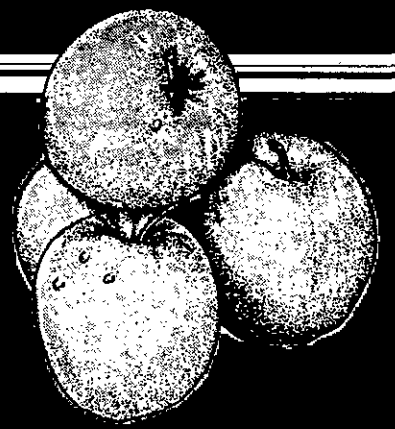


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Creamy complexion



Jessica Branstrom, 1, takes an ice cream break at the ice cream social sponsored by the A.W. Becker Elementary School reading program. Doug Persons

Longtime BC teacher inspired all she knew

Virginia Dale dies at 70

By Susan Graves

Virginia Dale was living proof of the Slingerlands Elementary School motto "Always Our Best."

"It was sort of the way she lived," said David Murphy, Slingerlands principal. Dale died Saturday following a brief bout with cancer.

"She was a giver from the word go," said Murphy. "She gave from herself forever and ever and ever. She was amazing."

Murphy, who had worked with Dale for the past 22 years, said she was a "unique and remarkable person," who made every child feel special through the

annual musical performances at the school.

Murphy said that Dale's death was a big shock to the school community, but that "She'll always be here as the culmination of music in our school."

"She's well respected and loved," said Samuel Bozzella, Bethlehem Central music supervisor. Bozzella, who hired Dale many years ago, remembers her as a fantastic teacher "who put on great extravaganzas."

"She did everything from directing the musicals to sewing buttons on costumes," he said. "She was utterly



Dale

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Student on 'shaky' ground with Clinton at U-Albany

By Jared Beck

After attending the telecommunications presentation on Thursday at the University at Albany that featured President Bill Clinton and Gov. Mario Cuomo, I've been asked a single question by many people: "Did the President shake your hand?"

I suppose this is because Americans want the reassurance that their president is a living, breathing human being rather than some metallic cyborg programmed

by Ant Men from the planet Spork. I'm pleased to report that the president's hand is indeed warm and fleshy.

As one of 24 Bethlehem Central High School and Middle School students selected to attend the presentation, I was informed late Wednesday afternoon by my Participation in Government teacher, William Cleveland, that I would be making the trip.

The next morning, I donned an old Georgetown sweatshirt in the hope that Clinton would appreciate the reference to his alma mater. While this rendered me severely underdressed compared to the rest of the crowd, I can't help but believe that the president noticed and approved of the big Hoya spread across my chest.

We arrived at the campus early and had the opportunity to be accosted by several reporters from television, radio and newspapers. After about 30 minutes, the doors opened and the long line of area students and teachers were admitted and scanned by metal detectors. The site of the presentation was a surprisingly small ballroom, the back of which was occupied by rows of reporters and television cameras. At the

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Jared Beck

McCombe Drive neighbors: Stop traffic

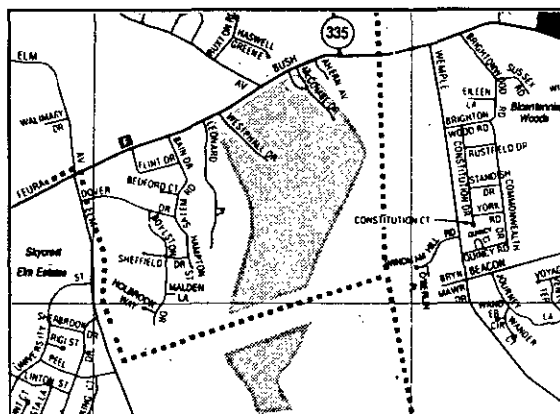
By Mel Hyman

Neighbors in the vicinity of the proposed 190-unit Haswell Farms subdivision just south of Feura Bush Road have one main concern: traffic.

About a dozen residents from McCombe Drive — a dead-end street only 400 yards long — have been attending planning board meetings on the project because of the board's wish to connect their street to the development.

They're hoping to marshal support for their concerns during a public hearing on the development scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

Over the past four years, there have been numerous accidents at the junction of McCombe Drive and Feura Bush Road, according to Art Ceas, a longtime resident



Haswell Farms has suddenly taken center stage.

of Feura Bush Road who lives only a few hundred feet from McCombe Drive.

Because of the curves and rolling ter-

rain on Feura Bush Road, you're lucky to see 200 feet to the right when coming off McCombe, he explained, and "maybe 50 feet when there are snowbanks."

He points to a traffic study commissioned by developer Jerry Rosen that concluded the "sight distance looking left is barely adequate, and the visibility looking right is less than required."

Putting more traffic onto McCombe Drive would be asking for major trouble, according to Ceas. "We're at the point now where we've got this public hearing, and it's up to us to convince the board, although it seems pretty much set in stone

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Police probe reported assault

By Dev Tobin

The shocking shadow of danger from strangers has fallen over Bethlehem Central Middle School, as police are investigating a reported assault and possible attempted abduction Thursday at the school.

We take school security very seriously, but we can't have the front doors locked.

Stephen Lobban

According to Bethlehem Police Lt. Fred Holligan, a eighth-grade boy said he was accosted at about 1:15 p.m. by a white male in his late 20s or early 30s in a stairwell off the school's front lobby.

"The suspect yelled, 'Come over here,' then grabbed the kid by the back of the neck," Holligan said. "He struggled free and reported it to school authorities."

The suspect is about six feet tall, clean-shaven, with short blond hair and was wearing a gray Gold's Gym sweatshirt and dark pants, Holligan said.

Det. James Corbett worked

with the boy Friday to come up with a composite drawing, which will be circulated to the middle school faculty and to local police agencies.

Corbett reiterated that children should be wary of strangers ("anyone they don't know"), and should understand that "It's OK to say 'No' to an adult stranger."

Corbett said that the child in this incident got away and did not require hospitalization or medical care, although "There was a mark on the back of his neck to indicate that someone had his hands on him."

"The reporting of the incident is significant" after getting away from a potentially dangerous stranger, Corbett said.

"Timely reporting means a lot," added Holligan "It gives us a much better chance at a successful conclusion" to the investigation.

A parent who is friends with the family of the assaulted boy said that "Security needs to be tightened at the school, or one of these days, we're going to lose one of our kids."

The parent was especially concerned with a delay of more than 45 minutes before police were notified of the alleged assault. During that time, school officials searched in vain for the intruder.

"The police should have been brought in immediately," she said.

BCMS Principal Stephen Lobban agreed.

"It's a valid point; 45 minutes is too long," he said.

Lobban added, "We don't want to be naive. We take school security very seriously, but we can't have the front doors locked."

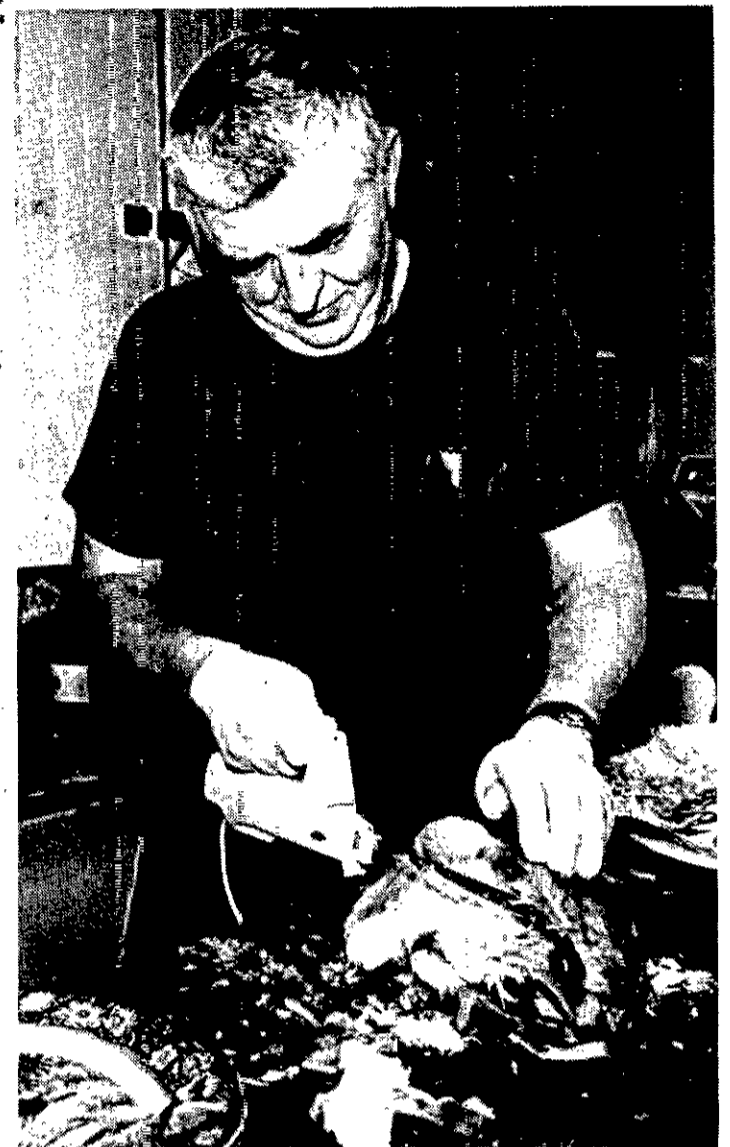
Visitors to all BC schools are required to register at the school office. This incident occurred about 30 feet from the office.

BC Superintendent Leslie Loomis said that the school "will do everything possible to protect the safety of students," including a new procedure for parents or others picking up middle school students, who now must be signed out, as at the district's elementary schools.

Lobban said students will now stay either in the main office or the health office while waiting to be picked up. Students previously had waited in the lobby or in front of the school.

Loomis noted that Corbett has met with the middle school faculty regarding the incident, and that a letter outlining security procedures will be sent home to parents.

Master carver



Randy Drabner, grand master of the Bethlehem Grange, slices up turkey for the Grange's monthly dinner. Doug Persons

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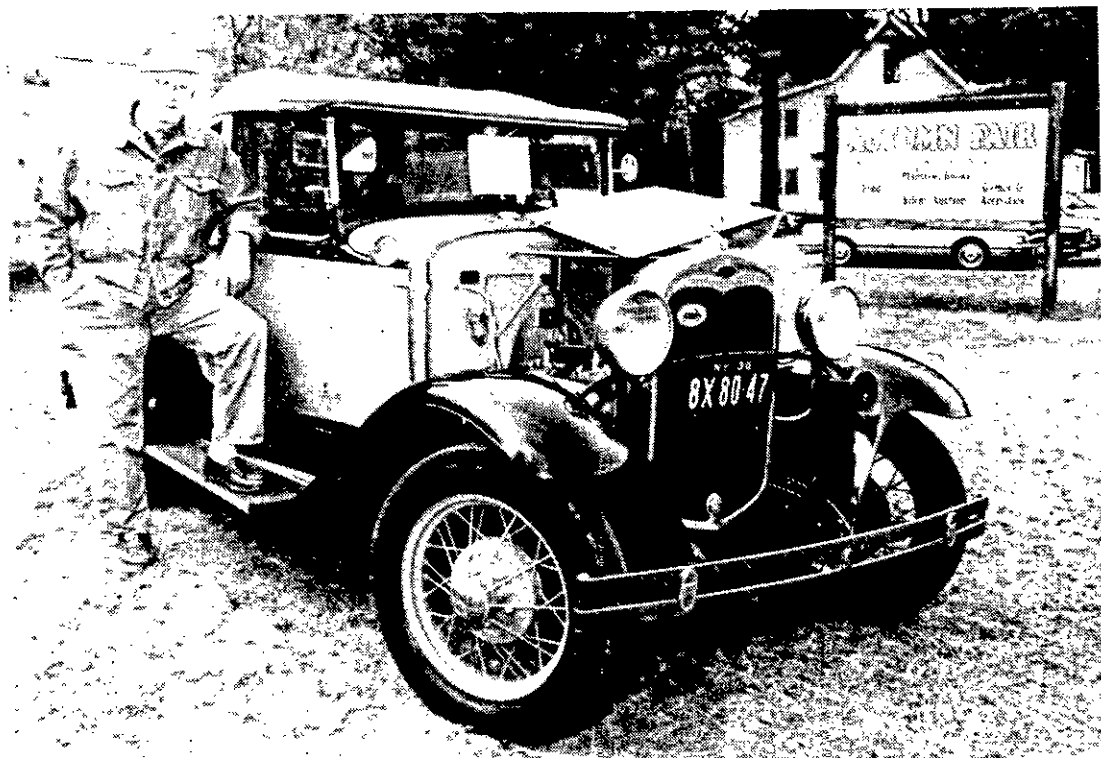
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For information contact the Planning Department at 439-4955.

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Classic car come-on



Henry Marks of Delmar parks his 1930 Ford Model A on the front lawn of the First United Methodist Church on Kenwood Avenue as an extra inducement for people to visit the church's Autumn Fair. Doug Persons

NS board OKs 3 percent raises

By Dev Tobin

The New Scotland town board debated whether some town employees should receive larger percentage raises than others in the 1995 budget at two budget workshop meetings over the past week.

Supervisor Herb Reilly recommended that four employees receive 5 percent raises, as opposed to the 3 percent everyone else would receive, because of work "above and beyond" the normal duties of their offices.

The four are Corinne Cossac, town clerk; Kathy Martin, deputy town clerk; Pat Geurtze, highway department secretary; and Carol Cootware, supervisor's secretary.

Reilly said that Cossac and Martin are often working late in the day taking care of residents' concerns; that Geurtze has been working extra to help newly appointed Highway Superintendent Darrell Duncan; and that Cootware had done a lot of extra work in helping Reilly prepare the budget.

Reilly estimated that the extra 2 percent would cost about \$2,000, and noted that he had put that money in the budget.

Councilman Dick Decker said that any extra raises for individuals should await completion of a salary schedule study currently underway by the Volunteer Service Executive Corps.

"We can adjust salaries after the study," Decker said.

Reilly replied that the study will not likely be completed until well into 1995, at which time it would be too late to adjust salaries for that year.

The board decided not to award the extra raises at its workshop Monday.

The board also added \$14,000 for four seasonal highway department workers on Monday, to be paid for by raising the sales tax revenue estimate from \$1,175,000 to \$1,189,000.

"It's still a conservative figure" for sales tax revenue, Reilly said.

Also on the revenue side, Decker questioned whether Reilly's estimated income from the mortgage recording tax might be too optimistic.

Reilly budgeted \$140,000 from the mortgage tax, noting that the town received \$174,000 in 1993 and \$84,000 for the first half of 1994.

Decker argued that this year's rise in interest rates may curtail mortgage activity, especially refinances.

"I have serious reservations about this; the mortgage industry is in disarray at this point," Decker said. "We may have to cut the budget if (the \$140,000) doesn't come in."

Councilman Scott Houghtaling noted that the local multiple list-

ings book has grown in size as higher interest rates have made it more difficult for people to buy houses.

"The mortgage volume is just not there," he said.

Reilly replied that his estimate was "fairly conservative" given the results from recent years.

The board also decided not to add any funding for Advanced Life Support (paramedic) services into the 1995 budget because board members were unsure about the long-range annual cost of the program.

By Dev Tobin

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The dress codes have more to

Shop n' Save seeks supermarket site

By Mel Hyman

All points alert.

The parent company of Shop 'n Save says the supermarket chain would like nothing better than to operate a store in Bethlehem, but attempts thus far to find an appropriately zoned location on which to build have been unsuccessful.

"If you hear of any sites, give me a call," said Michael Brescia, senior real estate representative for Maine-based Hannaford Bros., which owns the chain of supermarkets. "We'd really like to build a store for the Bethlehem/Delmar area, but zoning and a lack of sites is a real issue."

Brescia said he met with Supervisor Sheila Fuller early this year and discussed several potential sites, none of which were deemed appropriate. The town is currently served by only one major supermarket chain — Grand Union, which has stores in Elsmere and Glenmont.

The only appropriately zoned area was in the vicinity of the proposed Southgate Commons shopping center on Route 9W, Brescia said, and that area was not viewed as viable given the possibility that a new Super K store might be located in Southgate.

The Town Squire Plaza was looked at and found unsuitable, Brescia said, because it is not close enough to residential neighborhoods. "We don't think any part of that (Feura Bush Road/Route 9W) area is that suitable."

Hannaford has been aggressively seeking new store locations ever since it opened its first Capital District supermarket seven years ago.

Keith Wiggand, vice president of J. Wiggand & Sons, which manages Town Squire, said

Brescia was sadly mistaken if he thought Town Squire was an inappropriate site.

"He's dead wrong. He ought to leave his office in New Hampshire and come over and look around."

Town Squire has been around since 1960, and only four years ago the planning board gave approval for a 60,000-square-foot supermarket in the plaza, Wiggand said.

"Shop 'n Save has the opportunity to be the hero of Bethlehem by moving into town," Wiggand said. "We could have a store up and operating for them in Town Squire within six months."

If you hear of any sites, give me a call.

Michael Brescia

Brescia said Hannaford would likely construct a 46,000-square-foot supermarket in Bethlehem, as opposed to the 64,000-square-foot stores it operates in Albany and Colonie.

One of the sites Hannaford looked at in February was off Delaware Avenue just south of Bethlehem Central High School, according to Fuller. They apparently ruled out that site, she said, along with another one south of Feura Bush Road along Route 9W.

