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Raised-bed septic systems raise V'ville board concerns

By Dev Tobin

One apparently malfunctioning raised-bed septic system in Voorheesville is quite enough for now, so the village board will likely enact a moratorium on the technology, which permits development of difficult land.

At last week's meeting, the board scheduled a public hearing on a proposed four-month moratorium on approval of any lots using raised-bed systems for Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m., after which it is expected to enact the moratorium.

In a letter to the board, planning commission Chairwoman Kathryn Scharl noted that the "relatively new" raised-bed technology is the only option for much of the undeveloped land in the village.

"Raised-bed systems are used when difficult topography and soil conditions do not permit the use of

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Selkirk prime link for nuke waste

Area would have 'dubious honor' of hosting shipments

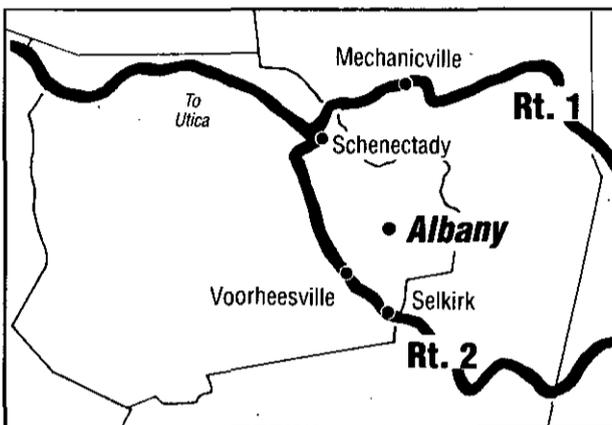
By Mel Hyman

Sometime within the next several years, Bethlehem and New Scotland residents could see massive shipments of highly radioactive nuclear waste winding their way through town on the Conrail freight line.

That's not an unlikely scenario, according to Daniel Mackay, coordinator of the Knolls Action Project. The U.S. Congress has designated a site north of Las Vegas, Nevada, as the sole location to be studied for the disposal of high-level waste from the country's commercial nuclear reactors.

The problem for Bethlehem is that most of the shipments of spent nuclear waste from New England will travel across the Selkirk railroad bridge and through the southern portion of town on their way westward. New Scotland and Voorheesville residents would also have the dubious honor of hosting the shipments.

While the U.S. Department of Energy is not expected to make a decision on opening a nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, until 1998, Mackay said legislation is pending in the



A primary rail route for nuclear waste coming from New England would be the Conrail line in southern Albany County.

spent nuclear fuel rods on site in enclosed storage pools. But those on-site storage facilities are rapidly filling up and a permanent solution for the storage of spent nuclear fuel is one of the most crucial problems the country faces, Mackay said.

Nuclear plants in Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts will have only two ways to cross the Hudson River—either via the Selkirk railroad bridge on the Conrail line or over the Mechanicville railroad bridge via the Boston and Maine freight line.

"Selkirk is the primary freight link" across the Hudson, Mackay said, because Conrail handles much more freight than the Boston and Maine Railroad. "The Conrail facilities in Selkirk are really the gateway to the West for places east of the Hudson."

A recent study by the Agency for

Congress authorizing an interim storage facility at Yucca Mountain before the site is determined suitable for a permanent dump.

Currently, nuclear power plants throughout the country are stashing their

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Water negotiations on

Fuller and Jennings continue talks

By Mel Hyman

Will Bethlehem's new \$13.9 million water system be used for industrial purposes, only and not as a drinking water supply?

It appears that could happen, but only if Supervisor Sheila Fuller negotiates an agreement with Albany Mayor Jerry Jennings for the sale of city water that the town can use as a backup to its regular drinking supply—the Vly Creek reservoir in New Scotland.

Fuller has been meeting with Jennings for the past several months trying to come to an agreement whereby the town could purchase water from the city's Alcové Reservoir at a reasonable price. For Fuller, reasonable seems to be the



The mayor and I had an agreement long ago that we would not negotiate in the public arena.

Sheila Fuller

key word, since the town decided to build its own plant because the city of Albany cancelled its contract with Bethlehem in an effort to hike rates. Fuller said she's also seeking a new agreement whereby rates would be locked in for an extended period of time.

The city has been selling water to the town since 1980, but the current agreement expires at the end of August.

The town's new water plant, which can draw up to six million gallons of water a day from an aquifer underneath the Hudson River, is scheduled to go on line in the late fall. It has been under construction since early 1994.

The Vly Creek reservoir and two wells located in the town of New Scotland can only provide a maximum of 4.5 million gallons per day.

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Rehearsing a scene from "Once Upon a Mattress" are Leah Hennessy, left, Anthony Losacco, Melissa Rifkin and Will Thomas. Doug Persons

BCMS tuning up for musical

By Susan Graves

Frank Leavitt has bittersweet feelings about this year's musical production at the Bethlehem Middle School.

This is the third year he has directed the musical, so the last of his charges from his first production will be moving on to high school in the fall. "This cast is going to be special, it's the first graduating class," said Leavitt who chose *Once Upon a Mattress* for this year's production.

Still, losing the students is helping Leavitt achieve one of his aims at the middle school. "Part of my goal is to prepare all the students who work on a show for their experience with Jim Yeara (drama teacher at the high school)," he said.

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Bethlehem recycling tallies up over '93

By Sharon Fisher

Recycling is thriving in Bethlehem as shown by figures for 1994.

Town residents and businesses dramatically increased the amount of paper recycled from 1993 to 1994. Residents recycled 2,258 tons (an increase of 167 tons) of paper including newspapers, magazines, cardboard, books, office paper and bags. In 1994 businesses recycled 786 tons an increase of 85 tons over the previous year.

New paper recycling facilities are coming on line nationwide, especially in New York, raising the demand for post consumer paper. This was one reason why the town of Bethlehem set up a voluntary paperboard box collection after the holidays, (with 3,500 pounds collected). Many participants said that their trash decreased almost by half because boxes aren't normally flattened for the waste basket.

In the textiles pilot program in November, residents contributed 7.39 tons or 14,780 pounds of clean, dry clothing and textiles, which were sent to Dumont Export Corporation in Philadelphia and D'Ambrosie in Glens Falls. A decision has not been made as to whether or not the program will be repeated.

In the meantime, "donating reusable" is available at town hall. It lists organizations in the Capital District that need good reusable clothing, household items, reading materials and furniture.

Last year, Bethlehem was the first local municipality to hold a liquid latex paint collection in conjunction with Passonno Paints of Watervliet. From the 4,220 cans



Sharon Fisher goes by the book when it comes to recycling.

brought in by residents, 1,000 gallons of new water-based paint was made.

Another 350 gallons in original containers, were donated to Barn Raisers, a non-profit organization in Albany. Those who used the recycled paint, including the highway department and the Bethlehem School District, found it to be of very good quality.

Since a Household Hazardous Collection Day is being planned for town residents this year, the good latex paints might be recycled in that program.

If you need latex paint, the town has some interior flat celery green and exterior dark brown available at \$6.50 per gallon. Our program inspired six other communities to hold similar or modified paint

collection programs.

Passonno Paints is investigating the feasibility of recycling paint year round in conjunction with manufacturing its regular paint line.

In the spring and fall of 1992, Bethlehem Work on Waste held two one-day collections of outdated hardcover textbooks. Three tons of books were recycled that year. In 1993, 2 1/2 tons were collected voluntarily by the town, and in 1994, with more publicity, almost 5 1/2 tons were collected at the Rupert Road Transfer Station.

These books go to Ash Trading Corporation in Menands where the bindings and covers are removed and the paper is recycled. Paperbacks do not have the quality paper that textbooks do, but

soon there will be an opportunity to recycle worn out paperbacks and school review books.

Telephone books are collected twice a year by the local grocery stores and can also be deposited at town hall and at the transfer station.

Although 10.15 tons of directories were recycled in 1993, that increased to 12.35 tons in 1994.

In October, the Delmar Post Office began its program of recycling undeliverable bulk mail with Kruger, Inc.

Together with the Glenmont Post Office 8,767 pounds of paper was recycled instead of becoming waste. Mail is a major source of consumer waste paper.

