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Dairy farmer vows to resist BST stampede

By Mel Hyman

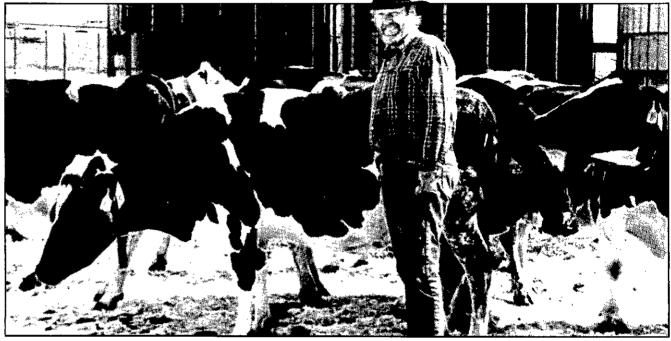
Farmers by nature are an independent lot. And New Scotland dairy farmer Charles Van Wie is certainly no exception.

Meadowbrook Farms, the Van Wie's familyowned business since 1923, prides itself on processing and bottling its own milk and assuring its customers of freshness and purity.

So when the federal government earlier this month gave the go-ahead for farmers to add synthetic growth hormones to their cows through injection, Van Wie was one of the few farmers in the area to publicly announce he would have nothing to do with it.

"It's a political nightmare," he said. "The minute you start talking about hormones, you start turning people off. ... The big boys want it and the ag people are swallowing it hook, line and sinker. The people are the ones who are getting it stuck up their nose."

While a handful of distributors such as Ben & Jerry's and Cumberland Farms have announced they will not sell dairy products with bovine somatotropin (BST), a genetically engineered drug that is supposed to increase milk production by 10 to 20



New Scotland dairy farmer Charles Van Wie has no intention of injecting his cows with BST.

Mel Hyman



Special ed costs spiral in overall BC budget

By Dev Tobin

The cost of special education is growing at more than twice the rate of the

overali Bethlehem Central School District budget, a double-digit advance Superintendent Leslie Loomis calls "troubling and not acceptable."

BC school board members, reviewed the special education and BOCES portions of next year's budget at a workshop last week, but found they had little leeway in controlling costs for the federally-mandated services.



Loomis

Special education expenditures have increased from \$1.2 million five years ago to \$2.7 million this year, and district offi-

cials project spending nearly \$2.9 million next year. Since the 1988-89 school year, special education has grown from 5.24 percent of the total budget to an estimated 8.2 percent next year.

Last year and this, actual expenditures have exceeded budget projections by \$493,879 and \$278,093, respectively, reported Franz Zwicklbauer, assistant

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2 targeted for planning seats

By Mel Hyman

Republicans James Blendell and Joseph Rooks will be recommended for seats on the Bethlehem planning board tonight.

After a lengthy screening process, Supervisor Sheila Fuller has decided they would be the best candidates to fill the two openings created when George Lenhardt and Doris Davis moved to positions on the town board.

While a relative newcomer to the town, Rooks is not a Johnny-come-lately to planning issues. He served for 10 years on the Nassau planning board in Rensselaer County. A town resident since 1986, he works as director of personnel for the New York State Health Department. He lives on Murray Avenue in Delmar.

It's a very exciting time to become involved...with LUMAC and a new supervisor.

Joseph Rooks

"I noticed the article in *The Spotlight* about there being vacancies and not many candidates," he said. "I had wanted to become involved before, but the kids were

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Tips line open

The Bethlehem Police have set up a special number for reporting underage drinking parties.

The number 439-1503 will be answered most of the time by a police dispatcher. Otherwise, you can leave a message, said Police Lt. Frederick Holligan.

The line was established to meet the growing concern of parents with teenage drinking parties, whether at a private house or some other location.

"We're trying to prevent property damage and people from getting hurt or killed," Holligan said. "We're not trying to invade people's privacy."

The 24-hour hotline has just gone into effect. Callers who wish to remain anonymous may do so.

Police make arrests

ASelkirk man was arrested last week in connection with a December 1993 incident in which a store sign was damaged by gunfire.

Daniel Durkin, 27, was charged with third degree criminal mischief, State Police said. He allegedly shot up a large sign owned by the Deli Plus store on Route 9W near the Coeymans/Bethlehem town line,

He was arraigned in Coeymans Town Court and remanded to the Albany County Jail in lieu of \$2,000 bail. Tprs. Alton Ostrander and Mark LaPlante made the arrest.

A Colonie man was charged with several offenses on Friday, Feb. 18, after a traffic stop on Route 144 in Bethlehem.

Louis K. Vasquez, 18, of Birchtree Road, was stopped for a traffic violation and the gave the arresting officer three different names and dates of birth, State Police said.

He was charged with second

degree criminal impersonation along with single counts of forgery and fourth degree criminal possession of stolen property.

He was also wanted by the Troy Police Department on a criminal contempt charge, State Police said. He was arraigned before Bethlehem Town Justice Peter Bishko and remanded to the Albany County Jail.

Tpr. Robert Missenis made the

AClifton Park man was arrested by the Bethlehem Police last week and charged with driving while intoxicated.

Scott G. Cullum, 27, of 2B Loudon Square Apts., was stopped at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, for speeding on Krumkill Road near Iroquois Trails, said Sgt. Joseph Sleurs.

He was also charged with failure to keep right and released pending a March 1 appearance in-

Chamber champs





Top photo, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Citizens of the Year Sally and Vince Gazzetta are congratulated by chamber vice chairwoman Cathy Griffen (left). Bottom, chamber Businessperson of the Year Lori Breuel (left) is congratulated by chamber president Greg Turner. The winners will be feted at the chamber's annual awards dinner Saturday, March 5, at Albany's Kiernan Plaza.

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V'ville has rare mayoral race

By Dev Tobin

Voorheesville will have its first contested race for mayor in 10 years, as Robert Boyle challenges incumbent Edward Clark in the village election on Tuesday, March 15.

Clark has run twice without opposition since being appointed to succeed Richard Lennon, who won the last contested mayoral race in 1984. Clark was named to the post after Lennon moved from the area.

Village elections, which are non-partisan by law, are often uncontested, which is one reason Boyle decided to run.

It's time that people have a choice," said Boyle, adding that he feels his business, planning and management experience are "solid credentials to direct the future" of the village.

Clark said that he has "a great deal of experience" in keeping "the village on a path that most village residents want it on," especially providing high quality services while keeping taxes low.

Clark also said he wants to "maintain the atmosphere and character of the village" and continue to provide "openness and accountability" in the operation of village government.

Boyle said that he would like to see more done for seniors and youth in the village.

"The town's senior citizens center (in New Salem) is a little ways to travel" for village seniors, he said, adding that a "multi-purpose community center" to serve



Robert Boyle

the needs of both seniors and teens is something he would investigate, whether he's elected or not.

Clark said village taxes are "lower than they were 12 years ago, about \$100 to \$150 per household," and provide services at less cost than for town of New Scotland residents.

But Boyle disputed Clark, noting that village taxes have gone up 54 percent in the last three years. "At this rate, they're not going to be low for long," he said.

Clark said one of the hallmarks of his administration has been "engaging the services of skilled village residents to help us" in all areas of village government.

Boyle said he would like to set up a formal citizens advisory com-

Clark is the candidate of the Village Party, and Boyle is running under the banner of his own



Edward Clark

Community Excellence Party.

Clark, 57, lives with his wife, Patricia, on Glen Street and works as a partner in Capitol Hill Management Services in Albany.

Boyle, 41, lives with his wife, Michele, and two daughters on Evergreen Drive and works as a senior territory manager for Mallinckrodt Medical, Inc.

The current salary for the parttime mayor's position is \$8,697.74.

Running unopposed in the village election are trustees Daniel Reh and Susan Rockmore and Justice Ken Connolly, all of the Village Party.

Voting will be from noon to 9 p.m. March 15 at the Voorheesville firehouse on Route 156. Registration Day, for those who have not voted from their current address in any general election since 1988. will be Saturday, March 5, from noon to 5 p.m., at village hall.

Dave Pratt shows good CPR technique. Elaine McLain

Free CPR training slated

By Mel Hyman

You've probably heard enough about CPR over the years to realize that it might be a worthwhile thing to know.

Well, now's your chance. Two free training sessions in cardiopulmonary resuscitation are scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 26, at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. The only thing you need to bring is \$3 to \$4 worth of canned goods for donation to the Bethlehem Food Pantry.

So in a sense it's not totally free, although if you decided long ago that that can of peaches in light syrup is not to your liking, then instead of foisting it off on the kids, bring it along to town

The key thing to remember about CPR is that while it can save lives, it needs to be administered within the first four or five minutes of a heart attack, according to Dave Pratt, vice president of the Bethlehem Ambulance Squad and a certified EMT instruc-

Typically the procedure is not started within this time and the save rate using CPR is only 3 percent. So time is of the essence, and only by knowing what you're doing can you come to the rescue quickly and effectively.

After four minutes of a cardiac arrest, brain damage starts to occur, and after six minutes the effect is irreversible, Pratt noted.

"People have this misconception that CPR is used to revive a stopped heart, but the main purpose of CPR is to provide oxygen to the vital organs of the body," he said. "If the heart starts again, then that's frosting on the cake."

The idea is to keep the person's organs functioning until a more advanced team of technicians arrives on the scene.

The first session is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon. The second session will be held from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Assisting Pratt in running the workshops will be EMTs Lou Smith and Linda Schacht. Members of the Slingerlands, Delmar and Selkirk fire companies will be on hand, along with a Bethlehem police officer. The program is open to all, not just town residents.

BCHS plagiarism amounts to nothing

By Dev Tobin

The ads in the back of magazines like Rolling Stone promise a work-and worry-free way to higher grades, a sure cure for the "term paper blues."

But for three Bethlehem Central High School sophomores, the wages of plagiarism are nothing, as in zero.

The three received a zero on their second-quarter term paper in Advanced Placement European History after admitting they submitted papers they had purchased, school officials said.

"This is a very tough learning experience, but plagiarism is a

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very serious action that questions the value of academic integrity," said BCHS Principal Jon Hunter. "They got a zero on the assignment, and their parents were notified in writing."

The assignment, a seven-to 10page research paper on any topic in modern European history, counts for about a third of the second-quarter grade, according to teacher John Karl.

While Karl would not say how he found out about the plagiarism, he did say that there "is a greater awareness among students" about plagiarism and cheating, and "more and more students who are upset about it are coming forward and letting us know."

Both Hunter and Karl emphasized that the penalties for plagiarism at the secondary school level are mild compared to what could be expected at college or in the business or professional world.

"Here they're in a learning position, and it won't destroy their future if they learn not to do it again," said Karl, noting that plagiarism often leads to expulsion from college and termination from employment.

"And Joe Biden is not presidenttoday because ofit," he added, referring to an incident in the 1988 campaign where the Democratic senator from Delaware was caught "borrowing" excessively from a British politician's speech.

Superintendent Leslie Loomis noted that, under state Education Department regulations, the punishment for an academic violation like plagiarism must be academic in nature.

"We can't suspend a student for plagiarism," Loomis said.

Putney to lead Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency

Councilman Ted Putney has been named chairman of the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency.

Putney was appointed during the IDA's annual reorganization meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 16.

During the session, IDA treasurer and Town Comptroller Judith Kehoe reported that the agency has \$10,849 in the bank. Later this year, Selkirk Cogen is scheduled to make its second payment of \$250,000 to the IDA.

As part of its \$380 million financing arrangement, Selkirk Cogen agreed to pay a \$500,000 application fee to the town. The first installment of \$250,000 was made in 1992, with all but \$10,000 of it deposited in the town's general fund. The same arrangement

is expected later this year.

In other business, the IDA agreed to determine whether Town Clerk Cathy Newkirk should be paid for extra work anticipated as a result of new state. IDA regulations.

Bethlehem IDA has had any money to speak of, Kehoe said the board might wish to start a new

business marketing plan.

That would coincide nicely with implementation of a townwide master plan, she said, which may come later this year or in 1995. The master plan would specify which areas of town are zoned for Since this is the first time the, , heavy and light industrial use and give potential developers a clear idea of where they can locate.

Board letter triggers V'ville teachers' anger

By Kelly Griffin

Frustration and anger over the lack of a teachers' contract boiled over at the Voorheesville school board's recent meeting.

The teachers have been without a contract since June 30, 1993, and negotiations are currently at an impasse. A mediator has been appointed by the Public Employment Relations Board to attempt to settle the dispute.

Voorheesville Teachers Association President Richard Mele read a letter to the board which vigorously denounced a district communication to residents that read, in part, "If you feel there is any disruption of educational services related to contract negotiations, please contact the building administrator."

'You have insulted our integrity as professionals," Mele's letter stated. "We care about students, you care about political action. ... We stand ready, willing and able to negotiate."

"Contract negotiations play no part in our work," said teacher Laurie Lysenko. "We are still working hard, and these negotiations are the furthest thing from our minds when we are performing our jobs."

The January district newsletter said that the state's Taylor Law forbids strikes or "work-torule" actions by public employ-

"The way I see it, both sides are shooting," replied board member James Coffin. "The VTA was the first one to send something to the community. The board is just reacting to the VTA's actions. If you're going to shoot, expect to get shot at.'

In their last three-year contract, the teachers received raises of 26.4 percent (not compounded). In that same three-year period,

two school budgets were defeated by the voters.

"The board needs to recognize and face budget realities,' said board member Steven Schreiber. "There is a limit to what taxpayers can be asked. It would be nice if there could be some recognition of difficulties with the budget."

Teachers told the board that the ongoing impasse, and comments like that in the newsletter, make them feel unappreciated.

We are doing a damn good job," said teacher Linda Spina. We're a School of Excellence, and you don't seem to appreciate

"Both sides want the best, and the board needs to understand the things that are bothering teachers," said teacher Richard Freyer. "It seems like you're trying to punish us, yet we don't know what we've done wrong.'

Board member Mary Van Ryn invited the teachers to attend upcoming budget workshops, the next of which is set for Monday, Feb. 28. "We'd love to have your input," she said.

In other business, Anthony Marturano, assistant superintendent for business, told the board that the high school's deli bar was shut down because it was losing money.

"The deli line was just too expensive, we could not keep it going," he said. "We tried to add variety, now we have little or no variety.'

Also, Superintendent Alan McCartney noted that the district will soon have no spare buses.

"Three buses have been taken off the road, and two more will fail the next inspection," said McCartney, attributing the problem in part to an exceptionally hard winter in a time of very tight budgets.

Visions of spring



Joshua Marks, Billy Tesch and Aniela Lupin enjoy a terrarium-making workshop at the Voorheesville Public Library School's Out program. Hugh Hewitt

BC students support teacher's tenure

More than two dozen Bethlehem Central middle and high school students attended last week's school board meeting to voice support for Patricia Dumont, their Russian teacher and the

She's not just a teacher, she's a friend who handles students individually.

Meg Stevens

district's supervisor of second languages.

"She's not just a teacher, she's a friend who handles students

individually," said freshman Meg

Dumont came to BC last year with a doctorate and almost 30 years teaching experience. Dumont is up for tenure this year, and Stevens said she had heard that Dumont "is in danger of losing her job."

Senior Sara Nathan told the board Dumont had "made a difficult language (Russian) easy. I want others to have the opportunity to have her."

A sixth-grade parent commented that he did not know Dumont, but does "know the face of a child who has been challenged by a teacher. To eliminate her position and Russian classes would be a grave injustice."

Senior Jamie Lyman said that, beside being a "great Russian teacher," Dumont helped her find an appropriate Spanish class at the University of Albany after Lyman had reached the "ending point" of what BCHS could offer.

Superintendent Leslie Loomis said that "the district has not made a decision" on whether to grant Dumont tenure. Such a decision would be made by "early spring," he added.

The district's two-year-old Russian program is "definitely in the budget for next year," Loomis noted.

Dev Tobin

RCS board sets forum

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District Board of Education will host a public forum session on Monday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School, Route 9W, Ravena.

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Casa Mia owners give eatery new look

By Dev Tobin

"A nice family restaurant with good food at reasonable prices" is how Ruzdija "Ray" Cecunjanim describes his new Casa Mia restaurant on Route 9W in Glenmont.

