "We use music to bring people to

the river and introduce them to it in a positive way."

The sloop used for the festival, the Clearwater, is a replica of the type of boat originally brought to this area by Dutch settlers and used to transport cargo up and down the Hudson until the middle of the 19th century, he said. "There's an indigenous type of boat for the Hudson river, and that's the sloop."

"This was originally (folksinger) Pete Seeger's idea, many years ago," said Kent. "He was very interested in boats of this valley, and he started reading about the sloops. Since there weren't any remaining, he thought it would be a good idea to build a replica.

"It's pretty close to what you would have seen had you been in this area 100 years ago."

Festival goers will be able to tour the boat. "One of the things we do is get people on the boat to get them to see the importance of the river," said Kent.

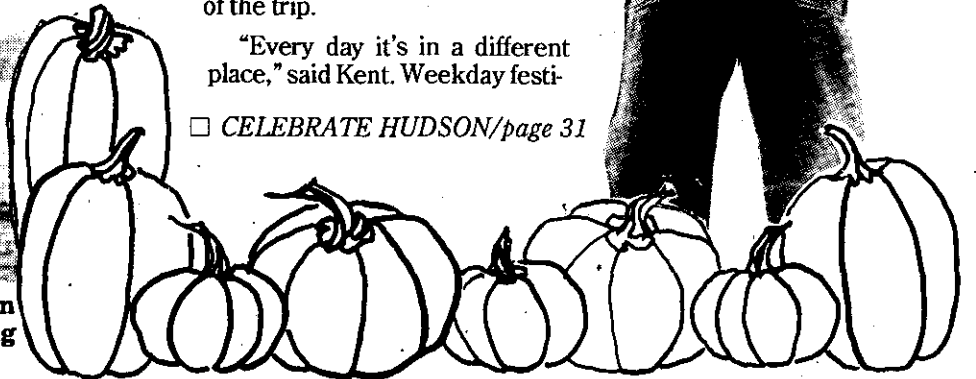
Music will be provided by Seeger, four-part harmony ensemble Betty and the Baby Boomers, singer/songwriter Pat Humphries, folksinger Purly Gates and blues musician Tom Winslow. After the performance, they will board the boat to start the first leg of the trip.

"Every day it's in a different place," said Kent. Weekday festi-

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The Hudson River sloop Clearwater prepares to make its 21st annual Pumpkin Sail. The boat makes 15 stops from Albany to Greenwich Village, selling pumpkins and holding riverfront festivals and environmental concerts.



American Indian dance presented at Proctor's

By Emily Church

The American Indian Dance Theater uses traditional song, dance and authentic dress to give audiences a feeling for the important themes of the Native American.

In this way, they hope to bridge the cultural gap and challenge the stereotypes many people still believe.

Area audiences will have the opportunity to see a performance by members of the dance theater group at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady on Sunday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m.

The troupe represents various tribes from this country and Canada, including the Apache, Arapahoe, Cherokee, Creek, Navajo and Sioux Indians. Some of the dances in the show incorporate a mix of different cultures, while others are specific tribal rites.

"The first half of the performance is not described as being of a particular tribe," said Katy Ricotta-Ramsey, a promotions department spokesman at Proctor's. "The second half does include dances by specific tribes."

The troupe creates its own music using traditional instruments, and the songs that accompany the dances

are from various ceremonies.

"The ancient songs are passed down from generation to generation," said Ricotta-Ramsey. "They are sung in the tribal language and incorporate drums, gourds, rattles and bells."

Most of the dances feature two or three performers acting out a story which highlights an aspect of Nature, such as rain, crops, health, fertility and hunting. "The

troupe presents traditional dances from various regions. There are seasonal, spiritual and social dances," Ricotta-Ramsey said.

Contemporary songs have also become part of the company's performance, although the dances which accompany the songs are still authentic.

Members of the troupe wear ceremonial dress which, in most cases, have been in the dancers' families for years.

"The clothing is made by the person performing or by a family member," said Ricotta-Ramsey. "The pieces are usually passed down from father to son or from mother to daughter or grand-daughter. All the costumes are

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THE VIEW FROM COLUMBUS
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CITY OF ANGELS
musical, Proctor's Schenectady, Oct. 26-28, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

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FIORIELLO
award-winning musical, Schenectady Light Opera Company, Through Oct. 25, Fri.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 377-5101.

LIPS TOGETHER TEETH APART
comedy, Capital Rep, Albany, Through Nov. 1. Information, 462-4531.

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Juilliard's Ahn Piano Trio, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Albany, Oct. 18, 2:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SYMPHONIES
Albany Symphony Orchestra, Palace Theatre, Oct. 18, 3 p.m. Information, 465-4755.

MAINLY MOZART
performed by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Berkshire and New York chamber music artists, Edith Wharton's historic home, Lenox, Mass. Oct. 18. Information, 413-637-1899.

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dancers and singers, Proctor's Schenectady, Oct. 18, 7 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

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annual founders concert, Friends of Chamber Music, Troy, Oct. 24, 8 p.m. Information, 273-8135.

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ADIRONDACK LIGHT
The Glens Falls Symphony orchestra, Union College, Schenectady, Oct. 18, 3 p.m. Information, 370-6172.