The Bethlehem Central School District, is a leader in the commercial sector for recycling its paper since 1991 with T.A. Predel. The individual schools and central business office collected close to 45 tons of paper.

About 75 to 80 percent of the paper most offices use can be recycled. On the average, each worker generates 1/2 pound high grade paper per day or 2.5 pounds per week. That translates into 130 pounds per person per year. Today it's much easier to recycle office paper than it used to be. If you do not have a recycling program yet and would like to get started, please call the Recycling Hotline 767-9618.

The local newspapers and cable Channel 31 will carry announcements regarding special town recycling events.

Sharon Fisher is the recycling coordinator for the town of Bethlehem.

Take time out to learn all about work

On Thursday, Feb. 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., the Voorheesville Central School District in collaboration with the Voorheesville Public Library and the New Scotland Kiwanis Club are sponsoring a panel discussion, "The Changing World of Work."

William Bruno, president of Bruno Machinery; John Hudacs, former state commissioner of labor; and Carol McCullough, NYNEX marketing director, are on the panel. Ronald Michalak from the Kiwanis Club will be the moderator.

The program will be in the community room at the library. The school district is part of the School-to-work program and is sponsoring a series of panel discussions, Step into the Twenty-First Century: The Changing World of Work.

Other sessions include: Careers for Techies on Feb. 28, Public and Private Service Careers, March 20, the Small Business in Today's Market on March 29, and How to Prepare Youngsters for the Twenty First Century on April 11.

For information, call Linda Wolkenbreit or Frank Faber at 765-3314.

Hamagrael Preschool to hold open house

Hamagrael Preschool, which meets at the Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, is planning an open house for parents and children today, Feb. 1, from noon to 1 p.m. at the church.

For information, call 439-8515 or 475-1431.

Town businesswomen to meet at Thacher's

The Bethlehem Business Women's Club will meet today, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m. at Thacher's restaurant on Delaware Avenue in Albany.

For information, contact Helen N. Smith at 439-3916.

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V'ville school board focuses on high school curriculum

By Dev Tobin

The Voorheesville school board and high school administrators participated in a wide-ranging discussion of the high school curriculum recently.

The "focus forum" mostly directed toward science, which is undergoing a resurgence of student interest, leading to a squeeze on science classrooms, according to high school Principal Terry Barlow.

"We added a section each of Regents biology and general chemistry because of student demand, and that tapped us out," Barlow said.

With labs, one class of biology can tie up a science room for three periods. As a result, "Some teachers are forced to teach classes in rooms that are not equipped for demonstrations or experiments," science supervisor Robert Samuel said.

Several board members questioned why new science rooms built in the 1980s were now inadequate.

Superintendent Alan McCartney noted that no one predicted the growth in student interest in "hard science" that has put such a strain on the facilities.

Barlow, a former science teacher, said that the school was looking to change the science curriculum to eliminate accelerated classes at the seventh and eighth-grade levels, provide more hands-on, problem-solving activities at the high school level, and in general add enrichment opportunities for interested students.

Samuel said that while the proposed new Regents "Framework" for science emphasizes "real science," the Regents exam still emphasizes rote learning.

"We're looking at variances (from state Educa-

tion Department regulations) to come up with a research portion of Regents tests," Samuel said.

At the high school level, Barlow and the science faculty are working to determine the best sequence for science courses, especially to coordinate the science and math curricula.

In a more general discussion, board member Steven Schreiber said the way enrichment is handled is a central concern.

"Enrichment is at the heart of the problem of how what we do with kids of all abilities," Schreiber said. "The real challenge is to reach kids at all levels and help them learn at the ability they have."

Board member Erica Sufrin noted that the quality of high school science is important, since it can often set a student on a course for science study in college and a science-related career.

Board member Mary Van Ryn asked whether the concern about time constraints voiced by several supervisors might be addressed by innovative scheduling.

"Maybe kids will respond to three weeks of science and nothing else," she said.

Schreiber cautioned, "I don't see any alternative to incremental change, breaking down what we want into doable tasks."

While no decisions were reached at the forum, school board President John Cole said it was helpful for board members and administrators to "kick things around and see the issues that surface."

The board will meet Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. for another forum, this time focusing on high school curriculum changes in foreign languages and physical education and potential waivers for Regents diplomas.

BC budget-makers sharpen pencils

By Dev Tobin

As the Bethlehem Central School District prepares for a squeaky tight budget year, principals and supervisors received their budget-cutting targets at an after-school meeting last week.

The BC school board has asked the administration to find reductions equivalent to 3 percent of the expected 5 percent growth in the district's 1995-96 budget.

Board members said that state aid is likely to remain level at best (providing just 23 percent of the district's \$35.7 million 1994-95 budget, the second-lowest percentage in the Suburban Council).

So the district should act to limit "normal" growth in the budget to relieve pressure on the district's property taxpayers, board members argued.

Superintendent Leslie Loomis has asked the principals and supervisors for their recommendations on how to best make the cuts, adding, "Feel free to be as innovative as possible: You may reallocate, or cut more deeply, in order to add."

The targeted amounts include \$144,233 at the high school; \$121,179 at the middle school; \$99,712 for pupil personnel services (special education, guidance and school nurses), \$92,712 in operations and maintenance, \$63,389 for transportation, and from \$24,512 to \$45,242 at the elementary schools, depending on the size of the school's budget.

At the high school, Principal Jon Hunter expects 80 more students next year, so the targeted cut will not be easy.

"We'll be looking at alternate ways of delivering instruction and other services in the same high-quality fashion," Hunter said. "But it's an open question whether it's doable."

Hunter said he would be meeting with the academic supervisors, faculty and parents this week to discuss where potential cuts can be made "without dramatic impact on instructional programs and classroom work."

The second-largest cut will be at the middle school, where new Principal Stephen Lobban called the target "an awfully big number."

Although new to BC, Lobban is not new to "tough budget times," having faced them "for 10 of my 20 years as a principal, in western Massachusetts and in East Greenbush."

Like Hunter, Lobban said he would look for "ways we can be cost-effective and deliver a high-quality program with less resources and minimal adverse impact on students."

The total budget cut target is \$768,745, less than the \$1 million previously reported, because budget-makers have "no control over" a substantial part of the budget (fringe benefits, debt service and water and sewer assessments, for example), according to Franz Zwicklbauer, assistant superintendent for business.

(\$121,179 is) an awfully big number.

BCMS Principal Stephen Lobban

The budget-makers will submit their proposed cuts by Monday, Feb. 6, then convene for another meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 8, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the district office at 90 Adams Place.

A final list of proposed cuts will be presented to the school board, which has the final say, at its meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m.

Tonight (Wednesday) at 8:30 p.m., Loomis will formally present the fundamental operating budget (what this year's program would cost if carried over to next year), along with "a very limited list of potential additions."

Loomis said he will also present an analysis of last year's budget vote, focusing on the relatively low voter turnout.

"We need constant and continuous community involvement, so we owe it to the community to explore ways to increase turnout," he said.

In a related matter, Loomis also noted he will recommend to the board that further improvements in the district's instructional technology (computer) program come through a separate proposition, like buses, rather than through the regular budget, as in the past.

Havens to head Spotlight sales team

Louise Havens, an advertising sales representative for four years with the Spotlight Newspapers, has been appointed the company's advertising sales manager by Publisher Richard Ahlstrom.

"Louise is an outstanding salesperson. She will provide guidance and inspiration to our staff," Ahlstrom said.

Havens will continue to serve as an advertising representative for her current



Havens

clients while working to build the papers' customer base.

"We have a real faithful group of advertisers right now — our competitors say we spoil them," Havens said. "We'd like to build on that client base and still provide the same level of service to those customers we have now."

In the coming year, Havens hopes to help boost the papers' classified display advertising and will oversee special supplements on topics as varied as health and fitness to Colonie's Centennial celebration. She will also be working with the Spotlight sales staff on continuing sales training and advertising promotion.

"We are trying to build our special issues, making them more valuable to our readers and advertisers," she said.

A Greenville, Greene County resident, Havens started working for Spotlight Newspapers in 1991 as a sales representative with the *Colonie Spotlight*. In July 1993, she took over the Bethlehem/New Scotland territory.