Two supermarket proposals are currently before the town planning board. Price Chopper is seeking a zoning change so that it can build a 63,000-square-foot store at the junction of New Scotland and LeGrange roads.

And Kmart is looking to open a 60,000-square-foot discount store/supermarket in the proposed Southgate Commons shopping center on Route 9W in Glenmont.

BC board reiterates no-Greek policy

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The dress codes have more to

do with the personal preferences of administrators than with disruption," she said. "Our pledges deserve to be treated equally."

Loomis replied that wearing white, as Beta Gamma Rho pledges do, is a way of identifying sorority members, and therefore a type of sorority activity.

"This is not about a dress code, but about fraternity/sorority activity on school grounds," Loomis said.

As part of a general tightening of discipline this year, high school administrators were determined that there be "no observable fraternity/sorority activities on campus," Loomis said.

Staff argued that her sorority was not just a social club, and that sorority members raise money to support the yearbook, Ronald McDonald House and food pantries.

Board president William Collins noted that whatever good works members might perform cannot change the exclusive, non-

school-sponsored nature of fraternities and sororities.

"We have absolutely no control over fraternities and sororities, nor should we," Collins said.

"Nor would you want us to have that control," Loomis added.

Sanctioned school activities "have to be open to all students, with clear criteria for participating, and under district control," Loomis said.

The high school student handbook states that fraternities and sororities "are disruptive to the educational process," a legal term of art under which schools can prohibit activity that is otherwise legal or constitutionally protected.

Loomis said that he would ask Roger Fritts, school district attorney, to review case law and state education commissioner's rulings to ensure that the district has the prerogative to prohibit on-campus fraternity/sorority activity, including wearing distinctive clothing.

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Hands-on activity



Karen Shulman watches her daughters Talya and Sarah playfully compare hand sizes at a recent open house at School's Out's new headquarters at 239 Delaware Ave., Delmar. School's Out is an after- and before-school children's care program. *Doug Persons*

This couple has fun to boot

By Susan Graves

Four years ago Nanci Karins didn't give a hoot about country music. Today, she spends six nights a week tuned into the latest in country as "Danci Nanci," an award-winning instructor in all the latest in country steps.

Karins and her partner Rich Mendick of Glenmont, otherwise known as Rockin' Rich, were recently named instructors of the year by the Northeast Country Music Association. "Four years ago, I met my partner and he asked if I liked country western dancing — the next week I started lessons, and I really enjoyed it," said Karins.

For Karins, who is deputy receiver of taxes for the town of Bethlehem, having fun and meeting and making new friends are the most important part of dancing, but an added bonus is being able to participate in a family activity.

"People say they like us, and we consider everyone as our family," she said. Karins said people come from as far away as Oneonta to learn the latest steps.

Further, "It's great exercise and a mental workout" at the same time. Some of the dances require 48 steps or more, "so you can't drink a lot (of alcohol)," she said. Karins said she encourages beginners who sometimes get confused. "If anyone can count to four, they can do it," she said.

Although line dancing is popular, Karins said it's only one of three types of country dancing. There's also choreographed dancing for couples and lead and follow two step or free step. "We don't think of this as a craze," she said.



Nanci Karins and Rich Mendick are busy teaching country/western dancing and having fun at the same time six nights a week.

But just keeping up with Karins and Mendick's schedule calls for some fancy footwork. On Friday and Saturday nights from 7 to 9 p.m., they're at the Wagonwheel Saloon in Ravena for lessons. For the \$5 admission toe tappers get the lessons and can practice until 1 a.m. Karins and Mendick also teach at the Ravena Knights of Columbus on Thursdays and at the Treefarm Restaurant in Duaneburg on Sundays. They

also teach a full schedule of classes at Bethlehem Central High School in the continuing ed program. All told, Karins said she sees about 600 students every week. And that's not even counting the demonstrations for fund-raising organizations and for numerous community groups.

Karins and Mendick are members of the national Teachers Association for Country Western Dance.

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Dr. Minoo Buchanan, pediatric dentist, shows off her new office on Delaware Avenue in Delmar. She designed the new setting to be as open and well lighted as possible.

Doug Persons

Town leaf pickup continues

Bethlehem Highway Department vacuum trucks will continue to collect leaves for the next several weeks. There is no set schedule for leaf collection since trucks are assigned to all areas of town.

It is essential that leaves be raked to the edge of the pavement and not into the roadway or sidewalk. Branches and limbs should be stacked separately, since the vacuum machines cannot pick up brush. Separate vehicles will pick

up brush and bagged or containerized leaves on the regularly scheduled pickup day.

Bethlehem artworks on display at library

The Bethlehem Art Association is holding its annual November art show through Nov. 30 at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

For information, contact Jean Eaton at 765-9341.

Selkirk substation logs busy 1st year

The first year of operation for the Bethlehem Police substation on Route 9W in Glenmont was a busy one.

Set up on Sept. 19, 1993, the substation officers handled 2,392 requests for assistance for the period ending Sept. 19 this year.

Officers working out of the substation and covering the Glenmont, Selkirk and South

Bethlehem areas made 821 traffic arrests. A total of 143 criminal cases were opened, with 86 closed by arrests.

"The results were outstanding," said Police Chief Richard LaChapelle. "We took a concept and developed it into a productive, efficient and effective program that maintains the highest standard of accountability to the public."

Officers logged 92,038 patrol miles during the first year of operation. They conducted 2,911 property checks and initiated 16 programs in the community.

In light of residents' concern over speeding and dangerous amounts of truck traffic on Routes 144 and 9W, officers conducted 1,203 motor vehicle stops, issuing 832 traffic summonses.

BC students to perform in festival

Twenty-six students at Bethlehem Central High School have been selected for the Area All-State Festival this month at Saratoga Junior Senior High School.

Students were selected from more than 50 schools based on their ratings in NYSSMA evaluations.

The Bethlehem Music Association pays for the students who will participate.

The students are:

• Band: Matt Wing, bari sax; William Leary, tenor sax; Dana Cole, bassoon; Julie Davidson, clarinet; Nathaniel Dorfman, cornet; Lauren Rice, french horn; Jessica Sundram, flute; Debbi Kerness, oboe; Adam Waite and Jared Beck, trombone; and Jeremy Muhlich, tuba.

• Chorus: Matthew Simons, bass; Julia Domaruma, Anna Groer and Elizabeth Karam, sopranos;

and Adam Sharron, tenor.

• Orchestra: Sarah Cook, bassoon; Miora Hughes and Kristen Jones, cello; Kimberly Harvey, clarinet; Anneliese Vogel, french horn; Aaron Thore, trombone; Bryan Berry, Kelly Bittner, Alicia Caccioli and Jason Sundram, violin.

The festival culminates with a public concert on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 5 p.m. at the Saratoga Junior Senior High School.

Planners record light meeting agenda

After months of busy agendas and controversial proposals, the New Scotland planning board had its lightest agenda in quite some time last week.

Reflecting the end of the 1994 construction season, town planners discussed only one item — a minor setback variance for James and Jeannie Kiley of Route 32 south of Meads Corners.

James Kiley said that the variance for an attached deck on his new house was necessary because of the slope limitations of the lot.

The setback for decks and other structures in that zone is 50 feet, and the Kileys' deck would be within 40 feet of the neighboring property line.

The board voted unanimously to forward the variance to the zoning board of appeals with a

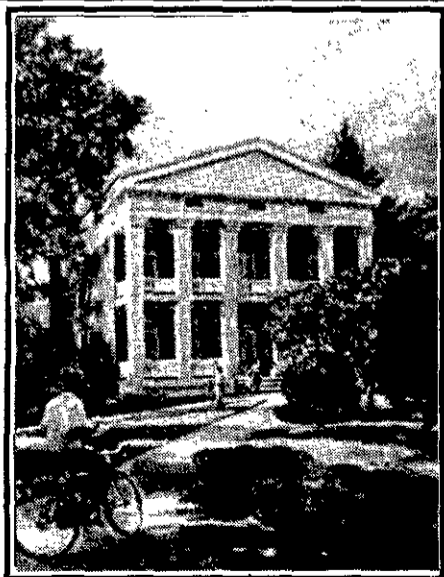
favorable recommendation.

In other business, board chairman Robert Stapf reported that the next meeting of the town's zoning review committee, on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m., will feature presentations on cluster zoning and on expanding the proposed resource conservation overlay district in the vicinity of the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center.

Stapf said the committee has generally been using the town's recently completed master plan as a guide in its discussions.

Stapf also reported that he had been asked to serve on a Voorheesville Central School District facilities advisory committee that will study whether new classrooms will be needed as the district's enrollment grows.

Dev Tobin



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"Magnificent! The perfect complement to *Bethlehem Revisited*."

— Sheila Fuller, town supervisor

Original David Coughtry Cover Painting to be Sold:

An original oil painting of the 1838 Adams House Hotel (former Town Hall) at the Four Corners in Delmar will be sold by silent bid. The painting is now on display at South Street Framers and Gallery at the Four Corners. Sealed bids can be submitted there through 5:30 p.m., November 18, at which time the bids will be opened and the painting will be awarded to the highest bidder. Minimum bid: \$600.

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Editorials

Problem: the United Nations wants to exit Somalia but fears for the safety of its soldiers. Solution? Ask the United States military to provide cover.

Problem: Haiti needs a couple of military despots evicted and its president restored to office. Solution? Send in our troops.

For as long as this marvelous piece of real estate has been our country, whenever there was trouble, whether at Valley Forge or the University of Alabama, in Kuwait or Korea, in Los Angeles or at Pearl Harbor, men and women wearing the uniform of the United States military have been summoned to conquer the enemy, to maintain the peace or to restore order.

Friday is Veterans Day, the one day each year when the country says thanks to those who fought, or were willing to fight, for us.

If you know a vet, why not also acknowledge your gratitude face-to-face? If you knew one who died on our behalf, remember him or her well, for us all.

It's a good idea

According to recent news stories, Shop 'n Save, Price Chopper and Super K supermarket chains would like to open stores in Bethlehem.

We like the idea.

Bethlehem residents for too long have been dependent on the two Grand Unions (one in Elmsere, the other in Glenmont) and their dissatisfaction is growing.

The Spotlight has been receiving an increasing number of letters, some of which we have printed, complaining about high prices.

And the complaints have gotten louder during the recent remodeling at the Elmsere Grand Union. The store remained open while the work was in progress even though the shelf items that remained available constantly were moved about.

And the company gave no advance notice that we are aware of that the renovations would occur, when the work would begin, when it would end and how the store planned to operate during that time.

Listen to Loomis

Students at Bethlehem Central High School should accept the administration's ban on on-campus sorority and fraternity activity for two reasons.

First, Superintendent Leslie Loomis is correct when he says there is no guarantee either group selects its members on equitable and impartial bases.

Dr. Loomis might well have added that high school students should not be learning to differentiate among individuals using artificial criteria such as a similarity in socioeconomic background, interests, popularity, athletic or academic ability and the like.

Society will teach them the principles of discriminatory herding soon enough.

Second, we doubt anyone's freedom of speech is being violated when the powers that be ban singing and dancing in the halls, Halloween costumes in the classrooms and the hazing of younger students. The first two obviously are disruptive and irrelevant to any legitimate educational purpose. The practice of hazing is demeaning and sometimes dangerous, and it is about as good a measure of a person's character as the dunking pool used to be.

For those reasons, hazing increasingly is being prohibited at colleges and universities. It certainly has no place on a high school campus.

For the sake of the nation

The writer of this Point of View is national commander of the 3.1 million-member American Legion.

By William M. Detweiler

Why do we celebrate Veterans Day? A citizen telephoned the American Legion's National Headquarters in Indianapolis recently to say that he didn't think veterans deserve any special recognition, honor or benefits.

It was the caller's opinion that America's wartime veterans have given no more or no less to our country than any other citizen who goes to work each day and otherwise does his or her part. It's a fair question: Why do we celebrate Veterans Day?

First, the U.S. Constitution grants citizens the right to assemble peaceably and the freedom to speak our minds. Many Americans in 1994 take such rights for granted.

But, we have only to look at the many trouble spots around the world, some very close to home, to know how fragile and rare are the freedoms that we enjoy.

Second, because of the tremendous contribution America's veterans have made to the defense of our nation, it's important to honor these individuals. Nov. 11, the date World War I officially ended, has been designated for this purpose.

Third, veterans do recognize the contributions of all Americans who pitched in and did their part on the home front during wartime. But, what of the men and women who donned their country's uni-

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form, left job, home and family, and placed themselves in harm's way for the sake of their nation? General Douglas MacArthur described America's citizen-soldier as "one of the world's noblest figures."

Recalling two world wars, MacArthur said: "In memory's eye I could see those staggering columns of the First World War, many a weary march from dripping dusk to drizzling dawn, slogging ankle deep through the mire of shell pocked roads; to form grimly for the attack, blue-lipped, covered with sludge and mud, chilled by the wind and rain, driving home to their objective, and, for many, to the judgment seat of God."

"And 20 years after, on the other side of the globe, again the filth of murky foxholes, the stench of ghostly trenches, the slime of dripping dugouts, those boiling suns of relentless heat, those torrential rains of devastating storms... the bitterness of long separation from those they loved and cherished, the deadly pestilence of tropical disease, the horror of stricken areas of war."

Author James Brady, a Marine during the Korean War, has written this about his experiences:

"We stayed on the line once through January and February for 46 days. Never washed, never changed clothes, and we ate from tin cans. No fresh fruit, no milk, no bread. Our faces were pitted with pustules and black heads and in the cold, (mucus) froze solid on our nostrils and upper lips and our eyes were bloodshot and twitched from nerves and fatigue."

"And you try to keep it hanging together when a friend of yours is killed or loses an eye or his hands and try to forget what dead men look like hanging on barbed wire in the morning after you have fought again through the night."

Here's how Marsha Young, a Desert Storm veteran, described her experiences in a recent letter to *American Legion Magazine*:

"The monsoon rains flooded us, the Scuds attacked us and the locals harassed the American women. Water made our chemical suits ineffective against any agents in the Scud warheads. We had no showers for 11 days. With water and toilet paper rationing, constant sand storms, 100-plus degree weather, no tampons, no laundry, Scud attacks and sniper fire, I too, became the animal within...."

"I live today with what is called the Saudi Syndrome. My utmost respect goes to the combat veterans whatever the war, whatever the gender."

Indeed. In war after war, America's veterans have returned home in need of medical help, an education, and a job. Yet, time and time again, veterans have had to fight for these things, too - for benefits that a grateful nation should bestow upon its defenders like a crown of laurel.

As national commander of the American Legion, I'm proud to say that throughout our organization's 75 years, we've been in the thick of that fight. And we'll keep on fighting. With their blood, their sweat and their tears, America's veterans have earned their place at the table.

Why do we celebrate Veterans Day? Because veterans have given us the freedom to do so.

She'd rather be called a 'Green Snake'

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wrote this letter to Ms. (Jan) Messina, in response to the upcoming Tomboy registration. I think you should change the name "Tomboys" to something else. The word "tomboys" suggests that you're acting like a boy if you play softball. That's not true. Girls also like to play softball. It is a very outdated term.

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What you might do is have a color for each team and have the team vote on a name. Another thing you might do is have a color for each team and pick an animal for each color. (Orange Tigers, Green Snakes, etc...)

I am in the fifth grade at Elmsere School. Some of my friends don't want to join because they think the name is sexist. I am one of those people.

I really think you should consider this. Thank you.

Katy Longley and friends:
Anne Longley
Hannah Gray
Katherine Donovan

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Your Opinion Matters

Board shows 'siege mentality'

Editor, The Spotlight:

This letter is being written before the results of the election are known and was not sent before so that it in no way can be construed as politically motivated.

As a former member of the Town Board of Bethlehem who sat on the board at the time the issue of an alternative water source from the Hudson River aquifer first was considered, I find it necessary to set the record straight.

I also believe it is now the proper time to comment on the quagmire the current Town Board and town administration has backed itself into in an attempt to manipulate residents into the politically expedient "quick fix" required by the large corporate elements in town.

At the time the suggestion of possible use of the Hudson River water and/or aquifer as a supplemental water supply for the town first reared its head, the proposal was part of the ongoing crisis management employed by the leadership of the town. As usual, panic ensued when correspondence was received from the city of Albany relating to the existing contract for an additional water supply to the town. After an initial period of frenzied activity, Mr. Secor was directed by the board to provide alternative solutions to the impending "water problem."

Reviewing the history of what transpired during the course of the initial consideration of alternatives, it becomes apparent that information provided, at least to certain members of the board, was incomplete. Clearly, investigation of all viable alternatives was a rational choice, but full disclosure is essential to informed decision-making, including but not limited to disclosure of accurate information on projected costs of the various alternatives.

Vandals think it's amusing

Editor, The Spotlight:

Over the years the McGrath family of Glenmont has become down right legendary for their pumpkins.

This year they had at least 30 brilliantly displayed in their front yard. Word has spread, and people make the pilgrimage from all over the capital district, and this year even from Munich, Germany, to view their creations.

These are not your everyday-type Jack-O-Lanterns. These are true art, each precisely carved and sculptured with fine delicate detail. It is a true attraction for everyone, young and old.

Unfortunately, late Halloween night, all the pumpkins were smashed. It's hard to imagine what kind of sick minds could find this destructive vandalism amusing. We are sorry for the McGraths but want to thank them for the enjoyment their wonderful pumpkins have brought hundreds (probably thousands) of fans.

Shauna Peckham

Elsmere.