THE SONNY DAVE ENSEMBLE
light jazz and dinner dancing, WHRL Dinner Dance Cruise, J.P. Cruise Lines, Troy, Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m. Information, 270-1901 or 459-6343.

SERGIO PUCCINI
guitarist, SUNY, Albany, Oct. 15, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

ANNE TURNER, POLA BAYTELMAN
concert "Voices of Love," SUNY, Performing Arts Center, Albany, Oct. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

TERRI ROSEN
singer/songwriter, The Eighth Step, Albany, Oct. 16, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

THE COLONIAL BRASS QUINTET
of the U.S. Air Force Band of Liberty, SUNY Albany, Oct. 18, 7 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

NOONTIME ORGAN CONCERTS
each Friday, 12:30 p.m., St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, Information, 434-3502.

FINDLAY COCKRELL
pianist, noon concerts, SUNY Albany, Oct. 20 and 21. Information, 442-3995.

ONE HEART
Ken Shea and Maureen DeLuca, Thursdays, 9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m., Monaco's Village Inn, Information, 899-5780 or 393-5282.

DANCE

MOMIX
dancer-illusionists, The Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, Oct. 16, 8 p.m. Information, 473-1845.

SINGLE SQUARES OF ALBANY
Plus Level Square Dance with Rounds, St. Michael's Community Center, Cohoes, Oct. 14, 21 and 28, 7:30 p.m. Information, 664-6767.

HARVEST MOON HOEDOWN
Spencertown Academy, Oct. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 392-3693.

SWING DANCE
music by Peter Davis' Throbbing Hub, Shaker Meeting House, Colonie, Oct. 16, 8:30 p.m. Information, 274-6105.

OLD SONGS COUNTRY DANCE
music by Bill Spence & Fennig's All Stars, Guildford Elementary School, Oct. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2815.

READINGS

THE ALICE POEMS
Bonnie Johnson will read from her works, Siena College, Loudonville, Oct. 14, 8 p.m. Information, 783-2431.

SHIRLEY KAUFMAN
poet will read from her work, Performing Arts Center, SUNY Campus, Oct. 14, 8 p.m. Information, 372-0785.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

WONDERFUL WORLD OF HORSES
Royal Lipizzaner Stallions, Knickerbocker Arena, Albany, Oct. 24-25, Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Information, 487-2000.

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL
The Sloop Clearwater 20th annual festival with Pete Seeger, The Eighth Step Upstairs, Albany, Oct. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 434-1703.

THE GREAT VAUDEVILLE MAGIC SHOW
illusion, comedy and music, Landis and Company Theatre of Magic, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Oct. 25, 2 p.m. Information, 473-1061.

WILD WEEKENDS WITH DEAN DAVIS
presentations featuring live animals, New York State Museum, Albany, Oct. 24-25, Nov. 21-22. At 1, 2 and 3 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

COMEDIANS

PAULA POUNDSTONE
offbeat and irreverent, Proctor's Schenectady, Oct. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 346-6204.

TOURS

EMPIRE STATE PLAZA ART COLLECTION
express tours, Thursdays, through Oct. 15, 12:30 p.m. Information, 473-7521.

ADIRONDACK GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP
with Yngvar Isachsen, principal scientist, day-long trip near Lake George, Oct. 17, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

EXPRESS TOURS
McKinney Library, Oct. 9; Flapping Our Wings: Birds Depicted In Art, Oct. 16; Calico and Tin Horns: Thomas Locker, Oct. 30, Albany Institute of History and Art, 12:15 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

LECTURES

RECONSTRUCTING COLUMBUS
"Changing Images of a National Myth," Senate House State Historic Site, Kingston, Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m. Information, 338-2786.

THE HISTORY OF GRAPHIC DESIGN
and its influence on American culture, Albany Institute of History and Art, Through Oct. 22, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

CIRCA 1492: ART IN THE AGE OF EXPLORATION
art talks series, Albany Institute of History and Art, Oct. 14, 12:10 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

AUDITIONS

YOUTH CHORUS
singers age 9-14, Friends of Musical Arts, Saratoga, Oct. 19, 4:30-8 p.m. Information, 584-1201.

FIRST NIGHT ALBANY
7th annual festival held New Year's Eve. All artists are encouraged to apply. Information, 434-2032.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

CATSKILL GALLERY
submit slides and proposals for exhibits, Catskill Gallery and Mountain Top Gallery, Reviewing work for exhibit from July 1993-June 1994. Information, 943-3400.

THE POETRY PROJECT
interested participants, artist-run readings, Greene County Council on The Arts, Information, 672-4662.

CLASSES

ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASSES
fall classes for adults and children, RCCA: The Arts Center, Troy, Information, 273-0552.

FINE ARTS CLASSES

for children and adults, The Hyde Collection, Oct. and Nov. Information, 792-1761.

CREATIVE ARTS AT STEAMER TEN
theatre instruction, Steamer No. 10, Albany, Beginning Oct. 19. Information, 438-5503.