The new restaurant is in a venerable location, once a 19thcentury stagecoach stop and inn (the "Wm. A. Haswell Hotel." according to the 1854 Gould map of Bethlehem), and for many years in this century, the Center Inn, . run by the late Art Fleahman.

The building looks the same from the outside, but inside the downstairs dining room and bar area has been completely refurbished.

"People come in and say, This is really different," he said.

The food is also different, as the new restaurant features homemade, prepared-to-order Italian cuisine, with a focus on fresh seafood, Cecunjanim said.

. Highlights of the dinner menu: include hot antipasto (with clams casino, stuffed mushrooms, mussels, shrimp and fried mozzarella), shrimp fra diavolo, seafood combination, veal saltimbocca alla romana, veal caprice, chicken alla Luigi and chicken contadina.

Cecunjanim said that, aside from the top-quality food, the atmosphere and service of Casa Mia set it apart from other family restaurants in the area.

"We have cloth tablecloths and napkins and a professional service staff; it's two different worlds."



Jackie O'Connell and her daughter Kerry, both of Glenmont, enjoy lunch Saturday at Casa Mia. Dev Tobin

he said.

From a large Bosnian family of restaurateurs, Cecunjamin worked in family eaterys in Canajoharie, Montgomery County, and Connecticut before opening Casa Mia about eight weeks ago.

"I liked the area," he explained. "It's a beautiful place to live - not in the city, but not too far from the

This year, Cecunjanim said he hopes to complete refurbishing

the upstairs banquet rooms, which would allow the facility to handle events for up to 250 people. The two downstairs dining rooms, also; available for banquets, can accommodate about 150 and 40 people.

Betty Fleahman, Art's widow, stopped in to Casa Mia and said the Cecunjanim family had done "a very nice job. I wish them well."

Casa Mia is open for lunch and dinner seven days a week, Monday to Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m.

There is a happy hour week-: days from 4 to 6 p.m. featuring free appetizers, and a piano player on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Items from the lunch and dinner menus are also available for take-out. For information or reservations, call 463-4331.

Learn to take action on finance issues

"Take Action," a financial seminar for people over 50, is planned for Monday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avc., Delmar.

Insurance professionals from Mutual of New York will guide participants through the process oflong-term care insurance, needs analysis, risk and personal goals. An attorney will discuss estate planning and answer questions.

For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Delmar tennis club to host fitness nights

Friday nights will be tennis and fitness nights for area teenagers at Southwood Tennis Club in Delmar. From 8 to 9:30 p.m. on selected evenings between February and April, the Delmar Tennis Academy will offer a program of round-robin tennis and a fitness center workout.

Cost is \$12 per evening. Beginner to varsity players ages 11 to 18 are welcome. To sign up, contact Linda Burtis at 427-1134.

Israel slide show slated for Feb. 28

Pastor Ken Latal will present a slide-illustrated-talk entitled "Israel: The Land of Our Lord of Life" at the Lord of Life Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grange Hall, Route 396, Becker's Corner's.

The program is slated for Monday, Feb. 28, at 6:30 p.m.

Highlights of the presentation will include visits to key locations in the life of Jesus Christ.

For information, contact Pas-

Parents form group advocating excellence

A new group has formed to promote excellence for all students in Bethlehem schools.

More than 150 families have joined together in a group called Parents for Excellence. The group is now seeking new members throughout the community and is holding a membership meeting on Sunday, March 13, at 7 p.m. in the town hall auditorium on 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmår.

The group has adopted a mission statement "to encourage and support the pursuit of excellence and quality for all students" in the district.

Officers of the new group are Kevin McCarthy, president; Gail Sacco, vice president; and Jim Schwab, treasurer.

"Bethlehem schools have a tradition of excellence that continues today," said McCarthy, "Parents for Excellence will work with the school board, the administrators, teachers and others in the community to reinforce and build on that tradition.".

Members of the group originally met in recent months because of concern over the future of the Challenge program in the elementary schools and similar programs in the middle school.

While those programs continue to be a major concern, McCarthy said the group will address quality education and high standards for all students. Currently, there are

six committees working on a number of issues to promote excellence in the schools.

For information about the group, call Bob Ward at 439-2272. tor Wayne Moritz at 235-1298.

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Aatters of Opinion

A plethora of potential planners

Bethlehem's citizenry has done itself proud once again and in an unpredictable

Forty-six residents, having heard of vacancies on the town's Planning Board, sent in their names and credentials as prospective appointees to the board.

That is an unprecedented number, so large that it serves two excellent auxiliary functions: To create a pool of persons now known to be interested in public service; and to suggest that, given the opportunity, other capable individuals may aspire to elective offices, regardless of party affiliation or even the perception that only a well-connected person can hope to run. As today's Spotlight news columns report, Supervisor Sheila Fuller has made a pair of recommendations to the Town Board for these appointments." Disappointingly, only five of the forty-six were women—a statistic surely with mean town's Supervisor, and another member ing of its own.

Editorials

names is the more surprising because the Planning Board's members consistently have challenging assignments that require long hours of diligent and painstaking scrutiny and informed judgment.

The Planning Board's responsibility is an important one for the town and for everyone who lives here. Accordingly, its duties take on a particular significance for each of the seven members. And, because not all residents are going to agree with every decision, membership obligates a good degree of intellectual sturdiness as well as integrity.

The Planning Board seems to encourage further involvement. In the recent past, a former chairman moved on to become the ng of its own.

Let homobic of their gravity went on to become an Albany County legislathe gratifying number who sent in theirs tor.

Calling that third strike and a way when desegregation was the burning is in concept, once put into actual practice. The

thy any other politicians are not to two through aging population at the second standard and the second property in the second s

Today, when the crime wave is the burning issue everywhere, politicians all the way borderline crimes would be incarcerated. up to the Governor of New York and the Complications seem endless, including the President of the United States are seizing likelihood that juries would be less inclined bumper-sticker positions intended to make to convict. Criminals with nothing to lose them invulnerable to anyone else's dema, might be ready to kill an arresting officer goguery on the subject.

Avariety of pathetically wrong-headed nostrums are heard. Some make a certain degree 211 True, a person with a couple of felony con of sense, such as sound means of financing wictions has already stamped himself (or Moynihan's proposals on limiting the ammune urges the community needs to be properly

three felony convictions is a nightmarish tion.

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> Too often, people convicted of so-called rather than be taken in The principle of alternative sentencing in the hope of rehabilitation would be out the window.

better, policing in cities, and Senator, herself) as an undesirable citizen from whose "sean blood do not protected. But throwing the book af every But the "three strikes" device of permassingle person with three convictions (regardnently locking up anyone and everyone after less of circumstances) is not a suitable solu-

A boulevard of broken dreams?

through much of Delaware Avenue's busiest Road residents section before being able to make the turnoff Meanwhile, some timely attention to the mize much of the presumed benefit of an Delmar to Slingerlands would be useful.

We find a couple of problems in the appar- alternate route between the villages. And. ent readiness to consider cutting a new road contrariwise, the road necessarily would be from Delaware Avenue, by way of Groesbeck a two-way deal, funneling new traffic to and Place, to New Scotland Road (or Cherry from Slingerlands and outlying areas right Avenue Extension) no use to the countries and store into the Delaware Avenue maze. This is apart Outbound traffic would have traveled from impact on Groesbeck and McCormack

toward Slingerlands. This seems to mini- sadly deteriorated Kenwood Avenue from

What is a drunk driver?

touching innocence of four-year-old Stephe-nie survived are occurring every day. Every nie—who had just endured the terror cre- issue of *The Spotlight* records the arrests ated by one so accused (see today's "Point of that local police make of drivers who are view). And it is a question that even now puzzles almost everyone.

No one whose experience is beyond that of a four-year-old can claim ignorance of the proposition that "gasoline and alcohol don't mix"—a catchy way of stating that the drug diminishes any individual's ability to respond efficiently to the emergencies that an engine fed by a combustible fuel can bring about without warning.

That query was expressed with all the "And yet "accidents" such as the one Stepheiortunate enough to be nabbed before their inevitable "accident." Undoubtedly, many, many others, risking avoidance of the law and fate, take that "one more chance."

> To a degree, then, the "who" can become known. Stephenie's "what" and the "why" are another matter. The answer must be found in the small, still voice known as the conscience.

Environmentalists' zeal seals their own fate

Editor, The Spotlight:

Environmental groups are trying hard to explain why their membership numbers are slipping. According to Greenwire, a daily executive briefing on the environment, the decline could be attributed to a sluggish economy. They also think that increasing competition among environmental groups for a limited membership base could be a possible reason for the loss of members.

I think that environmental zealots are off the mark—and they know it. The membership of environmental activist organizations, like the Sierra Club and the Nabecause of the very environmental shift in weather. stances they are advocating. Eve-

Vox Pop

ryday Americans are fed up with the wacky positions, misinformation, and rhetoric being peddled by the so-called environmental community.

Take the weather, for instance: People realize that global warming is probably a hoax. The world's weather patterns are run in cycles. It just so happens we're in a year of colder-than-normal temperatures. Next to the forces of nature (volcanoes, hurricanes), the forces of man are minuscule. Outside of an all-out nuclear war, it's unlikely tional Audubon Society, are down we could do much to cause a global

Park and walk safely -a few suggestions

Editor, The Spotlight:

conditions in the town usually only , teach such things anymore. refer to high speeds." Other ways to improve safety include some Elsmere of quagrantic "old-fashioned ideas" such as:

street, as rear reflectors are more wins driver's thanks easily seen than those on the front Editor, The Spotlight: 535 ATEC of a car. Cars are designed this road, you are on the wrong side of to an unknown Good Samaritan. way. And on the left side of the

2 - Don't park under "Stop" signs—park at least ten feet away.

parked on the other side of narrow streets. It blocks movement, particularly near intersections, such as on Salisbury Road and Delaware Avenue.

4-Teach adults and children to suggestion as well. walk toward traffic (so they can walks. People should not walk in groups covering the whole half of the road. Kids walk with backs to bless you! traffic, and jump and dance out into the road while talking with the mean friends. 😕 👵 😘 😘 🕬

These were things twas taught Recent concerns about traffic, as I grew up. I guess they don't

1 - Park on the right side of the * A jogging samaritan

This is a belated "Thank you" the law and stored stored specially in December on my way to evening church service nL hit a deer on Delaware Avenue near Town Hall. Anice lady jogger came (I believe another legal issue.) [along and offered to run back to 3 - Don't park opposite a car the police station to report my accident and set to the seed accident and seed to seed a seed to seed a seed to seed a seed to seed to

me, but in my shock and distress I never got her name. Now I'd like to offer my sincere thanks, and a

· In today's violent society, my see a car coming) or use side friend, you should not jog alone at night. I pray you will find a "buddy" joggerto enjoy your company. God

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Your Opinion Matters

When the coffee's old and weak

That cute story in last week's Spotlight "Our Pets" special section about Irish wolfhounds took "F me back some seven decades and to a favorite anecdote in the family throughout that time.

With three youngsters, includ- Uncle Dudley ing a toddling baby, to tend to, my mother favored the respite of a been able to teach them to write. brief afternoon nap. On a summer afternoon she awoke from her slumber in a second-floor bedroom to find a face looking into hers. It was the inquiring face of an Irish wolfhound. (As Sue Graves's story last week mentioned, the breed often is as large were absolutely fantastic. We as a pony.) Roddy had strayed away from a neighbor's house down the street and made himself at home through a door left ajar. He didn't mean to be startlingbut he was.

Most people are tolerant of dogs-in their place, that is. There are, certainly, varying degrees of enthusiasm among the aficionados of dogdom. Some are extreme cases. The enthusiasm of some admittedly, is greater at a far remove and tends to wane when some pooch with muddy paws jumps up in a warm greeting.

To a degree, I think that perhaps the word I chose in that paragraph ought to be aficionadas, instead. I have in mind, for example, a note that a lady named Debbye wrote inside a card that featured a cartoon of three dogs saying "Thanks."

Her note went something like

"Fred and Harry asked me to send you this 'Thank You.' They are brilliant dogs but I haven't

They did, however, dictate to me."

(At this point I should explain that the thanksgiving is for several tennis balls sent to Fred and Harry via Debbye.)

"Arf, arf, arf, Those tennis balls played with them (well, not all of them). Our momthrows them and we bring them back. It's a little silly; we don't know why she doesn't just hold on to them. The exercise is great-warms us up and keeps us trim and healthy. Like when humans play tennis. Next time you come to visit, you can play with us too. Thanks again. Love—The Arf Brothers.'

Here at home, Valentine's Day was brightened by the arrival of a pretty card for Gordie (whom readers of this column may remember from previous reports) from his "Aunt Alice," who happens to be a neighbor; her title is honorary. Folded inside was a personal letter, in free verse form, also from Aunt Alice.

The Valentine verse included these thoughts (some expurgation has taken place):

"It was good to get your Christmas card and to read about you . .

. I'm glad that you are upstairs where you can dream about leading Daisy into the thicket. I'm also glad that she's downstairs, where she can't chase you and laugh when you fall because you can't see or run and jump like her.

"Once I saw a sign in a restaurant that read: 'Don't make fun of our coffee. You may be old and weak yourself some day."

Gordie, whose hearing is suspect but probably better than his eyesight, heard the friendly remembrance read aloud, and again. Daisy, after seventeen months still a puppy at heart, has taken over the responsibility of defending not only the household but the neighborhood against threatening trash cans at the curb, strange cars in neighboring driveways, the wind, the moon, passing planes and, certainly, dog-walkers. To say nothing of deliverymen (including the paper's arrival at 6:30), Christmas decorations, and errant squirrels or passing deer. Her instincts are those of a terrier, which (like Gordie) she is.

Each of them, in highly individual ways, enlivens and enriches the house and its other occupants. I figured the other day that for the past twenty-three years (except for a single two-month break) there've been either one or two canine types sharing our space. Even at their most pesky (occasionally), it's always our pleasure.

'What's a drunk driver?' a four-year-old asks

The contributor of this Point of View, a resident of Feura Bush, reports regularly for The Spotlight on news from Selkirk and South ्री है जिस्सा कर है। जन्म की खेल Bethlehem.

By Michele Bintz

On Saturday, Feb. 5, my family became a national statistic. It's serious enough as it is—but it almost became a cata-strophic entry in the so-called Point of View "vital statistics."

That evening, my husband John and our two daughters-Jackie, eight years old, and Stephenie, who is four—were on their way to a "fun evening out.". It what the state of the sta

About three miles from our home in the second Feura Bush, driving on Lower Flat Rock Road—a pretty little country road that wiggles and winds its way along the Onesquethaw Creek— their 1986 Jeep collided head-on with another vehicle. A man identified as its driver later was arrested for driving while intoxicated as well as on some other charges.

We had thought it would be a fun-filled evening for my husband and our daughters at the Clarksville firehouse "Family Night." (John, by the way, had just returned from a week-long business trip of some 800 miles around western New York.) I was staying home with Jonathan, our year-old munchkin.

What it turned out to be was an alarming, frightful adventure,

John and the girls have been gone almost two hours. The phone

It is a call from the firehouse. The voice is familiar. "Everyone's all right, but we just got here. We were hit head-on by another

"John! Is this you?"

"It's me. There was nothing I could do to avoid it."

"And everyone's ok?" I can't believe this!

"I thought it was a crazy snowmobiler cruising the center of the road. But it was a drunk."

"Were you all buckled in?"

"Of course! Stephenie did bang her head on the door, and she was pretty scared when the EMTs held her in traction until they could determine how much she may have been hurt. She's fine.'

"And Jackie? And you?"

"Really, we're all right. The Onesquethaw ambulance came, the sheriff's men came. But that driver left his car on foot! They did find him. After the EMTs checked us out, we came on here.

Could I be hearing this correctly? My family hit head-on by a drunk driver who tiptoed off into the night to hide in the bushes?

"The Jeep's banged up, but it can be driven, so we'll be home in a little while."