Letters

When the requested information was provided, investigation of the viability of the Hudson River water and/or aquifer was a proper alternative, especially in light of clear representations made to the board that if this water source were to be considered, its use would be limited expressly to large commercial users for production and NOT as an alternative drinking water source for residents. According to the water use figures presented by Mr. Secor, no problem would have existed for the residential water supply for the foreseeable future. The only cause generating the need to investigate such alternative water sources was the anticipated increased commercial usage, specifically the projected demands of the Co-Gen facility and other industrial users.

The project was launched with study and evaluation commensurate with the aplomb of the Titanic in search of an iceberg. The initial failure to obtain proper legal authority to enter the land chosen for testing, combined with the questionable permitting practices, did not become known until these issues were raised in public session. Only after continued questioning and prodding was any response engendered. This type of slipshod performance does not instill confidence in the remainder of the process undertaken.

The existence of these irregularities calls into question the accuracy of the testing on which the final decisions allegedly were based.

Regardless of the test results, clearly issues remain to be resolved, at the very least in the minds of the taxpaying, voting residents of the Town of Bethlehem who, along with their children, will be forced to drink the results of this not fully tested experiment. Where any question exists relating to any matter which will impact directly on the health of the residents of the town, the Town Board owes a duty of care, to fully investigate and to fully evaluate all aspects of such issues.

Based upon the documented statements presented to date, questions as to the ultimate safety of the water to be drawn from the Hudson River aquifer definitely exist. Given the fact that such a serious issue of health exists, reliance upon "old reliable consultants" who appear to understand the desires of the board, and reliance on a vague letter from the New York State Department of Health in which full sampling for all possible toxins at the newly-revised (as of January 1994) levels has not been run is not sufficient. Instead of responding in a cautious, reasonable manner, the

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current administration has adopted its standard defensive position of burying its head firmly in the sand. Describing the educated concerns of residents, their constituents, who are qualified experts, as paranoid is a clear sign of the town's siege mentality.

With the level of concern of the residents, the conflicting scientific opinions and the about face of incorporating this water into the general residential flow, the Town Board, as the elected voice of the electorate, must heed the concerns of its citizens. This is the basic tenet of our democracy.

M. Sheila Galvin

Delmar

In memory of 'beloved Gordie'

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wonder if your readers are acquainted with the James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health in Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine. The Cornell Research Laboratory for Diseases of Dogs there studies diseases affecting dogs of all breeds.

We were not familiar with either until they came to our attention in a letter from the Laboratory's director, Dr. L. E. Carmichael, informing us that a contribution had been made "in memory of your beloved Gordie."

The contribution was made by the Delmar Animal Hospital, where Gordie had received compassionate care for many years,

including up to his final moments. We are very appreciative of this further thoughtfulness by Dr. Robert E. Lynk and others of the staff. Needless to say, we now are strongly motivated to contribute also to these studies that, as Dr. Carmichael wrote, can promote the health of future generations of dogs. We thought that others might wish to know of the Laboratory, which is located at Cornell University, Ithaca 14853.

Inasmuch as Gordie's exploits were recounted occasionally in your former "Uncle Dudley" column, perhaps some readers would find interest in this account.

Daniel E. Button

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New Glenmont post office to open Nov. 12

By Mel Hyman

The U.S. Post Office in Glenmont will be moving into new quarters this week in the Glenmont Plaza.

The actual move from the current location, about a quarter mile north of the plaza on Route 9W, will take place on Friday, Nov. 11, a national holiday (Veterans Day), and a day when the post office is normally closed.

"That'll give me a day to move things around so they're functional," said postmaster William Schwarz.

The move was supposed to take place during the week of Oct. 15, Schwarz said, but renovations on the 4,000-square-foot space were not completed.

"Most people over here are just chomping at the bit" for the new office to open, Schwarz said. "We're just thankful to have a new facility."

Included in the new facility will be 972 rental boxes. That's about three times what was available at the old location.

"We've had a waiting list (for



A 4,000-square-foot space in the Glenmont Plaza will soon house the Glenmont Post Office. Doug Persons

boxes) for the last seven years," Schwarz said. "We'll wipe that out right away and still have plenty left over."

Assuming there are no bugs or last-minute foul-ups, the new facility will be open for business on Saturday, Nov. 12.

The date for a grand opening has not been set, Schwarz said,

because "I want to make things more appropriate before deciding on one."

The old facility will shut its doors for good on Thursday, Nov. 10, at 5 p.m.

Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., although the windows will

close at 12:30 p.m. The new post office will be open during the week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

With the population boom in the Glenmont area, the old facility became too small. Postal officials acknowledge that when it opened in 1981 they did not foresee the huge growth in this part of Bethlehem.

BC parents invited to school meeting

The BCCO, Bethlehem Central High School's parent organization, will hold a breakfast meeting today, Nov. 9, at 8 a.m. at the high school, located at 700 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The meeting will feature an open forum. Parents and guardians are invited to meet with Principal Jon Hunter.

For information, contact Susan Malbin at 475-0236.

Coeymans to host Las Vegas Night

The Coeymans Hollow Volunteer Fire Corp. will sponsor a Las Vegas Night on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m. at the firehouse on Route 143.

The event is part of the corporation's 50th anniversary celebration.

The public is welcome to attend. For information, call 767-2621.

Slingerlands pupil named 'winning kid'

Slingerlands resident Brett Miller, 11, has been named a "Winning Kid" by the Epilepsy Association of the Capital District.

He will be introduced to county officials during a reception on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the state Education Building.

Miller is a fourth-grader at Slingerlands Elementary School. He enjoys playing baseball, swimming and climbing trees.

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Dog day afternoon



Robin Elliott, 3, of Delmar pets Clifford the Big Red Dog at the I Love Books store on Delaware Avenue.

Doug Persons

School taxes paid without a hitch

More than \$31 million in school taxes was collected by Bethlehem Receiver of Taxes Kenneth Hahn recently without a single discrepancy between what was owed and what was paid.

About 95 percent of what was owed to the Bethlehem Central School District, the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District, and the Guilderland Central School District, was received during the months of September and October.

It's a noteworthy accomplishment, Hahn said, and credit should be given to all eight clerk/collectors in the office. "When you have hundreds of walk-ups during a limited period of time, you're under tremendous pressure."

Any school tax bills not paid on time — Oct. 31 is the deadline — incur a 7 percent penalty and are rolled into the town and county property tax bills that go out Jan. 1.

Hahn noted that "by law we have to send out reminder cards. Then I follow up with a phone call when the taxes remain unpaid."

Quilters meet Friday

Quilters United in Learning Together (QUILT) will meet on Friday, Nov. 11, at 9:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church located at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

Members are asked to bring their sewing tools.

For information, call 283-0522.

The Spotlight remembers

This week in 1984, these stories were making headlines in *The Spotlight*.

• In local election results, Bethlehem and New Scotland voters strongly supported the re-election bids of President **Ronald Reagan** and Congressman **Sam Stratton**, and also supported Republican **Steven Gates** of Glenmont in his unsuccessful campaign for County Court judge. Democrat **Anthony Cardona** of Delmar carried both Bethlehem and New Scotland in winning a Family Court judgeship.

• On his return from the Soviet Union, **Millard Harmon** reported to the Second Milers that military hardliners were running the country to the detriment of its "delightful and wonderful people."

• Two books by *Spotlight* columnists — *Times Remembered* by **Allison Bennett** and *Family Matters* by **Norman Cohen** — were published.

• The former Hilchie's hardware store on Delaware Avenue became part of the 100-year-old Phillips hardware store chain, owned by **Abbott Phillips** of Slingerlands. The new store featured additional hours, more employees and a wider variety of products for contractors and do-it-yourselfers.



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PTA sponsoring craft fair at high school

The RCS parent teacher organization is holding its third annual craft fair Sunday, Nov. 20, at the high school from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will also be a bake sale and special drawing.

Anyone who would like to rent a space should contact Phyllis Ingram at 756-9446 or Patty Trombley at 756-3005.

RCS taking yearbook orders

RCS yearbooks will be on sale at the senior high school until Monday, Nov. 14. They will be sold during homeroom periods. Checks should be made payable to RCS Yearbook.

For information, call 756-2155.

Owens Corning announces poster winners

Owens Corning Fiberglas in Feura Bush recently sponsored

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its annual safety poster contest, which is open to children of employees.

Frank Percival Jr., a plant employee and father of Debra and William Percival, noted that both children were among the winners.

Congratulations to all winners, whose posters and pictures will appear on the plant's yearly calendar for 1995.

'55 Alive' seminar slated at church

AARP will sponsor a "55 Alive" seminar at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church on two consecu-

tive Saturdays, Nov. 12, and Nov. 19, from 1 to 5 p.m.

There is a non-refundable fee and this class entitles participants to a 10 percent reduction in auto insurance for three years. Participants must be 50 years or older and will learn safe driving habits and preventive measures to save lives.

For information, call Anna Uhl at 439-9598

RCS students concerned over ANSWERS

Concern about the city of Albany's desire to site a regional landfill about a mile from RCS Senior High School has prompted the senior high school student government and the PTSA to investigate the matter.

On Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m., the student government and the PTSA will host a joint meeting at the senior high school regarding the issues.

Following a short regular business meeting of the senior high school government, John Bonafide, local resident and historian, will present a slide show of the proposed dump site. A discussion

will follow.

All are welcome. For information, call the school at 756-2155.

Becker participating in register tape program

A.W. Becker Elementary School is participating in the education register tapes for program.

Register tapes can be collected from any of the sponsoring stores and redeemed toward valuable educational equipment such as computers, science, band or sports equipment and more.

The program kick off was Sept. 18 and register tapes can be collected until Feb. 4. The pupils and faculty of A.W. Becker would appreciate your support.

BC concert tonight

The ninth annual Pops Concert is scheduled for tonight, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Bethlehem Central High School at 700 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Nine different school performance groups will stage a variety of 20th-century music.

Tickets cost \$2, and may be purchased at the door.

Elks club to sponsor free-throw contest

The Bethlehem Elks will sponsor a free-throw shooting contest for girls and boys ages 8 to 13 on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 9 a.m. at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School on Route 9W in Ravena.

Winners in each age group will advance to the district competition.

For information, call 436-2995.

Ravena club planning Thanksgiving dinner

The Ravena Leisure Club is planning a Thanksgiving dinner with turkey and all the trimmings on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 2 p.m. at Ravena Senior Projects on Bruno Boulevard in Ravena.

For information, call 756-8593.

RCS session slated on gender equity

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Partners in Education group will hear a presentation on "Gender Equity in Education" at its meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. at the RCS Middle School.

For information, call 767-2513.

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Public hearing slated on New Scotland's 1995 budget

The New Scotland town board will hold a public hearing on the 1995 budget tonight, Nov. 9, starting at 6:50 p.m. at the town hall on Route 85.

The schedule is as follows: Onesquethaw Fire District at 6:50 p.m., Onesquethaw Volunteer Ambulance Service at 7 p.m., New Salem Fire District at 7:10 p.m., Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance at 7:20 p.m., and the preliminary town budget at 7:30 p.m.

The board will probably vote to approve the 1995 budget at its regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m.

Zoning committee reschedules meeting

The November meeting of the New Scotland zoning law committee has been rescheduled from tonight to Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. at the town hall.

PTA needs volunteers for book fair

This year's PTA book fair runs from Monday, Nov. 14 to Friday, Nov. 18, at the elementary school library. It will be open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday from noon to 8:30 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to staff the book fair and to help with cleanup. Call Barb Schlappi at 765-9337 if you can help.

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Resource library available for adults

The Adult Resource Library is now available to all teachers and parents in the school district. Thanks to the PTA's generous sponsorship, about 50 titles, including books and audio and video tapes have been purchased.

Topics include: parenting and behavior management, learning disabilities, death and grieving, divorce and single parenting, study skills, stress management, health education and child development.

Items from the library can be signed out by contacting the school psychologist, Laurie Lysenko, at 765-5529.

Lysenko will display the library materials and explain the confidential system for checking out materials at this month's meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria.

Apple adventure slated

You are invited to an Apple Adventure on Sunday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. at the Cornell Cooperative Extension's Rice Center on Martin Road.

Phil Forsline, a Cornell plant geneticist, will discuss the origin of apples in his talk "Apples on the Silk Road." An apple tasting, courtesy of Indian Ladder Farms, will be held after the program. Coffee and cider will be served and homemade pies will be sold.

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Methodist men plan breakfast meeting

The United Methodist Men will hold their monthly breakfast meeting on Sunday, Nov. 13, at 8 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church on Maple Avenue.

The program features a video

on the plight of African refugees called "Africa at the Crossroads."

To register, call Lee Flanders at 765-2682.

School board to meet

The regular meeting of the Voorheesville board of education is Monday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room at the high school.

Planners slate Nov. 15 meeting

Voorheesville's planning commission meets on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 7:15 p.m. at the village hall on 29 Voorheesville Ave.

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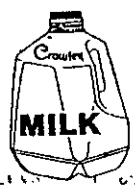
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Biographer to give Wenzl lecture

Harlow Robinson, author of this year's acclaimed biography *The Last Impresario: the Life, Times, and Legacy of Sol Hurok*, will give the fifth annual Theodore C. Wenzl Lecture on Monday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Robinson will speak about his experiences as a biographer, and

moted such luminaries as Isadora Duncan, Martha Graham, Marian Anderson, Arthur Rubinstein and Rudolf Nureyev. The epithet "Sol Hurok presents" became a seal of quality for a generation of concertgoers and TV viewers.



Published by Viking Press to coincide with the 20th anniversary of Hurok's death (his funeral was at Carnegie Hall), Robinson's book was greeted with rave reviews. *The New York Times Book Review* article said, "There has never been a clearer or more through exploration of the byzantine realm of American dance in this century."

Though an academic scholar, Robinson regularly contributes articles on culture and the performing arts to *The New York Times*, *Stagebill*, and other popular magazines and newspapers. His next project is slated to be a cultural history of Russians in Hollywood.

The lecture is named in honor of Theodore C. Wenzl who served on the library board of trustees for 43 years. As president of the board

from 1952 until 1980, he oversaw a major expansion in services and construction of the current library building.

Certified genealogist Florence Christoph will discuss "New Directions in Genealogical Research" on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m. She will offer suggestions for beginning and pursuing genealogical research with an emphasis on following multiple paths to information.

Christoph has researched several prominent area families, including the Schuylers from 1590 to 1980, and the Voorhees family over a similar period. She has published several books of local records to aid historians and researchers.

On Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m., Dr. David Weinstein, an Albany dentist with a fellowship in oral implantology, will present "Rediscover the Simple Pleasures of Life — What Dental Implants Can Do for You."

He will discuss the way implants can improve an individual's quality of life and eliminate the discomfort associated with dentures and missing teeth.

Both programs are free and open to the public. Register by calling 439-9314.

Anna Jane Abaray

Computer training set

CD-ROM computer training will be held tonight, Nov. 9, and again on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 10:30 a.m. Call 765-2791 to sign up.

Voorheesville Public Library

Jeanne Jenkins, associate dean of admissions at RPI, will discuss the college admissions process, with special emphasis on the college essay, on Monday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Helpful suggestions for high school seniors will be offered on how to best present your talents to college admissions officers.

"More Thanksgiving Stories" will be heard during the family evening story hour on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.

Kids, come in your p.j.'s and bring your family!

Barbara Vink

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Bethlehem Public Library

following his talk, the Friends of the Library will hold a reception in his honor. The event is free and the public is invited. To attend, RSVP by calling 439-9314.

Robinson has taught at the University at Albany since 1980, and currently chairs the department of Germanic and Slavic languages. He published his first book, a biography of Prokofiev, in 1987 and has made 18 trips to the former Soviet Union in the past 20 years.

The Last Impresario tells the unlikely story of how Hurok, a half-literate Russian immigrant, became the P.T. Barnum of the American concert stage.

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Ravena church lists upcoming events

The Grace United Methodist Church at 16 Hillcrest Drive in Ravena has announced its schedule for the week of Nov. 10.

Chancel choir will rehearse at 7:30 p.m. and Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10.

There will be two services on Sunday, Nov. 13, one starting at 9 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m. A coffee hour will follow at 11:30 a.m. The Grace Ringers will rehearse at 7 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous will

meet at 7 p.m. and the Widowed Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 14.

An administrative council meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

On Wednesday, Nov. 16, junior choir will rehearse at 6:30 p.m., the TOPS Club will meet at 6:30 p.m., Al Anon will meet at 7 p.m. and Bible study will meet at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call the church at 756-6688.

Local Navy officer still on the move

Navy Petty Officer Second Class James F. Lockman, son of Joanne D. Whiple of Glenmont, is more than halfway through a six-month deployment in the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean aboard the USS Tortuga.

The Tortuga is part of the four-ship USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group which departed Norfolk, Va., in May. Since then, Lockman has traveled to England and France for the 50th anniversary of D-Day, to the Adriatic Sea

off Bosnia and to Almeria, Spain, for a joint exercise with the Spanish military.

The 1984 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School joined the Navy in February of 1986.

Bethlehem to sponsor community swims

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor recreational swims on Sundays, Nov. 13 and 20, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

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Sports

Eagles play great, but Shen prevails

By Janice Gallagher

The Bethlehem boys varsity soccer team ended its season on Thursday, Nov. 3, with a hard-fought game against Shenendehowa that ended in a 1-0 loss.

The only goal of the game was scored 9:08 into the first half off a long, powerful shot from Shen forward Slade Jones from about 25 yards out.

Bethlehem ended the season with a loss that "was nothing to be ashamed of," as senior co-captain Dave LaValle put it.