FILM

BREAKING LOOSE
experimental film, Un Chien D'Andalou, Albany Institute of History and Art, Oct. 18, 2 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

WORKSHOPS

APPLIQUE WORKSHOP
four-part course on applique designs and techniques, State Museum, Albany, Through Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

VISUAL ARTS

CONSTRUCTION
by Betty Parsons, Rathbone Gallery, Sage JCA, Albany, Through Nov. 8, Mon-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wed., Thurs. 6-8 p.m.; Sun. 2-4 p.m. Information, 445-1778.

PARTS BUT LITTLE KNOWN
museum celebrates Adirondack Centennial, State Museum, Albany, Through Jan. 18. Information, 474-5877.

MARIE-LOUISE MCHUGH
paintings, Lighthouse Galleries Ltd., Schenectady, Through Oct. 24. Information, 381-4191.

GAIL GILES: FIELD PAINTINGS
oil paintings, monoprints and drawings, Hudson Art Gallery, Hudson, Through Nov. 22. Information, 828-4882.

FREE HOME TRIAL
works by Andrew Boardman and Benjamin Jones, RCCA: The Arts Center, Troy, Through Nov. 13. Information, 273-4591.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EVANGELS
by artists in the 1992 Photography Regional, Russell Sage Campus, Troy, Through Nov. 7. Information, 273-0552.

NACAN SCULPTURE COURT
works by John Nihart, Gary Orlinsky, David Peterson, Keycorp Tower, Albany, Through Nov. 13.

THE ADIRONDACKS: AN AMERICAN TREASURE
photos by Nathan Farb, State Museum, Albany, Through Jan. 3. Information, 474-5877.

METAPHYSICAL DRAWING
works by Bruno LaVerdiere and Ed Smith, Five Points Gallery, Chatham, Through Nov. 7. Information, 392-5205.

EDGES OF THE CITY
photographic exhibition, Spencertown Academy, Through Oct. 15. Information, 392-3693.

A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS
works by Columbia County artists, Spencertown Academy, Oct. 17-Nov. 2. Information, 392-3693.

THE ONE-COLOR/TWO-COLOR SHOW
highlighting graphic design techniques, The College of Saint Rose, Albany, Through Oct. 18. Information, 432-6960.

GARDENS OF PARADISE
Oriental Prayer Rugs from the Huntington Museum of Art, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, Through Nov. 8. Information, 792-1761.

ASSEMBLAGE OF ASSEMBLERS
art made from found, altered and artist-made objects, by Norman Hasselris, Nobuko Kamecke, Leah Rhodes and Al Strausman, Greene County Council On the Arts, Catskill, Through Nov. 7. Information, 943-3400.

SHARING OUR TRADITIONS
"Iroquois Women Today..." Museum of the Hudson Highlands, Through Nov. 30. Information, (914) 534-7781.

A MOHAWK IROQUOIS VILLAGE
features life-size recreation of a Mohawk Iroquois longhouse, State Museum, Albany, Information, 474-5877.

PARTS BUT LITTLE KNOWN
exhibit of Adirondack Park, State Museum, Albany, Information, 474-5877.

WATERCOLORS EXHIBIT
displayed at The Colonie Memorial Town Hall, Newtonville, Through October. Information, 783-2728.

UPSTATE 88
works of 10 members, The Diete Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, Through Oct. 24. Information, 274-4440.

LIVING TRADITIONS: MEXICAN POPULAR ARTS
folk art paintings, textiles, weavings, ceremonial masks, dance costumes, carved animals, ceramics, Huichol yarn paintings and embroideries, SUNY Albany Museum, through Nov. 22. Information, 442-4035.

EXHIBITION: JURIED GROUP STILL LIVES
the GCCA Catskill Gallery, through Nov. 9, Tues.-Sat., noon 4 p.m.

19TH CENTURY UPPER HUDSON VALLEY CERAMICS
story of the ceramics production, Albany Institute of History and Art, Through Nov. 15. Information, 463-4478.

INNER VISIONS
members group show, Visions Gallery, Albany, Through Oct. 28. Information, 453-6645.

STATELY BUILDINGS
State Museum, Albany, through October, Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 473-8037.

WORLDS OF ART
Fenimore House, Cooperstown, through October, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

CHESTERWOOD
summer home and studio of sculptor Daniel Chester French (1850-1931), through Oct. 31. Demonstrations, Sat., 1-2 p.m., through Oct. 17. Information, (413) 298-3579.

FORMATIONS
group show, with sculptures by Sharon Bates, Nadia Miriam Dabul, Jeanne Flanagan and David Kreple at Russell Sage College, Troy, Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun., noon-4 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

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**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 14**
ALBANY COUNTY
THE RIO EARTH SUMMIT: WHAT HAPPENED?

roundtable discussion, sponsored by the Rockefeller Institute of Government, Page Hall, University at Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 443-5240.

KEEPING A PERSONAL JOURNAL

two-session workshop, sponsored by the Consultation Center, Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 6:30 p.m. Cost, \$30. Information, 489-4431.

VOLUNTEERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Crossgates Restaurant, Washington Avenue Extension, Guilderland, noon. Information, 370-7425.