It seems miraculous: a crash of that kind, the vehicle drivable and my three precious ones not even needing Emergency Room attention. To be on the safe side, I call our doctor, David Krischer, in Delmar, and he's ready if needed.

But the EMTs' evaluation stands up. I might add that John, a veteran firefighter, has driven the ambulance himself on occasion. When he reached the firehouse, people thought he was there in that role.

Finally, a wave of relief; because they were buckled up, no serious injuries. Thank goodness! It easily could have been much worse. Instead of being home with Jonathan, I might have been on my way to a hospital or worse. I don't want even to think about it.

Half an hour after the call, my family arrives home, as happy to be there as I am tearfully glad to welcome them.

At last-bathed, teeth brushed, tucked in, prayers said-Jackie, near tears, is able to say, "Mommy, I was so scared, and angry, and sad at the same time. Why would that man drive a car drunk? He could have killed us!"

Digesting design the 'AD' way

You may be one of the devo- at some fascinating aspects of the folding as a result of "a new gentees of "Architectural Digest," for world of magazine editing and several hundred thousand people publishing. Here are some of the are; or perhaps you're just curious about it. An inside view of how it got where it is today and why its editor is called "the 2,000-pound gorilla of interior design," is provided in the Feb. 21 issue of "New York" magazine.

Primarily the extensive article tells the personal story of a girl named Patricia, who grew up in an impoverished family in Iowa, ran away from home at 15 to become a movie usher, changed her name to Paige and subsequently became Paige Rense (she twice married Mr. Rense, her third husband)—but more importantly took over a struggling home magazine and converted it—in her own style—to become the last word in design and decor.

It was only last year that S.I. Newhouse bought "Architectural Digest" (and its sister publication, "Bon Appetit") for his Conde Nast stable. And the day he acquired more than unusually attractive for AD he killed his own venerable and well-regarded magazine that had been a worthy competitor: "HG," or as it had been known for most of its existence, "House and Garden. "

Readers will find in this article, "The Only Dame in Town," not only a gossipy study of Paige

better quotes:

Constant Reader

"The 'celebrity home' feature . became an AD trademark. Some in the design world professed to find such voyeurism tacky." One designer (now out of Ms. Rense's favor) says that she is 'attracted to celebrities like filings to a magnet. 'Architectural Digest' started off as a design magazine, but now it has more to do with display. It's the printed equivalent of Robin Leach." The editor puts it this way: "We all like to see how people live, and if it's someone we know of, someone who seems a part of our history, it's more interesting '

This issue of "New York" is readers beyond the metropolitan area. The name of Shea & Gould is widely recognized—a law firm that is "a bare knuckle winner at the blood sports fought in courtrooms, political clubhouses, and interest meets private gain."

Rense, but also a good look union of blarney and chutzpah" is bitter struggle on the issue.

eration of partners battling over money, power, and control of the 230-lawyer firm, which earned \$85 million in revenues last year and \$19 million in profit."

What happened, and how and why, makes for a fascinating story (assuming that these "inside" views are accurate). Even if you know or care nothing about the law, especially big-time law firms, you are likely to find interest in a study of how certain people manipulate others-and how ultimately disastrous the result may become.

A third major piece (in fact, the 'cover story" of the issue) deals with a keen legal matter—a recent New York law on confidentiality which makes it unlawful to identify HIV-carriers. When applied to newborn babies with this affliction, the outcome is to delay appropriate treatment for them during a time when measures might forestall the terrible deterioration into full-blown AIDS.

The confidentiality law, in this respect, "is now under siege, opening a painful new front in the political struggle over AIDS. This spring, the Legislature will debate a bill that would lift the confidentiality for newborns and, in effect. boardrooms where the public for the mothers who transmitted the disease." Sharp differences of Now this "proud Irish-Jewish opinion are said to foreshadow a

☐ DRIVER/page 8

Matters of Opinion

Davies fires at Co-gen, Kaplowitz and town

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am irritated by a recent Spotlight article on the remuneration received by Bernard Kaplowitz, as attorney for Bethlehem IDA for the Selkirk Co-gen project.

There is a serious conflict of interest that was not addressed in that article. Mr. Kaplowitz wears three hats in Bethlehem-he is the attorney for the Town of Bethlehem, he is chairman of the Republican party and he is the Bethlehem IDA attorney. Loyalty to three different groups is certainly not in the spirit of good government, nor is it in the spirit of the new IDA law which is trying to root out exactly this sort of conflict of interest.

Also, the Spotlight article perpetuated a myth about just who is paying for the town's new \$10 million Hudson River water treatment plant. The article reported that Selkirk Co-gen will pay for the bulk of the plant. This is not

Using current water rents and water property-tax rates, I calculate that an average Bethlehem couple pays \$2.67 for 1,000 gallons of water. Co-gen, under the negotiated 10 year contract, pays considerably less-only \$1.79 for 1,000 gallons of water!

Town officials have not been forthcoming about these numbers. I made a Freedom of Information request at Town Hall and the only data provided me was a copy of the Co-gen contract, three uninformative pages from the '92-'93 water budget, and revenues and expenditures from 1980 through the year 2020.

Sherwood Davies

Delmar

In the Feb. 16 letter from Donna Raffaele and Nancy Phelan thanking contributors to the Tri-Village Nursery School fund-raising event, the name of CVS was inadvertently

Driver

(from page 7)

Stephenie jumps right in: "Yeah, Mom, and that man who hit us was a drunk driver. What's a drunk driver, Mom?"

Now we have to go through the hassle of getting the Jeep fixedthe estimates, the insurance, appraisers. (The damage is set at three thousand dollars.) I hope that driver was insured ... lawyers?

Statistics again: I remember reading that most accidents occur close to home.

In my head, I keep hearing that public-service announcement, over the environment, save the landfills, and over: "If you drink, don't drive. If you drive, don't drink."

We were lucky this time; even he was lucky this time.

But statistics really don't lie. It's just a matter of time before luck runs out, for someone.

Please, if you drink, don't drive. And if you drive, don't drink.

Doggerel composer doggedly writes on

Editor, The Spotlight:

I "hafta" tell you that "afta" you printed my limerick about Editor, The Spotlight: NAFTA, one person after another (total, two people) asked me when my next piece of doggerel would appear. Some of your more environmentally conscious readers will undoubtedly wonder how you can justify sacrificing the twig required for the paper on which to print things like:

The "PREZ" sought a good algorithm

For our problems, the world's along with 'em;

Then, one night as he slept,

Through his dream the "Veep"

With his own modest Al Gore brief hiatus. rhythm.

CDTA hears patrons, reinstates bus run

CDTA showed an admirable responsiveness to consumer needs in a recent schedule change.

The Delaware Avenue number 18 Fernbank route had been changed earlier in February, deleting the 8:30 a.m. bus from the schedule. This imposed a hardship on those riders who need to arrive at work by 9 o'clock, because the next bus on the Fernbank line is at 10:10.

After several calls to those in charge of customer service at CDTA, the 8:30 bus was put back on the schedule following only a

Those of us who are dependent Mauritz Johnson on the Fernbank line are most appreciative for this almost imme-

diate response on the part of CDTA. Meanwhile, I urgeall those who live near Fernbank Avenue to give the bus a try if you haven't already done so. The bus is timeefficient, fuel-efficient, and avoids parking tickets!

The best way to ensure continuation of efficient and available public transportation for Delmar is to promote users of that system. In short, we must "use it or lose

Marion E. Harwick

Elsmere

Slingerlands calendar drive is successful

Editor, The Spotlight:

Just a short note to our neighbors to let you know we appreciate your contribution to our annual calendar drive. We know just how tight things are these days, but our fund-raiser was still a success due to your generosity. We hope to see you at the After-Easter egg hunt in April. We "DARE" you to "Keep Kids Off Drugs," we hope your smoke detectors are in working order with new batteries, and we thank

> Walter W. Eck Jr. Chief Walter W. Eck President

New Scotland's trash depot held 'too small'

Editor, The Spotlight:

Delmar

As I approach the little shack behind New Scotland Town Hall, I am filled with the usual monthly dread. What will I find when I open the doors? Will intact boxes come crashing down on my head, or will piles of magazines come tumbling out? This month was different; the shack was fairly clean, but, alas, the door would open only a little, because the ground had heaved in the cold.

We are trying to recycle to save and perhaps to do what is right.

To the people of New Scotland: This is like what we learned in school-neatness counts. Break down those boxes, and put the recyclables in their proper bins. Voorheesville

Consider your friends and neighbors who have to come to the shack after you.

To the Town of New Scotland: Has it occurred to you that the shack is too small to handle the needs of the town's people? By the third day after the shack is emptied (when it actually is), the piles are to the ceiling. The cardboard containers are full, and the place is a mess. If you want us to help you, please help us do the

This is a community effort. If we all work together, it will be easier for all of us.

Lawrence H. Flesh, M.D.

Zeal

(from page 6)

In some parts of the state, environmental activists are pushing for super dumps to store solid waste. Yet science tells us that landfills are the least preferred way of handling solid waste.

And what about the damage that environmental proponents did to apple growers a couple of years ago? The "alar scare" cost apple growers well over a hundred million dollars. The product was deemed safe by science. However, some in the media led a crusade for its demise-a crusade that left the public unnecessarily skeptical of their food supply.

I'm sure economics does play a part in the decision whether or not one joins an environmental group. However, I still think the biggestreason is that many people simply don't agree with the positions. People believe that facts far outweigh panic-driven emotion. They firmly believe that fiction belongs in a novel or comic booknot on the front page of the newspaper. Americans are finally examining the positions of environmental activists-and they don't like what they're finding out.

Mark F. Emery New York Farm Bureau Glenmont

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Birthday bash



Kevin Eames, left, and Michael Labate are intrigued by the fine art of cupcake decorating at the Bethlehem Public Library's Birthday Bash.

HughHewitt

Lecture series to begin

Professor Paul Wallace, chair of the department of classics at the University at Albany, will present a four-part series of illustrated lecture-discussions entitled, "The Bible in Art: Painting, Sculpture, Mosaic," at the Presbyterian Church in New Scotland on 2010 New Scotland Road.

The series will begin on Tuesday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. and continue weekly at the same time on March 15, 22 and 29. All are welcome, and admission is free.

The hour-long sessions will consider notable ancient and modern works of art which attempt to capture visually Biblical stories from both Old and New Testaments.

Wallace will focus on the variety of ways in which artists through the ages have interpreted scenes and passages from the Bible.

Professor Wallace's primary interests combine archaeology and ancient Greek and Latin literature. Since 1966, he has taken a leading role in the exploration and study of ancient sites in



Greece, Turkey and especially Cyprus, where he has directed diggings at Polis and other loca-

In 1982, with colleagues from anthropology, classics and physics, he established an Institute of Archaeological Studies at SUNY-Albany.

Among his publications, "Seven Cities of the Apocalypse" (Nicosia, Cyprus: 1986), will have particular interest for those who expect to attend his lecture series.

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Snuggle up at library event

The Ravena Free Library on 106 Main St. has scheduled two story hours during mid-winter school break titled "Three Wonderful Ways to Stay Warm.'

Families are invited to attend the story hours today, Feb. 23, at 1:30 p.m. or on Thursday, Feb. 24, at 10:30 a.m. The library has also added new playthings for young children. And the library's video collection now includes "Barney" concerts.

For information, call 756-2053.

Roast beef supper set

The Bethlehem Grange at Beckers Corners in Selkirk will serve a roast beef supper on Saturday, March 5, from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children to age 12. Children under age 5 eat for free. A "this 'n thats" craft table and bake sale is also planned.

For information, call 767-2770.

RCS board of ed slates open forum

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk board of education will hold an ʻopen forum" on Monday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the middle school.

Open forums are scheduled twice a year, and provide an opportunity for residents to express concerns or to comment on school issues. Questions requiring specific information should be submitted in writing to the board office at 26 Thatcher St., Selkirk

For information, call 767-2513.

Leadership teams schedule meetings

RCS Building Leadership

NEWS NOTES Selkirk South Bethlehem Michele Bintz 439-3167



Teams will meet at Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary on Tuesday, March 1, at 3:30 p.m. and the senior high on Wednesday, March 2, at 2 p.m.

REACH meeting set

The RCS REACH Parents Support Group and kindergarten through eighth-grade guidance department will meet on Tuesday. March 1, at 7 p.m.

For information, call 756-8013.

RCS orientation set for eighth-graders

An eighth grade orientation for parents and students of next year's ninth-graders will be held Wednesday, March 2, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the senior high school. High school and middle school principals will review programs being implemented to ensure a smooth transition.

Guidance department faculty will outline various academic courses and extracurricular activities. The director of pupil services will be available to answer special education program questions.

For information, call 756-2155.

Friday suppers continue. at Methodist church

The South Bethlehem United Methodist Church on Willowbrook Avenue will serve its Friday, Feb. 25, supper special of "baked ham" from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Other menu items are available in addition to the \$4 supper specials.

For information, call 767-9953.

Locals to take part in area garden show

A local business owner and three representatives of the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County will conduct lectures and demonstrations as part of the 1994 Capital District Garden and Flower Show set to take place from Friday, March 11, through Saturday, March 13.

The annual show, which benefits Wildwood Programs, will be held at the Knickerbocker Arena in Albany.

Among those participating will be Lou DeBour, president of American Pond and Watergarden Co., John Mishanec, regional integrated pest management specialist with the cooperative extension, David Diligent, the extension's environmental issues agent, and Margaret Inderhees, the extension's master gardener and composter.

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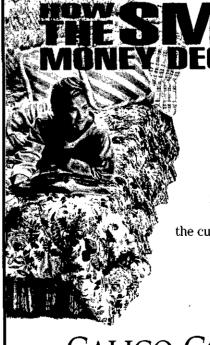


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Vanderbilt matriarch raised in Cedar Hill

By Allison P. Bennett

Vanderbilt — the name.immediately conjures up images of opulence and the pursuit of luxury and elegance by a large family that has been at the forefront of the American social scene from the 1880s to the present.

What put the family on society's "400 Social Register" was the common denominator of a vast fortune. The energy and talent for making money by the founder and some of his descendants extended through the industrial revolution in America and propelled the family into the world of big money that was amassed long before income, estate and other taxes bit into their fortunes.

Important and nationally known as this family was, a simple and dignified young woman, Maria Louisa Kissam, who grew up in the Albany County hamlet of Cedar Hill, was to become part of the American dynasty of wealth and power.

This girl, in her secluded youth, never would have dreamed that she would be the mother of future heirs and heiresses to one of America's greatest fortunes and the wife and mother of financial tycoons and social scions.

The Vanderbilt family has been in America for almost 400 years. The first of the family to reach these shores was Jan Aertsen van der Bildt, who emigrated from the village of De Bildt in Holland to the Dutch colony of New Netherland in 1650.

He settled near Brooklyn, later moving to Staten Island, where the family wrested a living from their farm, as did their neighbors for 100 years.

It was not until 1810 that one enterprising young Vanderbilt, Cornelius, born in 1794, become disenchanted with farming, and



Maria Louisa Kissam Vanderbilt

borrowed some money from his mother to buy a small boat and began to ferry passengers from Staten Island to the Battery on Manhattan.

He became so successful that within a few years he branched out into schooner traffic and was sending his ships up and down the East Coast. Within a few years, he was one of the first to realize that the newer steamboats were superior to sailing vessels, and he soon had a fleet of these ships traversing the waters of the New York area, going up the Hudson, and east over Long Island Sound to Boston.

When news of the discovery of gold in California reached New York, Vanderbilt got on the bandwagon by taking steamboat passengers with gold rush fever down to Nicaragua in Central America, where they were transported overland to a port that he had built on the Pacific shore. Here they took a ship for California and the gold fields.

By the time Cornelius Vanderbilt was 40, he owned a fleet of more than 100 stseamboats and was worth several million dollars.

The title of Commodore had fallen quite naturally upon his shoulders and stuck with him

forevermore. Through the machinations of his shipping interests, he was fast becoming one of the richest men in the country.

When he was 70, he sold his steamship interests and put the proceeds into railroads, which he clearly saw as the steamboats competitor. History has written much about his consolidation of many small railroad lines into the one great New York Central line, that made him the undisputed leader of the rail empire in the 19th century.