"It was a good game. Our kids played well," said Bethlehem coach John Bramley. "I thought we outplayed them. We missed our chances, and they put their chances away."

Bethlehem's motivation to win this game couldn't have been greater. Not only were they fighting for a spot in the sectional finals, but they had the difficult 6-3 overtime loss to Shen earlier in the season in the back of their minds.

Bethlehem's seven graduating seniors also had to keep in mind that this could be their last game.

Bethlehem starting goalie Dave Goodfellow was hurt during the game, and "the team had to pull

Soccer

together and stay strong," LaValle said.

BC dominated for much of the first half, and senior Willie Sanchez had a couple of close range shots, including a header in the second half that almost tied the game for the Eagles.

The game ended up with Bethlehem pressing, but not able to convert their shots on goal. Shen outshot Bethlehem 15-8, and goalie Pete Dean had 12 saves, many of which were difficult and allowed the Eagles to stay in the game.

"The fact that we could play Shen so closely shows what a good team we are," said LaValle. "The unity we have comes from working on and off the field as a team. The team spirit was great this year."

LaValle also attributed the team's success to Bramley. "It's been a privilege to learn from his experience. You don't find many people who can share personal experiences about European Division I soccer around."

Named Section II first team all-star

BC's Romano: size no impediment

By Janice Gallagher

At a petite four feet, 10 inches and 90 pounds, you wouldn't think Jessica Romano would be a threat anywhere.

But on the soccer field, she surprises everyone. Romano made the Section II Class A first all-star team this year. She played as a forward for the highly successful Bethlehem girls varsity soccer team, and was picked as a result of her exceptional speed and aggressiveness.

"Jess is a feisty, assertive and spirited player," said girls soccer coach Dave Ksanznak. "She is someone that you would hate to play against, but are glad she's on your team."

"This year's season was great," said Romano. "I didn't score that much, but I still feel I played well. I want to play for fun in college, not live for the sport."

Romano is looking at many East Coast schools, and thinks the State University of New York at Brockport is her top choice as of now. As a member of the National Honor Society, she says "academics come first."

Romano is perhaps best known for her courage and tenacious offense. She often takes on players twice her size, but says "I just don't think about them being so



Jessica Romano

big. I just think about getting the ball."

She got the ball enough to be the leading scorer on last year's team, and she had seven goals this year. She also received the most valuable offense award last year, and made the second all-star team in the section.

"She has a never-give-up spirit, and always gives 100 percent, no matter what the game," said Ksanznak. "She never gave up, and kept on fighting until the end."

In the off-season, Romano stays in shape by running indoor and outdoor track, both of which she holds school records in. Outdoors she was part of the 4 by 400 relay

team that set a school record, and also set the 300 hurdles record.

Indoors she set the 50 meter hurdles record and was part of the sprint medley team that set a record time. She also finds time to downhill ski.

Jessica started playing soccer through the town interclub program, where she recalls that she "began on the under-8 dark green team," and continued playing until she was 13.

She then began playing on the Bethlehem travel team, and went on to be a three-year varsity starter.

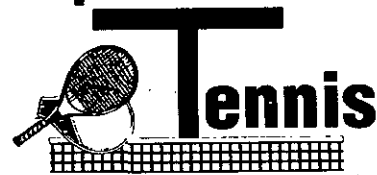
Romano attributes her success to the team and her coaches over the years. "Coach Ksanznak helped me out with my game and made practice fun. The team was great, and everyone got close."

Eilertsen scores hole-in-one

Sig Eilertsen recently scored a hole-in-one at Colonial Acres Golf Course in Glenmont.

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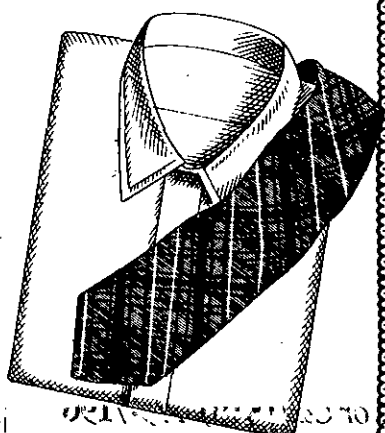
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BC runners finish strong

By Zack Beck

Friday, Nov. 4, the Bethlehem cross country team capped their season off on a high note racing better than they had all year at the Suburban Council sectionals held on the UAlbany campus.

The boys ran exceptionally well, beating out every non-Suburban Council school and came in strong at sixth place, exceeding the expectations of coach John Nyllis.

The sixth place finish, beating out the strong Shaker squad, was not only the best they've done all year, but the best since 1987.

For the boys, Scott Rivard led all, placing a hard-earned 30th. Tim Kavanaugh was second for the boys at 32nd, Nate Sadjak followed at 43rd, Matt Clemente 60th, Adam Bender 68th and Jeff Cipriani rounded out the top seven running particularly well at 77th—his best run of the season.

Cross Country

The girls squad also had their best race of the year, placing eighth, and beating out such schools as Albany, Catholic Central and Bishop Maginn. Cara Cameron led Bethlehem with a 34th place finish, Kelly Youngs followed at 44th, Jill Foster 71st and Betsy Hallenbach 72nd. Also, having fine races were Kristen Kvaum, Liz Macarilla and Katy MacDowell.

Next year, the boys squad loses only one senior, Scott Rivard, and Nyllis expects the boys to move from the bottom third to possibly the middle half and within two years to be among the top.

"The attitude and work ethic were excellent," says Nyllis, "The season ended very well."

Defense was high point of V'ville grid season

By Josh White

The Voorheesville Blackbirds' football season came to a close recently in a 21-0 defeat to Academy in their Capital Conference finale at Buckley Field.

"Overall, it was a disappointing season," said assistant coach John Sittig. "Coming into the season, we had high expectations due to the fact we won our last five games last year."

The Blackbirds also put a large amount of pressure on their junior first-year quarterback Tom Iarossi. "I think we expected more from Tommy since he is such a good athlete," said Sittig.

"We forgot to realize the lack of experience he had at the quarterback position. As the season progressed, Tommy got better and better."

Offensively, the Blackbirds struggled to generate offense through most of their games. "Our offensive line was stable every game," said Sittig. "The problem was finding the right combinations."

"Halfway through the season, we switched juniors Lon Bullinger and Sean Devine from tailback to fullback vice versa. In our final few games, that combination

began to click," said Sittig.

Defensively, the Blackbirds had one of the strongest defenses in the Capital Conference. "I am very proud of the defense because they held us together," said Sittig. "Our experience from the previous year was beneficial."

Leaders of the Blackbird defense were junior linebacker Griffin King, who led the team in tackles, and junior tackle Art Mosley, who led the team in sacks.

"Griffin and Artie both had tremendous seasons," said Sittig. "As leaders, they both took charge on the field."

The Blackbirds will lose six seniors to graduation, including guard Mike DiDomenico, tackles Shawn Wright and Marty Michele, center Mike Burns, defensive back Jim Cook and split end Mike Thomas.

"Our biggest loss for next year will be losing a majority of our offensive line," said Sittig. "We're in a good position to do well next season. We have all of our skill position players back."

However, Sittig doesn't want to get too excited about next year. "We can't assume that we are due for a good season. Our off-season training will decide our success."

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Women: Kim Bates 245 and 593 triple; Judy Carkner 243; Heather Selig 783 four games.

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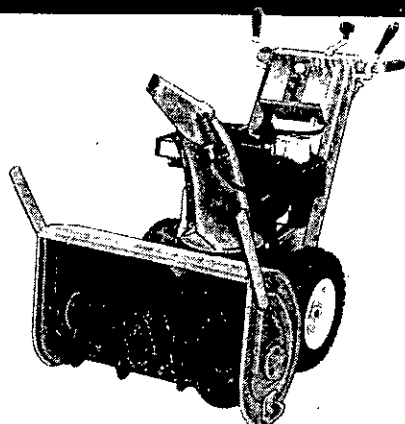
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FOOD FIGHT

Holiday calories down for the count

By Elaine Jackson Cape

Everyone knows there's no way to get through the holiday season without gaining at least 10 pounds, right?

Wrong.

According to nutritionist Amy Milstein of Slingerlands, a few simple strategies can help people not only maintain their weight through the rounds of parties and holiday dinners, but actually improve their health as they eat and drink.

The trick, Milstein said, is to plan ahead. "When you're going to a party at night, don't starve yourself.

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Health-conscious guzzlers turn to different drinks

Non-alcoholic champagnes grow in popularity

By Eric Bryant

Although they might not be quite up to the standards set by Dom Perignon, non-alcoholic sparkling wines and champagnes are becoming more popular as the party crowd turns toward a healthier celebratory beverage.

With more than two dozen sparkling champagnes on the market, the selection is out there. Local wine and liquor merchants, who in many cases stock several different non-alcoholic champagne brands, say their popularity is increasing. "We've had it for six or seven years and the sales have grown every year," said Fred Simon of Lou Simon Wines and Liquors in Latham.

Steve Edic, the owner of Delmar Wine and Liquor on Delaware Avenue in Delmar, said he's carried non-alcoholic champagnes since he opened the shop in 1988. Although sales of these beverages account for probably less than 5 percent of his total champagne sales, the clientele is steady, he said. Edic has just added another line to his stock of alcohol-less champagnes.

Simon, who sells a sparkling

non-alcoholic white wine called Sante, said demand for the product increases during the holiday season, but remains steady through the year as weddings and other special events demand a toasting tippie that everyone can enjoy. "It's the same thing with other champagnes. But this is very popular for people who are having weddings. Everybody can toast with this," he said.

While the quality of non-alcoholic champagnes can't match the high-end products of France and Italy, Simon said there are gradations in flavor just as there are in the beverages' alcoholic cousins. Newer processes, developed in the late 1980s, have made taking the alcohol out of wines and beers a less intrusive affair, he said. Instead of the old reverse osmosis, which left non-alcoholic beverages with a flat taste, newer ways of extracting alcohol leave wines tasting a lot more like wine and not grape juice.

"It's not the same quality as a fermented-in-the-bottle champagne, but it gives you a sparkling wine with effervescence," said Simon. "It looks like a champagne, and some people think it tastes

just like a champagne, but it doesn't give you the alcohol effect."

Edic agrees. "It's probably on a par with Cooks, a little better than an Andre," he said.

Wine merchants say the clientele for non-alcoholic champagne is quite diverse, as are the reasons for buying it.

"We get a lot of different types of people. There are a lot of reasons why someone might choose this over champagne," said Simon.

One segment of the population however, is often counseled to steer clear of the beverages.

Al-Care, a local counseling group which deals with recovering alcoholics and their families, said those in recovery from alcoholism may run the risk of endangering their recovery. Substituting the faux alcohol can have a detrimental effect, they said.

According to sellers, the price range for non-alcohol sparkling wines is usually between \$6 and \$12. Other products, such as the sparkling grape and apple juice that are often found in larger supermarkets, may be priced even lower.

"Like everything else, you get what you pay for," said Simon. "We carry the products we do because we think it's a higher quality."



Sparkling wines are the newest rage among those looking for the taste, but not necessarily the after-effect.

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New paint spray can add luster to decorations

Everyone loves to decorate for the holidays. A new tabletop decoration for the entry way or dining table can add cheer to the home.

The author of "Leslie Linsley's Weekend Decorating" (Warner Books), offers the following tips on how to use new aerosol finishes such as granite, marble or pearl to create a festive holiday tabletop:

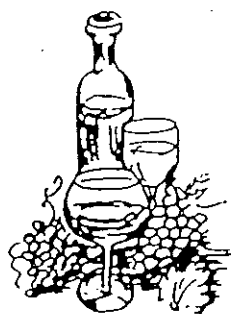
- Use a variety of candlesticks and candle holders of different heights to create a welcoming glow and draw the eye to the tabletop. Start with containers in different shapes and cover them with an aerosol finish. For example, old salt and pepper shakers can become candle holders. Simply turn them upside down, remove the stopper and finish the container.

- An old bowl finished with an iridescent paint filled with pine cones sprayed with a different color can be used as a centerpiece.

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Recipes turn refrigerator leftovers into tasty meals

Just in time for the holidays, Whirlpool Corporation has declared Wednesday, Nov. 16, the first national "Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day" to help cooks prepare for holiday entertaining.

But before you throw away those stray vegetables, lonely cuts of meat and almost-empty mayonnaise jars to make way for holiday treats, consider using those still-fresh foods for , no-cost meals.

Whirlpool HomeLife Networks Services has prepared several recipes using common refrigerator items that alone may not make a meal, but together make the perfect dish.

Pasta Frittata

Ingredients: 1/4 cup chopped onion, two to three cloves garlic, minced, 2 tablespoons olive oil, two small tomatoes, one chopped and one in wedges, 4 cups cooked thin spaghetti (8 ounces uncooked), 1 cup hot or mild Italian sausage (4 ounces uncooked), cooked and crumbled, 1 cup yellow summer squash or zucchini, cooked and cubed, 1 cup asparagus, cooked and sliced, two eggs, beaten, two egg whites, beaten, 3 tablespoons minced fresh or 1 teaspoon dried basil leaves, 2 tablespoons grated Romano or Parmesan cheese, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper.

Directions: Sauté onion and garlic in 1 tablespoon oil until tender in small skillet. Add chopped tomato and cook two minutes; cool to room temperature. Combine spaghetti, onion mixture, sausage, squash and asparagus in large bowl; mix in eggs, egg whites, basil, cheese, salt and pepper. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in 12-inch non-stick skillet until hot; add spaghetti mixture, spreading evenly. Cook, uncovered, until browned on the bottom, about 5 minutes. Cover skillet with large plate; invert frittata onto plate. Slide frittata back into skillet; cook other side until browned on the bottom, about 5 minutes. Slide frittata onto serving plate; garnish with tomato wedges and parsley. Cut into wedges; serve warm or at room temperature. Makes six to eight servings.

One serving has about 285 calories and 11 grams of fat.

Last-ditch Ham Salad

Ingredients: 1 cup cubed smoked ham, 1/2 cup shredded reduced-fat sharp cheddar cheese, 1/3 cup coarsely chopped onion, two large sweet pickles, cut into chunks, 1/4 cup walnuts or pecans, 1/3 cup fat-free mayonnaise, 2 teaspoons spicy brown mustard, 1/8 teaspoon pepper.

Directions: Place all ingredients in food processor; process, using pulse technique, until ingredients are finely chopped and blended. Refrigerate several hours for flavors to blend. Makes about 2 cups.

Without using a food processor, finely chop and combine the ham, onion, pickles and walnuts in a small bowl; add remaining ingredients and mix. The spread can also be made with leftover chicken, pork or beef in place of ham. The mixture may be used to

stuff a tomato or avocado, or scoop onto lettuce leaf and serve as a salad with fruit slices or vegetable relishes. The spread is also delicious on bread or an English muffin and makes a great appetizer on crackers, melba toast, zucchini or cucumber slices.

A 1/4 cup serving contains about 89 calories and 4 grams of fat.

Roasted Garden Vegetables

Ingredients: medium eggplant, sliced, two large onions, cut into wedges, two medium Idaho potatoes, sliced, two medium zucchini, sliced, large sweet potato, sliced, large tomato, cut into wedges, large red pepper, cut into 1-inch strips, large yellow pepper, cut into 1-inch strips, large stalk broccoli, cut into florets, 1 teaspoon caraway seed, crushed, 1 teaspoon fennel seed, crushed, Dijon Vinaigrette (recipe follows), salt and pepper.

Directions: Line two jelly roll pans with aluminum foil; spray

generously with cooking spray. Arrange vegetables on pans; spray generously with cooking spray and sprinkle with caraway and fennel seed. Bake in preheated 425-degree oven until vegetables are browned and tender, 35 to 45 minutes. Arrange vegetables in shallow bowl; pour vinaigrette over and toss. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 8 servings.

Almost any vegetable can be used in this recipe, such as asparagus spears, mushrooms, green onions, leeks, carrots, acorn or other winter squash, green beans, beets, brussel sprouts, okra, etc. However, corn, peas and greens such as spinach will not work as well.

Dijon Vinaigrette

Ingredients: 2 tablespoons olive oil, 2 tablespoons Balsamic or red wine vinegar, two cloves garlic, minced, 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard, 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice.



When cleaning out your refrigerator for the holidays, leftovers can be turned into tasty meals such as Pasta Frittata, left, Last-Ditch Ham Salad, front, and Roasted Garden Vegetables.

Directions: Shake all ingredients in covered jar and refrigerate until ready to use. Shake before using. Makes about 1/3 cup. One serving contains about 157 calories and 4 grams fat.

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Living it up in limo luxury is safe, affordable

By Tom Murnane

A group of six friends are planning a Friday night of partying and dancing at the nightclubs on the Wolf Road strip in Colonie.

The dilemma is no one can decide who wants to be the designated driver, so the friends are left with two choices: taxi or limousine.

Wait a minute. Limousine? As in "champagne wishes and caviar dreams" limousine? As in the limousine that your friends drove off in after their wedding? Aren't they just a bit too expensive for one night out on the town?

Not so, according to Maria Lanides, owner of A Touch of Class Limousine Service, which just last month moved from its Colonie office to a new location behind the Howard Johnson Thruway House in Albany, across from the University at Albany. "Limousines are almost as cheap as taxis. In some cases, depending on the kind of package you buy and the distance you are travelling, limousines might actually be cheaper," she said.

Unlike taxis, limousines charge an hourly rate — A Touch of Class charges \$40 an hour — or special packages, such as the \$99 deal for three hours. And, unlike taxis, each additional person in the car is not charged anything, she said.