FARMERS' MARKET

through November, Evangelical Protestant Church, Alexander and Clinton streets, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

BABYSITTING

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

SQUARE DANCE

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

RENSSELAER COUNTY
EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

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

CHORUS REHEARSAL

sponsored by Capitaland Chorus, Trinity Episcopal Church, 11th Street and 4th Avenue, North Troy, 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-4384.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

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

**THURSDAY
OCTOBER 15**
ALBANY COUNTY
VISITING NURSES' BROADWAY PARTY

vaudeville show, University Club, 141 Washington Ave., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 489-2655.

SCOLIOSIS ASSOCIATION meeting, Albany Memorial Hospital, 600 Northern Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 475-0859.

CAPITAL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION meeting, Street Academy, 165 Clinton Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION meeting, Capital Region Geriatric Center, West Columbia Street, Cohoes, 10 a.m. Information, 438-2217.

HOW TO ADD LIFE TO YOUR YEARS

lecture, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Cost, \$5. Information, 489-4431.

CAPITAL DISTRICT COMMUNITY LOAN FUND

reception, Westminster Church, 85 Chestnut St., Albany, 5:30-7 p.m. Information, 436-8586.

UNDERSTANDING REAL ESTATE APPRAISALS

two-day seminar, Oct. 15 and 16, School of Business, Room BA 220, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 442-3932.

A SYNTHESIS OF SCIENCE AND RELIGION

lecture, College of Saint Rose, Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-5250.

CPR AND BASIC LIFE SUPPORT course, Albany Chapter, American Red Cross, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Cost, \$43. Information, 433-0151, ext. 3320.

FARMERS' MARKET

through November, Townsend Park, Central and Washington avenues, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**FRIDAY
OCTOBER 16**
ALBANY COUNTY
CONNECTING WITH SACRED SPACE

lecture by "Earthwright" John Jennings, Free School, 8 Elm St., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Cost, \$5. Information, 462-9963.

COUNTRY FOLK ART SHOW AND SALE

Oct. 16, 17 and 18, Glens Falls Civic Center Arena, 5-9 p.m. Cost, \$6.

MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

College of Saint Rose School of Business, Desmond Americana, 660 Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie, 7-8:30 p.m. Cost, \$23. Information, 454-5272.

FARMERS' MARKET

through November, Ten Broeck Street and Manning Boulevard, Albany, 3-6 p.m.

MOTHERS' DROP IN

Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 482-4508.

SENIORS LUNCHEONS

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
RECOVERY, INC.

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

RENSSELAER COUNTY
STAR-GAZING PARTY

Grafton Lakes State Park, Long Pond Road, Grafton, 8 p.m. Information, 279-1155.

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 17**
ALBANY COUNTY
ROAST BEEF DINNER

Guilderland Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, Guilderland Fire Hall, 2303 Western Ave., Guilderland, 4-7 p.m. Cost, \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages 5 through 12, children under 5, free.

NSDAR MEETING

Gansevoort Chapter, Schuyler Meadows Country Club, Spring Street, Loudonville, noon. Information, 869-8539.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY ALUMNI CLUB

barbecue, 49 Aspen Circle, Albany, 1-5 p.m. Cost, \$3. Information, 1-800-800-3466.

ROAST TURKEY DINNER

Thompson's Lake Reformed Church, Routes 155 and 157A, East Berne, 4 p.m.

FEATURE WRITING WORKSHOP

Hudson Valley Writers Guild, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost, \$29.50 for HVWG members, \$35 for non-members. Information, 449-8069.

"CHILD'S CHALLENGE" 5K ROAD RACE

to benefit Child's Hospital and Nursing Home, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8:45-10:45 a.m. Information, 487-7461.

TANNING DEMONSTRATION AT NYS MUSEUM

demonstration on tanning deer hide, Mohawk Iroquois Village exhibit, State Museum, 1-4 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

ANNUAL BOOK SALE

Friends of the Libraries, University at Albany, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 442-3583.

COUNTRY FOLK ART SHOW AND SALE

Oct. 17 and 18, Glens Falls Civic Center Arena, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cost, \$4.

BABYSITTING COURSE

Albany Chapter, American Red Cross, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Cost, \$20. Information, 434-3881.

STANDARD FIRST AID COURSE

Albany Chapter, American Red Cross, Hackett Blvd., Albany, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Cost, \$32. Information, 433-0151, ext. 3320.

FARMERS' MARKET

through November, First Congregational Church, Quail Street and Maple Avenue, Albany, 9 a.m.-noon.

RENSSELAER COUNTY
GATEWAY TOUR OF REVOLUTIONARY SPOTS

Troy, Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway, Polk Street, Troy, 10 a.m. Cost, \$10. Information, 274-5267.

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 18**
ALBANY COUNTY
GRAPHIC DESIGN FOR KIDS

"Color and Design: What You See is What You Get," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, 2-4 p.m. Cost, \$4 per family. Information, 463-4478.

COMIC BOOK AND COLLECTIBLES CONVENTION

Holiday Inn, 205 Wolf Road, Colonie, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost, \$3.25.

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

Former Rockefeller speechwriter turns to Columbus for play

A lifelong fascination by writer Joseph E. Persico with Christopher Columbus has resulted in a one-man play, *The View From Columbus*, to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the discoverer's landing in America.