At his death in 1877, at the age of 83, his fortune of \$100 million was the largest ever left by an American. Thus was laid the foundation of a family fortune that would be carried on by the next generation of Vanderbilts and extended in the main by his son, William Henry Vanderbilt (1821-1885).

The Commodore and his wife, Sophia, had 10 children. Of his two sons, William Henry was his favorite. The daughters would marry and no longer bear the Vanderbilt name, and his son, Cornelius Jr., was a rake, who had incurred his father's enduring wrath.

Only William Henry showed a certain amount of Dutch stolidity. and a trait of avariciousness that was unlike his father. However, William was approaching middle age before his father gave him any credence.

When William left school at the age of 18, his father placed him in a friend's New York office. He fully expected "Billy," as he always called him, to sit on an accountant's stool for the remainder of his life.

In 1841, William announced that he was getting married and felt that he could support a wife on his saiary of \$19 a week. The Commodore was disappointed

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that Billy had chosen a poor girl, Maria Louisa Kissam (1821-1896), the daughter of a Dutch Reformed Church clergyman.

Her father, Rev. Samuel Kissam, served the Reformed church at Bethlehem from 1817 to 1841, with various stints at neighboring Jerusalem and Coeymans. He served the church at Coeymans from 1843 to 1845, before retiring in Brooklyn.

Maria Louisa Kissam was married in the house at Cedar Hill, to William Henry Vanderbilt on Sept. 28, 1841. Even though Maria came from a modest background, she proved to be a settled, dignified and religious-minded young woman. The newlyweds moved to a modest house in lower Manhattan.

William found his boss, Daniel Drew, a man even harder to work for than his father, but he did a conscientious job. Within three years, Drew asked William to become a partner, but he refused, partly because he felt his health was suffering from the constant pressures of the counting house. The Commodore was disgusted that his son did not accept the position, but in 1842, he did purchase a worn-out farm on Staten Island for William and gave him an allowance of \$3000 per year.

William worked hard at farming and with his natural business acumen, he increased his fields to 350 acres within a few years, selling his hay, oats, potatoes and other vegetables on the New York market.

It was here at the Staten Island farm that his and Louisa's four sons and four daughters were born, between 1843 and 1862. The Commodore still did not see any promise in this son and never offered him any position within his emmpire.

But William became interested



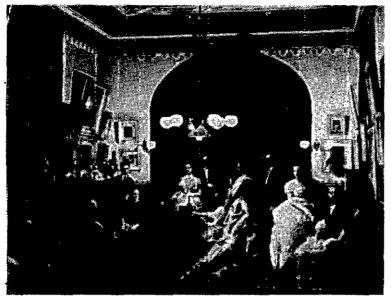
in the Staten Island railroad that was only 13 miles long and in poor financial condition. He purchased it and turned it into a profitable line by connecting it with the ferry terminal that ran boats to Manhattan.

Finally, the Commodore began to realize that he was growing old and as he looked at his sons, he had to concede that the only one who showed some promise of perpetuating the Vanderbilt financial dynasty was Billy. He proposed to make him a vice president of the Hudson and Harlem railroad, and he urged William and Maria to leave the farm on Staten Island. He bought them a home at 459 Fifth Ave. in New York City. Many of the duties of his father's railroad empire were then undertaken by William with such financial success that the Commodore finally appointed him a vice president of the New York Central. William H. Vanderbilt used patience, reason and moderation in his business dealings, as opposed to the guile, forcefulness and autocratic methods employed by his father.

It is interesting to note that William A. Kissam, Maria's brother, became a director of the New York and Hudson River railroad in 1867.

At the Commodore's death in January 1887, he charged Billy to "keep the money together and keep the Central our road." When his will was read, his children and grandchildren were amply provided for with trust funds and stocks. However, the last clause provided that the remainder of his real estate and property of every description was bequeathed to his son, William H. Vanderbilt. This remainder totaled about \$100 million dollars.

William was 56 when his father died and his years of apprenticeship now stood him in good stead to take over the greatest fortune in the United States. While he was called by some "a pessimist of a cheerful sort," he wanted to be thought of as a good fellow, and he tried hard to be democratic. However, he never lost his traits of being slow and methodical, but industrious, and unable to delegate many of the day-to-day decisions that fell to him. No doubt this contributed to his sudden demise only eight years after the



A portrait of the William H. Vanderbilt family by Seymour Guy. Photo courtesy of Biltmore Estate, Ashevville, N.C.

death of his father. William was assisted in the management of the Vanderbilt railroad empire by his two sons, Cornelius II and William Kissam. These two boys had been favorites of the Commodore and were well along with their careers.

Since money for the Vanderbilts was pouring into their coffers, the next generation decided it was time to spend some of it. In 1879, William and his two sons decided to build palatial houses on upper Fifth Avenue. Partly because so many other Vanderbilts choose to build their mansions there also, the street became known as the most elegant address in America. William, Maria Louisa, and their youngest child, George, resided in their new

house at 640 Fifth Ave. It was one of the most splendid ever seen in New York City, filled with art works, furniture and bric-a-brac purchased on William and Maria's frequent trips to Europe. Another adjoining house was constructed for two of the Vanderbilt daughters.

William Henry's income kept increasing because of his business acumen and wise investments, but he was not popular with many people and he often received hate letters and explosive devices in the mail. He and Maria had no aspirations to society and lived a quiet home life among their many relatives. However, the strains of his business ventures and the management of his vast fortune finally

wore him down. In 1885, while in conference with another executive, he dropped dead at the age of 64. While he had only outlived his father by eight years, he had more than doubled the fortune left to him by inheritance.

He had always said that he had no desire to burden one child with such a vast sum of money as he had been given the care of by his father. He disributed large legacies to his children. To his wife, Maria Louisa Kissam Vanderbilt he gave the house at 640 Fifth Ave., estimated to have cost \$3 million to build and furnish. She also received his large collection of French salon paintings, as well as an annual allowance of \$200,000 and an outright gift of \$500,000 to use in any way she choose.

It is said that she used much of it to assist her Kissam relatives.

Without question, all of William Henry's close relatives were made immensely rich. Although he had always been generous and loving with his children, inheritance spurred them all on to unparalleld spending in houses, jewels, yachts, and other luxuries, all of which has been well documented in countless books about the extragavant living practiced by the grandchildren of the Commodore.

While two of Maria Louisa's daughters lived in houses adjoining hers, her sons were but a few houses removed in the "Vanderbilt village" along Fifth Avenue. George (1862-1914) was particularly close to his mother. His three brothers were the businessmen of the family, but George was more of a delicate and refined intellect

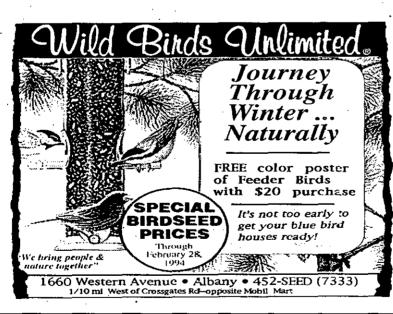
with a serious interest in art and literature. He was also more of a philanthropist.

George was 26 when his father died and with his inheritance he decided to build a country seat that would be in a totally different location from those of his relatives in Newportor the Berkshires. In the mid-1880s, he and his mother had visited Asheville, N.C., because of its mild winter climate. George was immediately struck with the location and began buying up land upon which to build his dream house, a vast estate that he named "Biltmore".

The story of this, the largest house in America, is also well documented in countless publications. Needless to say, Maria Louisa spent much time there with her son until her death in 1896. She died at the home of her daughter, Margaret Shepard at Scarborough, Westchester County, now the location of the Sleepy Hollow Country Club.

A special train of two cars brought her body back to New York City. The funeral was at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, "the Vanderbilt church," with burial in the family vault at Staten Island.

Maria Louisa's money was left mainly to her Kissam relatives in trust for sisters, nieces and nephews. The church received \$250,000, and her pew was left to her son, George, who resided with his mother when he was in New York. The book of life had closed for the parson's daughter who married into a vast fortune and became the matriarch of a famous American family.







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RCS names middle school honor pupils

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School recently announced pupils named to its high honor and honor rolls for the second quarter. Pupils on the high honor roll have a 10-week average of 90 percent or higher. Pupils on the honor roll have a 10-week average of 85 to 89 percent.

Fifth-grade high honor roll

Christine Anderson, Louis Bauer, Jessica Best, Jennifer Betancourt, Julie Biers, Erica Bliven, Chanda Brown-Bryant, Anthony Calabrese, Daniel Capron, Jeffrey Conrad, Rhiannon Cramer, Phillip Dennis, Bonnie Downes, Amy Felter, Alan Galgana, Carrie Griffin, Danielle Hall, Jared Lackie, Peter Lepera, Ryan Mahon and Sophia McKenney.

Also, Ryan Morse, Theresa O'Connor, Jessica Otis, Heather Parmelee, Kimberly Prior, Elizabeth Pulice, Thomas Reinisch, Justin Reuter, Carissa Rosato, Valerie Ryan, Ariel Schaible, Anthony Schipano, Amanda Shader, Stephanie Slingerland, Joshua Stumbaugh, Stephanie Sykes, Erin VanVorst, Andrew Willsey, Shana Wright, Alison Zaloga, April Zboray, Louis Zell and Amy Zurakowski.

Fifth-grade honor roll

Bridget Auclaire, Adam Barrios, Brian Bruce, Kirkley Cain,

Dale Childs, Matthew Deyo, Joseph Doherty, Chelsie Dumpierres, Samantha Eissing, Amy Gardner, Kristy Glastetter, Amy Gordon. Samantha Gurtler, Matthew Hotaling, Christopher Jones, Samuel Kapusta, Shawn Kross, Andrew LeBlancand Ashley Maki.

Also, Heather Martin, Diane McGurn, Abigail Moon, Crystal Nedeau, Sarah Nestlen, Christopher Nichols, Aimee Norton, Amanda O'Leary, Oscar Olmeda, Derek Parisi, Jessica Prior, Erin Rogers, Pritesh Shah, Edward Sill, David Smith, Carl Stewart, Nicole TeReile and Matthew Wyche.

Sixth-grade high honor roll

Lara Alicandro, Harold Babcock-Ellis, Anne Bailey, Kimberly Brown, Amanda Carrk. Aia Case, James Catalfamo, Denis Cheney, Tina Conners, Sarah Cross, Diane Currey, Sarah Drexler, Jaime Driscoll and Katerina Fagan.

Also, Jesse Felter, Beth Filkins, Kathleen Finnigan, Amanda Gager, Tracy Garcia, Megan Gorham, Jesse Haskell, Sean Haught, Stefanie Hostetter, Chelsea Keneston and Joseph Kol-

Also, Bethany Kriss, Caleb Kuhnmunch, James Latter, Jacob Lehmann, Jamie Lincoln, April Matott, Rachael Mattiske, Jolene McCullough, Kathryn McDonald, Michael McGraw, Colleen Moore, Laura Nicholson, Shannon O'Connor, Victoria O'Hanlon, Nathan Orsi, Maria Orsino and Bradford Palmer.

Also, Susan Pauly, Gabriel Perez-Sanchez, Samuel Pitts, Julia Pohlid, Siobhan Reardon, Nathan Seaburg, Allysa Sebert, Carrie Siy, Charles Stumpf, Matthew TeRiele, Robert Thompson, Cori Tice, Brandy VanDorn, Leia Weidman, Christopher Wickens, Catherine Wilsey, Anne Witbeck and Dustin Wolfe.

Sixth-grade honor roll

Orville Boehlke, Valerie Bonesteel, Akra Boomer, Dekon Boomer, Phillip Boyajian, Howard Cain, Christopher Calabrese, Rodney Carpentier, Theresa Carr, Matthew Clary, Danielle Connell, Thomas Connell, Anthony Demitraszek, Bridget Driver, Tiffany Eisgruber and Emily Figueroa.

Also, Heather Fitzgerald, Simon Foulger, Thomas Johnson, Steven Kapusta, Candace Keezer, Larry LeFavour, Melissa Mertz, Christopher Messenger, Tiffany Millious, Rebecca Moore, Matthew Mueller, Brandy Nolan, David Norkun, Joseph Payette, Ryan Perry, James Reilly and Danielle Relyea.

Also, Katrina Ross, Brandon Roth, Amber Ryan, Stacey Shields, Arika Slater, Jessica Snyder,

Caitlin Spoor, Katrina Springer, Justin Therrien, Brian Thomas, Karlie Vavrinek, Eric Wilhelm, Charles Williams, Kerrie Wilson and Danielle Zazycki.

Seventh-grade high honor roll

Debra Boissy, Matthew Collins, Crystal Conrad, Cara Davis, Heather Doyle, Melissa Eissing, Courtney Endres, Christina Fahrenkopf, Zachary Felter, Michael Fernald, Christopher Glassanos, Kristyn Gordon, Benjamin Hafensteiner and Racquel Hal-

Also, Michael Hamilton, Daniel Kowalski, Angela Marathakis, Benjamin Mazier, Nancy McClumpha, John McNeilly, Kara Mosher, Amy Napper, Richard Nestlen, Amy Nevins, Katie Orsino, Daniel Ostrander, Rebecca Ostrander, Sarah Pascale and Colleen Prior.

Also, Jason Reuter, Jarrod Rivituso, Gordon Ryan, Michael Sengenberger, Deborah Seufert, Samantha Skiff, Helen Tompkins, Christen Tower-Knapp, Shayla Townley, Laura Trombley, Anthony Tucker, Emily Whalen, Rebecca Whipple, Sabrina Wilson and Paul Yackel.

Seventh-grade honor roll

Jeffrey Andritz, Louis Barrios, Thomas Boehlke, Zachary Bohl, Oscar Boomer, Nicole Breen, Eric Brugeman, Minard Carkner, Anthony Celella, Erin Collins, Sal Cozzolino, LeeAnn Cross, Ian Cummings, Stephanie Dardani, Jennifer Distin, Ryan Doherty and Melissa Eng.



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Also, Timothy Nevinger, Christina Quinn, William Raup, Kevin Reinisch, Jeffrey Ross, Megan Ryerson, Michael Salisbury, Stephen Schmitt, Wilhelm Schoepp, Amanda Sickles, Tifney Sullivan, Lisa VonSchenk and Jamie Wagner.

Eighth-grade high honor roll

Adam Ayers, Megan Bailey, Shana Bender, Veronica Blendell, Courtney Connell, Donald Cross, Devon Davis, Krysta Domery, Mark Foulger, Sarah Gardner, Christopher Gnip, Elyse Griffin, Crystal Hotaling, Emily Janssen, and Melanie Jeune.

Also, Tammy Jordan, Emily Keenan, Maxsim Kolodiytchuk, Rachel Kriss, Timothy LeBlanc, Amy Maki, Rebecca Marshall, Nicholas Martin, Andrea Myers, Thomas O'Connor, Debra Percival, Melanie Relyea, Kathleen Roark, Lisa Thompson, Zachary Tice, Terry Turner and Meredith Wyche.

Eighth-grade honor roll

Judith Beachler, Monica Behuniak, Royalle Boomhower, Christopher Brown, Brent Dragon, Johnny Edick, Valerie Elston, Brianne Francolini, Jennifer Frese, Katie Gallogly and Justin Hausman.

Also, Kirstin Hoose, Sarah Houle, Jennifer Jones, Erin Kittle, Amanda Krzykowski, Anthony Lintner, Kenneth Marsh. Alicia McCool, Ryan Merritt, Amanda Moon, Daniel Morgan, Megan Mullarkey and Sarah Newton.

Also, Jessica Norton, Jessica Parker, Justin Parmelee, Ami Rivera, Eden Roe, Stephen Ross, Katie Seaburg, Brian Shear, Jason Silvano, Nicole Stott, Kevin Vandriel, Jose Vasquez, Rachel Wells and Holly Whitney.

'Home Alone' workshops set

A family education program called "Home and On Your Own Training" will be offered on Thursday, March 10, and Tuesday, March 15, at the First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, from 7 to 9

The workshops, sponsored by Bethlehem Networks Project, school's Out inc., Bethlenem Central schools and the Bethlehem Police Department, will help prepare fourth- and fifth-grade children and their parents for times when youngsters mustmanage on their own.