"It's all one flat rate that six people, five people, four people, or however many want to use us. You'd be amazed how cheap it can be if you split the cost," she said. For example, it would cost a group of six people \$16.50 per person for three hours, she said. As for tipping the driver, Lanides said most customers tip about 20 percent "or a little bit more."



A party of six travelling to the same destination via Albany Capital Taxi would be charged \$16.50 for the first person and \$1 for each additional person, for a total of \$22 one-way, and \$44 round-trip. Split six ways, that comes to \$7.33 round trip per person, minus the tip, of course, about \$9 less per person.

So, if all you want is a no-frills excursion, and you don't care that your taxi smells like cigarettes or that you might have to wait for a

while before your cab arrives, then taxis are the way to go, Lanides said.

However, for an extra \$9 per person, taking a limousine "is like taking a mini-vacation with your friends. You get an extremely comfortable car, with nice leather seats that can fit you and all your friends, a well-dressed driver who picks you up and drops you off.

And the driver does much more than that. He takes care of you. He might suggest breakfast instead of another bar, or he might recommend a nice restaurant. That's what makes limousines so special," Lanides said.

Another advantage that makes

it worth the extra \$9 is that you never know how long a cab will take to arrive at the nightclub you're at on a Friday or Saturday night, she said. With limousines, however, they're right there, waiting for you.

"That's what makes it worth the extra few bucks," she said.

Taxis serve their purpose, for shorter, unplanned jaunts, whereas limousine excursions have to be planned several days to a week in advance, Lanides said.

Steve Doling, owner of Capital District Limousine Service in Latham, agreed there are times when using a limousine can be more cost effective than a cab.

"If there's a call to take someone to the airport, which might cost \$50 to \$70, I do know of some cab companies that will charge as much as we do," Doling said.

"And then when you factor in the tougher DWI laws that are in place, it makes using a limousine potentially very cost-effective, Doling said. Plus we treat you like royalty for really only a little bit more."

"Whether you take a taxi or a limousine, you're going to have more fun, because you don't have to worry about getting nailed by police for DWI, and with them taking your license immediately if you're arrested for DWI, it's something to think about," Lanides said.

"We take the worries off your mind and let you enjoy yourselves," she added.

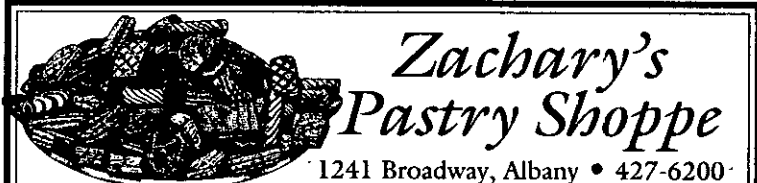
Shopping tips: How does a customer know a limousine service is reputable?

According to Steve Doling, owner of Capital District Limousine Service, the easiest way to tell is by looking to see if a company's cars have "livery" license plates. "This way you can tell if they have the proper insurance," Doling said.

As for the getting the best prices, the best advice is to call various companies and compare their limousine packages.

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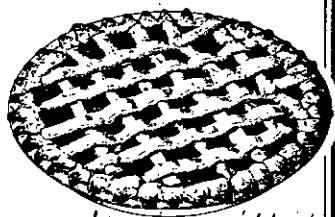


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How to host a holiday wine tasting party

Perhaps it's your turn to hold the annual holiday family get-together. Or maybe you'd like to start a new tradition among a few close friends.

Either way, the holiday season is a perfect time to enjoy the simple pleasures of wine and learn a little more about the fruit of the vine by holding a holiday home wine tasting party.

Which wines to try

When planning an at-home wine tasting, select just one type of wine to taste, say Chardonnay or Merlot. This approach makes it easier for you and your guests to differentiate the subtle flavors in each wine. It's a good idea to stick with varietal wines within a certain price category, say \$5 to \$10.

"Varietal wines" may sound a bit intimidating, but varietal simply means that the wine is made from mostly one grape variety, such as Chardonnay or Merlot. Each "varietal" grape can have different natural, fruity flavors. For example, wines made from Chardonnay grapes might have flavors reminiscent of lemon and melon; while Merlot wine might have hints of blackberry and cherry flavors.

Once you've decided on the varietal and a price range, you can send out invitations. Invite enough friends to get a representative sample of wines — at least three

Designate a driver after holiday parties

Everyone looks forward to the annual round of holiday parties with family and friends. The surest way to ruin the holiday mood is to get a ticket for driving while intoxicated, or worse, cause an accident while driving drunk.

Hosts should be aware of their liability if one of their guests causes injury or property damage after leaving a party. So hosts should provide plenty of non-alcoholic beverages and food for all their guests, and be alert to the prospect of any guest driving after having had too much to drink.

While the effects of alcohol on individuals may differ, in general, consuming any more than one drink an hour may seriously impair one's ability to drive.

Designated drivers are one sure way to avoid a potential drunk driving tragedy. If none are available, then call a cab or arrange for a friend to drive.

Don't be embarrassed to call a friend or family member for a ride home, even in the middle of the night.

Penalties for driving while intoxicated are severe, and now include immediate suspension of a driver's license upon arrest.

In addition, fines, legal fees, treatment charges and insurance surcharges can amount to thousands of dollars upon conviction.

So don't ruin your holiday season by driving drunk — use a designated driver and enjoy the party and the ride home.

people, but no more than eight.

A sample invitation might say: "Join us for a holiday wine tasting. Please bring a bottle of your favorite California Chardonnay to share, priced between \$5 and \$10. We'll provide the munchies."

Setting up a wine tasting

Hosting a wine tasting doesn't mean a big investment because your guests supply the wine. You'll need to make sure you have the following inexpensive items on hand to ensure that your home wine tasting runs smoothly.

- Corkscrew — There are lots of corkscrews out there — big ones, little ones, fancy ones, plain ones. Here are some corkscrew tips to make sure that bottle-opening goes smoothly.

- 1) Make sure that the screw part of the corkscrew looks like a "pig tail." If you can thread a match up the center, you know it's the right kind. Avoid corkscrews that look like a solid wood screw or auger — these don't pull out the cork cleanly.

- 2) Waiters serve a lot of wine — use the kind of corkscrew they do. It's called a captain's knife and it has a pig's tail screw, a handy knife to cut away the cap over the cork and a lever action that makes you look like a pro when you pull out the cork.

- 3) Some people swear by the two pronged or "Ah-So" corkscrew. These work by inching the two prongs down on either side of the cork, using a rocking action. Then a quick, upward twist of the wrist, and the cork is out.

- Wine bottle paper bags — Pick up 10 brown wine bottle bags to cover up the bottles for your tasting. Covering up the labels on the bottles helps to remove any

preconceived notions of how wine tastes.

- Glasses — Plastic or glass, you'll want to have enough glasses for each guest to sample each wine (for example, six glasses per guest to taste six wines). That way, you can compare each wine to the others.

- Notepads and pencils — These will come in handy to help your guests remember which wines they liked. If you're tasting several wines, it's sometimes hard

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to remember how they taste without notes.

- Crackers — In addition to the normal holiday party munchies, you'll want to provide guests with some unsalted crackers to help clear the palate in between tastes of wine.

Let the tasting begin

Your friends have arrived, each toting a bottle of wine, so let the tasting begin!

First, take the bottles into another room, open them and place them in numbered bags to cover the labels. Remove the metal or plastic "foil" completely around the top of the bottle, so that the printed brand name won't give away the contents.

Then, start pouring samples from the bottle in bag No. 1. You don't need a full glass, just an ounce or so — about one-eighth of a glass. Line up each guest's glasses and continue pouring bottles No. 2 through No. 6 from left to right, so that guests can keep the numbered wines in order.

After you've poured a sample into each glass, you can get down to the tasting. For each wine you taste, first check its color. Look for the wine's clarity and brilliance. Hold it up to the light and swirl it around. A darker color may indicate a wine with fuller body. Take note of the color, because wine is supposed to please the eye as well as the palate.

Next, take a sniff of the wine. Much of what you taste is connected to what you smell, so the wine's aroma can tell you a lot about how it will taste. Close your eyes and inhale deeply. The nose tends to tire easily, so first impressions often give the most accurate sense of the wine.

Encourage your guests to describe what they smell. Is it flowery? Is it fruity? What kind of fruit?

Now it's time for a taste. Swish it around in your mouth, so that all the flavors can be experienced. Purse your lips and suck in a little air to bring out additional flavors.

How does it taste? Does it have a hint of black berry or a lemon flavor? Your description may not match your guests', but don't worry — not even the experts always agree on the flavors of wine.

Fruity flavors in the bottle

At this point, you may be wondering how grapes can produce so many different flavors in wine. It's not entirely by accident that a Merlot wine, for example, may have hints of blackberry and cherry, or a Chardonnay tastes like hints of apples, melons and lemons.

One California winery, Glen Ellen, goes to great lengths to enhance the natural flavors found in varietal wine grapes. They work with more than 250 growers on the coast of California to "tune up" the flavors in grapes.

The wine makers at Glen Ellen actually work in the vineyards to farm desirable flavors into the grapes. For example, Chardonnay

wine grapes grow on leafy vines, which keep the bunches of grapes shaded. Glen Ellen's winemakers have found that by picking a few leaves from the vine and allowing more sunlight to reach the Chardonnay grape clusters, they can enhance the bright apple and lemon flavors that go so well with today's lighter-style menus.

Sharing the results

After swirling, sipping and sloshing, compare your notes with your guests. If you want to have a more "formal" judging, ask your guests to write down their impressions of the wines on the notepads you've provided. Also ask them to rank each wine on a scale of one to 10.

When you're through tasting, add up each wine's score and divide by the number of guests to get the average score. The wine with the highest score is the group's favorite.

See how that compares with your own preferences. You may find that you preferred a wine that your friends didn't. No matter, everybody has a different set of taste buds — if you like it, that's all you need to know. And after you reveal the bottles, you may be in for a bigger surprise, finding that you preferred a less expensive wine.

If you want to learn more about wine, Glen Ellen Winery has written a fun, slightly irreverent guide to enjoying wine called "Wine Without an Attitude." This guide covers the basics about wine and even has some amusing illustrations that help to take the intimidation out of wine.

To receive a copy, send a check or money order for \$3 to cover postage and handling to: "Wine Without an Attitude," Glen Ellen Winery, P.O. Box 52770, Dept. RB, Phoenix, AZ 85072.

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Sleigh bells aren't the only ones ringing this holiday season. Telephone bells are jingling as the Land O'Lakes Holiday Bakeline celebrates its fifth year of lending a helping hand to bakers across the nation.

The Bakeline receives thousands of "golden rings" throughout November and December, when experienced home economists help bakers create delicious holiday treats. In fact, the Bakeline has become a golden holiday tradition for thousands of Americans as the calls have increased dramatically from 4,000 calls in 1990 to more than 33,000 in 1993.

"Five years ago, we established the Bakeline because we noticed an increase in calls during the holidays to our consumer service number," says Lydia Botham, Director of Consumer Affairs and Test Kitchens at Land O'Lakes. "Baking is such an integral part of the holidays and with butter being a key to successful baking, it seemed only natural for us to provide a toll-free number to help our consumers bake their buttery best for the holidays."

This year during the holiday season, whether you're baking up a batch of Turtle Dove Bars or Calling Bird Cut-Out Cookies, you can give the Bakeline a ring. Home economists will be standing by with expert baking advice and warm season's greetings.

Bakers can call the toll-free number, 1-800-782-9606, from Nov. 1 to Dec. 24, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (C.S.T.) to receive assistance with their baking questions. And all callers will receive a free "Five Golden Recipes" leaflet, featuring delicious, holiday favorites. Also included are helpful baking tips—"golden rules" to keep in mind while baking sweet treats.

Throughout the years, the Bakeline has helped bakers with a variety of questions. Common queries include "Can I substitute salted for unsalted butter in my recipes?", "Why are my cookies flat?" and "What is the best way to store my baked treats?"

A few callers have more unusual requests. One woman called to find out how to make mistletoe-shaped cookies to give a "hint" to a special friend, while another baker called for the modern equivalent to a "goose-egg's worth of butter."

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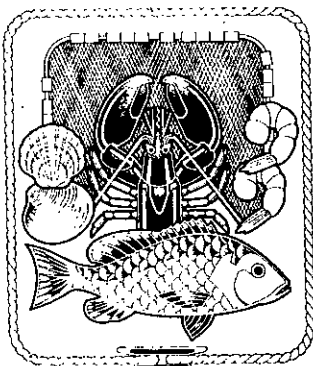
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Red Raspberry Mulled Cider

For example, in a warm mug of Red Raspberry Mulled Cider, topped off with a dash of cinnamon, traditional cider takes on a sweet twist that heats up even the most blustery of nights.

Ingredients: one quart apple cider or apple juice, 1/2 cup seedless red raspberry jam, two teaspoons lemon juice and cinnamon stick (optional)

Directions: Combine the cider and jam in a non-aluminum saucepan. Whisk to dissolve the preserves, then simmer until cider is warm. Add the lemon juice and pour into warm mugs. Stir in a cinnamon stick. Yields six servings.



Red Raspberry Mulled Cider

The mulled cider can be prepared in advance and reheated in a microwave oven in individual cups. Or it can be kept warm in a decorative saucepan over a chaf-

ing dish.

Citrus Pineapple Punch

On Christmas Eve, whip up a refreshing Citrus Pineapple Punch instead of egg nog. Friends and family will sit around the tree 'til late in the evening sipping frosty glasses of this chilling, savory drink

Ingredients: 12 ounce can frozen pineapple juice concentrate, three cups water, 1/2 cup sweet orange marmalade, 1/4 cup lemon juice, one quart orange flavored seltzer water, one pint orange sherbet, one thinly sliced orange, and 1/2 cup maraschino cherries.



Citrus Pineapple Punch

Directions: Pour pineapple juice concentrate into punch bowl. Add water, lemon juice and marmalade. Stir to combine. Add seltzer. Add ice cubes and top with maraschino cherries. Chill. Yields 12 servings.

Sparkling Grape Flip

Champagne can take a back seat to Sparkling Grape Flip at many New Year's Eve parties.

Children and adults alike will raise their glasses high to ring in the new year with this elegant drink.

Ingredients: 48-ounce bottle of white grape juice, one cup grape jelly, 1/4 cup lemon juice, one quart seltzer water, fresh mint leaves (optional), thin slices of lemon (optional) and/or edible flowers (optional).

Directions: Combine one cup of grape juice and the grape jelly in a small saucepan. Heat for five minutes to dissolve jelly. In a punch bowl or pitcher, combine this mixture with the remaining grape juice and the lemon juice. Stir to combine. Yields 12 servings.

To serve, place the grape mixture in a large punch bowl. Add the seltzer water and ice cubes. Serve in tall stem glasses garnished with optional ingredients.

Party planners present tips for holiday success

If hosting a holiday party sometimes brings out the Scrooge in you, don't despair!

Professional party planners recommend the following tips to make entertaining easier:

- Make your guest list early. A final head-count is essential for determining a realistic budget and shopping list, and negotiating furniture rentals and other services.

- Save time and money by asking family members to help with party preparation and clean up. Let children invite friends over to share in pre-party cookie baking, tree trimming and other festivities.

- To keep youngsters entertained, childproof one room and equip with a TV, VCR, holiday-theme videos, snacks and games. Hire a trusted baby-sitter to give visiting parents the night off to enjoy the party.

- Don't let buffet blunders spoil the party. Clean carpet spills quickly to avoid permanent stains. Remove solids by hand or with a spatula; blot liquids with a clean absorbent cloth. Then, spray the affected area with carpet cleaner, wait three minutes and re-blot. Remember to first test the carpet for colorfastness.

- Accentuate holiday decor with seasonal flowers and plants. Freshly cut pine branches and holiday ornaments laid across the mantelpiece or in the fireplace can create a pleasing holiday look and scent.

- Place a doormat and towel inside high-traffic entrances to help prevent guests from tracking snow and salt onto tiled and carpeted walkways.

- Make extra room for party supplies. Turn your bathtub into a beverage cooler. Line the tub with towels, then stock with ice and cans. Later, empty the tub, let the ice melt and conveniently drain the water away.

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Diamonds & denims are wild

According to fashion designers, diamond jewelry is becoming popular accessory with almost any style of clothing. In fact, the rage for the real is so heightened that women are wearing diamond jewelry morning to night.

When Donna Karan talked about "diamonds and denim" as one of her favorite looks, millions of women paid attention.

Today, an irreverent, free-spirited attitude toward diamonds translates into "scatter diamonds" shown on cuffs or shoulders, or in diamond drops on multiple leather strands dripping to slip over a satin chemise or cashmere turtleneck.

"Diamonds are like light itself," said jewelry designer Angela Cummings. The diamond rage started, experts say, last March when English designer John Gal-

liano accessorized his fall collection with diamond pieces from French jewelers like Rene Boivin.

When Galliano visited New York in June for his first American showing at Bergdorf Goodman, he repeated his love of diamonds by again accessorizing with diamonds—this time from Van Cleef & Arpels.

Meanwhile, New York's young designer Marc Jacobs had already shown his fall collection in April with diamond earrings and scatter pins that he designed himself.

Chanel announced its first real jewelry collection since the '30s—brimming with diamonds—which arrived on American shores in October. Now, stores like Cartier and Tiffany's are designing new diamond collections and increasing their overall stock of the rocks.

Diamond rings are classic sparklers for the holidays, designers say, and brooches and diamond bracelets are also becoming popular, especially those with celestial themes—stars, moons and comets.