"I'll still be out on the road, so I hope we can get a feel for what the advertisers are telling us," Havens said. "We'd like to adjust our schedule to fit their needs."

Spotlight Newspapers include *The Spotlight*, the *Colonie Spotlight* and the *Loudonville Weekly*.

Testing for park proceeds

Testing for contaminants has begun on a site in the center of Delmar that the town would like to see turned into a mini-park.

Monitoring wells were installed last week on a parcel at the junction of Kenwood and Delaware avenues where a Getty gas station stood prior to demolition recently.

John Treffiletti, owner of the parcel and of the adjacent mini-shopping plaza, has reached a tentative agreement to sell the triangular parcel to Bethlehem for a pocket park.

But Supervisor Sheila Fuller said she won't recommend that the town buy the land until any

pollution caused by the gas station has been removed or negated.

Results should be available in about three weeks, according to the testing company.

A second row of parking is planned for the parcel, along with a landscaped section that could contain park benches, landscaping, a freestanding clock and possibly a sculpture.

Fuller likes the idea because the Four Corners marks the center of town and there is now no place for people to gather. There is also substantial public support for the plan.

Mel Hyman

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Spotlight and CDPHP sponsor alcohol and the law insert

We would like to call your attention to the insert in today's *Spotlight* on the civil and criminal liability that alcohol use by minors may impose on their parents.

This outline of the law about alcohol purchase use and abuse is provided as a guide for community members.

It was developed by the Bethlehem Community Partnership under the leadership of Holly Billings, Mona Prenoveau, and Marge Kanuk, who headed the task force that developed the information. Kristi Carr wrote and designed the insert.

The insert is sponsored as a community service by *The Spotlight* and the Capital District Physicians Health Plan.

Local talent shines in Miller classic

By Dev Tobin

A "dream cast" led by two local actors examines the dark side of the American dream in the New York State Theatre Institute's production of Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman*.

John Romeo of Feura Bush plays the world-weary salesman Willy Loman, faithfully supported in his flashback-haunted downward spiral by his wife Linda, portrayed by Eileen Schuyler of Delmar.

For director Ed Lange of Delmar, *Death of a Salesman* "has such a place of honor in American dramatic literature, any director would want to do it."

The decision to do the play this year was "inspired — this company is exactly right, all just ready for it," Lange said.

The ensemble "fit the roles so perfectly, and they know each other well just like the characters in the play," Lange added.

"It's such a simple concept — make your choices based on who you are, not some phony dream. To embellish it is to lose it," he said.

One of the Institute's resident actors, Romeo agreed that this "incredibly well-written" play is special.

"We've been dying to do this kind of work together," he said. "This is not just a bunch of actors — it's a dream cast involved in a labor of love."

For Romeo, playing Willy Loman "is one of the great roles for a character actor. The challenge is to go in honestly, to believe you're in the situation Willy is in."

Death of a Salesman is a staple



Eileen Schuyler and John Romeo as Linda and Willy Loman.

of high school English courses, Romeo noted, although most people just read it, and never get a chance to see on stage.

"*Death of a Salesman*, like Shakespeare, is meant to be seen, meant to be lived," Romeo said. "The issue in the play of parents imposing their dreams on their children is still an issue in many families today."

For Schuyler, her role as Linda Loman marks a return to the Institute after more than 15 years, during which time she played leading roles in other regional theater productions, opened Village Furniture Co. in Delmar, and started her own family with husband Joseph Schuyler.

Schuyler said she did not want to play Linda "with a halo," but recognizes that her "fierce devotion" to Willy is "the glue that holds the family together."

As a mother herself, Schuyler said she "can't even imagine" how

Linda can tell her son Biff to leave (although she does so quite convincingly) in a last-ditch effort to save Willy.

For Linda, "The American dream is not just about financial success, but also about having a successful family life," Schuyler said.

Since the play tends to focus on Willy's dreams and the conflict between Willy and Biff, Schuyler, who has starred in plays like *Shirley Valentine* and *The Belle of Amherst*, said she never thought about playing Linda.

"They asked me, and I was thrilled to come back," she said, adding that the "most wonderful staff in the world" at Village Furniture made it possible for her to devote the necessary time for rehearsals.

Death of a Salesman will be performed at the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy at 10 a.m. on Feb. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9; at 2 p.m. on Feb. 5; and at 8 p.m. on Feb. 4, 10 and 11.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors and students and \$8 for children under 13. For information, call 274-3256.

St. Thomas teacher honored by diocese

By Dev Tobin

After more than 30 years teaching, 25 of them at St. Thomas School in Delmar, Barbara O'Brien still thinks "the most exciting thing in the world is to watch a student learn and like it — I can't think of anything I enjoy more."

O'Brien was recently honored for "dedicating her life to fostering Christian living equally with teaching academics" with the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese's St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Distinguished Teacher Award.

A seventh and eighth-grade language arts teacher, O'Brien said her children joke with her about her "poor career choice" because of the relatively low pay parochial teachers receive.

O'Brien noted that the "tremendous financial sacrifices" parochial teachers make help keep parish schools like St. Thomas affordable so that "parents have a choice."

O'Brien's own education is the foundation for her career.

"I went to St. James, Holy Names and Saint Rose, and my first teaching job was at St. James," the Delaware Avenue parish where she still lives, O'Brien said.

At St. Thomas, "I fell so in love with the children the atmosphere and the dedicated people who work here that I stayed," she said.

Over the last 30 years, O'Brien has noticed that far fewer mothers are able to stay home with their



Barbara O'Brien works with Peter Bukowski, son of a man she taught at the beginning of her career.

children, with inevitable impacts in the classroom.

"Students have changed as the structure of their lives has changed," she said. "Students today have much lower attention spans, and you really have to make education entertaining to hold their interest."

But not too entertaining.

"Instruction here is teacher-centered, with a strong stress on skills," she said, noting that St. Thomas graduates traditionally do well when they move on to high school and college.

One measure of a teacher's effectiveness and popularity is how many former students come back to visit, according to St. Thomas Principal Sister Mary Frederick Coyne.

"The number of students who come back to visit Mrs. O'Brien from high school, college and even post-college, speaks well of how students feel about her as an individual and as a teacher," Sister Frederick said.

Father James Daley, who also arrived at St. Thomas 25 years ago, called O'Brien "a very skilled and well-thought-of teacher and an important part of the St. Thomas community. I'm delighted the diocese recognized her and discovered something we've known all along."

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Witch's Broom carves out niche for crafters

By Dev Tobin

For many, making crafts is a home business in which they turn something they like to do into a part-time income.

But, besides pre-Christmas craft fairs, crafters have to hustle the rest of the year to find outlets for their handmade wares.

The new Witch's Broom store at 427B Kenwood Ave. in Delmar offers a cozy venue where local crafters can sell their products on consignment.

Cousins Dave Martin and Tim Schwartz said that crafters are "excited" about having a local consignment outlet.

"When we place an ad for crafters, we get more than 100 phone calls," Schwartz said. "It gives them more chance of making money year-round."

For customers, buying at a consignment shop provides more consumer protection than buying at a craft fair, Martin noted.

"We're here every day, and can take care of problems, unlike fairs which are open for a day or a weekend," Martin said.

Martin and Schwartz know what it's like from the crafter's perspective, as they traveled the craft show circuit for three years with their signature decorated brooms before deciding to set up shop.

An aunt who also did crafts encouraged them to strike out on their own.

"She said that with my background in retail and interest in crafts were the perfect background for opening a craft shop," Schwartz said.



Dave Martin and Tim Schwartz look over some embroidered shirts by crafter Marjory Matthews. Dev Tobin

The aunt's favorite holiday (Halloween), along with the cousins' own craft of decorated brooms, led to the unique name for a craft shop.

Martin and Schwartz said that crafters from the Bethlehem-New Scotland area are well-represented in Witch's Broom. Among the locals with crafts there are Norma Weiner (trapunto pillows), Shirley Schenmeyer (ceramics), Carol Mendel (patent-pending nail boards), Marion Kuritz (beaded jewelry), Dominic Curro (woodwork), Myrna Gilman (tole painting and silverware chimes),

Monica Bonacci (country-western-theme wreaths) and Tina Decker (florals).