Participants can select one twohour session to attend. There is no cost. For information, call 439-



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Educators to conduct budget work session

The Voorheesville board of education will have a budget work session on Monday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High

For information, call the district office at 765-3313.

Artist to address historical association

The public is invited to the Town of New Scotland Historical Association meeting on Tuesday, March 1, at 8 p.m.

The guest speaker will be artist Len Tantillo, who will discuss "The Artist as Historian: A Painter's Vision of the Upper Hudson Val-

There will be a short business meeting prior to the program at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem.

For information, call 765-2071.

Fish fry dinners slated during Lent

The New Salem Fire Department will hold a fish fry dinner on Fridays during Lent. Dinners will be served on March 4, 18, and April 1 at the firehouse on Route 85A in New Salem.

Dinners are \$5.50 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and \$3 for children under 12.

The menu includes fish fries, french fries, coleslaw and a beverage. Clam chowder and dessert

The price of the fish fry only is \$2.50. For information, call 765-

Meeting for parents of kindergarteners set

An informational meeting for parents of children who will be enrolling in kindergarten in the

Voorheesville

Susan Casier

765-2144



Voorheesville school districtfor the 1994-95 school year will be on Thursday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the large gym at the elementary

Registration and the screening process will be discussed and current forms will be distrib-

Kindergarten teachers Anne Lennox and Judy Douglas will be available to answer questions. Appointments can be scheduled for the kindergarten screening process.

For information, call the school at 765-2382.

Continuing ed courses to begin in March

The Voorheesville Continuing Education Program still has openings in the spring courses at the high school.

To register or for information, call Jim Hladun, director, at 765-3314.

V'ville Scouts take to the ice

Voorheesville Girl Scouts met at the Albany County Hockey Training Facility on Monday, Feb. 21, to enjoy an hour of ice skating during mid-winter vacation.

The rink was made available for the sole purpose of the Scouts and their chaperones.

For information on Girl Scouting, call co-chairwomen Elaine Burns at 765-4898 or Barbara McKenna at 765-4846.



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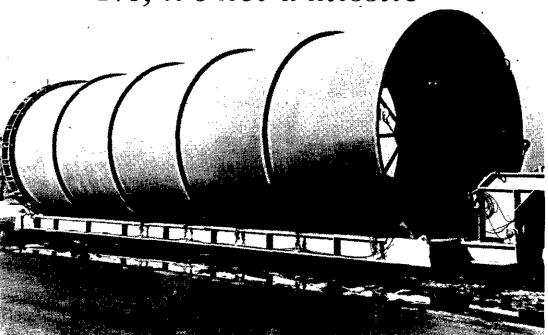
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Storyteller to weave tales on school break

Tale spinner Bill Cliff will be at the library today, Feb. 23, for a special vacation break program for school-age children.

The Winter Song and Story Fest at 2 p.m. will feature a sampling of folktales from Africa, India and Europe. The program will run approximately 50 minutes.

Memoir Writing sessions for

Voorheesville Public Library



all ages will be held in the community room Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon through April 2. No experience is necessary to participate. For information, call Susan Riback at 475-0151.

Job counseling is also still being offered with several openings available during March. For a complete listing of times, call the reference desk at 765-2791.

The one-on-one sessions are an hour long and are tailored to each individual's needs.

The Friends of the Library are already busy at work selling tickets for their annual fund-raiser, and this year the prize is unique.

The lucky winner will be treated to a romantic "bed and breakfast" overnight for two at the Appel Inn in Altamont. The evening will include a dinner provided by Elegant Touch Caterers, champagne courtesy of Voorheesville Liquors and a midnight snack basket from the Friends.

Tickets are only \$1 and can be purchased at the circulation desk or from any Friends member.

Another upcoming Friendssponsored event will be a gala reception on Saturday, March 5, in honor of an exhibit of work done by the Nimblefingers Needlework group and the Library Quilters.

The two groups have been stitching away and will be display unique examples of their crafts. Join us from 2 to 4 p.m. to see the results and have some goodies.

Christine Shields

Soup anyone?



Marian Jewell, a member of the Tawasentha NSDAR chapter, shows off a 19th century ironstone soup tureen at last weekend's antique show and sale at the Bethlehem High School. Proceeds went to the organization's school scholarship funds and citizenship medals. Based in Slingerlands, the chapter is looking for new members from the community, so that the Society's traditions can be carried on.

Hugh Hewitt

Bethlehem Learning Institute offers daytime arts courses

The Bethlehem Humanities Institute of Lifelong Learning will offer three daytime courses beginning in mid-March. Each sixweek course will be taught by a University at Albany professor.

Professor Warren Roberts will be the instructor for "Art as History." The course will meet Tuesdays from 10 a.m to noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

Professor, Richard Goldman will teach "Classics of Short Fiction" on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon at the town hall.

"Musical Conversations: Beethoven and Romanticism" will be taught by Professor Max Lifschitz on Thursdays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Central High School.

Cost per course is \$25 for town residents and \$32 for non-residents.

For information, contact Dr. Judy Wooster at 439-3102.

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Starting Monday, Feb. 28, and ending Friday, March 18, the Town of Bethlehem will have a rolloff in the front parking lot of the town hall for the old directories. Plastic bags or wet directories should not be placed in the bin. (It is imperative that the books be dry.)

NYNEX is also accepting directories for recycling at Grand Union markets. Both the Elsmere and Glenmont Grand Unions will be participating in this program.

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has been hired by NYNEX to recycle the paper from the directories

Bethlehem recycled more than seven tons of telephone directories last March and more than 10 tons all year.

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Can that amount be topped this year? Please include multiple listing books too.

If you use the Transfer Station at Rupert Road, there will be a place to set aside the telephone directories for recycling.

Outdated hardcover textbooks can also be recycled at Rupert Road. No metallic-edged books are acceptable, and the paper should be quality white paper not soft and brown in color. There is a \$1 charge for recycling only, and vehicles that come to Rupert Road must have a permit.

American Legion sets sports sign-ups

Blanchard Post American Legion community sports sign-ups will be held on Tuesday, March 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the post on Poplar Drive in Delmar.

Prospective players should contact Ron DiAmbrosi at 439-6616.

V'ville skaters take home medals

Figure skaters Karla and Nikki Schallehn of Voorheesville took home gold, silver and bronze medals at the 25th annual ISIA skating competition held in Lake Placid from Jan. 21 through 23.

Karla, 9, won second place medals in the Freestyle 3 Division and stroking category, and third place in the elements category.

Nikki, 14, captured the gold in the Freestyle 4 Division, and took home bronze medals in the artistic and interpretive categories.

Dwyer to speak at V'ville church

St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Street in Voorheesville, will host an evening of Lenten spirituality on Sunday, Feb. 27, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

John Dwyer, Ph.D., will talk on Lenten spirituality and its meaning in today's context.

Dwyer is an adjunct professor of scripture and theology at St. Bernard's Institute in Albany. He has written five books in the field of theology.

For information, call Patricia Baugh at 765-2805.



Fish fryer



Bernie Stempel keeps an eye on the fish at Friday's fish fry sponsored by the New Salem Fire Departament. The department will also have fish fries on Fridays, March 4 and 18 and April 1. Elaine McLain

Networks offers parenting book

How often do you get something for nothing? The Bethlehem Networks Project would like to recommend an excellent book to all parents, and it's free.

The book is *Parenting For Prevention*. The 190-page volume retails in stores for \$9.95. It can be obtained by mailing a postcard to the Miller Family Foundation, Box 831463, Stone Mountain, GA., 30083-9929.

The Miller Family Foundation is a small, non-profit foundation not affiliated in any way with the brewery.

The Bethlehem Middle School PTA meeting on Monday, April 4, will be devoted to a discussion of topics from *Parenting for Preven-*

Animal adaptations to be discussed

The Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will host a program on animal adaptations on Sunday, March 6, at 2 and 3 p.m.

Naturalists will use deer, coyote, beaver and mouse skulls to show types of teeth and explain why animals have different food preferences.

The 20-minute program is suitable for families. For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Yvonne Doberman, a student assistance counselor at the middle school, hopes parents will order the book and bring it to the meeting for a lively and informative evening led by Erin Loffredo of Albany County's Substance Abuse Prevention Program.

Community orchestra to perform at library

The Delmar Community Orchestra will perform a free concert of pops and classics on Sunday, March 6, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The program will begin at 2 p.m.

For information, call the library at 439-9314.



464-0228

Encore for 'Bethlehem Reads'

Last year more than 70 community residents took part in "Bethlehem Reads," the library's televised salute to books and reading during National Library Week.

In response to the overwhelming success of this program, the library will repeat it this year and cordially invites members of the community to participate.



The close ties with the community that the library has enjoyed and the growth of services, clearly indicated by the thousands of people who visit the library each week and the more than half-million items borrowed in 1992 and 1993, make this observance a natural one.

"Bethlehem Reads" combines the art of reading aloud with modern cable television technology. Residents read a selection from a book of their choice while being videotaped by Channel 31 at the library's TV studio.

The tapes are cablecast on Channel 31. Last year's taped readings took almost 16 hours to cablecast.

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Glenmont woman took global route to citizenship

By Susan Graves

The road to U.S. citizenship for Glenmont's Margarita Harman was long and winding. Global, in

A native of Mexico, she met her husband-to-be when she was working as coordinator of consular service at the U.S. Department of State at the American Consulate in Merida, Yucatan.

"It's a very romantic story," said Harman, who was sworn in as a U.S. citizen last Friday at the Loudonville Elementary School.

The whirlwind, love-at-firstsight romance prompted Harman, then Margarita Palomeque, to leave her job, her country and her family.

Harman said she had met her husband's parents a year before he visited Mexico on vacation. She had given them her card, so it was only natural they called her when they returned the following year with their son, Tom.

"They invited me to dinner on a Sunday — I think it was love at first sight — and we went out together every day after that.'

Harman added that they were accompanied by a chaperone given her conservative background, not to mention the fact that she is the youngest child in her family.

Their courtship, however, was interrupted because Margarita had planned a trip to Lourdes with her sister, who was suffering from severe arthritis. So it was off to Spain, where her sister came down with pneumonia, making a complicated journey even more diffi-

Luckily, with the help of friends, they eventually made it to the shrine in southern France. Though her illness worsened before they arrived, but Harmon's sister insisted on taking the baths at Lourdes nevertheless. "When she came out of the baths, she did not need any pills," Harmon said, which was rather amazing since she had been taking 20 each day prior to the pilgrimage.

From there, the sisters traveled to Rome, where as fate would have it, they met Pope John Paul II. The Pope grants a special audience to the infirm, so Harman said she decided to hide under her sister's wheelchair to be able to get a glimpse of the pontiff. "I hid underneath the chair - I am verv



New American citizen Margarita Harman, standing second from left, is congratulated by beaming family and friends after the swearing-in ceremony at Loudonville School, Carlos Mancilla, 4 and Patrick Mancilla, 3, along with Margarita's husband, Tom, and in-laws, Elaine McLain

Patricia and Dr. Bernard Harman, were all on hand.

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Loudonville Weekly Colonie Spotlight short - and stayed very quiet," she said.

On the return trip, the sisters were welcomed by none other than Tom, who was waiting for them in Miami.

"He asked me to come for a visit to his parents' house in Catskill," said Harman, who had to contend with the objections of her sisters and brothers.

But love prevailed. During that June visit, the couple became engaged and set an October wedding date.

Since their wedding in 1988, Harman said she has had to make a lot of adjustments. "I didn't know how to cook — do laundry. They had to show me how to use the washing machine," she quipped. But she soon learned to handlethe everyday tasks and readily adapted to American life.

Harman now does free-lance interpreting work for federal, state and local court agencies. In addition English and Spanish, she also is fluent in French and Italian.

One of the reasons she decided to become a citizen was because of her parents-in-law. Harman, whose natural parents are dead, said she considers her in-laws her parents now. "I know they wanted me very strongly to be an American.'

· Further, "My new life is here, and I've always been close to America since I was a little girl. ... My fate was to become an Ameri-

Harman's only regret is that by becoming an American, she was forced to relinquish her Mexican citizenship since Mexico does not recognize dual citizenships.

Lenten program slated

Now in its third decade, the Ecumenical Lenten Bible Study series, sponsored by 18 churches of the Bethlehem area, continues to attract a diverse audience.

The theme for this year's program is "Being a Christian in a Mixed-Up World." The program will be held on Wednesdays, March 2 through March 23, at the Delmar Reformed Church on 386 Delaware Ave.

Registration and light refreshments will be available at 9:30 a.m., with the study to follow from 10 to 11 a.m. in the sanctuary. The initial meeting area is handicap-accessible from the blue side door on the east end of the building, leading to the Bennett

Participating area pastors are: March 2, Dr. Robert Hess, Delmar Reformed Church; March 9, Father James Daley, Church of St. Thomas the Apostle; March 16, the Rev. Lynn Joosten. Glenmont Community Church; and March 23, the Rev. Warren Winterhoff, Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

For information, call Lois Caulfield, program coordinator, at 439-8415. If Bethlehem schools are closed, the Bible study for that day will be cancelled.

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BC gymnasts show promise for the future

The Bethlehem Central varsity gymnastics team has just completed its 1993-94 season.

The team consisted of senior April Houghton, juniors Hillary Fuller and Amy Schron, sophomore Sara Haskins, freshmen Sharon Fellows, Ryan Kovarik and Jill Papalardi, eighth graders Emily Haskins and Wendy Stark-Reimer and seventh grader Elizabeth Fox-Solomon. Susie Manella was the team manager.

High scores for the season came in floor routines from Houghton and Haskins, on vault from Schron and Hillary Fuller, on beam from Haskins and Fellows, and on bars from Houghton and Schron.

Although one of the youngest teams Bethlehem has ever had, this team showed great potential. The gymnasts train year around at private clubs in the area to keep in shape for the season and advance their sport.

Gymnastics requires a lot of dedication and perseverance and



BC freshman Sharon Fellows shows off her form during a the ability to endure the injuries recent gymnastics meet. Seth Hillinger

that come periodically. This season the team lost three athletes to injuries. However, in support of their teammates, they continued to come to practices and meets.

The team has begun fund-raising for new equipment. Bethlehem's equipment is 10-20 years old. The team is bringing this matter before the Bethlehem Athletic Association and is hopeful that new equipment can be purchased.

The most urgent need is to replace the old beam and the vault runway. Also a high priority is raising funds for a rug for the gymnast floor comparable to those in other school districts.

Houghton, who has been doing gymnastics for 10 years, says 'gymnastics is a beautiful sport, but it takes lots of courage, patience, and endurance to make it beautiful. The end result is brought about through a lot of pain, but I know if I didn't do gymnastics, I'd missit very much.'

Coach Mary Judd called it a terrific season for the gymnasts.

Star bowlers

Bowling honors for the week of Feb. 13-

Sr. Cit. Men: Harold Eck 277 and 891 four games; Rene Fachette 248 and Mickey willsey 588 triple.

Sr. Cit. Women: Cora Kubisch 214 and 534 triple; Doris Aupperle 199 and 547 triple and Ruth Logan 530

Men: Lee Aiezza 279 and 1016 four games; Dale Francisco 724 triple and Orvil Bates 709 triple.

Women: Peg Beach 245 and 626 triple; Bonnie Rob $bins\,606\,triple\,and\,Peg\,Were$ 800 four games.

Adult-Junior Men: Stephen Vnuk 268 and 682

Adult-Junior Women: Mary Brady 223.

Boys: Tom Downes 172 and 458 triple.

Girls: Jessica Brady 234 and 514 triple.

Dolfins finish strong in 'Odd Age' meet

Coach Boris Rybatskiy accompanied a group of Delmar Dolfins to the Shaker High School pool recently for the Colonie Aquatics "Odd Age" meet.