According to jewelry experts, customers are wearing diamond jewelry not only because of its timeless beauty, but because they see these pieces as investments in quality and enduring value.

Women look at their diamond pieces as the real thing to be worn today—as the heirlooms of tomorrow they don't have to wait to enjoy.

But Jacobs may have the best reason of all for owning diamond jewelry: "Diamonds make me smile."

Hot tips on holiday gift mailings

'Tis the season—to be mailing holiday gifts!

More than 45 billion letters and parcels will crisscross the continent via the U.S. Postal Service during the peak holiday mailing months of October, November and December.

Even rural post offices will handle more than 17 million pieces of mail during this 90-day period—roughly 230,000 pieces each day.

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- Use new, sturdy boxes. Do not wrap them in brown paper and do not use string, transparent, masking or duct tape. Use postal-approved packaging tape.

- Use styrofoam "peanuts," rather than newspaper to cushion

items. Newspaper can "stain" and doesn't provide adequate packaging.

- Return receipts are suggested to assure home delivery when no one is there.

- If you're shipping economically, it's recommended that you allow at least three weeks for domestic packages to reach their destinations. Packages sent internationally require more time and delivery may vary depending on the country they're being mailed to.

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Food

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Eat small meals frequently throughout the day, but save up a little something to treat yourself with at the party."

Another strategy she advocates is to start a big meal with raw fruit or vegetables, to give yourself a feeling a fullness before you dig into the higher-calorie goodies.

But the most important thing to remember in healthful holiday eating is to substitute low-fat foods for those with higher fat content, said Milstein, who is affiliated with Albany Associates in Cardiology in Colonie.

"For example," she said, "a 3-and-a-half-ounce serving of white turkey meat has 4 grams less fat than an equivalent serving of dark meat, even though both portions have the skin off."

Other ways of reducing fat in recipes include using broth instead of butter in stuffing and cooking it in a casserole instead of inside the bird.

Lower fat ingredients can also be substituted in desserts, such as using egg whites and skim milk in pumpkin pie, she said. Angel food cake and cranberry sauce are also examples of low-fat holiday treats.

Milstein offered one other tip for a healthful holiday. "Take a long walk every day. Not only will the exercise help to burn calories, but when you're out walking, you won't be eating."

Although many people on low-fat diets can easily learn to cook new types of main dishes, des-

serts are often more difficult to master.

However, even those whose skill in the kitchen is limited to microwaving frozen dinners can now treat themselves to fancy confections, thanks to a new business in Colonie.

Ye Lords and Ladies pastry shop, located on Central Avenue near the intersection of Route 155, offers a variety of specialty desserts, all sugar free and low in fat.

Lynn Goldup of Albany, owner of the store, said she started making sugar-free sweets four years ago for her grandfather, a diabetic.

"There were no desserts available that he could have, so I started experimenting with different recipes to see if I could come up with something that he would like."

When Goldup's grandfather died last July, that gave her the incentive to open the store, to see if others with the same problem would share her grandfather's enthusiasm for the sugar-free desserts.

So far, she said, the response has been very enthusiastic. "I'm really excited. There's been a steady stream of customers since we opened in September."

Instead of sugar, Goldup uses a natural fruit sweetener in her recipes. Although closely related to sugar, the fruit substance is metabolized differently, making it OK for diabetics to eat. Also, she said, her recipes use a substantially reduced amount of sweetener.

Goldup also follows the guidelines of the American Heart Association, so her desserts are lower in fat than regular baked goods.

"We try to use as little saturated fat as possible," Goldup explained. "We use low-fat margarine, non-fat sour cream, and non-fat yogurt."

Surprisingly, the store stocks a variety of such standard pastry items as chocolate and vanilla layer cakes, carrot cake, coffee cake, pies, eclairs and cream puffs, and also specialties such as bread pudding, chocolate mousse cake and cheesecake.

Cookie and pastry trays are also available by special order and, according to Goldup, would make an excellent hostess gift or contribution to a holiday feast.

Goldup estimates that most of the desserts she sells have approximately half the calories of traditionally baked comparable items. For those who need an exact tally of fat, calories and other elements, a nutritional breakdown is available at the store.

However, in spite of all this healthy stuff, for most people the crucial question remains, how does this stuff taste?

"I think it tastes great," Goldup said. "But the real test is, we get tons of repeat customers, some of them twice a week."

"The bottom line is, if someone can't have refined sugar, or has a heart problem, they can eat something sweet without feeling guilty."

ADA recommends tight glucose control

November is National Diabetes Month and the American Diabetes Association urges all people with diabetes to practice tighter blood glucose control to help prevent the complications of the devastating disease, because what you don't know about diabetes can hurt you.

Recent studies have demonstrated that keeping blood glucose (sugar) levels as near to normal (non-diabetic levels) as possible in patients with diabetes can drastically delay and even reduce the risk of developing serious complications of diabetes.

Complications of diabetes include blindness, kidney disease, amputation, heart disease and stroke.

For pregnant women diabetes can lead to complications of pregnancy and birth defects. This year, 160,000 people will die from complications of diabetes. There is no cure for diabetes.

In recognition of National Diabetes Month, the American Diabetes Association will be on call on Monday, Nov. 14, from 6 to 8 p.m.. Medical professionals specializing in diabetes will answer telephone inquiries from people who call 1-800-DIABETES.

The American Diabetes Association encourages people with diabetes take control of their lives and their health by learning how to manage their diabetes.

If you or someone you love has diabetes, call the association at 489-1755 for a free brochure.

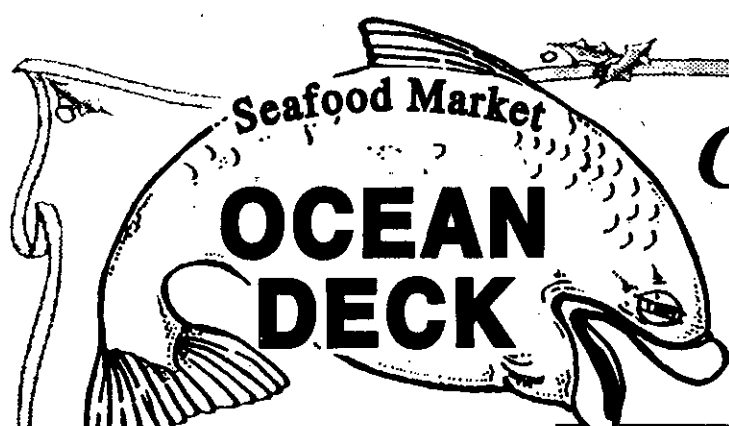
Make new table decorations

A new tabletop decoration for the dining table can add cheer to the home.

The following tips on how to use new aerosol finishes such as granite, marble or pearl to create a festive holiday tabletop:

- Use a variety of candlesticks and candle holders of different

heights to create a welcoming glow and draw the eye to the tabletop. Start with containers in different shapes and cover them with an aerosol finish. For example, old salt and pepper shakers can become candle holders. Simply turn them upside down, remove the stopper and finish the container.



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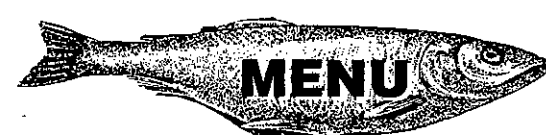
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Crandall: a lesson learned in defeat

By Kelly Griffin

"We just couldn't find the back of the net," said Voorheesville boys soccer coach Bob Crandall regarding last week's loss in the Class CC semifinals.

"Our trouble on offense was really no surprise. We'd been having problems scoring all season."

The end of the Blackbirds' season came on Thursday, Nov. 3, with a 2-1 loss at the hands of a strong Broadalbin-Perth team, the number one seed in the class. Broadalbin went on to defeat Galway in the CC finals.

Voorheesville (12-5-3) started strong as junior striker Kevin Burns scored seven minutes into the game to give V'ville the early lead.

Ten minutes before the half, Broadalbin answered with a goal of its own.

Then the Blackbirds were given a scare when the halftime buzzer sounded and a Broadalbin player capitalized on a defensive lapse to put the ball past goalkeeper Mike Beadnell. Fortunately, the officials ruled the goal no good.

While V'ville played well during the first half, Crandall said the team played scared during the

second half. With 20 minutes left in the game, Broadalbin scored again to break the tie.

V'ville had numerous opportunities to score in the remaining minutes, but was unable to convert on its shots.

"We took a lot of good shots," Crandall said. "We outshot them 15-8, but we just couldn't finish. They were a good team. Very athletic. If we could have put the ball away, it would have been a different game entirely."

"In a way, this loss was positive," he observed. "The kids were not satisfied with losing. They were disappointed and angry because they wanted to go further."

"This shows me that they will be willing to work even harder next year so that we can go further. I think a lesson was learned."

Adam Keller finished the season with 19 goals, while Burns had 14. Beadnell allowed only 16 goals in 19 games.

"We'll greatly miss this year's seniors next year," Crandall added. They include Keller, Scott Basal, Matt Cootware, Chris Killar, Andy Pakenas, Matt Pilatske, Fabio Louia of Brazil and Glenn Jorgenson of Denmark (foreign exchange students).

Fighting Blackbird



V'ville striker Julia Guastella protects the ball during last week's sectional matchup against Greenville. The Blackbirds dropped a 1-0 decision. *Jon Getnick*

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Teacher

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amazing."

Dale's productions were far from small-time, he added. "She did all the accompaniment — everything — costumes, designing and even simple dances. ... It'll be very, very difficult to replace her."

Dale, 70, had worked right up until several weeks ago when she entered the hospital for surgery. Linda Blattner, who has been substitute teaching for Dale, said Dale will be missed throughout the school community. "They're going to miss her terribly — parents, students, faculty, everyone," said Blattner. "She leaves some very big shoes."

Bozzella recalled that when Dale visited the high school, "All the children would go to her like a piper, she was dynamic and magnetic." Today's Pops Concert at the high school at 7:30 p.m. will be dedicated to Dale, he said.

"She was one of the finest people I know. She had the most integrity of anybody I ever knew in my life," said her longtime friend and colleague Muriel Nevens.

She said Dale was the kind of person who appeared "when you most needed her, yet never imposed on anyone. Everything she did demonstrated excellence."

Another close friend Kathleen Bragle remembers Dale as someone "who was just kind of five inches above us all."

"This was no ordinary person. I loved her as dearly as I loved my own mother," said Bragle. "She

was just so terribly dear to me in every way."

Bragle, who is also a music teacher, said Dale was "one of those people that made the world much better because she was here."

Clarksville Elementary School Principal Joe Schaefer, who had worked with Dale at Hamagrael Elementary for 17 years, said she was a real inspiration to everyone.

"She devoted her whole life to first her own children and then to the children of the Bethlehem schools," he said. "She was really a great woman."

BC Superintendent Leslie Loomis recalled that Dale "had a tremendous love of music and the ability to develop equal enthusiasm in her students. Her energy and willingness to go the extra mile were nearly unlimited."

Services for Dale will be today at 4 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church at the corner of Elsmere Avenue and Poplar Drive in the fifth-grade chorus at Slingerlands will sing at the service.

MS group to meet

The Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group of Albany County will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The group provides an opportunity for education, sharing and socializing for those with MS and their friends and family.

For information, call the MS Society Capital District Chapter office at 427-0421.

History researcher to speak at library

Florence Christoph, a certified genealogist, will speak on "New Directions in Genealogical Research" at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Christoph has researched the Schuyler family covering the period from 1590 to 1980, and is currently researching the Vorhees family. She has published several books of local records based on her research.

For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Beaver, pond ecology on tap at Five Rivers

A workshop for teachers and youth leaders will be offered on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Five Rivers Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

The subject of the workshop will be beaver pond ecology. Center naturalists will discuss the relationships of beavers to the plants and animals of their habitat.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. Pre-registration is mandatory. For information, call the center at 475-0291.

Button club members to elect officers

The Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will hold its annual meeting today, Nov. 9, at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Election of officers for 1995 will take place at that time.

For information, contact Rosney Yemmo at 283-4723.

Shaky

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front of the room were two wooden chairs, a small table and a clear pitcher of ice water.

Another 45 minutes passed as authorities attempted to cram as many people as possible into the small room. Ultimately, around 250 ticket holders were admitted and the rest had to be turned away at the door.

I passed time by attempting to guess which well-dressed men were Secret Service agents and from which passageway the president would enter. I put money on the blue curtain at the front of the room, because that was where all of the VIPs were being led.

Finally, an announcer told us the program would begin in two minutes. My spine tingled in anticipation as the mayors of Albany, Buffalo and Rochester emerged from behind the curtain along with Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan. They took seats in the front row. The president of the university came out next, followed by President Clinton and Gov. Cuomo, who sat in the chairs on the stage. We gave them a standing ovation, and Clinton responded with a few waves and a big smile.

The presentation itself was an intriguing demonstration of educational technology that included live teleconferencing from students at sites in Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and New York City, brought to us through a large monitor on the front wall. Particularly moving was testimony from a youngster in New York City who had used technology to overcome obstacles faced as a non-English speaker.

Clinton and Cuomo asked questions of the students and then said a few words about the importance of this type of innovation to the future of the state and nation.

Afterward, everyone rushed the front of the room as Clinton and Cuomo stepped off the stage to shake hands with audience

members.

Many had cameras and busied themselves climbing desks and chairs in order to attain the perfect angle. There was a lot of nasty pushing and shoving, but eventually the president worked his way to my end of the room. The Secret Service men were easy to recognize this time around because their eyes bulged from their sockets as the president leaned into the crowd and squeezed hands.

I thrust out an arm, and as Clinton grabbed my fingertips, I shouted "Good job, Mr. President!" He lingered for another minute or two, and thinking to myself "Why not?" I stuck out my hand a second time. Clinton squeezed it again, and then went on his way.

If there was anything the slightest bit disappointing about this very memorable occasion, it was that the president appeared exactly like he does on television — a big man, well groomed with every silver hair combed neatly into place. Clinton though is certainly impressive and exudes a lot of electricity. If he is a cyborg, then those Ant Men are doing a pretty damned good job.

Embroidery guild to meet in Delmar

The New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiders' Guild of America will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

Mini-workshops will be taught by local needle artists, including Fran Ripley, Gladys Amos, Merry Sparano and Mary Mullen.

For information, contact Nancy Schlegel at 477-4511.

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Diane and Donald Hems

Flagler, Hems marry

Diane E. Flagler, daughter of Bob and Cindy Flagler of Albany, and Donald Edward Hems, son of Jim and Shirley Hems of Troy, were married Sept. 24.

The Rev. James Walsh performed the ceremony in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, Delmar, with a reception following at the Ramada Inn, Albany.

The matron of honor was Carol Stricos, the bride's sister, and bridesmaids were Judith Halloran, Toni Bolognino and Elizabeth Murray. The flower girl was Marisa Balletto.

The best man was John O'Brien,

and ushers were Jim Hems and Scott Hems, both brothers of the groom, Tom Stricos and Danny Balletto.

The bride is a graduate of Bishop Maginn High School and Hudson Valley Community College. She is employed as a tour guide by the state Office of General Services.

The groom, a graduate of Troy High School, is employed as an assistant deli manager by Grand Union Supermarkets.

After a wedding cruise to Cozumel, the couple lives in Delmar.

Local Boy Scouts take to the high seas

This past summer, several local Boy Scouts attended a seven-day program at the Florida National High Adventure Sea Base in the Florida Keys.

Participants had the opportunity to take part in programs on scuba diving, remote island camping and sailing.

The local scouts are Bob Geurtze, David Geurtze and Geoff

Phillips of Troop 58 in Elsmere; Jason Robinson of Troop 71 in Delmar; Ed Brondo of Troop 73 in Voorheesville; Peter Emminger and Jeff Mapes of Troop 75 in Delmar; and Dave Austin, Lucy Branstrom, Darrin Everleth, Bill McDonald, Bob Weddell, Chris Branstrom, Ian McClumpha, Justin Hausman, Allan Kampcik, Josh Weddell and Mike Weddell of Troop 81 in Selkirk.

Clarkson awards \$20K scholarship to Beck

Jared Beck of Delmar, a senior at Bethlehem Central High School, was recently honored with the Clarkson University Leadership Award, which entitles Beck to a \$20,000 scholarship if he attends Clarkson.

The award, established in 1993, honors students for demonstrating outstanding leadership qualities, academic achievement and for making a positive contribution to the high school and local community.

Beck, a Spotlight staffer, is the son of Roger and Mary Ellen Beck of Elsmere.

Honor society taps Delmar student

William Davis Haase of Delmar, a sophomore at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., was recently inducted into Phi Eta Sigma, a national honor society.

Births

Albany Medical Center

Girl, Katelyn Marie Bastian, to Kimberly and David Bastian, Glenmont, Oct. 3

Girl, Sarah Ann Williams to Betsy and Brett Williams, Voorheesville, Oct. 4.

Boy, Robert Ryan Christenson, to Sharon Christenson, Delmar, Oct. 5.

Boy, Nevin James Razzano, to Debra Razzano, Glenmont, Oct. 6.

Girl, Gabrielle Cathleen McNary, to Teresa and Michael McNary, Selkirk, Oct. 11.

Girl, Victoria Marie Rogers, to Marie and David Rogers, Glenmont, Oct. 19.

St. Peter's Hospital

Twin girls, Emily Gabrielle Coons and Hannah Rose Coons, to Ami Busick-Coons and Philip Coons, Delmar, Oct. 15.

Boy, Daniel Joseph Houghtaling, to Maureen and Darryl Houghtaling, Alcove, Oct. 16.