Upcoming specials at the Witch's Broom include a box of chocolate truffles and a dozen roses for \$29.95 for Valentine's Day, 20 percent off handcrafted clothing from Feb. 6 to 11, 30 percent off wall floral arrangements from Feb. 13 to 18, and 20 percent off handcarved and handpainted animals from Feb. 20 to 25.

In spring and summer, Martin and Schwartz plan to invite some of the Witch's Broom crafters to give outdoor demonstrations of

their craft

"With the collaboration of several artists, we'll decorate the yard and have refreshments," Martin said.

Hours at the Witch's Broom are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and closed Sunday. For information, call 478-0947.

Evening skating party planned at town park

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will host "Fire and Ice," an evening of ice skating and music for sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders, at the Bethlehem Town Park on Elm Avenue in Delmar.

The event will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 3.

For information, call Karen Hoogkamp at 439-2995.

Local nursery school to host open house

The Slingerlands Cooperative Nursery School, located at 1499 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, will host an open house on Sunday, Feb. 5, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Registration for 3- and 4-year olds for the 1995-96 school year will be held.

For information, call the school at 439-7035.

Local IRS offering taxpayer assistance

The Albany District of the Internal Revenue Service will offer free taxpayer assistance at the Leo O'Brien Federal Building in Albany weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning today, Feb. 1.

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Matters of Opinion

Some civility, please

We think Supervisor Sheila Fuller and the members of the Bethlehem Town Board are owed an apology by the handful of residents who publicly insulted them at last week's board meeting.

The subject du jour, as you might guess, was the back-up source for the town's water.

The Vly Creek Reservoir can only supply 4.5 million of the town's daily 5 million gallon need during peak - and growing - demand. The half million gallon shortfall now is purchased from the City of Albany whose contract with the town is expiring.

So far Albany has demanded what the Town Board feels is an exorbitant price to renew and it was thought talks with Albany had been terminated.

It has been the position of many opponents of a new 6 million gallon per day system which would tap into an aquifer under the Hudson River that water drawn from the aquifer would be contaminated with effluent and chemicals and thus unfit for human consumption. The town's consultants deny that claim. Nonetheless, those opponents have said the most they would accept would be that any Hudson River water be directed exclusively to industrial use.

To the surprise of many, Ms. Fuller announced at the meeting that the town in fact is still negotiating with Albany to continue as a supplemental source for water for Bethlehem's residential users.

Yet that wasn't good enough for a few who launched into a noisy attack on her and the board, casting up the spectre of deformed babies, criticizing her for quite sensibly keeping the discussions with Albany Mayor Jerry Jennings confidential, railing about government arrogance and sputtering that board members were morally unworthy of their office.

If nothing else their reaction suggests this debate for some is more about politics than about the quality of our water.

That is not to say legitimate questions do not remain unanswered. For instance, what will be the cost to buy from Albany? (Under the present plan, additional residential usage would be free.) And what would be the cost of constructing the various systems proposed to separate industrial from residential users?

However, we do not believe the character of our town officials is among those questions needing debate.

It's working

We knocked on wood before writing this but Albany County's many-fronted war on drunk driving is yielding results.

At a seminar in Colonie with area tavern and convenience store operators last week state liquor authorities revealed, among other things, that there were no instances in 1994 in which a drunk driver killed someone else.

There were 10 such cases in 1990.

One of the nice things about that statistic is that so many individuals and organizations, both public and private, deserve the credit. Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD), the County's STOP DWI program, the town's police department and the community partnerships between concerned adults and teenagers, such as the one pioneered in Bethlehem, have helped enormously.

And sessions like the one last Wednesday with the liquor dispensers, during which their responsibilities were once again emphasized, maintain the pressure.

It is wishful thinking, of course, to expect that one day all drinkers will refuse to drive. But there seems to be no doubt the County's message of zero-tolerance is being heard.

Editorials

People in recovery — the quiet revolution

The author of this Point of View is Director of Public Information of the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services. He lives in Delmar.

By Richard Chady

On New Year's Day, a top Wall Street analyst appeared on CNBC with his market predictions for the year. Probably only a handful of viewers also knew this highly successful executive also has revealed that he is a recovering alcoholic and cocaine addict.

Every day, millions of recovering people quietly go about their lives, working, going to school, raising their families, paying their taxes and otherwise being healthy, productive members of their communities. Yet few other people know this.

The progression of millions of former daily drinkers and drug users into recovery is one of the greatest unacknowledged developments of this century. True, there are occasional news stories about celebrities or athletes who have recovered. However, they are just the tip of the iceberg for the millions of everyday, ordinary persons who finally reached a turning point and got help, usually by attending an outpatient program and then participating in a mutual-help fellowship such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) or Narcotics Anonymous (NA) or, for the family members of substance abusers, the Al-Anon family groups.

By a conservative estimate, there are several hundred thousand stable, recovering alcoholics and addicts in New York state. In addition to numerous studies documenting the efficacy of treatment, the trend is reflected in other social indicators: the number of abstainers has increased substantially in recent years; per capita alcohol consumption has dropped steadily; the rate of alcohol-involved highway fatalities is down; and various surveys show that the rates of drug use are about half what they were in the 1970s.

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Finally, the large recovering community is confirmed by the booming membership in mutual-help groups. There are about 110 AA groups in Albany County alone. NA, which started about 20 years after AA, is growing geometrically.

Because of the addictions' significant impact on health, social services and criminal justice costs, this improvement in health and safety has enormous benefits. One estimate is that each DWI case that doesn't happen saves \$2,000 in police and legal expenses, and reducing alcohol-related injuries also saves on emergency room and other medical costs. The latest study estimates that for every dollar spent on treatment, society saves \$7 elsewhere.

Individuals and agencies have done marvelous jobs advocating for the field. But because of the persistent shame and guilt of the addicts, few among them came forward publicly. At long last this has begun to change.

In 1990, former Sen. Harold E. Hughes of Iowa, the "godfather" of national addictions legislation, founded the Society of Americans for Recovery (SOAR), to represent that constituency in particular. SOAR has several thousand members nationally, including several hundred in New York. It maintains a Washington office directed by Johnny W. Allem, a recovering alcoholic who is a long-time political activist. (Individuals can present themselves as recovering persons without violating any fellowship traditions if they don't mention their membership in AA or NA, etc.)

The recovering community is

The emergence of the recovering community gives reason to believe that the addictions will complete their move out of the shadows, and that shame, guilt and stigma will be replaced by hope and understanding.

Unfortunately, the anonymous nature of the recovering community means that (a) many persons don't seek help because they don't see successful role models with whom they can identify and (b) the public doesn't appreciate fully the benefits of prevention and treatment programs.

Finally, until recently, recovering persons have not spoken out on their own behalf. Many indi-

viduals are the last one to be organized. Virtually every other interest group - including former mental patients and the developmentally disabled - have their own advocacy groups. The emergence of the recovering community gives reason to believe that the addictions will complete their move out of the shadows, and that shame, guilt and stigma will be replaced by hope and understanding.

'Supposed to' is not 'must'

Editor, The Spotlight:

"Sharing the Road" is the title given to Chapter 11 of the New York State Driver's Manual, last issued six months ago.

For the sub-heading, "Pedestrians" there is a paragraph stating "Pedestrians are supposed to walk on the side of the road facing traffic..."

The dictionary at hand defines "supposed" "1. regarded as true, genuine, etc., without actual knowledge. 2. merely imagined."

It would be to the credit of the Pataki administration, when it updates this publication, if it were to use a more positive term, such as *required*.

Alexander J. Woehrl

Delmar

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Your Opinion Matters

Lawns to get bottled water?

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am very concerned about the cavalier attitude being displayed by the Bethlehem Town Board, both past and present, regarding the proposed Hudson River water supply. Perhaps this attitude needs a down-to-earth adjustment.

Don't they realize that water affects every aspect of our lives? Man cannot survive without water. Neither can pets or livestock. But it goes far beyond that.

Just make a list of all the things you do (without even thinking) that require the use of tap water—brushing your teeth; reconstituting fruit juice; making a cake from a mix; making coffee or tea; filling your pet's water dish; boiling vegetables; making soup; cooking rice; boiling pasta; taking an aspirin; watering plants; washing dishes—the list goes on and on.