At the "Odd Age" meet, traditional age groupings, such as 9-10 and 11-12 are altered to 10-11, 12-13, etc., so that swimmers who are usually in the younger half of their age group have a better chance to succeed. Awards were presented to the top six finishers in each

Swimming with the 7-and-under girls, Elizabeth Boyle finished fifth in the 25-yard backstroke. Six-year-old Rebekah Brattrud showed great promise, establishing personal best times in all her

Becky Corson won the 9-andunder girls 50 'fly in a National "AA" time of 35.27, which was nearly seven seconds faster than her previous personal best time.

She was second in both the 50 breaststroke and 100 Individual Medley (IM) and third in the 100 freestyle. Corson teamed with Boyle, Brattrud and Larissa Suparmanto for the 9-and-under girls 100-yard medley relay, which made a strong showing.

Thalis Orietas was third in the 9-and-under boys IM, fourth in both the 50 breaststroke and back. and fifth in the 50 'fly. Ricky Grant had several outstanding races, reducing his best times in the 50 back by seven seconds and in the IM by nearly nine seconds.

Lisa Fong won the 50 'fly in 31.19, and set new meet records

Swimming

in also winning the 50 yard breaststroke and 100 Individual Medley (IM). She was third in the

Elyse McDonough was third in the IM and 50 free, fourth in the 'fly and backstroke. Melanie Hill and Beth Malinowski turned in strong performances in all their events.

Brian Dowling's time of 1:10.14 established a new meet record in the 10-11 boys 100 IM. He also won the 'fly in 30.94, the back in 33.28 and the 50 free in 28.61. Richard Bailey had a personal best performance in the 50 breaststroke.

Stephanie Fong was second in 12-13 girls 100-yard breaststroke and sixth in the 100

Scott Strickler won the 12-13 boys 100 yard freestyle, was 2nd in the backstroke and IM and third in the 100 breaststroke. Bob Pasquini had an outstanding performance in the 12-13 breaststroke, bettering his previous personal best-time by more than five seconds, finishing in sixth place.

Competing in the 14-15 year old girls division, Erika McDonough was second in the 100 back, fifth in the IM and sixth in the 100 free. Cailin Brennan finished fourth in the 100 'fly and sixth in the IM. Sarah Hotaling took fourth in the 100 back.

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BC boys never lost hope

By Ted Hartman

The Bethlehem boys basketball team dropped its final two games last week to Shaker and Burnt Hills.

The losses left BC at 3-12 in the league and 5-15 overall, so the team decided decided not to participate in post-season play.

The Shaker Bison crushed the Eagles by the score of 95-50. One bright spot in the huge loss was junior Erik Gill who finished with 24 points, nearly half of BC's total. Sophomore Joe D'Angelo added 11 points for the Eagles.

In ceremonies preceding the Burnt Hills home game, the four graduating players, Rob Kind, Matt Follis, Jon Gould, and Scott Lobel, were honored. The final game of the season saw what seemed to be a completely different Eagle squad than had played

Bethlehem challenged the Gold Division champs and nearly pulled out the victory. The Eagles had possession of the ball in the final seconds and were down only 50-49. Unfortunately, BC could not convert on two field goal attempts and eventually lost 52-49 after two Burnt Hills foul shots.



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"Our best games this season happened to be against Burnt Hills," said Matt Follis. "We played well against Burnt Hills, our intensity and defense were there," said coach Jack Moser.

Follis finished his high school career with a strong performance. The senior shooting guard scored18 points, including a layup to bring the Eagles within one in the closing seconds.

'It was a disappointing year, but no one ever got down on each other and we stuck together as a team," added Follis.

Moser felt that the Eagles had a good season despite the poor record. "Our team chemistry was excellent and we saw improvement in Joe (D'Angelo) and Erik (Gill) at the end of season. Another positive was senior leadership, especially from Scott Lobel. This was just a great bunch of kids I coached, and was one of my mostenjoyable seasons coaching. The kids worked hard all year."

Moser is optimistic about next season. "We will have a big team next year and I see good things for the future. With the BBC (Bethlehem Basketball Club) flourishing. teams in the future will be more competitive."

Wrestlers finish 6th in Class A meet

The Eagles finished tied for sixth place at the Class A wrestling championships at BCHS last weekend.

Senior Anthony Genovese reached the 105-pound individual finals before losing by just two points. Genovese was the highest Eagle finisher in second place.

In the consolation finals, freshman Matt Wagoner (91 pounds) also lost by a mere two points. Wagoner qualified for sectionals.

Two Eagle sophomores, Hank Tripp at 119 pounds and Nat Beyer at 155 pounds, finished fourth. The 138-pound consolation final runner-up was junior Steve Demarest.

Lady Eagles earn 1st round bye

Coach Zornow anticipates showdown vs. Shen

By Joshua Kagan

In Kim Zornow's first year as the Bethlehem girls basketball coach, her team has achieved astounding success with a 15-5 overall record (11-4 league), good enough to earn a bye in the first round of the Section II tourna-

Zornow credits the team for its success. "I think there's a lot of talent on the team," she said. "They're all hard workers and are all talented athletes. So, I thought we would do well. They've picked up to my system quickly. I've changed a lot of things, but I think they've done a nice job. They're a smart group of kids."

The Eagles, whose scoring attack is very balanced, are lead by co-captains Sheila McCaughin and Sarah Mineau and feature inside power with Karena Zornow, the coach's sister, countered by outside shooting by McCaughin and Kiley Shortell.

"I think that everyone can contribute a lot, and every game we have a different person stepping up," Mineau said. "It's really good because we have a very wellbalanced team with Karena inside, who is obviously a dominating

force, and we have Sheila on the outside. A team can't stay in her face and guard Karena at the same time.'

Mineau has led the way as well. "She knows what she's doing," McCaughin said. "She tries to help everybody out."

This is the third year on the varsity team for both McCaughin and Mineau and both have noticed differences, besides the improved record. "We worked a lot harder this year," McCaughin said. "I think everybody is a lot better.'

We changed our game plan a lot. We became more of a running team," Mineau said. "I think she (coach Zornow) has made a tremendous difference. Last year, there's no way we could have been able to go four quarters and not be completely out of breath. She picked up our intensity a lot. She got players she knew could contribute to contribute more, and I think she made us a much more well-balanced team.'

Bethlehem will play the winner of the Saratoga-Schenectady firstround game at home at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26. The Eagles are looking forward to a matchup in

the finals against rival Shenendehowa.

"I think we have a tough round all the way through," Zornow said. "I'm hoping to make it to the finals with Shen.'

"I think that we're capable of beating them," Mineau said. "We would have to play at our absolute best, but they've proven that they can be beaten."

The Plainsmen were defeated by Burnt Hills, who then beat Bethlehem 55-50 on Friday, Feb. 18, dropping the Eagles to third place in the Suburban Council Gold Division. Karena Zornow scored 12 points and Shortell added 10.

"I'd say key things were not boxing out, not rebounding as well as we should have and Burnt Hills played very, very good defense," Zornow said.

The Eagles blew out Shaker 57-26 on Wednesday, Feb. 16. The margin of victory in that game has been common throughout the season. The Eagles jumped out to an eye-opening 21-1 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. McCaughin scored 19 points and Shortell 12.

Track teams wrap up indoor season

By Jessica Romano

In the Class A Section II track and field meet at Hudson Valley Community College on Saturday, Feb. 19, the Bethlehem boysteam placed fifth and the girls sixth

Kristen Ruso won the 600m in 1:38.2. Jessica Romano set a new school record for the 55m hurdles and took third place. High jumper Marcus Anderson cleared 5'10" to take third place.

The team of Brian Garver, Scott Rivard, Tom Robbins and Mike Fritts placed third in the two-mile relay.

In the 55m race, Matt Fiato finished fourth in 6.6 seconds. The mile relay team of Robbins, Josh Drew, Nate Sajdak, and Fritts finished fourth. Another fourth place was registered by the 200m relay team of Robbins, Chris Leonardo, Mike Breslin and Fiato.

'Our boys relay teams did very well at this meet, and we had a lot of personal bests," said head coach Dave Banas.

The week before, on Saturday, Jan. 29, the Bethlehem boys placed sixth and the girls placed seventh overall in the Suburban Council indoor track and field championships at HVCC.

The girls' 880 relay team of Ruso, Romano, Molly Conway and Jen Christian broke the 1992 record by three seconds and placed third. The boys 880 relay team made up of Ritts, Fiato, Leonardo and Breslin came in fourth.

Fiato also made an impressive showing in the boys 55m dash,

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placing second. Astrong performance in the boys two-mile relay team of Brian Garver, Tom Robbins, Scott Rivard and Fritts, earned a third place medal.

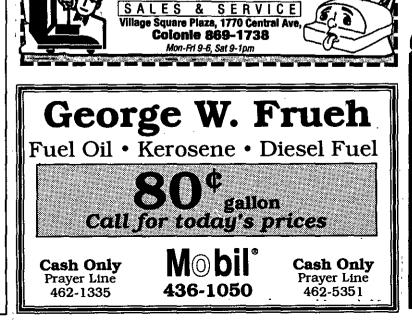
Drew, Rivard, Martin Cadieux and Robbins, BC's 400m relay team, finished sixth. Sajdak and Betsy Hallenbeck had personal bests in their respective events, while Kevin Van Riper jumped to sixth place finishes in both the long jump and the triple jump.

On Saturday, Feb. 26, the New York State qualifier meet will be held at RPI. Those qualifying will go to the state meet the following week at Cornell.

VV Pee Wee wrestling

The Voorheesville Wrestling Club and the Kiwanis are sponsoring a Pee Wee wrestling clinic for pupils in grades one to eight from Monday, Feb. 28, through Saturday, March 26.

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(From Page 1) percent, the agricultural establishment has given its blessing and the bulk of farmers appear ready to start using it.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration last week ruled that producers who note on their labels that they are not using BST could be in violation of the law. That really got Van Wie's dander

"There's not an ounce of logic in the whole thing. What I'm scared about is that people won't trust the industry anymore and will stop drinking dairy products. I was on the route yesterday and a customer of mine in Amsterdam said his brother-in-law was not going to drink milk anymore."

It's the big drug companies who are calling the shots on this one, Van Wie said. The Monsanto Co., which is a manufacturer of the drug, sent Van Wie a huge package last week, buttressing its claim that the hormone is safe and threatening lawsuits against those farmers who market their milk as BST-free.

They say I can be fined and thrown in jail if I violate the FDA regs. The whole thing is sad."

While Van Wie sticks to his guns and warns about the lasting effects of synthetic hormones, the New York Farm Bureau maintains that research has shown the drug to be harmless.

"Sure, it's absolutely safe," said Patrick Hooker, associate director of governmental relations for the Farm Bureau. "Our policy is that if the government and scientists agree a product is safe and effective, then let the producers decide if they want to use it. ... I've never talked to (Van Wie) about why he objects to it. That's his prerogative. Certainly there will be a number of farmers in the Capital District who are using it and using it with success.

Some have been on the edge of their seats for years waiting to use it, while others have been fearful. That always the case with new technology. When they invented the steel plow in the 19th century, they thought it would poison the soil."

Van Wie said he is aware of independent scientific reports that showed cows developing a higher rate of infections and lesions when injected with BST. But that's not the only reason he opposes it.

"If you start juicing them up with this stuff, we're going to burn them out in half the time," he remarked. Instead of giving milk for seven or eight years, the normal span, "They could end up dry in three or four.'

Van Wie is far from a radical, he says, but he's very blunt as to who stands to gain by the use of growth hormones. "I smell a rat. It's the small-to-medium-size farmer with 50 or 60, up to 120 head, who may be forced out of

a main reason why Blendell also

enjoys living in Bethlehem. A

resident of Slingerlands for the

past 29 years, Blendell said he

relishes being able to walk the

streets, go to the grocery store

and attend church in the same

that type of atmosphere we're

trying to retain in the LUMAC

enormous amount about the town

and the planning process as a

member of LUMAC for the past

four years. "I thought I'd like to

continue with it. We tried to take

a reasonable approach to growth.

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While generally well-received,

The whole plan was fun to do."

Blendell said he learned an

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business when the prices go

Depressed prices for milk are inevitable if milk production is increased by 10 or 20 percent and the current dairy surplus grows even larger.

The huge, corporate farms with 500 to 1,000 cattle can absorb lower prices a lot easier than the little guy, Van Wie noted. Large, factory farms in the Midwest and South have been flooding the market for years, often to the detriment of the smaller farms in New

"We've had surpluses now for at least 30 or 40 years. Why they want to make more and depress prices further is beyond me.

Sheila Powers, president of the Albany County Farm Bureau, said Van Wie deserves credit for being one of the few remaining farmers in the state who bottles and sells his own milk.

And it's easy to understand his position. "Charlie is outraged at the interference of Big Brother in a perfectly natural business. He has watched the dairy farms around here virtually disappear from the scene."

At the same time, she continued, "Responding in the way he has (to the controversy) may not be the best way to handle it. The more public uproar you create about it, the more you're going to scare away people, so the next time they're in the market they'll reach for orange juice."

public hearings held in December and January. Blendell said the committee members were aware that some people would object to their recommendation that a 10acre parcel along New Scotland Road be zoned commercial.

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Special ed

(From Page 1) superintendent for business.

The major reason for this year's increased costs is that 37, rather than the estimated 27, students are receiving full-time services through BOCES, Zwicklbauer noted. Next year, estimated tuition for those 37 students will be \$681,200, an average of more than \$18,400 each, he added.

While more state aid is provided for special education students than for students in regular classrooms, the aid does not come close to covering the higher perstudent costs.

Zwicklbauer said that "excess cost aid," which supports special education, will be an estimated \$1,014,000. The district's transportation aid ratio, 49 percent of allowable costs, is the same for special education students, although the costs are much higher, he added.

The sharp rise in special education spending is generally due to three factors - more students receiving services, an increased scope of services for individual students, and those services costing more, according to Judith Wooster, assistant superintendent for instruction.

"It's a legitimate question as to whether all the students we classify (as needing special education services) should be classified," Loomis said, adding that the district is working to increase early intervention.

Providing "intensive services at the beginning of a student's school career, in the primary grades, is some of the best money we can spend," Loomis said.

Reflecting a national trend, BC teachers and administrators have noticed that more students are

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arriving at school "less well-prepared, less developmentally ready, with more severe learning, personal and family problems" than in the past, Loomis said.

Wooster noted that the district's Early Learning Focus program identifies and provides one-on-one tutoring for elementary children.

"A little bit of TLC goes a long way" in early intervention, Woos-

In addition, studies have shown that every dollar spent on early intervention may save as much as \$7 in avoided costs later. Wooster said.

Parent Kathleen Economides said the district should involve parents of special education students more.

There are a variety of ways things can be done differently to limit the money you're spending and help children," said Economides, suggesting that different methods of teaching remedial reading could "save a bundle."

Two school board members whose children have received special education services voiced concerns about parents wanting as many services as possible for as long as possible.

"It's very scary, because you desperately want your kid to get through school," said board member Pamela Williams, adding that there is a danger of "fostering a terrible sense of dependency on services students won't have after they graduate.'

Parents "need to understand that when a service is offered, it's not forever; it will be evaluated," said board member Happy Sch-

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too young. Now they are teenagers." dr. .

In scrutinizing planning issues, you need to look at the overall picture, Rooks said, "not just the particular lot or subdivision."

There may be other ramifications from a development, such as the effect on schools, transportation and neighborhood cohesion, said Rooks.

"It's a very exciting time" to become involved, he said. "With LUMAC (Land Use Management Advisory Committee), a new supervisor, it's a particularly neat time to be starting on the board."

Rooks said his family moved to Delmar because of the schools and the convenience of living in a village setting.



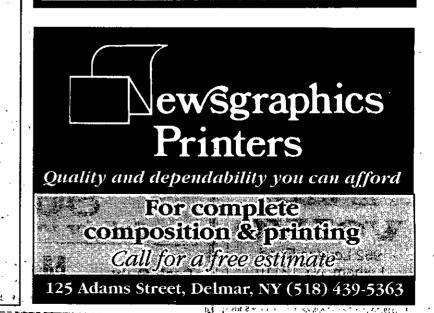
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The couple plans a June wed-

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The Delmar Rotary Club will hold its annual winter citrus sale through March 26 to benefit vocational award and scholarship programs in the Bethlehem and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school districts.