Girl, Cathryn Mary McNeile, to Tammy and Kenneth McNeile, Feura Bush, Oct. 21.

Girl, Samantha Lea Betor, to Stephanie and Robert Betor, Delmar, Oct. 24.

Boy, Tyler James Bugbee, to Brenda and James Bugbee, Slingerlands, Oct. 26.

French enthusiasts to meet at library

La Federation Franco-Americaine du New York will meet on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Mail weddings, engagements

The Spotlight would like to publish your engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement and photo.

Black and white photos are preferred, but color photos are acceptable. Polaroid photos cannot be printed.

For information and submission forms, call 439-4949. Mail announcements to 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054.



Christopher and Tracy Maynard

Spadaro, Maynard marry

Tracy Spadaro, daughter of Anthony and Patricia Spadaro of Delmar, and Christopher Maynard, son of Richard Maynard of Plymouth, Mass., and Beverly Snow of Dennis, Mass., were married Aug. 27.

The Rev. James Burke performed the ceremony in St. Anne's Church, Littleton, Mass., with a reception following at Groton Country Club, Groton, Mass.

The matron of honor was Nancy Bielawa, the bride's sister, and bridesmaids were Jodie Josie, the groom's sister, Judy VanWoert, Karen Gonon and Natalie Zurek.

The best man was John Kapolis, and ushers were Darryl Rankin, Kirk Poling, Scott Smith and Dennis Murray.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Syracuse University and Northeastern University. She is employed as an assignment manager by Robert Half International in Westboro, Mass.

The groom, a graduate of Northeastern University, is employed as a field supervisor by Mass Save, Inc., in Woburn, Mass.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple lives in Ayer, Mass.



Slingerlands church roasts beef

The Community United Methodist Church at 1499 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands will host a roast beef dinner Saturday, Nov. 12, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dinners are \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6 to 12.

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Obituaries

Virginia C. Dale

Virginia Carroll Dale, 70, of Longmeadow Drive in Delmar, died Saturday, Nov. 5, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Canton, S.D., she grew up in Minnesota and graduated as a music major from Concordia College. She earned a master's degree in sacred music at the University of California. She also studied at the Julliard School of Music in New York City and the Eastman School of Music in Rochester.

Between 1950 and 1953, Ms. Dale was a professor of music at Buffalo State Teachers College. During a five-year residency in Detroit, she was church organist and choir master.

She moved to Delmar in 1958 and continued her church work and gave private piano and vocal instruction. She taught music at the Slingerlands Elementary School for many years.

Ms. Dale was known for her excellence in teaching and outstanding student musical productions. She inspired many of her students to enter the fields of music and theater. She has received many honors for her work, recognition from the schools where she taught and from students, parents and her colleagues.

Survivors include two daughters, Christine G. Spelich of Delmar and Carole Joy Spelich of New York City; a son, Mark A. Spelich of Vancouver, Wash.; her former husband, Louis A. Spelich of Delmar; three sisters, Hazel Moher of Palm Springs, Calif., Lynn Iverson of Redlands, Calif., and Dorothy Harsh of Lake Park, Minn.; and a brother, Howard Dale of Seattle, Wash.

Services will be today, Nov. 9, at St. Stephen's Church on Elsmere Avenue at 4 p.m., followed by a reception for people of all faiths. Burial will be in Moorhead, Minn.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Virginia Dale Visiting Musicians Fund, c/o Slingerlands Elementary School, 25 Union Ave., Delmar 12054.



Howard Engel Sr.

Howard B. Engel Sr., 76, of Spring Hill, Fla., and formerly of Selkirk, died Thursday, Nov. 3, at his home.

An Albany native, he moved to Florida from Selkirk eight years ago when he retired. He owned and operated an independent insurance agency on Route 9W in Selkirk for many years.

He was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II.

Mr. Engel was a member of the Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Post 1040 in Delmar, the Onesquethau Masonic Lodge in Delmar, the Past Masters Association of the Old 17th Masonic District, State of New York, and Temple Chapter 5, Royal Arch Masons in Delmar.

He served on the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education for 24 years and was vice president of the board for many years. He was a charter member of the Ravena Area Lions Club, and a past member of the Delmar Volunteer Fire Department and the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Men's Sports Association.

Survivors include his wife, Agnes Budner Engel; two daughters, Elaine M. Jenkins of Feura Bush and Beatrice A. Post of Dallas; three sons, Howard B. Engel Jr. of Selkirk, Gary E. Engel of Sherman, Texas, and Richard O. Engel of Selkirk; and 16 grandchildren.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Hernando-Pasco Hospice, 12130 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, Fla. 34613, or the Brooksville Gideons International, Box 12073, Brooksville, Fla. 34601.

Isabelle Quenneville

Isabelle M. Quenneville, 86, of Delmar died Saturday, Nov. 5, at her home.

Mrs. Quenneville moved to Delmar six years ago. She had lived in Albany at the Westview Apartments for many years.

She was a licensed practical nurse in the pediatrics department at Albany Memorial Hospital. She retired in 1969 after 30 years of service.

Survivors include a son, Jerome T. Quenneville of Albany; and three sisters, Ernestine Talimo and Antoinette Quenneville, both of Delmar, and Noella Zapisek of Albemarle, N.C.

Services were from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany and the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Entombment was in St. Agnes Mausoleum in Menands.

Doris L. Rose

Doris L. Rose, 63, a longtime resident of Selkirk, died Friday, Nov. 4, at Our Lady of Mercy Nursing Home in Gunderland.

Born in Albany, she had lived in Selkirk for 30 years before moving to the nursing home. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include six daughters, Nancy J. Boehlke of Selkirk, D. Lee Kmiecik of Gunderland, Catherine Marlow of New London, Conn., Jean O'Rourke of North Greenbush, Lisa M. Kriever of Cortland and Denise Rose of Selkirk; three sons, Joseph Rose of Seattle and John M. Rose and Daniel A. Rose, both of Selkirk; a sister, Jeannie Charlebois of Halfmoon; and 11 grandchildren.

Services were from the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

David S. Engle

David S. Engle, 51, of Lakeville, Conn., and formerly of Delmar, died Monday, Oct. 31, at Sharon Hospital in Connecticut.

Born in Lansingburgh, he was raised in Delmar. He was a graduate of Clarkson University.

For the past 23 years, Mr. Engle was director of manufacturing at Becton-Dickinson plants in Canaan, Conn., and New Jersey.

Survivors include his wife, Angela Keogh Engle; a daughter, Lily Cooper of Lakeville; his mother, Mrs. S. Stuart Engle of Delmar; a brother, Peter Engle of Webster, Monroe County; and a sister, Barbara Webb of Williamsville, Erie County.

Services were from St. Mary's Church in Lakeville.

Contributions may be made to Sharon Hospital or the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service in Connecticut.

George L. Normand

George L. Normand, 81, of Glenmont died Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Selma, Ala., he had lived in Glenmont since 1947.

Mr. Normand was employed by the former Veterans Affairs Hospital, now the Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, as a agent cashier until he retired in 1961.

He served in the Army as a staff sergeant for the 30th Supply Battery from 1941 to 1945. He received the American Defense Service Medal, the American Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Normand.

Services were from the Millspaugh Camerato Funeral Home in Catskill.

Burial was in Catskill Cemetery.

Jeanne C. Desautels

Jeanne Chenel Desautels, 87, a former Delmar resident, died Thursday, Nov. 3, at the Eden Park Nursing Home in Albany.

Born in Canada, she lived in Connecticut for many years. She also lived in Delmar for three years before moving to the nursing home.

She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Desautels was a communicant of St. Brigid's Church in Elmwood Center, Conn.

She was the widow of Alfred J. Desautels.

Survivors include a daughter, Rolande D. House of Simi Valley, Calif.; two sons, Roland Desautels of Tempe, Ariz., and Roger J. Desautels of Buffalo, Mo.; two sisters, Delma Ouellette of Newington, Conn., and Sister Rose Beatrice Chenel of East Hartford, Conn.; a brother, Gerard Chenel of East Hartford, Conn.; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were from St. Brigid's Church in Elmwood.

Burial was in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery in Hartford.

Arrangements were by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home.

William R. Woods

William R. 'Bob' Woods, 65, of Slingerlands died Friday, Nov. 4, at his home.

Born in Hingham, Mass., he

moved to Slingerlands in 1945. He was educated in Bethlehem schools and attended Siena College.

Mr. Woods was in the real estate business since 1955. He started as an agent with the Brownell agency and worked for various agencies in Albany and Delmar. He retired in 1990 as manager of the Manor Homes in Loudonville.

He was an Army veteran who served in the Korean War.

He was a member of the Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Post and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, both in Delmar.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Driskell Woods; four daughters, Deborah Greenfield of Glenmont, Sheryl Martinez of Parker, Colo., Karen Ricciardi of Saratoga Springs and Cathy Kuhn of Colonie; a brother, John P. Woods of Sarasota, Fla.; two sisters, Patricia A. O'Mara of O'Fallon, Ill., and Gloria Rivenburgh of Delmar; and seven grandchildren.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the hospice program at the Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital, 113 Holland Ave., Albany 12208.

Workshop offers tips on nature journals

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will offer a workshop on keeping a nature journal on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Center naturalists will focus on the use of language skills in nature study and show how to create a journal with words and pictures. Works of Henry David Thoreau and John Burroughs will be used in the workshop.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. Pre-registration is necessary. For information, call 475-0291.

Clarksville church to dish up lasagna

A lasagna dinner will be served on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. at the Clarksville Community Church on Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville.

Prices are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. For reservations and information, call Peg Rubin at 768-2164.

Caregivers group to meet in Delmar

A support group for caregivers will meet on Sunday, Nov. 13, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Sister Jean Kinney of St. Peter's Hospice will be the guest speaker.

For information, call the church at 439-9929.

Death Notices

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

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CALIFORNIA ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

By Dev Tobin

Of all fruits, the apple is the most ingrained in American culture.

From health benefits ("An apple a day keeps the doctor away") to its association with hearth and home ("motherhood and apple pie"), from comeliness ("apple of his eye") to badness ("rotten to the core"), the apple as metaphor runs deeply in America lore. Ralph Waldo Emerson even called it "our national fruit."

But the apple, though widespread in the U.S. (and particularly in upstate New York), has its roots in prehistoric Central Asia, where wild apples that are the genetic source of all the world's apples still grow on the slopes of the Tian Shan Mountains between China and the former Soviet Union.

A New York botanist's trip to this remote region will be the focus of an "Apple Adventure," Sunday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. at the Cooperative Extension Center on Martin Road in Voorheesville.

Phil Forsline, of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Plant Genetic Resources Unit in Geneva, Ontario County, will recount his recent trip to this Apple Eden, which lies astride the ancient Silk Road trading route between China and Europe.

Just as seeds from the area brought apples west thousands of years ago, so Forsline also brought back more than 15,000 wild apple seeds, that will hopefully, through cross-breeding, provide added ruggedness and disease-resistance to current varieties.

Forsline noted that there was some urgency to his trip, as development is encroaching on, and therefore eliminating, many lowland wild apple groves.

The event, sponsored by the George Landis Arboretum in Esperance, will be "educational and fun, especially if you like apples," said Lucinda Willemain, spokeswoman for the arboretum.

Following Forsline's talk, there will be an apple tasting, featuring both heirloom



varieties no longer in general production and newly developed experimental apples from Indian Ladder Farms in the Helderberg foothills.

Peter Ten Eyck of Indian Ladder said that breeding a new apple variety and bringing it to market can take more than 20 years.

He said that he has been growing Empires, a cross between Macintosh and Red Delicious developed here in New York, since the late 1960s, and "Now people are noticing that it's a great apple."

Ten Eyck said that the Geneva station has more than 1,000 varieties of apple trees, plus many more seedlings and seeds, providing a gene pool from which comes advances in disease-resistance.

Gene repositories like the Geneva station were set up by USDA "to preserve the diversity of important agricultural crops," Ten Eyck explained.

From among the 33 varieties of apples grown at Indian Ladder, Ten Eyck will bring heirloom apples like 20 Oz., Smokehouse, Sheep's Nose and Baldwin to the Apple Adventure, along with apples so new they don't yet have names.

"They're just numbers now, and don't get a name unless it's determined that they are commercially viable," he said.

Ten Eyck used the example of the Jonagold to illustrate one of the marketing problems that can come up in cross-breeding.

"It's a cross between the Jonathan and the Golden Delicious that tastes great, but we're not sure people will buy it because it's not red," he said.

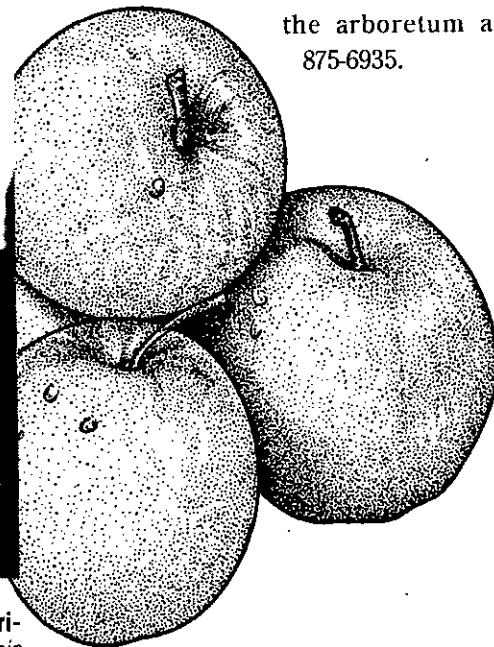
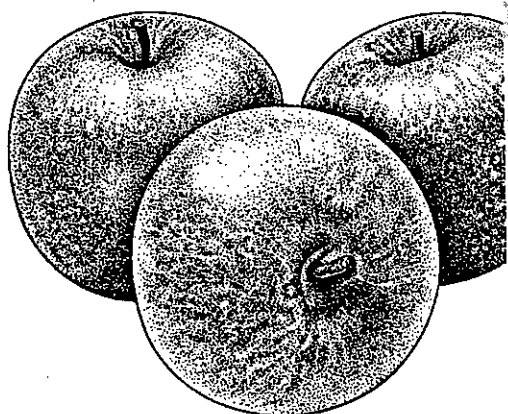
Coffee and cider will also be provided as part of the \$5 admission charge, which benefits the arboretum. Apple trees and homemade apple pies will also be on sale to benefit the arboretum.

For information, call the arboretum at 875-6935.



Indian Ladder Farms proprietor Peter Ten Eyck shows off some of the heirloom and experimental apples he will bring to Sunday's Apple Adventure.

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sixth annual, Stratton Veterans Administration Medical Center, 113 Holland Ave., Albany, 1 to 6 p.m. Information, 462-3311, extension 2782.

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AHL hockey, Knickerbocker Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, 7 p.m. Cost, \$11 for adults and \$6 for children and students. Information, 487-2244.

MEDICARE PROGRAM

Albany Senior Services Center, 25 Delaware Ave., Albany, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Information, 433-9011.

SURPLUS SALE

sale of government surplus items, Watervliet Arsenal Building 145, Route 32, Watervliet, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 266-4112.

ORIENTATION MEETING

for volunteers for Habitat for Humanity of the Capital District, 260 Lark St., Albany, 7 to 8 p.m. Information, 462-2993.

RESOLVE

fertility support group, Woman's HealthCare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 381-7048.

INFORMATION SESSION

on the graduate program at the Empire State College, Northeast Center, 845 Central Ave., Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 587-2100.

WOMEN'S THERAPY GROUP

sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. Information, 453-6625.

WINTER FARMERS' MARKET

Grand Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m. Information, 473-0559.

FARMERS' MARKET

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

FARMERS' MARKET (June 22 to Nov. 23)

Evangelical Protestant Church, Alexander and Clinton streets, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

RENSSELAER COUNTY EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Russell Sage College, Sage Hall Counseling Center, Troy, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

CHORUS REHEARSAL

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY HEALTH CARE SEMINAR

"An Update on Hormone Replacement Therapy," presented by Dr. Grace Jorgensen, Bellevue...The Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 346-9410.

HYPNOSIS PROGRAM

"Hypnosis—Doorway to Inner Truths," Ramada Inn, Lower Nott Street, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Cost, \$6. Information, 385-1271.

SQUARE DANCE

Single Squares of Albany, Ponderosa Hall, Airport Road, Scotia, 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
NOVEMBER 10**
ALBANY COUNTY
PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Center for the Disabled, 314 South Manning Blvd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 439-5872.

HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

"Minimize Your Risk of Colorectal Cancer," presented by Dr. Steven Yolen, Woman's HealthCare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, noon to 1 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

FAMILY CARE WORKSHOP

"Illness Is a Family Challenge," led by Patricia Fennell, C.S.W., Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Cost, \$18. Information, 489-4431.

ETHICAL ISSUES WORKSHOP

"The Boundaries of Caring: Understanding the Physical and Psychological Parameters of the Counselor/Client Treatment Relationship," hosted by St. Peter's Addiction Recovery Center, Polish Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension and Rapp Road, Albany, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost, \$49. Information, 452-6733.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

St. Paul's Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

OPEN HOUSE

for students and their families interested in Sage Junior College of Albany, Sage Albany Campus Center, room 224, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 445-1730.

COATS FOR KIDS

coat available at Evangelical Protestant Church, 82 Clinton St., Albany, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Information, 463-3175.

ANTIQUES SHOW AND SALE

13th annual sponsored by the Daughters of Penelope, St. Sophia Parish Center, 440 Whitehall Road, Albany, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Cost, \$3.50. Information, 438-8166.