It goes without saying that, if and when this rather tenuous Hudson River water goes into our taps, I will purchase bottled water. But, think of what that means. For example, when you boil water for vegetables and pasta, you pour it off afterwards, right down the drain. The cost will be prohibitive.

We would have to water our lawns and gardens with bottled water, if we don't want Hudson River water in our food chain.

There are some 42 restaurants and eateries in the Town of Bethlehem. Who would want to eat in any of these establishments, knowing that the water was coming from the Hudson River? The Grand Union will be spraying its produce with Hudson River water; and it will be used to cook their macaroni and potatoes for salads, and for their soups.

Local farmers will water their vegetables with Hudson River water, and dairy farmers will give it to their cows.

I will not eat in the restaurants in the Town. I will not buy vegetables from stands in the Town. I will not shop at Grand Union. I will not buy milk or dairy products from local farms.

A recent article in the *Times Union*, regarding New York City's water quality, cited the dangers of

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cryptosporidium, an organism which infested Milwaukee's water supply, causing illness and deaths. Cryptosporidium can be fatal to people with compromised immune systems. I happen to be one of those people because I have systemic Lupus, an auto-immune disorder. Other auto-immune diseases include Hashimoto's disease; Grave's disease (thyroid); rheumatoid arthritis; pernicious anemia (blood); Addison's disease (adrenal glands); and some forms of diabetes. Also, any person undergoing chemotherapy for cancer(s) has a compromised immune system.

We have been told that the Hudson River water supply has tested negative for cryptosporidium. But, who knows? A New York City microbiologist, Walter Faber, was quoted as saying, "It's our opinion that we should never test for something like this in finished water, because what do you tell people? We think it will cause panic."

Former New York City Department of Environmental Protection scientists were quoted as saying that the Department "covered up information about health-threatening impurities in water."

Will this be the testing policy for the Town of Bethlehem? Will they only inform us when they think the information will not cause a panic? Or, will they give us the truth? How will we know? According to The Bethlehem Report, Winter 1994-1995 (the "Ain't We Republicans Grand?" issue, paid for with residents' tax dollars) says, "The water supply will be tested daily." If something untoward shows up, what is the manner in which townspeople will be notified? Remember, the Town Board has already acted as a "Star Chamber" by appropriating funds for this fiasco without input from Town residents.

Laurel J. Cahill

Delmar

Throw the &\$%# out!

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Wednesday, Jan. 25 a number of members of Clearwater for Bethlehem attended the meeting of the Bethlehem Town Board. The point of my letter concerns the arrogance and general attitude of the board, particularly town attorney, former Republican town chairman, former chairman of the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA), Bernard Kaplowitz.

At a point early in the exchange between supervisor Fuller and myself, I stated that the members of the board were elected by the residents of Bethlehem and that the board's job is to represent and carry out the desires of the electorate. Mr. Kaplowitz responded to me with "Grow up!"

Have the people who run this town become so convinced of their importance and power that they have forgotten just what their function is? Is it that they feel that only their objectives are important and the people whom they "represent" don't know what's good for them? Or is it possible that there is some other motive for their being in power?

When a government and its officials have developed an attitude such as I have described here, it is time for a change. It is time for those who have become so jaded and caught up in their own self-importance to be removed from office.

Joseph Duclos

Delmar

Proposed zoning law needs quick action

Editor, The Spotlight:

The members of the newly formed Helderhill Neighborhood Association strongly urge the adoption of the proposed zoning ordinance now pending before the board as soon as possible and without substantial modification. The proposed law provides reasonable restraints on the density of future residential development within the town. Such restraints will help preserve the character of the town and will insure the continued provision of a pleasant living environment for town residents. Additionally, restraints on intense development will help lessen the potentially negative impact on our schools, taxes and public services.

The present law does not contain reasonable controls of large scale development. Without reasonable controls, the residents of the town could face substantial increases in their school tax bills, which are already extremely burdensome. In order to accommodate a significant increase in enrollment without significant cost increases, the distribution of ages of new school age children would have to conform to the class levels which currently are not at full enrollment. It is likely, however,

that large increases in numbers of homes in the town, with their attendant school age population, would generate only a fraction of the tax revenue needed to offset the costs associated with educating the children from those homes. Additional state aid would not make up this shortfall.

Indeed, it appears that we can anticipate further reductions in the proportion of educational expense offset by state aid in years to come. Since there is little commercial tax base in town, increases in school costs will have to be paid by increased school tax levies on homeowners.

Time is of the essence. If there are significant revisions to the proposed legislation it would be necessary to go back to the beginning of the process leading to the passage of a zoning law. A new environmental quality review would have to be completed, new public hearings scheduled and held, a review of the revised law by the Albany County Planning Board (which meets monthly), all before the revised statute could be submitted to the board for its consideration. In the meantime, the moratorium on development now in effect would have expired, allowing for applications for new

development to be made under the existing, inadequate ordinance. That scenario would open up the town to the very type of exploitative development the new ordinance seeks to prevent.

It should be noted that the proposed ordinance is the result of a process that has been underway for at least the past ten years. The time for further study has passed. If there are changes, which upon further reflection should be made law, there are adequate provisions in that law for revision once the it is passed.

Erica M. Sufrin
President

Helderhill Neighborhood Assn.

Thanks for listening

Editor, The Spotlight:

The McCombe Drive neighbors would like to thank the Bethlehem Planning Board for its positive reconsideration of our problems. Your willingness to listen and, more importantly, to communicate with all of us is sincerely appreciated. The responsibility involved in changing a collective decision is also applauded.

Timothy J. O'Brien

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Middle School changes performance schedule

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing to ask for your help in alerting the Bethlehem Central School District community to some changes in the operation of the BCMS musical production.

The addition of a *pit orchestra* two years ago, was not something that the public needed to know about to enjoy. Our audience simply showed up, and were greeted with a new set of sounds. This year, however, we have made three changes which can only be helpful if our public knows about them. It is my belief that an informed public will make the best decisions for themselves and their children. So here's the news.

First, the curtain for all of our performances, including our dress rehearsal on Thursday night, will be 7 p.m. An earlier starting time was designed to do two things: (1) to provide continuity, and therefore lessen confusion about when the show begins, and (2) to encourage parents to bring younger (preschool and primary grade) children to the production. We hope that the 7 p.m. curtain means the show will be over by 9 p.m., and will allow children to get to bed at an hour closer to their normal time. In addition, we hope that senior citizens will be more comfortable driving home earlier.

The second major change has to do with our seating policy. For the first time, audience members

will have reserved seats. In a professional house, with reserved seating, the audience members don't need to save seats with rope or tape or coats, nor do they need to arrive early to assure themselves of their seat. We hope that reserved seating will allow us to provide you with the same level of comfort. Tickets can be purchased at the BCMS lunchroom from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, through Thursday, Feb. 2.

You will also notice that, in a professional house, the audience never sees the preparations which the cast and crew goes through prior to the opening of the house. Cast members may "walk the set," getting focused on the evening's performance. Crew members check lights (calling from stage to the booth), run across the stage from one prop table to the other, check the sound system, verify "spike" marks for set pieces, and even sweep and mop the floor of the stage to reduce dust and slippery conditions.

As an audience member, we don't want to see that happen. And performers, especially the crew, shouldn't be distracted by the audience. "The audience should never see the crew" is one of the theatrical commandments.

And, (3) I'd like to announce the addition of a seating opportunity for anyone who may be unable to get a seat for Friday or Saturday night. In the past, sadly, we had to turn people away at the

doors during our performances, because even our *standing room only* were sold out.

Traditionally, the final dress rehearsal on Thursday night has been open to senior citizens, free of charge. While that service will not change, we will be offering tickets for general seating on Thursday night. Tickets will cost \$3 and will be sold at the door. A word of caution: We don't encourage you to come Thursday, if you can come on either of the other nights. This is a dress rehearsal—it will not be our best performance. Of course, anyone who's done theater, will tell you that some of the most magical moments happen during rehearsal.

By all means, if we sell out early, or if you're not available Friday or Saturday, come and join us. We're interested in whether we will fill enough seats on Thursday to warrant adding another performance night.

I do hope that the public will be able to join us for what promises to be, if I do say so myself, an evening of wonderful theater for everyone!