Fruit on sale includes Florida Indian River pink grapefruits and

California navel oranges. Prices for grapefruit are \$17 for a case of 32, \$9 for a half case of 16, and \$2.50 for a bag of four. Prices for oranges are \$17 for a case of 88, \$9 for a half case of 44, and \$3 for a bag of 12.

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Class of '93

Methodist College, Fayetteville, N.C. - Daniel Jackson of Voorheesville (bachelor's in physical education, with a concentration in athletic training).

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute - Fadi Rahal of Delmar (bachelor's in mechanical engineering, magna cum laude), and Matthew Muller (master's in biomedical engineering), James Hooks (bachelor's in electrical engineering, cum laude) and Andrew Rockmore (bachelor's in architecture and in building science), all of Voorheesville.

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign -Colin Heeps of Slingerlands (bachelor of science).

· McDermott selected for competition

Bethlehem Central High School senior Kathleen McDermott has been selected as her school's entrant in this year's Century III Leaders competition.

The national program, sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and Sylvan Learning Centers, recognizes students leaders with college scholarship awards.

Delmar students make honor roll

Delmar residents Rebecca Harper, Scott Hill and Elizabeth Line have been named to the second quarter honor roll at the Doane Stuart School in Albany.

Harper is a sixth-grader, Hill is an eighth-grader and Line is a senior at the school.



Renee and Thomas Capone

Hawthorne, Capone wed

Renee Hawthorne, daughter of Michael Wiehl. Robert and Jane Hawthorne of Stillwater, Saratoga County, and Thomas Michael Capone, son of Samuel and Marie Capone of Delmar, were married Oct. 2

The Rev. Reid Isenhart performed the ceremony in Bay Road Presbyterian Church, Glens Falls, with a reception following on the Lake George steamboat Mohican.

The matron of honor was Paula Robarge and the best man was the couple lives in Glens Falls.

The bride is a graduate of Saratoga Springs High School and is an administrative assistant at the Wilton Developmental Center in Saratoga County.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Siena College. He is a field representative for the Public Employees Federation in Latham.

After a wedding trip to Mexico.

Five Rivers slates bluebird program

A program on bluebirds will be offered on Saturday, March 5, at 2 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

An indoor slide program on bluebirds and bluebird nest box trails will be followed by an outdoor walk on center grounds in search of bluebirds.

Participants will also be able to look at different bluebird nest boxes and take home nest box design plans.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Businesswomen set dinner meeting

The Bethlehem Business Women's Club will hold a meeting at the Normanside Country Club in Delmar on Wednesday, March 2, beginning with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

For information, call 439-3916.



Live and Learn

Parents of middle school students are invited to join our parent education classes, which begin Monday, March 7, and last eight weeks.

This is an excellent opportunity to discuss parenting issues in a warm, supportive atmosphere. Gwen Guillet, Bethlehem guidance counselor, will facilitate the classes. Call 439-7740 for information.

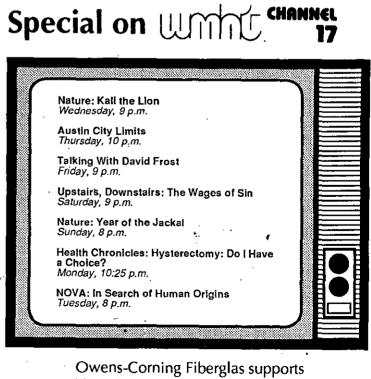
Learn how to educate your child in a calm, reassuring manner about "Stranger Safety" and "Good touch, Bad Touch and Confusing Touch." A free morning workshop, with babysitting, will be offered for parents of young children on Monday, Mar. 7.

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Nancy and Robert Bielawa

Spadaro, Bielawa wed

Delmar, and Robert David Bielawa, son of Robert and Mary Anne Oct. 16.

the ceremony in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, Delmar, with a reception following at the Franklin Plaza, Troy.

The matron of honor was Michelle Steinbrecher, and bridesmaids were Tracy Spadaro, the bride's sister, Michelle Bielawa, the groom's sister-in-law, Judy Phelan, the groom's cousin, Shelley DePuy, Kim Lenoci and Tracy

The best man was Alaa Afifi, Clifton Park.

Nancy Spadaro, daughter of and ushers were David Bielawa, Anthony and Patricia Spadaro of the groom's brother, Tom McDonald, the groom's cousin, Tim Conroy, Jim Baldauf, John Bielawa of Latham, were married Steinbrecher and Chris Maynard.

The bride is a graduate of Beth-Father James Daley performed lehem Central High School and Boston College. She is employed as director of marketing by Beaux Visages European Skin Care Centers of Albany.

> The groom is a graduate of Shaker High School and Clarkson University. He is employed by the state Department of Environmental Conservation as an environmental engineer.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii and Las Vegas, the couple lives in

Births 🔊

St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Alexandria Elizabeth Van Wie, to Catherine and David Van Wie, Clarksville, Nov. 7.

Boy, Max Harris Davidoff, to Michelle and Scott Davidoff, Slingerlands, Jan. 28.

Boy, Erick Henry Muller, to Sheila and Scott Muller, Delmar, Jan. 28.

Bellevue Hospital

Bov. Mark Lowell Adkins, to Margaret and David Adkins, Voorheesville, Jan. 31.

Local students make dean's lists

The following local college students were named to the dean's lists at their respective schools for the fall semester.

Hudson Valley Community College - David MacMillen of New Salem.

Middlebury College — Jordan Brock of Delmar.

The College of Saint Rose — Sarah Hinman, Kimberly McGuiness and Brenda Way, all of Delmar; Carrie Martin of Feura Bush; David Snyder of Glenmont; David Lorette of Selkirk; Meghan McFerran, Colleen Putnam and Elizabeth Van Deusen, all of Slingerlands; and Holly Cargill, John Cerniglia and Michael Guerette, all of Voorheesville.

U.S. Naval Academy - John DiAnni of Selkirk.

Local students win scholarships

Two local Union College students were recently awarded scholarships.

Elizabeth Baker of Delmar, a sociology major, was awarded the Frederick A. Klemm Scholarship to assist students participating in term abroad programs. Baker is a 1991 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Nicole Solomos Voorheesville, a biology major, was awarded the Eppler Family Scholarship, an endowed fund created from the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Eppler. Solomos is a 1992 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School.



Vicki Robinson and Charles Miller

Robinson, Miller to wed

Vicki Rachael Robinson, daughtive assistant with the New York ter of former Elsmere residents Alvin and Doris Robinson of Albany. Guilderland, and Charles David-Paul Miller, grandson of Betty Miller of West Roxbury, Mass., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Sage Junior College of Albany. She is employed as an administraState Association of Architects in

The future groom is a graduate of the Street Academy of Albany and Hamilton College. He is employed as a word processor and troubleshooter by the Albany law firm of O'Connell & Aronowitz.

The couple plans an Aug. 24

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Community

Chamber slates dinner dance

The annual dinner dance of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce will be Saturday, March 5, from 7 to 11 p.m., at Peter Kiernan Plaza, Albany.

The local business group will honor its 1993 Citizen of the Year and Businessperson of the Year at the event.

The cocktail hour will begin at 7 p.m., with the dinner and program following at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$38 each. For information, call 439-0512.



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Obituaries



William Brown

William P. Brown, 75, of Delmar, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Brown earned a doctoral degree in criminal justice and was professor emeritus of the School of Criminal Justice at the University at Albany and was one of the founders of the school.

His interests centered on criminal justice administration and re- Hospital in Albany. lationships between law enforcement and the criminal justice process. He was the author of numerous articles.

He had a long career in law enforcement as a member of the New York City Police Department · before moving to Albany in 1962. He retired from that department as an inspector. He was a commanding officer of the New York City Police Academy and set up a graduate program at John Jay School of the City University of New York.

He authored a study, "The New York Corruption Campaign, October 1970 - August 1972," with the help of some graduate students. Former New York City Police Commissioner Patrick Murphy appointed a commission to look into the report.

Mr. Brown served as an adviser on the President's Commission on Civil Rights.

He was a consultant to national and international police agencies and a national associate of the FBI and a member of the Knapp Commission in New York City.

Locally, he was active in the formation and one time-chairman of the Albany County Committee of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of the University Club, Albany, and the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle,

Survivors include his wife, Eleanor Drum Brown; a daughter. Nelly Bunk of Delmar; a son. Paul Brown of New York City; a sister, Muriel Newell of San Francisco; and five grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery,

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice or to the St. Thomas Church Memorial Fund.

Leonard Hobbs

Leonard A. Hobbs, 84, of Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, at St. Peter's

Born in Montreal, he had lived in Clarksville since 1950.

Mr. Hobbs was an estimator for the former Thomas S. Oleko Inc., a plumbing and heating supplier in Colonie, retiring in 1972.

He was a member of the consistory of the Clarksville Community Church.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Meschutt Hobbs; a daughter, Diane Laraway of Delmar, a son, Richard Hobbs of Coeymans Hollow; a sister, Lillian Dussault of New Westminster, British Columbia, Canada; and a granddaughter.

Services were from Clarksville Community Church.

Spring burial will be in Onesquethaw Cemetery, Clarksville.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Clarksville Community Church Memorial Fund or the Onesquethaw Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Miner Schulz

Miner H. Schulz, 82, of Voorheesville, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Our Lady of Mercy Nursing Home in Guilderland.

An Albany native and longtime city resident, he moved to Voorheesville 10 years ago.

He was a sheet metal worker and also the owner of Schulz Grill on Second Avenue in Albany until he retired in 1973.

Mr. Schulz was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Caroline Corsorio Schulz; a daughter, Carol Connell of Albany; a sister, Edna McIntosh of Albany; a brother, George Schulz of Rensselaer; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were from the Dreis Funeral Home, Albany.

Burial was in the German Evangelical Cemetery, Albany.

Frederick Bradley Jr.

Frederick A. Bradley Jr., 47, of Route 9W in Selkirk, died Wednesday, Feb. 16, at his home.

Born in Albany, Mr. Bradlev 1 worked as the deli manager for a Grand Union in Troy until the onset of his illness.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria J. Robinson Bradley; a son, Frederick A. Bradley III of Watervliet; three daughters, Kellie Bradley and Lori Bradley, both of Selkirk, and Colleen Bradley of Albany; a brother, Timothy Bradley of Selkirk; and three sisters. Judith Lemperle of Colonie, Susan Gregory of East Greenbush and Lisa Chainyk of Altamont.

Services were from the Rockefeller Funeral Home, East Greenbush. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 South Manning Boulevard, Albany

Aaron Shaloum

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Aaron H. Shaloum, 67, of Pine Street in Delmar died Tuesday, Feb. 15, at St. Peter's Hospital,

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After serving in the Navy in both World War II and the Korean War, he earned a master's degree at the State University of New York at Oswego.

Mr. Shaloum taught industrial arts in Bethlehem Central schools for 35 years retiring in 1983.

·He served on the board of directors of the Albany Chapter of the National Audubon Society.

He also traveled extensively as an officer of the U.S. China People's Friendship Association.

Mr. Shaloum was also active in Jewish-Christian relations at the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany. He was a member of the Shepardic Jewish Brotherhood of Amer-

Survivors include his wife, Glenna Menard Shaloum; three sisters, Dora Cohen of Lakewood, N.J., Bess Finkelman and Ester Goodman, both of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and two brothers, Solomon Shaloum of Lauderdale Lakes, Fla., and David Shaloum of New York City.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Spring burial will be in Garfield Cemetery, Stephentown.

Contributions may be made to Five Rivers Environmental Center or the charity of one's choice.

Nathaniel Blanchard

Nathaniel W. Blanchard, 97, of Hudson Avenue in Delmar, died Tuesday, Feb. 16, at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany.

Born in Swampscott, Mass., he had lived in Delmar since 1930.

Mr. Blanchard was a senior mechanical construction engineer for the former state Department of Public Works for 40 years. He had also worked at the Governor's Mansion for five years and was an electrical contractor for General Electric Co. in Lynn, Mass. He had also worked for the Boston Elevated Railroad many years ago.

Mr. Blanchard was a veteran of World War I and was on the first airplane sent to Europe during the war.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 1182 in Salem, Mass., the Masonic Lodge 24 in Brooklyn and the American Association of Retired Persons.

He was husband of the late Bessie Player Blanchard.

He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Services were from the Meyers Funeral Home, Delmar, Burial was in Pinelawn Cemetery, Farmingdale, Nassau County.

Mildred Fisher

Mildred Maxwell Fisher, 90, formerly of Albany, died Monday, Feb. 15, at the Good Samaritan Home in Delmar.

Born in Albany, she had worked for the former George P. Ide Shirt Co. from 1925 to 1930.

During World War II, she worked at the General Electric Co. and at the former American Meter

She also had worked as an examination paper scanner for the state Department of Education.

Mrs. Fisher was the widow of Henry C. Fisher.

Survivors include a daughter, Marion Michaels of Voorheesville; three sisters, Ethel Haley of Tampa, Fla., Alice Randalls of Albany and Ruth Krouse of Loudonville; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grand children.

Services were from the Philip I. Frederick Funeral Home, Albany. Burial was in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Colonie.

James Ginder Sr.

James K. Ginder Sr. of North Main Street in Voorheesville died. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in South Bethlehem, he had lived in Voorheesville since

He was a self-employed mason until 1989.

Mr. Ginder was a member of the Bricklayers Union Local 6.

He was husband of the late Mary Urba Ginder.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Lou Woodward of North Branford, Conn., and Sally L. Hackett of Voorheesville; two sons, James K. Ginder Jr. of Delmar and Roger A. Ginder Sr. of Altamont; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services and arrangements were from the Reilly & Son Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, Rotterdam.

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SPOTLIGHT ON C A L E N D A R • A R T S & E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Rock climbing gym to open in Colonie

By Donna Moskowitz

the Colonie town line.

Some people enjoy being caught between a rock and a hard place.

Such adventurers should visit Albany's Indoor Rockgym, or AIR, located at 4C Vatrano Road, off Central Avenue, just inside

The gym is still under construction but is open on a limited basis, according to Dennis O'Leary, one of the owners of the business. O'Leary, whose microscopy business helps fund the gym, has been climbing since 1965.

Located in a warehouse building in the Vatrano Industrial park, AIR's 28-by-60-foot space has a 19-foot ceiling.

"It's compact, but filled with climbing surfaces," said Doug McCandless, the construction engineer for the project.— Even the ceiling can be conquered by daring climbers.

The concept of climbing gyms has been around for quite a while, said Manuel Cruz, one of O'Leary's two partners in the business. Cruz said the gym was mostly O'Leary's idea.

"It's supposed to be the fastest growing sport," he said. "When it's open, it's going to be pretty majestic."

Last week, two novices who came to the gym seemed to enjoy their visit. Sheila Gaughan and Barbara Negroni, both University at Albany students, received lots of encouragement and advice from O'Leary as they literally learned the ropes.

"Try that move again." said O'Leary to Gaughan as she made her first ascent of the evening. "Shift your weight back. Now, try that move again. Bring your left foot up. Well put. Now just hang out."

"You did very well," he said to Gaughan as she descended.

Gaughan had visited the gym previously with mem-

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bers of her school outing club. "The guys here are just real helpful," she said. "They treat you like a real person."

A unique aspect of this gym is that it includes artificial caves behind the climbing walls so that spelunkers — people who explore caves — can practice their skills. Although the caves

were not in the original plans, McCandless said, they evolved as the men realized they could utilize the space behind the walls.

Climbing offers a different type of workout for exercise buffs, said O'Leary. It's not as aerobic as some other types of exercise, but it can be aerobic if a person sets up a routine. Climbing also develops flexibility and there is a good deal of stretching and use of major muscle groups, he said.

In addition, the activity has an intellectual element. "It's a series of puzzles," O'Leary noted. Figuring out where to put your hand or foot next makes the sport more interesting.

There is also a psychological benefit.

People who climb find the higher they go, the more "fear drains their abilities," said O'Leary. Climbers need to develop the emotional strength to overcome fear.