FARMERS' MARKET (June 23 to Nov. 17)

Third Reformed Church, Kate Street and Whitehall Road, Albany, 3 to 6 p.m.

THE QUEST

a contemporary, systematic study of spiritual principles, Unity Church, 725 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 475-9715.

FARMERS' MARKET

Albany YWCA, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

FARMERS' MARKET

corner of Pine Street and Broadway, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

SENIOR CHORALE

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

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

CONCERNED FRIENDS OF HOPE HOUSE

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

RENSSELAER COUNTY
FREE HEALTH SCREENING

by appointment for people over 50 with leg pain, St. Mary's Hospital Wound Care Center, Seton Hall, Suite 205, 1444 Massachusetts Ave., Troy, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-0117.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

continued Nov. 17, Hudson Valley Community College, 80 Vandenberg Ave., Troy, 7 to 10 p.m. Cost, \$42. Information, 283-1100.

**FRIDAY
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ALBANY COUNTY
MONSTER TRUCK RACES

Knickerbocker Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, 8 p.m. Cost, \$15.50 for adults, \$5 for children 4 to 12, free for children under 4. Information, 476-1000.

COATS FOR KIDS

coats available at the First Reformed Church in Albany, Orange and Pearl streets, Albany, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Information, 463-3175.

"THE TRIUMPH OF LOVE"

play performed Nov. 11, 12, 18 and 19, College of Saint Rose Campus Theater, 1000 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5242.

THEOLOGY TALK

"Dropping Out of Church: Causes and Cures," theology professor Dr. Lawrence S. Cunningham, College of Saint Rose Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, 985 Madison Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 454-5105.

THERAPY WORKSHOP

"Art and Dance Therapies: Adjuncts to Therapy," Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 2 to 4 p.m. Cost, \$25. Information, 489-4431.

"LAMAZE WEEKEND GETAWAY"

sponsored by Woman's HealthCare Plus, continued Nov. 12, Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, Information, 452-3455.

SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE

and potluck supper, B'Nai Shalom Reform Congregation, 420 Whitehall Road, Albany, 6:30 p.m. Information, 482-5283.

FARMERS' MARKET (JUNE 24 TO NOV. 18)

Sacred Heart Church, Walter Street, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MOTHERS' DROP IN

sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail Street, Albany, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 475-1897.

SENIORS LUNCHE

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

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 12**
ALBANY COUNTY
"CARING FOR KIDS WHO CARE"

workshop for children 5 to 14 who have loved ones suffering with Alzheimer's Disease, Capital District Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, 85 Watervliet Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. to noon. Information, 438-2083.

FAMILY TURKEY DINNER

Helderberg Reformed Church, Route 146, Guilderland Center, 4 to 8 p.m. Cost, \$7.50 for adults, \$4 for children 6 to 12, free for children under 6. Information, 452-6021.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

annual, Bethany Reformed Church, 760 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 482-7998.

BOUTIQUE NOEL

annual holiday crafts and gifts sale, Academy of the Holy Names, 1073 New Scotland Road, Albany, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 489-2559.

CRAFT FAIR

Church of the Holy Spirit, 57 Hurlbut St., Albany, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 767-3650.

WORCHESTER VS. RIVER RATS

AHL hockey, Knickerbocker Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, 7 p.m. Cost, \$11 for adults and \$6 for children and students.

Spotlight On Dining



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The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER**
9
BETHLEHEM
POPS CONCERT

annual concert performed by several high school music groups, Bethlehem Central High School auditorium, 700 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m., \$2. Information, 439-4574.

TOWN BOARD

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

WELCOMEWAGON

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

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-4314.

RED MEN

St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3265.

SECOND MILERS LUNCHEON MEETING

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., noon. Information, 439-6003.

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

BETHLEHEM OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-6885.

BCCO BREAKFAST

Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., 8 a.m. Information, 475-0236.

NEW SCOTLAND
TOWN BOARD BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

town hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889.

CD-ROM EDUCATION

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

"FEEDING YOUR CHILDREN"

family health workshop sponsored by Physicians' Health Plan and Cooperative Extension, William Rice Extension Center, Martin Road, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, call for time. Information, 765-2109.

AA MEETING

First Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 477-4476.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

evening service, Bible study and prayer, Route 155, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

FAITH TEMPLE

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

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER**
10
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

self-help for chronic nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9976.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, 35 Adams Place, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7387.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

CHP DELMAR HEALTH CENTER

open house, 250 Delaware Ave., 6 and 8 p.m. Information, 783-1864.

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bible study, 10 a.m., children's choir, 6:30 p.m., senior choir, 7:30 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR FIRE DEPARTMENT

LADIES AUXILIARY firehouse, Adams Place, 8 p.m.

BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL VFW POST 3185

404 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-9836.

ELSMERE FIRE COMPANY AUXILIARY

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m.

AA MEETINGS

Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon, and Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

BEAVER POND ECOLOGY WORKSHOP

for teachers and youth leaders, Five Rivers Center, Game Farm Road, 4:30 to 7 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

NEW SCOTLAND
POETRY READING

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

FAITH TEMPLE

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

**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER**
11
BETHLEHEM
CHABAD CENTER

Friday services, discussion and kiddush at sunset, 109 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

AA MEETING

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

Q.U.I.L.T.

Quilters United in Learning Together, United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9:30 a.m.

NEW SCOTLAND
YOUTH GROUP

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

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER**
12
BETHLEHEM
ROAST BEEF DINNER

Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., \$7.50, \$4 for children 6 to 12. Information, 439-1766.

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

excavation and laboratory experience for volunteers, archaeology lab, Route 32 South, Information, 439-6391.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

Coeymans Hollow Firehouse, Route 143, 7 p.m. Information, 767-2621.

NEW SCOTLAND
LASAGNA DINNER

Clarksville Community Church, Delaware Turnpike, 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., \$6, \$4.50 children Information, 768-2164.

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER**
13
BETHLEHEM
CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

for people caring for frail or elderly relatives, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 3 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-9929.

UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Road. Information, 438-7740.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

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

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH

worship service, 9:30 a.m., nursery provided, evening fellowship, 7 p.m., 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Eucharist, breakfast, coffee hour, 8 and 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue. Information, 439-3265.

SELKIRK CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Bible lecture, 9:30 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:25 a.m., 359 Elm Ave. Information, 767-9059.

SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

worship service and church school, 10 a.m., fellowship hour, nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Road. Information, 439-1766.

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

worship service, church school, nursery care, 10 a.m., fellowship and coffee, 11 a.m., adult education, 11:15 a.m., family communion service, first Sunday, 585 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-0252.

Weekly Crossword

"Animal Behavior"

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 Horn or Town
- 5 Toll
- 10 Gloom's relative
- 14 Eve's spouse
- 15 _____ acid
- 16 Estimating words
- 17 Bird like walk
- 19 Fence door
- 20 Navigate
- 21 Spires
- 23 Bakery product
- 26 Flower: latin
- 27 Pigs _____ blanket
- 30 Rip-roaring
- 32 Adjust
- 36 Canine dorm
- 38 Nestle
- 39 To be in Dijon
- 40 Al Pacino's dance in "Scent of a Woman"
- 42 Thin
- 43 Sports palaces
- 45 Can of worms
- 47 Oozes
- 48 Treaty org.
- 49 QB's quests
- 50 Shoe width
- 52 Former Russian ruler
- 54 Feline boos
- 58 Former pop singer Frankie
- 62 Crazy frenzy
- 63 "Its _____ world"
- 66 Nice father
- 67 Ornamental tin plates
- 68 Actress Lanchester
- 69 Mined?
- 70 Speak dramatically
- 71 Accomplishment

DOWN

- 1 Hats
- 2 Mine entrance
- 3 Senate worker
- 4 Middle East prince
- 5 Comp. network
- 6 A sum: Abr.
- 7 Biographies: Abr.
- 8 Single attempt: 2 wds
- 9 Western show
- 10 Swimming stroke
- 11 Exam type
- 12 Bone prefix
- 13 Actor Howard & others
- 18 Town in Maine
- 22 Jacob's twin
- 24 Clods
- 25 Homer's daughter
- 27 Notions
- 28 _____ Dame
- 29 Concur
- 31 Touch e.g.
- 33 Highly skilled
- 34 Scottish pattern
- 35 Canvas shelters
- 37 Brow beaten rooster
- 38 Outer garments
- 41 Pesty insect
- 44 On the briny
- 46 Australian marsupial
- 48 Infrequently
- 51 Make happy
- 53 Classified
54. Mafia chieftain
- 55 U.S.A.
- 56 Ripped
- 57 Alone
- 59 Not in use
- 60 Anteater feature
- 61 Mild oath
- 64 Obtain
- 65 Compass dir.

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TO LIST AN ITEM OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

in *The Spotlight*, send all pertinent information to
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P.O. Box 100 Delmar, N.Y. 12054

LEGAL NOTICE
BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District hereby invites the submission of sealed bids in accordance with Section 103 of the General Municipal Law for the following:

MULTIMEDIA PERSONAL COMPUTERS

Bids will be received until 2PM on November 23, 1994, specified above at the office of Business Administrator at Bethlehem Central School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the same office.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Any bids submitted will be binding for 90 days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

Board of Education
FRANZ K. ZWICKLBAUER
District Clerk

Date 11/3/94
(November 9, 1994)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town of Bethlehem on the 22nd day of November, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. to consider Local Law No. 10 of 1994, Amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem as follows: AMEND VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE VI, Section 119-33, Schedule VII, Stop Intersections

LEGAL NOTICE

as follows:

ADD: A stop intersection as follows: Palmer Avenue at the intersection of Clarkson Road, north; Palmer Avenue at the intersection of Wellington Road, north; Palmer Avenue at the intersection of Wellington Road, south; Palmer Avenue at the intersection of Douglas Road, south; Fairway Avenue at the intersection of Clarkson Road, west; Clarkson Road at the intersection of Wellington Road, north; Sylvan Avenue at the intersection of Fairway Avenue, north; Hannay Lane at the intersection of Frontage Road, south.

All interested persons and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced notice is requested.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK
TOWN CLERK

Dated: October 26, 1994
(November 9, 1994)

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on

LEGAL NOTICE

Wednesday, November 16, 1994, at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Comtois, 34 Greenleaf Drive, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-50 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of a garage addition at premises 34 Greenleaf Drive, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom

Chairman

Board of Appeals
(November 9, 1994)

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Michael C. Hodom

Chairman

Board of Appeals
(November 9, 1994)

SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school and worship service, 9 and 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

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

GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH

worship service and Sunday school, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 436-7710.

CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Latin Mass, 10 a.m., Route 9W, Glenmont.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

church school, 9:45 a.m., worship service, 9:30 a.m., 428 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-9976.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Sunday School and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m., nursery care, coffee/fellowship, 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m., youth group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 426-4510.

NEW SCOTLAND**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

FAITH TEMPLE

Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship service, 7 p.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 a.m., Mountainview Street, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH

worship service, 9:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

worship service, 10 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 765-2354.

ONESQUETHAW REFORMED CHURCH

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

UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship, Delaware Turnpike. Information, 439-5001.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND

worship service, 10 a.m., church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6454.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

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

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE

worship services, 8:30 and 10 a.m., church school and nursery care, 10 a.m., children's choir, 11:15 a.m., youth group, 4 p.m., 68 Maple Ave. Information, 765-2895.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Bible hour, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., evening service, 6:30 p.m., nursery care provided, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

MONDAY
NOVEMBER 14

BETHLEHEM**BINGO**

sponsored by the Blamchard American Legion ladies auxiliary, Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Rockefeller Road, 7 p.m. Information, 477-6827.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

MOTHERS' TIME OUT

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-5560.

SUNSHINE SENIORS

covered dish luncheon, noon, business meeting, 1 p.m., First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W. Information, 439-7179.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

BETHLEHEM ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

excavation and laboratory experience for volunteers, archaeology lab, Route 32 South. Information, 439-6391.

AA MEETING

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

AL-ANON GROUP

support for relatives of alcoholics, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

NEW SCOTLAND**TOWN BOARD**

town hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889.

VOORHEESVILLE SCHOOL BOARD

large group instruction room, Clayton A. Bouton High School, Route 85A, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3313.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SEMINAR

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

STORY HOUR

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

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 15

BETHLEHEM**PLANNING BOARD**

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

BINGO

at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Route 144, 7:30 p.m.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

DELMAR ROTARY

Days Inn, Route 9W. Information, 482-8824.

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DELMAR: Playmates, lunches, snacks, activities, lots of TLC, experienced, references, 475-1404.

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BABYSITTING HELP WANTED

EMPTY NEST? Put your experience to work as a live-in nanny or housekeeper, NYC/suburbs. Call A Choice Nanny agency. (NYCDOA lic #0890176). No fee, (212)246-5437.

SITTER NEEDED, my Delmar home, 5-16 hours per week, flexible days, 439-6084.

BOAT STORAGE

PONDEROSA BOAT storage, Ravena-Coeymans, 756-8525

BOOTH RENTAL

BOOTH RENTAL AVAILABLE, salon in Glenmont, 767-2898.

HAIR DRESSER Albany/Colonie 1178 Central Ave., 2 chairs 459-8940 or 459-9114.

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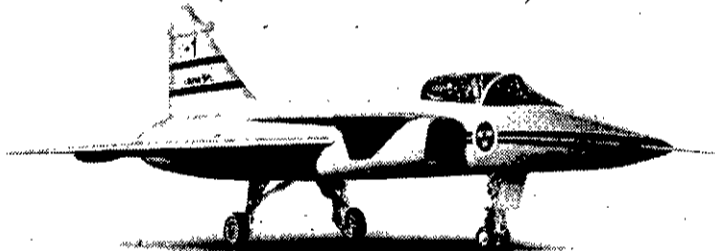
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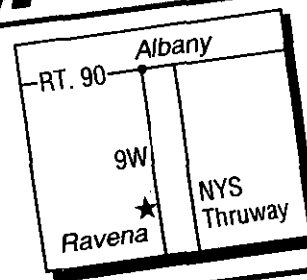


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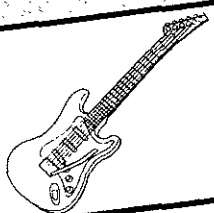


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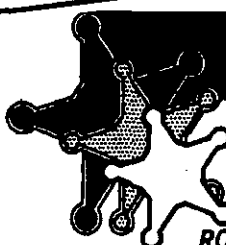
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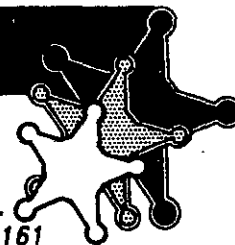
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Neighbors

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what they will do."

Rosen is seeking permission to build 190 single-family homes on 152 acres of abandoned farmland — part of which was included in the former Haswell Farms, one of the earliest agricultural settlements in the town of Bethlehem.

Initially the developer was proposing only one secondary entrance and exit from Feura Bush Road into the development — on Westphall Drive.

But the planning board decided that for safety reasons and optimum traffic flow that McCombe Drive should be connected to the project as well. The main entrance to Haswell Farms will be a new road directly across from Murray Avenue called Hasgate.

McCombe Drive was never intended to just dead end into a field or wooded area, said planning board member Gary Swan.

But McCombe Drive resident John Weidman said that when

Holy Names slates entrance exam date

The Academy of the Holy Names, a private school for girls and young women in kindergarten through grade 12, will administer an entrance/scholarship examination on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 8:30 a.m. The school is located on New Scotland Road in Albany.

All students in grades two through 12 interested in applying for admission to the academy must take the exam. Test results will also be used to determine scholarship winners in grades seven through nine.

The registration fee is \$10. For information, call 438-7895.

Welcome wagon sets annual auction

The Tri-Village Welcome Wagon has scheduled its annual auction for Thursday, Nov. 17, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at Howard Johnson's on Route 9W in Glenmont.

Homemade crafts, baked goods and items donated from local merchants will be for sale.

For information, call Kim McKee at 439-7083.

Church to cook up roast beef dinner

The Community United Methodist Church at 1499 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands will host a roast beef dinner on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The dinner will cost \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6 to 12. For information, call the church at 439-1766.

Feeding difficulties to be La Leche topic

La Leche League of Delmar, a breast-feeding support group, will sponsor a discussion on "Breast-feeding and Avoiding Difficulties" on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m.

Call 439-5254 or 475-0240 for meeting location.

Beatrice McCombe ceded the road to the town in 1971 she specifically requested that it be for maintenance purposes only and not for an eventual hook-up to a subdivision.

Weidman said the board's concern about emergency vehicles having only one ingress and egress was unfounded.

"I've lived on McCombe Drive for 38 years and we've never had a situation where we haven't been able to get access to Feura Bush Road. If we had the choice we'd like to keep it a dead-end street. The street is only 16 feet wide and there are no sidewalks. What's going to happen to the kids playing when we get an increase in traffic?

"Ever since they put the red light at the intersection of Elsmere and Feura Bush the cars come

flying down Feura Bush toward McCombe," he said. "It's already an extremely dangerous intersection and we don't need any more traffic."

Given the layout of the project, only those houses near the end of a long cul-de-sac are likely to use

McCombe Drive to exit onto Feura Bush Road, Swan said. "It's our belief that no more than a dozen or 15 cars per day will use that route on a regular basis."

"We seem to have developed this fear of traffic where people expect that everything will be

turned into a Times Square," Barr said. "We're talking about a relatively small amount of traffic here. ... I have an open mind on the subject and I think we're all prepared to listen to what they have to say."

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