Persico wrote the play about five years ago in anticipation of this celebration but rewriting and re-viewing his own work, coupled with his writing of books and papers, delayed production of the play.

Now, Persico, an Amsterdam native who lives in Guilderland, will have a staged reading of his play by Theatre Voices of Albany October 23 and 24 at the Albany City Arts Building.

This will be the first time an audience has heard the play read and while not a fully-staged premiere, it is the initial public appearance. Actor Howard Schaffer will play Columbus.

Persico who has been involved with political figures for most of his career, has written Columbus as a self-made man, warts and all. His virtues and faults are shown with equal balance. "He was," Persico says, "a passionate, tempestuous, ego-driven character."

In keeping with contemporary criticisms of the famed voyager, Persico sees Columbus as a product of Western culture, arrogant about the superiority of his race and religion. Although generous and compassionate when undefined, Persico says, "he was capable of ruthlessness when thwarted."

Persico who graduated from SUNY at Albany and did his graduate work at Columbia University, has written three books, *Piercing the Reich*, *The Imperial Rockefeller* and *Casey*.

Eleanor Koblenz who helped found Theatre Voices, will direct Persico's play which will be presented on Friday (Oct. 23) at 8 p.m., Sat. (Oct. 24) at 3 and 8 p.m. and Sunday (Oct. 25) at 3 p.m. Admission is free.

Fiorello continues engagement at Schenectady Light Opera

In this year of high drama politics, one of the 20th century's most compelling political figures is once again revealed in a revival of the musical *Fiorello* at the Schenectady Light Opera House.

Continuing this weekend and next, the Tony Award-winning musical, first presented in New York during the 1950s, captures the life of Fiorello LaGuardia's life from World War 1 until his death during World War 2.

A much honored flier in the first war, he came home to enter New York City politics where he shook up Washington as an aggressive Congressman and then returned to New York City where he was its most colorful mayor in a city given to outrageous personages as mayors.

Richard Harte, a veteran area actor and director from Delmar, has staged this musical for the Schenectady Light Opera troupe.

Caren Lessner, a newly arrived actress-dancer, has taken her first choreographic assignment with the Schenectady company. She appeared last spring in *Cabaret*, shortly after moving into the area.

Performances of *Fiorello* are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. through October 25. Information and reservations are at 377-5101.

Albany actor takes new role on popular primetime show

When Mariel Hemingway appeared nude in a supposed photo shoot during the ABC-TV show, *Civil Wars*, several weeks, it was conceded that the tastefully done scenes were part of a shot in the arm for the well-written but lagging series.

Last week, the show added a new love interest for Hemingway's lawyer character in the form of a charming opposing lawyer. This part is being played by James McCaffrey, a 34-year old Albany native who has done work on other cops-and-robbers shows and is currently filming a miniseries.

For McCaffrey, the role looms as a job that depends on the deepening of the relationship and how far the writers want to carry the affair. It could be a short-lived one considering that on the couple's first date after their court case, she shepherded him into her bedroom.

AROUND THEATERS!

Lips Together, *Teeth Apart*, Terrence McNally play at Capital Repertory Company through November 1 (462-4534). *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* at Albany Civic Theater through Oct. 24. (462-1297)



Martin P. Kelly

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The Spotlight CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 14
BETHLEHEM
AQUATIC PROJECT WILD

program for teachers and youth leaders, pre-registration necessary, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Road, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

UTTON CLUB TO MEET

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 12 noon, information, 238-4723.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

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.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

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

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

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

every Monday and Wednesday morning, excavation and laboratory experience for volunteers, archaeology lab, Route 32 South. Information, 439-6391.

RED MEN

St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3265.

SECOND MILER'S LUNCHEON MEETING

First United Methodist Church, Delmar, noon. Information, 439-6003.

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Delmar firehouse, Adams Place, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 6:30 p.m. Information, 765-2109.

NEW SCOTLAND ELKS LODGE

22 South Main St., Voorheesville, 8 p.m. Information, 765-2313.

MOUNTAINVIEW
EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

evening service, Bible study and prayer, Route 155, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 15
BETHLEHEM
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bible study, 10 a.m.; Creator's Crusaders, 6:30 p.m.; senior choir, 7:30 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

BOWLING

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

AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEON

for members, guests and membership applicants, Sledwheeler Restaurant, Albany Motor Inn, noon.

FOOD STAMP FORM AID

Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, 9:15 a.m.-noon. Appointments required, 439-4955.

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

FAITH TEMPLE

Bible study, New Salem, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2870.

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 16
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

self-help for chronic nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-9976.

CHABAD CENTER

Sunset services, discussion and kiddush, 109 Elsmere Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-8280.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

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

NEW SCOTLAND
YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 17
BETHLEHEM
HOMEcoming CARNIVAL

To raise funds for Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District, RCS Senior High School, Route 9W, Ravena, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information, 756-6179.

CRAFT FAIR

McKownville Firehouse, 1250 Western Ave., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Information, 432-2457.

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-11 p.m. Information, 439-7571.

GARAGE SALE

North Bethlehem Fire Department, 589 Russell Road, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 438-0825.