Frank Leavitt

Director, BCMS Musical

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and Johnson's Stationery

Criticizing our criticism

Editor, The Spotlight:

We are very disappointed in your editorial criticizing the Department Of Transportation's (DOT) proposal for widening Delaware Ave. at Delaware Plaza to improve the intersection of Delaware and Normanskill Blvd.

As nearby residents who have to fight the traffic to enter Delaware, we would welcome a median strip as planned at Euclid to provide easier access to Delaware Ave. We have urged DOT to consider putting a traffic light at Euclid that would be tied in with the one at the plaza so that residents of this neighborhood could feel safe in turning onto Delaware. It is almost impossible to make a left turn onto Delaware during rush hour because of the heavy traffic.

The plan also includes wider sidewalks and a better traffic light system (contrary to the implications of your editorial) for pedestrians crossing to the plaza.

To endorse a plan that calls for building another highway which would obviously cost *much more* seems preposterous at best. None of the ideas mentioned in the editorial deal with the issues of this particular intersection.

There have been many accidents at this intersection in the past, and we feel that any small reduction in aesthetics along this strip would be more than justified by better safety, better access to Delaware and smoother flowing

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traffic. And residents who have been involved in serious accidents at that intersection might just consider the problems more than "some minor traffic snarl."

We hope that in the future you do a little more research before so blithely rejecting a reasonable and needed proposal to improve the traffic flow and safety of our town.

David and Ann Brandon

Delmar

It's the law!

Editor, The Spotlight:

This week a driver failed to stop while my kindergarten son was boarding the school bus. As my son stepped in front of the car, the driver hit her brakes in time to avoid hitting him.

Our bus driver and my son and I had followed all proper procedures for boarding. Simply put, the car driver did not stop for a boarding school bus.

I ask all of you who have the privilege of driving to be aware of your responsibilities. A stopped school bus with flashing lights means cars must stop.

Carolyn I. Hejna

Delmar

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Your Opinion Matters

We're testing the water, but for what?

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a Bethlehem taxpayer for 21 years, I found the recent Bethlehem Report "facts sheet" insert both disturbing and misleading. The subject of this insert was Bethlehem's new water supply system. This sheet was printed and mailed to all town residents at taxpayers' expense.

With regard to the facts of monitoring and testing that will be done at the Hudson River water treatment plant, it is important to ask what will be monitored and how frequently. The Town Board has claimed that testing will be done daily.

According to the town consultant's report, "continuous raw water quality monitoring at the source is planned for such items as PH, turbidity, dissolved oxygen, conductivity and total organic carbon." These are routine and will not identify specific contaminants.

The New York State Code requires the following testing: inorganic chemicals, once per year; heavy metals, once per year; principal organic chemicals, quarterly the first year and if not detected within the first year, once per year. Organic chemicals, pesticides, dioxin, PCBs are all re-

quired to be sampled quarterly for one year. If not detected during that time, sampling is extended to every 18 months.

Many contaminants may not be identified because of the infrequent analysis and the variability of the amount of contamination in the Hudson River water. So, when you hear testing will be done daily, remember it will not be for specific toxic contaminants.

A copy of the State Sanitary Code is in the Clearwater File available at the library.

Nancy Scholes

Delmar

Farmers will not be bulldozed

Editor, The Spotlight:

Ordinary citizens have a duty in a democratic society to participate in government, just as government has a duty to keep its citizens informed. Most people have faith in the government to do what is best for all the people and don't complain unless they realize a change will adversely affect them.

This is the situation with LUMAC (Land Use Management Advisory Committee). We trusted that the LUMAC report would represent the best interest of all the people of our town. Therefore, the committee did not hear complaints from farmers and large land owners during the process. We did attend the meetings, but in all honesty, hours were spent in

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presentation only. By 10:30 and 11:00 p.m., when comments could be made, many of us had to be home for the early demands of our next day.

If we do not object now, we are just being bulldozed into accepting decisions that affect our land use by those who really do not understand what it takes to maintain large tracts of property. We are not asking that, "seven years of work be shelved." We are asking that our lands not be changed from their current classification or use.

Peter K. Frueh

Feura Bush

Some of water's costs are hidden

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am a minimum water-use resident of Bethlehem. I pay about \$5.89 per 1000 gallons for water. I think it would be enlightening to present this formula for figuring your water tax rate:

From your three water bills, add the cubic feet consumed. Multiply by 7.5 (gallons per cubic foot). The total is your water consumption in thousands of gallons.

Look at your property tax bill. Take the water district tax amount (4th line down). Add to that what you paid on your three water bills. This is your total cost. Divide the total cost by how many thousand gallons you used.

We do not pay \$1.07 per gallon, the deceptive figure often given by our (Town) Board. Albany charges its residents \$1.66 per 1,000 gallons. It does not hide an

additional amount in a water property tax.

Albany is willing to sell us all the water we need, in perpetuity, for the same rate it charges its own residential users. That is a bargain we cannot match.

The Town's contract with CoGen guarantees them a rate of \$1.69 per 1000 gallons for ten years and possible increases limited to two percent a year for the next ten

years. It will cost us more than that to produce this water.

Guess who will be subsidizing CoGen?

Eleanor Shapiro

Clearwater for Bethlehem

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Politics, perhaps?

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Town Board this week unanimously appointed Pat Reed to the Planning Board. Reed, quoted in an article in this newspaper, acknowledges that he has "no formal qualifications" for this position, but says he does have a "desire to learn" and "a high degree of interest."

My point is not to criticize Mr. Reed for his lack of experience or credentials but to ask why the Town Board would appoint him. The next few years will be critical ones for the town and the Planning Board now that we have a Master Plan to implement. This board faces crucial decisions affecting the property values and character of our town, its educational institutions, roads, taxes and citizens' property rights.

It seems as if only Mr. Reed's "interest" is being served by this appointment, rather than the interests of town residents. The Spotlight also mentions that his wife is a Republican member of the Albany County Legislature from District 36. Are we to trust that no one, regardless of party affiliations, with genuine qualifications and experience, could be found for this position?

Margaret W. Shirk

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If you are willing to discuss your life experiences, your job or an interest you pursue, call the school at 756-2155, ext. 352.

Application deadline today

There is still time to apply for the 1995-1996 prekindergarten program at RCS. The deadline for applications is today, Feb. 1. Applications are available at the elementary schools or by calling Jan Lincoln, pre-kindergarten parent coordinator at 756-9157.

Senior projects set blood pressure clinic

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be taken at the senior projects center on Bruno Boulevard in Ravena on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 6 p.m.

A 55 Alive driving course will be given on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 7 and 8, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

For reservations, call 756-8593.

Jehovah's Witnesses announce schedule

The Selkirk Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses on Elm and Wildwood Lane has announced the following schedule.

On Sundays at 9:30 a.m., there

will be a public Bible lecture and at 10:20 a.m. a Watchtower Bible study.

On Tuesdays, at 7:30 p.m., theological ministry school is slated, followed by a service meeting at 8:20 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, congregation Bible discussions are held.

Ravena church lists slate of activities

The Grace United Methodist Church at 16 Hillcrest Drive in Ravena has announced its schedule for the week of Feb. 2.

On Thursday, Feb. 2, the junior choir will rehearse at 6:30 p.m. and the chancel choir will rehearse at 7 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday school will begin at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5. Morning worship will take place at 10:30 a.m. with coffee fellowship following at 11:30 a.m. The Grace Ringers will rehearse at 7 p.m.

Arts Potpourri slated at community library

A vacation art workshop is set for Monday, Feb. 22, and will kick off the 1995 Arts Potpourri at the RCS Community Library.

Through a grant from the Capital District Arts Decentralization Program, the library will host art, storytelling and music events throughout the spring and summer.

Nancy Andell, artist and teacher, will lead the vacation workshop in a book-making collaboration. The workshop is open to students age 10 to 14. The group will create pages for A Big Book of Our Towns that will include their favorite people, activities, and places throughout the library/school district.

A list of ideas is available at the library. Stop by the library or call to sign up for the workshop. Space is limited.

On Saturday, March 4, songwriter Ruth Pelham will present a "Musicraft" workshop for 5 to 9-year-olds. The children will build simple instruments. Parents are welcome to sing along.