One reason he likes climbing, McCandless said, is that "it's the great equalizer. Size and sex are not important." A tall man like McCandless might be able to climb some routes, while a smaller person might be better able to handle some other route, he said.

AIR is appropriate for children as well as adults, O'Leary said. "The 8 and 9-year-old kids do wonderfully in the gym."

Almost anyone can climb, O'Leary said. "We had a mom eight months pregnant and a mother who put her kid on her shoulders." Children as young as 3 or 4 years old have tried their luck.

In addition to indoor climbing and cave exploring, outdoor climbing on movable walls will be available when the weather is agreeable.

Currently, construction work at the facility occurs on

Sheila Gaughan of the University at Albany (left) and 9-year-old Cecilia Cruz (above) try out some of the vertical challenges at the new AIR climbing facility in Colonie. Donna Moskowitz

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, while visitors may use the facilities on Tuesdays, Thursdays and weekends by appointment.

The cost of the climb is not yet set. The fee would run about \$5 per hour, according to O'Leary, not including equipment rentals. The partners plan to open AIR sometime this spring.

"We're not really open yet," said O'Leary. "We're just getting people's impressions."

For more information, call 459-ROCK.

College concert



Violinist Zheng-Rong Wang and the Musicians from Mariboro chamber ensemble will perform Sunday, Feb. 27, at 3 p.m. at Union College's Memorial Chapel. The performance features works by Mozart, Beethoven and Brahms. For ticket information, call 382-7890 (days) and 372-3651 (evenings).

THEATER

"KEY FOR TWO"

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Roustabout Players, Roustabout Playhouse, First United Presbyterian Church, 1915 Fifth Ave., Troy, through Feb. 26., \$10. Information, 274-1707.

"NORTH SHORE FISH"

by Israel Horovitz, Foy Campus Center, Siena College, Loudonville, Feb. 24, 25 and 26, 8 p.m., \$10 adults, \$8 senior citizens and non-Siena students, free for the Siena community. Information, 783-2431.

"WENCESLAS SQUARE"

by Larry Shue, Capital Repertory Company, Albany, through March 20. Information, 462-

THEATRE IN THE GROUND

showcasing six one-act performance pieces, Eighth Step coffeehouse, 14 Willett St., Albany, Sunday, Feb. 27, 7 p.m., \$7. Information, 434-1703.

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HARVARD GLEE CLUB

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, State and Lodge streets. Albany, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m., \$5. Information, 434-3502

"FESTIVAL OF COPLAND"

presented by the Skidmore College Orchestra, Filene Recital Hall, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m., \$5 adults, \$2 senior citizens; free for Skidmore students with I.D. Information, 584-5000, ext. 2604

SCHENECTADY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

all Russian program, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m., 15, \$7 students Information, 346-6204

JEAN REDPATH

presented by Old Songs, Inc., Guilderland High School, Route 146, Guilderland Center, Monday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 senior citizens and students, \$5 children. Information, 765-2815

MOUNTAIN DULCIMER MUSIC

McKownville United Methodist Church, 1565 Western Ave., Feb. 25 and 26, \$21 for both days, \$18 if tickets reserved in advance. Information, 439-

WINTER CONCERT

Saint Rose Jazz Ensemble and Empire State Jazz Ensemble, Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m., \$5 adults, \$2 senior citizens and students, free with a Saint Rose I.D. Information, 454-5195.

MICHAEL ARNOWITT

pignist, in a concert of classical music from and about Latin America, St. Mary of the Angels Chapel, Siena College, Loudonville, Monday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m., \$20, \$10 senior citizens and non-Siena students, free for the Siena community. Information, 783-2431.

FREE CONCERT

University at Albany Percussion Ensemble and the Empire State Youth Percussion Ensemble, Studio Theatre, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany, Friday, Feb. 25, 8 p.m Information, 442-3995.

JAY MANKITA

The Eighth Step, 14 Willett St., Albany, Friday, Feb. 25, 8 p.m., \$9. Information, 434-1703. THE RUDE GIRLS

The Eighth Step Upstairs, 14 Willett St., Albany, Saturday, Feb. 26, 8 p.m., \$10.

Information, 434-1703,

MUSICIANS FROM MARLBORO

Memorial Chapel, Union College, Schenectady, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m. Information, 388-

CAPITOL CHAMBER ARTISTS Doane Stuart Chapel, 799 South Pearl St., Albany, Saturday, Feb. 26, 8 p.m., \$12, \$8 students.

Information, 458-9231 **COLLEGE OF SAINT ROSE** FACULTY RECITAL

Saint Joseph Hall Audltorlum, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Monday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m. Information, 454-

CITY LIGHTS

OTB Teletheater, Central Avenue, Albany, Saturday, Feb. 26, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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AUDITIONS

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LECTURES

"POETS IN PERSON"

reading, listening, and discussion series on modern poets, William K. Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie, Wednesday Feb. 23, 7 p.m. information, 458-

"BLACKS IN THE AMERICAN **EDUCATION SYSTEM"**

by Huey Bogan, Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, Monday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5128.

"THE LIBRARIAN AS ENTREPRENEUR --- TAKE CHARGE"

by Peggy Barber of the American Librarian Association, Room 375, Campus Center, University at Albany, Thursday, Feb. 24, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 442-3568.

PHILOSOPHY SYMPOSIUM

Overrulina Passion." cosponsored by Sage Junior College of Albany and the Capital Area Philosophy Society, room 224, Russell Sage Albany Campus Center, Saturday, Feb. 26, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Information, 270-

"REINVENTING AMERICA: **URBAN WOMEN MAKING** CHANGE"

by Bev Smith of Black Entertainment Television, Bush Memorial Center, Russell Sage Troy Campus, Tuesday, March 1, 12:40 p.m. Information, 270-4540.

SLIDE TALK

by artist Linda Day, College Center Auditorium, Union College, Schenectady, Thursday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m. Information, 388-6201.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

lecture by Kendall Birr entitled The Three Educational Transformations of Albany (Or How We Ended Up as a University), "room B15, University Library, University at Albany, Thursday, Feb. 24, noon to 2 p.m. Information, 442-3542.

"TRACKING TREMORS AND WHOSE FAULT IS IT" part of the "Ask the

Seismologist" series by Gary Nottls, New York State Museum, Albany, Sunday, Feb. 27, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 474-

"ARTISTS, PLACES, AND SPIRITUALITY"

panel discussion, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, Sunday, Feb. 27, 2 to 4 p.m., \$10, \$8 museum members. Information, 463-4478.

READINGS

COMMUNITY VOICE READING SERIES

poet Chris Stroffolino and fiction writer Jean Finley, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Sunday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

POETS

OPEN MIND/OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT

hosted by Mary Panza, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Wednesday, Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

RICHARDHOWARD

poet, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany uptown campus, Thursday, Feb. 24, 8 p.m. Information, 442-5620.

POETS' OPEN MIKE

QE2, 12 Central Ave., Albany, Monday, Feb. 28, 7;30 to 9:30 p.m., \$1. Information, 438-6314.

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animated feature, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Feb. 23, 1 and 6:30 p.m., Feb. 25, 1 and 6:30 p.m., Feb. 26, 2 and 6:30 p.m., balcony, \$3 and \$2 children, downstairs, \$2 and \$1 children. Information, 382-1083.

"THE THREE MUSKETEERS"

starring Charlie Sheen, Kiefer Sutherland, and Chris 🗸 O'Donnell, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Feb. 23, 3 and 8 p.m., Feb. 25, 3 and 8 p.m., Feb. 26, 4 and 8 p.m., balcony, \$3 and \$2 children, downstairs, \$2 and \$1 children. Information, 382-1083.

"ALADDIN"

the Disney production starring Robin Williams, New York State Museum, Albany, Friday, Feb. 25, 1 and 3 p.m., \$2.50 adults; \$2 senior citizens; \$1,50 children. Information, 474-5877.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

JIM SNACK

magician, Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany, Wednesday, Feb. 23, 10 a.m., 1, and 3 p.m., \$6, \$4 senior citizens and children. Information, 438-5503.

MAGICAL BIRTHDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

40th anniversary of the Junior Museum, 282 Fifth Ave., Troy, Wednesday, Feb. 23, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., \$7, \$5 museum members. Information, 235-

"TRADITIONAL ARTS"

family series focusing on women traditional artists in the community, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, Feb. 23 and 24, 10:30 a.m. to noon, \$4 per family, free for member familles. Information, 463-4478.

FRESH WRY

story theater, Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany, Thursday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., \$6, \$4 senior citizens and children. Information, 438-5503.

STEVE CHARNEY AND HARRY

ventriloquist act, Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany, Friday, Feb. 25, 10 a.m., ,T, and 3 p.m., \$6, \$4 senior citizens and children Information, 438-5503.

"IMAGINE IF"

teaching kids to use their imaginations, New York State Museum, Albany, Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1 and 3 p.m., \$6, \$4 senior citizens and children. Information, 438-5503.

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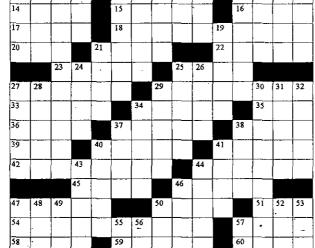
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PREREGISTRATION DUE

for "A Spring Fling With Flowers," a live floral demonstration on Feb. 25, New York State Museum, Albany, 10:30 a.m. Cost, \$30, Information, 474-5801.

"ENGINEERS: TURNING IDEAS INTO REALITY"

through Feb. 25, the Capital District's celebration of National Engineers' Week, includes over 50 exhibits and many seminars and presentations, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Information, 465-

RIVER RATS VS. CORNWALL

Knickerbocker Arena, Albany, 7 p.m. Cost, \$10 for adults and \$6 for those under 18 and college students with ID. Information,

WINTER FARMERS' MARKET

Grand Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m. Information.

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Holy Cross Church, Western and Brevator Avenues, 2 to 6 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

CHORUS REHEARSAL

sponsored by Capitaland Chorus, Trinity Episcopat Church, 11th Street and 4th Avenue, North Troy, 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-4384.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

HYSTERECTOMY SEMINAR

The Hysterectomy Question Exploring New Alternatives," led by Dr. Alan Putterman, Bellevue...The Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-9410.

FREE COMPUTER LITERACY TRAINING

sponsored by Club 55 Plus Job Center on Wheels, Mohawk Mall, Balltown Road;"-Schenectady, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 459-5622.

SQUARE DANCE

Single Squares of Albany, Ponderosa Hall, Airport Road, Scotla, 7:30 p.m. Information, 664-6767.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

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

THURSDAY FEBRUARY

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ALBANY COUNTY

SUNYA HISTORY TALK

Dr. Kendall Birr on "The Three Educational Transformations of Albany (Or How We Ended Up As a University)," SUNYA University Library, Room B15, Albany, noon to 2 p.m. Information, 442-3542.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

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for grades pre-kindergarten to 12, Albany Academy for Girls, 140 Academy Road, Albany, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Information,

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LIBRARY LECTURE

"The Librarian as Entrepreneur— Take Charge" by Peggy Barber, of the American Library Association, SUNYA Campus Center, Room 375, Albany, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 442-3568.

PURIM FESTIVAL

costume parade with prizes. B'Nai Sholom Reform Congregation, 420 Whitehall Road, Albany, 7 p.m Information, 482-5283

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY

TRAINING

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FLOWER SHOW &

New York in Bloom", through Sunday, Feb. 27, third annual show at the New York.State Museum, Albany, Information, 474-5877.

"KID PIX" MOVIE

'Aladdin" at the New York State Museum, Albany, 1 and 3 p.m. Cost, \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children, Information, 474

ENGINEERS WEEK DINNER DANCE

fourteenth annual. Century House, New Loudon Road, Latham, cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., program at 8:30 p.m. and dancing at 9 p.m. Cost, \$35. Information, 465 7386

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Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

AUTHOR TO SPEAK

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By Martin P. Kelly

Grandma Moses features Cloris Leachman this weekend at Albany's Palace Theater

The producers who offered A Christmas Carol this past December are returning to the Palace Theater in Albany Friday with four performances of Grandmas Moses, An American Primitive. Cloris Leachman, television and film veteran, reprises the role she premiered in Albany six years ago.

Grandmas Moses was a woman who began painting in the town of Eagle Bridge near the Vermont border at age 73 and 25 years later was a celebrated exponent of the primitive school of painting. Her paintings became world renowned and there's a year-round exhibition at the Bennington Museum in Ver-



Martin P. Kelly

In its Albany premiere, Leachman performed what is essentially a one-woman show, going form middle-age to her 100 years, still vital and observant on human foibles. The actress for whom the play was especially written, captured the essence and spirit of this farm woman who went on to meet presidents and kings.

The role was a tour-de-force for the actress. She had hoped to do a nation-wide tour of the show six years ago and then bring it into New York. But, television and movie roles kept coming her way and the New York opening didn't materialize.

Again, the potential exists for a New York presentation of the play following an extended tour.

The four performances this weekend in Albany permits Leachman to recreate a role close to her heart. She is able to use the wit which was first evident in her performances on the Mary Tyler Moore television series. And, the poignancy of Grandma Moses' life is brought to life in Leachman's sympathetic performing.

Curtain is at 8 p.m. Friday (Feb. 25) and Saturday with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Reservations are at 465-4663.

Siena College presents difficult play about Cape Ann workers

A play that tests student actors to their fullest ends its two-week run this weekend (Thursday through Saturday) at the Foy Campus Center on the Siena College campus in Loudonville.

North Shore Fish was written by Israel Horovitz as one of his Gloucester plays (he lived in the coastal town for years). The play blends comedy and drama involving workers in a fish processing plant.

Resembling in some measure an earlier generation's drama, John Steinbeck's Cannery Row, this play requires strong performances in all the roles to capture the stark

It's a test for students where some don't quite pass. Tickets are \$8 and \$10 at the campus box office.

Radio City Company Spectacular set for Proctor's March 15

Susan Anton heads the cast of the Great Radio City Music Hall Spectacular for six days at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady March 15-20.

The touring show is built around the famed Rockettes, the precision dancers who have become world famous since first organized for the 6,000-seat New York theater

In addition to their regular appearances at Radio City Music Hall, they have been seen by millions on television during the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Several weeks ago, the amazed television audiences when they participated in an involved David Letterman gag by dancing throughout the Ed Sullivan Theater, up and down the aisles and onto the stage, without missing a step. The 36 dancers moved as one.

Tickets and information at Proctor's are at 346-6204.

Around Theaters!

Key for Two, British farce in dinner theater presentation at First United Presbyterian Church in Troy Friday and Saturday (272-2771)...Wenceslas Square, Larry Shue's stark comedy at Capital Repertory Company in Albany through March 20 (462-4534).

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TOWN BOARD

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave. 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

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Blanchard American Legion Post, 16 Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Information, 439-0503.

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bible study, New Salem, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2870.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY

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ANIMAL TRACKING PROGRAM Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm

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United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. information, 765-4410.

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NEW SCOTLAND

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Information, 765-2805. BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH Sundayschool, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

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RCS SCHOOL BOARD public forum, RCS Middle School, Route 9W, Ravena, 7:30

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Information, 439-0057. AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

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Information, 765-3500. QUARTET REHEARSAL

United Pentecostal Church, Route 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 MARCH

BETHLEHEM INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057. PLANNING BOARD

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave. 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955. TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP First United Methodist Church,

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Superintendent of Highways (February 23, 1994)

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF REGISTRATION DAY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of Voorheesville will hold a registration day on Saturday, March 5, 1994 for the purpose of registering all qualified voters re-siding in the said Village, who are not previously registered through the county. Registration will be held between the hours of 12 noon and 5 p.m. at Village Hall, 29 Voo-rheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, New York. All persons who have voted in at least one of the last two presidential elections or any other general election, and who have not changed their present place of residence will be registered from

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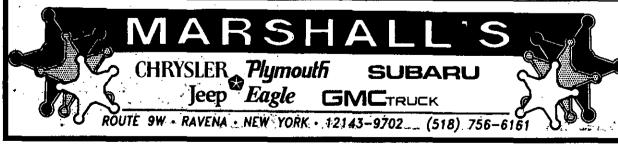
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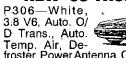
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