CHABAD CENTER

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

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 18
BETHLEHEM
BWOW LASAGNA DINNER

to benefit Bethlehem Work on Waste, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 5 p.m. Information, 439-7553.

FEEDING BIRDS

Basics of bird feeding, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Road, 2 p.m., information, 475-0291.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

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

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH

worship service, 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, 8 a.m.-noon, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH

worship and Sunday school, nursery care provided, 9 and 11 a.m., 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929.

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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., Route 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.; Sunday service, 11 a.m., 10 Rockefeller Road, Elsmere. Information, 439-7864.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Eucharist, breakfast, coffee hour, 8 and 10:30 a.m., 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, adult education programs, nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Information, 439-1766.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

morning worship, 11 a.m., 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont. 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 Road, Slingerlands. Information, 438-7740.

LORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

NEW SCOTLAND
TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND RUN

sponsored by the Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, 7.1 miles, entry fee \$3 members, \$4 non-members, New Scotland Town Park, Swift Road, registration 9:15 a.m., race 10:30 a.m. Information 765-2370.

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., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Clarksville. Information, 768-2916.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE

worship, 10 a.m., church school, 10:30 a.m. 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, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

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

ONESQUETHAW CHURCH

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

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND

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

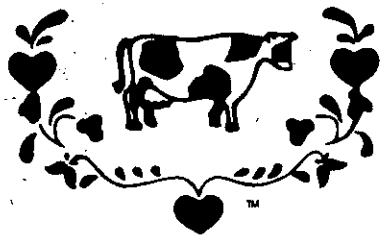
UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship time, Delaware Turnpike, 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.; Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

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FAITH TEMPLE

Sunday school, 10 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

MONDAY
OCTOBER 19

BETHLEHEM**MOTHER'S TIME OUT**

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

Sidewheeler Restaurant, Route 9W, Days Inn, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-5560.

AL-ANON GROUP

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

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

every Monday and Wednesday mornings, excavation and laboratory experience for volunteers, archaeology lab, Route 32 South. Information, 439-6391.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

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Delmar Masonic Temple.

NEW SCOTLAND**4-H CLUB**

home of Marilyn Miles, Clarksville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2186.

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
OCTOBER 20

BETHLEHEM**MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SELF-HELP GROUP**

meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 427-0421.

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB GARDEN GROUP MEETING

demonstration of oriental flower arranging by Kaye Vosburg, Bethlehem Library community room, 9:30 a.m.

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB GOVERNMENT COUNCIL GROUP MEETS

Robert Hendrick to speak on "Bethlehem's History and Plans for the Bicentennial," Bethlehem Library community room, 7:30 p.m.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Bethlehem Town Hall Auditorium, Delaware Avenue, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 1-6 p.m.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

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Days Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 482-8824.

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NEW SCOTLAND**STORY HOUR**

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

Celebrate Hudson

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vals are mainly for school groups. Weekend festivals offer more entertainment and vendors and are intended for the entire community.

In addition to the waterfront festivals, the performers will offer several concerts on their way down the river, beginning with one at the Eighth Step Coffee House in Albany at 8 p.m. on Oct. 17. Tickets to that concert are \$10, and reservations are recommended.

On Sunday, Oct. 18, from noon to 5 p.m., there will be another waterfront festival in Hudson, at the town dock. At 3 p.m., Arm-of-the-Sea Theater will present a performance of *The Water Tree*, a larger-than-life puppet and mask show depicting the water cycle. "It's a beautiful thing to see," said Kent.

Glens Falls Civic Center sets folk art show, sale

A Country Folk Art Show will be at the Glens Falls Civic Center Arena from Friday, Oct. 16, to Sunday, Oct. 18.

The show will run from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

One of the leading folk art shows in the country, the event will feature a variety of country-style decorating accessories, including quilts, wall hangings,

There will be a potluck dinner and sing-along at 6 p.m. and a concert in the Washington Hose Company Firehouse in Hudson at 7:30 p.m.

The trip will continue with 13 more stops along the Hudson and seven more concerts, concluding on Sunday, Nov. 1, with a concert at South Street Seaport in New York City.

The festivals take on special importance to the organizers because October is Clean Water Month and this year marks the 20th anniversary of the first Clean Water Act.

At each stop along the river, "non-partisan environmental information on voting records of incumbents up for election this year" will be distributed, Kent said.

"Our mission is to protect and defend the Hudson and surrounding waterways," he said.

Appalachian style baskets, splint and willow baskets, Shaker furniture and boxes, grapevine wreaths, herbal arrangements, whirligigs, weathervanes and rag rugs.

Admission is \$6 for Friday early buying privileges. Saturday and Sunday admission is \$4, or \$2 for children ages 10 and under.

For information, call (313) 634-4151.

Junior Museum plans Mystic trip

The Junior Museum of Troy is offering a fall bus trip to Mystic Seaport, Conn., on Saturday, Nov. 7.

Participants will have time to explore historic buildings and enjoy the waterfront activities, demonstrations, and exhibits. A river cruise on America's oldest coal-fired steamboat will also be

available.