Sign-ups begin on Monday, Feb. 13.

Marni Schwartz and Joni Goldberg will present an afternoon of storytelling for all ages on Sunday, April 2.

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Valentine breakfast to aid Dylan Fund

The Bethlehem Elks, located on Route 144 in Selkirk, will host a Valentine breakfast buffet on Sunday, Feb. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The menu includes pancakes, french toast, waffles, sausage, bacon, eggs, juice and coffee.

All proceeds will benefit the Dylan Fund, a program set up to assist an area toddler recovering from injuries sustained in a recent dog-mauling attack.

The breakfast costs \$7.50 for adult couples, \$6 for senior couples, \$5 for single adults, \$4 for single seniors and \$3 for children under 12.

For information, call 767-9959.

Faso to talk about state budget impacts

State Assemblyman John Faso, chairman of Gov. George Pataki's transition task force on the state budget, will speak on how the 1995-96 state budget will affect education at the next meeting of Parents For Excellence.

The group will meet on Sunday, Feb. 5, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

For information, contact Kevin McCarthy at 439-7815.

Reservations on tap for income tax aid

Bethlehem Senior Services will begin accepting reservations for AARP's Income Tax Form Assistance Program to be held on Tuesdays, Feb. 7 through April 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Appointments can be made by calling 439-4955, ext. 170. Participants are requested to bring copies of their 1993 federal and state returns, along with W-2, 1099 forms and receipts for contributions, interest, medical bills, and property and school tax receipts.

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Panel discussion on reading set

Parents trying to help their elementary-age children with reading are invited to a panel discussion on Thursday, Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The program will feature educational researcher Donna Scanlon, elementary school teachers Kathy Bartley and Valorie Falco, and computer specialist Holly Otto.

In the study's initial phase, children were tested before they entered kindergarten and the development of their reading skills charted. Children who were identified as having reading difficulties and a control group are participating in the second part of the project which will follow their academic progress through fourth-grade.

The five-year study, funded by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, is one of the largest and most comprehensive ever conducted on this subject.

Holly Otto, an education account manager at Computer Professionals in Stuyvesant Plaza, will describe some of the reading skills software that is available for home use today.

According to Otto, "The computer industry has been creating innovative ways for students to learn with colorful graphics, musical sounds, voice interaction and lots of humor.

"Educational programs incorporate proven, successful teaching methods: small steps, plenty of opportunity for practice and repetition, and lots of positive feedback," Otto said.

Falco teaches a multi-age class at Glenmont School, and Bartley is a first-grade teacher at Clarksville School. In addition to classroom duties, both teachers serve as elementary language arts coordinators for the Bethlehem

School District. They will suggest ways parents can reinforce reading skills their children are learning in school. A bibliography of materials owned by the library will be available, and a question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

Preschoolers are invited to the library on Friday, Feb. 3, at 10:30 a.m. to see the short films "The Snowy Day," "Sylvester and the Magic Pebble" and "Monty."

No registration is needed to see this 30-minute preschool film program.

Children ages 3 to 6 can come to the library on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and get in the loving spirit of Valentine's Day by sharing stories and songs.

Children will create a love note with a message for that special someone. Register for either the 2 or 7 p.m. session by calling the children's room.

Pre-teens in grade-five and up are invited to see "Taking Care of Terrific" at the After School Theatre Video Film Festival on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 4 p.m.

The film, based on the 1983 novel by young adult author Lois Lowry, tells how 14-year-old Enid takes on more than she expects when she starts babysitting for a young and very sheltered little boy. Drop in and bring a friend. Sit on the floor, munch free popcorn and enjoy the hour-long show.

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Phonics-based programs and other reading improvement techniques will be addressed. Parents can register by calling the children's room at 439-9314.

Scanlon is a research associate at the Child Research and Study Center at the University at Albany. She has been conducting a study on the development of children's reading ability in local school districts, including Bethlehem, since 1991.

The project is studying differences and similarities among children in order to identify those at risk for reading difficulties and to find ways to prevent reading failure.

BOU starts work on annual auction

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited has started work on its ninth annual auction.

Committees on soliciting, refreshments, publicity and decorations welcome any assistance on the event which last year raised about \$7,000 for a variety of activities for Bethlehem youth.

There will be an organizational meeting on the auction on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. at 64 Winnie Road.

This year's BOU auction is set for Friday, March 31, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

For information, call 439-6885.

Attention deficit to be topic of discussion

A discussion on attention deficit disorder is slated for Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church located at 85 Elm Ave. in Delmar.

If there is enough interest, a regular monthly support group may be established.

For information, contact Floyd Sykes at 765-2365.

Mother's Time Out to hear about dentistry

Mother's Time Out, a Christian support group for mothers of preschoolers, will meet Monday, Feb. 6, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church located at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Delmar dentist Dr. Gregg Sagor will speak on pediatric dentistry.

For information, call the church at 439-9929.

Scouts organizing diversity celebration

The Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council is sponsoring The People Festival: A Celebration of Diversity on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

Through music, dance, fashion and food, participants will learn more about cultures from around the world.

More than 30 organizations and individuals will present aspects of their culture during the festival.

Scheduled highlights include presentations by Roots Revisited, the New Life Recovery Choir of Israel AME Church, Iroquois Indian Museum Keepers of the Circle, Hamilton Hill Arts Center, Albany German-American Club, Irish-American Heritage Museum, Caribbean-American Club, ethnic dances of the Far East, the Martin Luther King Commission, Russell Sage College, Horlipiep Dutch Dancers and the CDPC Players.

Girl Scout troops will also feature displays and activities from other cultures.

DJ Joe Colon of WRPI will play music from around the world and ethnic food from several local restaurants will be available for sale.

The event is free and open to the public.

For information on the People Festival, call the Scout council at 439-4936.

Blood pressure tests available at town hall

The Town of Bethlehem will hold a February blood pressure screening on Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall located at 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Also on tap will be the Marion Martin Display for Independent Living, featuring Helene Hassenfield who will hand out brochures on supportive services.

Pet grooming shop taps new manager

Ronelle Zaloga of Coeymans has been named the new manager of the Reigning Cats and Dogs boarding and grooming facility on Route 9W in Cossack.

Zaloga is a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School and holds degrees from SUNY-Delhi and SUNY-Cobleskill. She previously worked for Parkside Animal Hospital in Albany.



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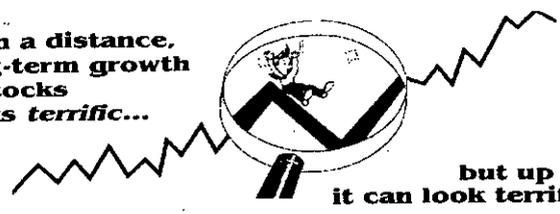
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Action group to meet on drug abuse

The Community Action Network will hold a meeting concerning drug abuse in the schools and in the community tonight, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Info meeting set on zoning changes

There will be a public information meeting on proposed changes to New Scotland's zoning law on Monday, Feb. 6, at 8 p.m. at town hall. Copies of the zoning law revisions and the proposed new zoning map are available for inspection at town hall.

A formal public hearing on the proposed revisions is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. at town hall.

Following the public hearing, the town board is expected to vote on the amendments.

Historian to discuss Shaker heritage

On Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 8 p.m. the New Scotland Historical Association

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will sponsor a program by theologian and Shaker historian Walt Chura.

In "Shaker Heritage: The Gift to be Simple," Chura will share his understanding of the Shakers and the manifestation of their ideas in art and craftsmanship. Chura's perspective stems from his 20-year relationship with the last remaining Shaker community at Sabbathday Lake, Maine.

The free program is open to the public at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on The Old Road in New Salem.

V'ville changes recycling practices

The village of Voorheesville has changed its recycling rules. Recyclables, including glass, tin, and

plastic, must now be placed curbside in approved plastic bins, bearing a village of Voorheesville imprint.

Residents who have not picked up the free bins should contact the village office at 765-2692.

Additional or replacement bins can be purchased for \$5 each.

Newspaper should continue to be put out separately in brown paper bags.

Gardeners to hear talk on herbs

Shawn Schultz of the Apothecary Rose Shed in Pattersonville is the featured speaker at this month's meeting of the Helderview Garden Club on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 6:45 p.m. in the community room of the library.