The cost is \$39 for adults, \$34 for children ages 6 to 15 and \$29 for children under 5. Discounts are available for Junior Museum members. Reservations are required.

For information and reservations, call 235-2120.

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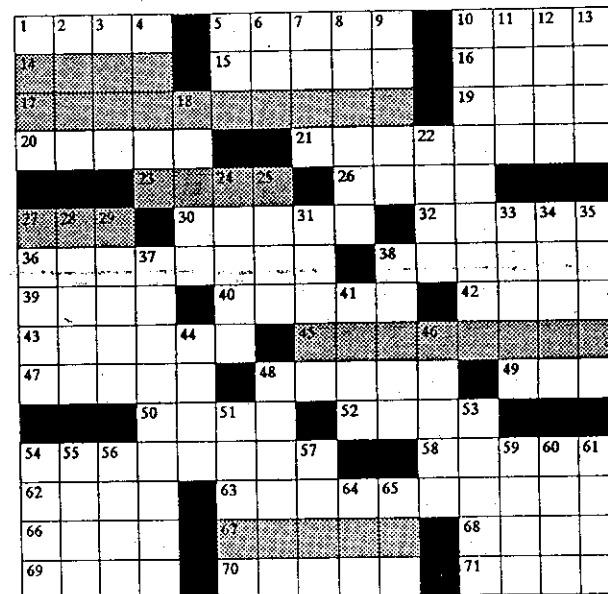
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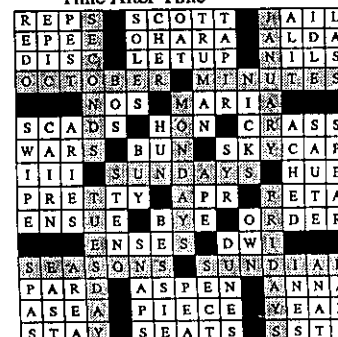
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- 56 Sensible
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that at the General Election to be held in this state on Tuesday, November 3, 1992 the following proposal will be submitted to the people for approval or disapproval: Ballot Proposal Number One, a Proposition.

THOMAS R. WILKEY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSTRACT OF PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, A PROPOSITION

The purpose of this proposal is to authorize the sale of State bonds of up to \$800,000,000 to provide moneys for the single purpose of funding infrastructure projects to promote the creation or retention of permanent private sector jobs.

The State Legislature would be authorized to use the bond proceeds for state programs or for the payments of the state share of the cost of programs undertaken by or through a state agency or state or local public benefit corporation, industrial development agency, county, city, town, village, Indian nation or government or any combination thereof, for the purpose of funding infrastructure projects undertaken by or through such entities and to match federal or other funds which may form time to time be made available by Congress of from other sources to such entities for such purpose.

The proposal would allow the state to borrow up to eight hundred million dollars (\$800,000,000). It would also allow the state to refund the debt by issuing additional state bonds in sums up to or, under certain circumstances involving

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lower overall debt service, exceeding \$800,000,000.

Any bonds issued pursuant to the proposal, together with the income therefrom, would be exempt from state and local taxation, except for transfer and estate taxes. Such bonds would be issued as either taxable or tax-exempt for purposes of the federal internal revenue code and regulations thereunder; however, all actions taken pursuant to the proposal would be reviewed for consistency with provisions of the federal internal revenue code and regulations thereunder; however, all actions taken pursuant to the proposal would be reviewed for consistency with provisions of the federal internal revenue code and regulations thereunder, in accordance with procedures established in connection with the issuance of any bonds pursuant to the proposal which are intended to be federally tax exempt, to preserve their federal tax exempt status.

FORM OF SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, A PROPOSITION JOBS FOR THE NEW, NEW YORK BOND ACT

Shall chapter 649 of the laws of 1992 known as the jobs for the new, New York bond act, which promotes the creation or retention of permanent private sector jobs, by authorizing the creation of state debt to provide moneys for infrastructure projects in the amount of eight hundred million dollars (\$800,000,000) be approved?

(Copies of the text of this proposal are available at your County Board of Elections)
(October 14, 1992)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 21, 1992, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Sandra Tutshen and Steven Cariati, 70 Bittersweet Lane, Slingerlands, New York 12159 for Variance under Article XVII, Side Yard, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for existing side yard in violation at premises 70 Bittersweet Lane, Slingerlands, New York.

Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(October 14, 1992)

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Charles B. Fritts
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(October 14, 1992)

Indian dancers

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authentic."

The American Indian Dance Theater was started in New York City in 1989. The following year the troupe performed on PBS television's "Great Performances," and was nominated for a Grammy Award in original cast recording.

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toured in Canada, France, Tokyo, the Persian Gulf and North America. "The company certainly wants all cultures to experience and understand their traditions, and also hold onto their own heritage," Ricotta-Ramsey said.

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CRAFT FAIR

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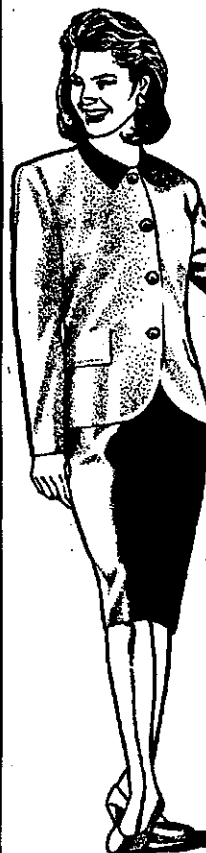
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Panel

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The first was Betty Martin, a Glenmont resident, whose daughter Michele was killed in 1982 on Route 85A in Bethlehem. Martin also introduced the other victims.

Linda Campion of Clifton Park, whose daughter Kathleen, 20, died in 1989, told how her family had long enjoyed Father's Day, because Kathleen had been born on Father's Day. "It happened that June 16 fell on Father's Day last year, but it wasn't the happy occasion it was in 1968," she said. "It fact, it was just like the day when we had buried our daughter, because every day is just like burying Kathy all over again."

"For our other children, there was no wishing their father a happy Father's Day and there were no gifts or doing special things for him," she said. "There was tiptoeing around the house, and people whispering and nobody saying much, afraid of saying something that might offend their father."

With each victim who spoke, a photograph of the lost loved one was projected on to a screen beside the podium.

Sue Esposito, herself severely injured in the crash which took the lives of her children Gabriela and Nicholas, explained the circumstances of that collision. "Nicholas was sitting in the front seat with me," she said. "While we were driving (home), all of us

started laughing. That's the last thing I heard, was the laughter."

She learned of her son's death after waking up from surgery, she said, and finding her husband and brother waiting beside her. "We have to tell you something," they said. "No, I don't want to hear it," I told them. Then my husband said, 'Our Nicky is gone. They took our Nicky. We don't have him anymore,'" she said.

Gabriela died 19 days after the accident.

Victims often struggled to keep their composure through their testimonials. Many gathered in a back room to collect themselves after speaking.

"It brings you right back to when it happened," said Campion after the session. "Sometimes you don't think you can speak another word, but it comes out somehow. Sometimes when I come home from one of these panels, it takes a week to get over it."

Lt. Michael Geraci of the Colonie Police spoke after the victims. "We are tired of finding and having to deal with the families like the people who you've met tonight," he said. "There is no reason not to have families kept together. There is no reason for family's lives to be destroyed."

"It was rather gruesome," said one of the offenders, describing the speakers' stories. He said drinking and driving can be as dangerous as the panel made it seem.

He said he won't ever drink and drive again, but that he will continue to drink.

"It has a big impact, especially the parts about how the families and the friends and how they lost," another offender said. "I won't drink and drive again, because I can't really afford to do it again. It goes on your insurance, and your driving record, and you can lose your license. You gotta think twice and walk. That's what you gotta do now."

One other offender also said he would not drive while intoxicated again because "you lose your license. It's not worth it."

He recommended having victims speak at the required pre-licensing five-hour driving courses. "That's where it'd have the most effect," he said. "Telling this after you've had a DWI is silly. Half the people in there weren't listening if you ask me."

"They need to be told about the pain that they cause," Esposito said. "You see it in their faces. It

Cocozza receives scholarship at Union

Union College has announced that Selkirk resident Peter A. Cocozza has been awarded the Cecil E. Angell Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Cocozza, a member of the class

Astronomers to meet at planetarium

The Albany Area Astronomers will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady.

Dr. Marc Kutner will speak on

hits them hard. If it hits one, that's all I'm here to do."

Many offenders came into the session with very clear messages about their attitudes toward alcohol. "Some people had to be breathalized to come to this meeting," Martin said early on.

Some offenders wore clothing advertising various drinks and bars. "Bottlenose Bar and Grill: For those who drink with a purpose," read one T-shirt.

"There will be people who will leave here and go right to a bar," said Michael Jones, a 10-time DWI offender who now speaks at the panels. "But there will be people who will leave here and never drink again."

"This is probably one of the most difficult things that I have to do, but I do it because I don't want Kathy to have died in vain," Campion said. "The hardest part for me was I thought it would never happen to me. If I can make people realize it can happen to you, then I've done what I have to do."

of 1993, is a civil engineering major at Union College. The scholarship fund is awarded annually to students pursuing courses in engineering who require financial assistance.

the star formations in the Large Magellanic Cloud, a neighboring galaxy.

For information, call Alar French at 374-8460 or Bob Mulford at 374-8744.

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Bethlehem, were injured in the crash.

According to a hospital blood test, Arnold's blood alcohol content was .15 percent, above the .10 legal threshold for driving while intoxicated.

Arnold remains free on \$10,000 bail and has surrendered his driver's license.

Admitting she still feels "a little bitter," Corinne Cox, Erin's mother, said, "Personally, I want him to do some jail time, and I don't want him to be treated as a youthful offender."

Cox said she has talked with Betty Martin of Glenmont, who also lost a daughter in a DWI accident and is active in speaking about the dangers of DWI.

"I probably will be somewhat active," Cox said. "I know Betty gets satisfaction from thinking she may be reaching people and saving lives."

Graphic artists' group to meet at paper plant

The Graphic Artists Guild of Albany will meet on Friday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m. at Russell Paper of Troy, 621 River St.

David Russell will present a one-hour demonstration on handmade paper.

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