Board to conduct forum on curriculum

The school board will hold a focus forum on pending curriculum changes in foreign languages, physical education and waiver issues on Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room at the high school.

Nursery school accepting applications for fall

The Voorheesville Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church is accepting applications for fall enrollment.

Applications are available at the school, the library or by calling Kathy Massaroni at 765-4921.

There will be a drawing to fill classes on Monday, Feb. 6, at 8:30 p.m. in the church social hall. To participate in the drawing, a child must be 4-years-old by Dec. 1.

Applications must be submitted before 7 p.m. on Feb. 6.

Appeals board to meet

The monthly meeting of the Voorheesville Zoning Board of Appeals is tonight, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. at the village hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

Seeing to it



The Bethlehem Lions Club gathers used eyeglasses in its annual drive. Red Goyer and Joan McFarland help pack up the glasses the club has collected for distribution. *Doug Persons*

Delmar Progress Club lists upcoming events

The Delmar Progress Club has announced its schedule of meetings for the month of February.

Deborah and Fred Morris of the Village Frame Shoppe will present "Framing and Preservation of Art Work and Heirlooms" today, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. in the community room of the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The travel group will meet on Thursday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. in the community room of the library. "Elderhostel Experiences" will be discussed.

A general meeting is slated on Monday, Feb. 6, at 10 a.m. in the library community room.

Kristy Reynolds will present "Beautiful You" to the evening

group on Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. in the library community room.

The literature group will discuss "Josephine: The Hungry Heart" on Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the library community room.

The garden group will meet in the library community room on Saturday, Feb. 21, at 9:30 a.m. The presentation will be "Fantasy in Silk Flowers."

For information, call Helen Smith at 439-3916.

'Watermedia' display created by local artist

Artwork by Joan Krathaus will be on display during the month of February at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The exhibit, "Watermedia," may be viewed during regular library hours. The library is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays.

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Delmar Scout earns Eagle rank AARP offers tax help for area senior citizens

Boy Scout Troop 71 of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar held a court of honor recently for Brian K. Murray, who achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

Murray began his Scouting career as a Cub Scout with Pack 258 where he earned the Arrow of Light award.

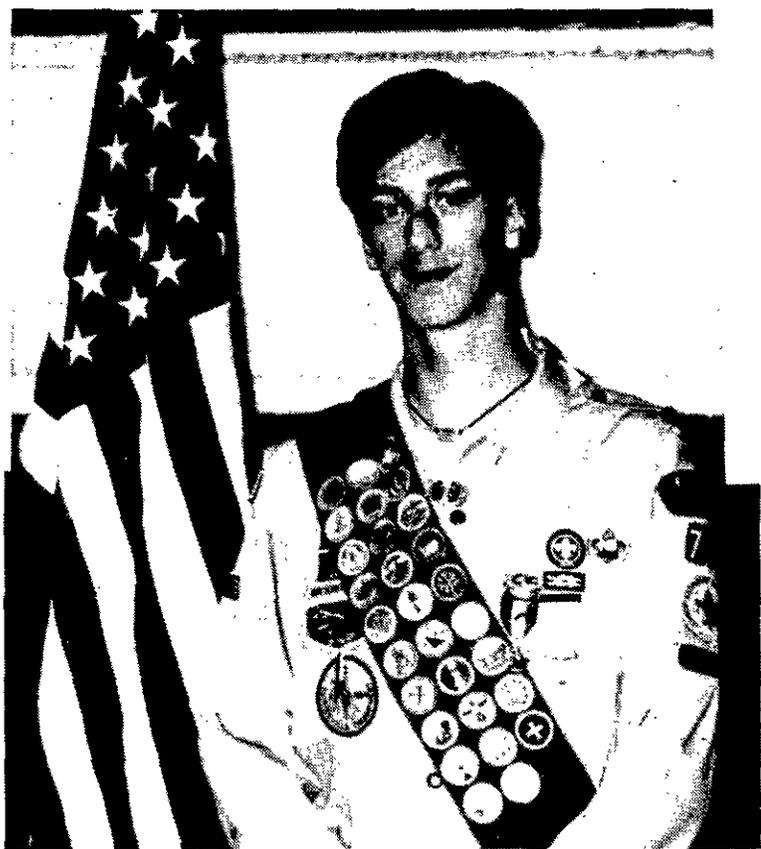
He became a member of Troop 71 in 1988. As a Scout, he earned 29 merit badges, advancing through the ranks from tenderfoot to Eagle, with Bronze Palm.

In 1991, he received the *Ad Altare Dei* award. He has served the troop as troop guide, patrol leader, and junior assistant Scoutmaster.

Murray served on the staff for the 1993 Fort Orange District fall camporee and at Camp Rotary summer camp.

In 1993, he was elected to the Order of the Arrow, the national camping honor society of Boy Scouts.

For his Eagle project, Murray planned and supervised a Palm Sunday visitation program for the homebound of St. Thomas Parish.



Brian Murray

History talk to focus on past of the Shakers

The New Scotland Historical Association will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, 70 Old Road in New Salem.

Shaker historian and theologian Walt Chura will speak on "Shaker Heritage: The Gift to be Simple." He will closely examine the Shaker community at Sabbathday Lake in Maine, the last surviving Shaker community.

For information, call 861-6022.

Gospel study slated at Delmar church

A nine-week study of the Gospel of Mark will be offered at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, on Sundays from 8 to 8:45 a.m. beginning Feb. 5.

Rev. Robert Hess will be the instructor.

For information, call the church at 439-9929.

Fellow Scouts baked small cakes and delivered them along with palms to the parishioners.

Murray is a 1994 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, where he was active in Students Against Drunk Driving.

He played on the junior varsity and varsity volleyball teams and was elected to the National Honor Society and was a commended scholar in the National Merit Scholarship program.

Murray received a presidential scholarship to Boston College, where he is majoring in secondary education and history.

He also served as a lector at St. Thomas Church and at Boston College.

In 1993, he received the youth appreciation award from the Optimist Club of Albany.

He is the son of Kevin and Kathy Murray of Frederick Place in Delmar.

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Sports

BC girls title-bound *Defense keys boys win over BH*

By Janice Gallagher

They did it again. The girls basketball team (9-0, 12-2) had another big win last Friday against Burnt Hills to remain undefeated in the section.

Now only Shenendehowa stands in their way of becoming Suburban Council champion.

But the Eagles are already getting ready to take them on. "To beat Shen at home is our biggest goal, and the way we've been playing, I think we have a good chance," said junior forward Kiley Shortell.

The Eagles will face Shen on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at home. In league play, Shen has lost only to Burnt Hills. In preseason play, the Plainsmen edged out the Eagles.

"It's a big game, and I think we should match up well against them," said coach Kim Zornow. "If all goes as planned until then, we should be playing them for the sectional title. If they win they're number one, if we win, then we are."

The girls have games against Shaker, Niskayuna, Mohonasen and Guilderland before the Shen

showdown. They beat them all earlier this season with relative ease.

"Our coach takes games one at a time. In these next few games, we know we have to do the little things right and keep playing together to be able to beat the best teams," said Shortell.

And she should know what it takes to win. Shortell came up with 20 points, including 11 in the second quarter, to boost the Eagles to a 48-38 win over Burnt Hills last Friday.

The girls started out slow, with Burnt Hills dominating the first quarter by a score of 12-6. But they picked it up and gained a 21-15 lead by halftime.

"The rest of the game we kept up our intensity on defense," said Zornow. The Eagles held the key offensive player of Burnt Hills, Jenn Miklik, to 14 points.

"I think we played well, especially on defense," said Shortell. "We played as a team, and were able to shut most of their offense down."

Freshman Nicole Conway, came up big again with 13 points.

By Scott Isaacs

The Bethlehem boys basketball gained a much-needed victory over Burnt Hills at home last Thursday, 66-54.

The victory ended a four-game losing skid and stabilized the Eagles in fourth place in the Gold Division with a 4-6 league record. They are 5-9 overall.

BC came out slowly, scoring only seven points in the first quarter, but the offense kicked in during the second quarter, and the Eagles led 23-21 at halftime.

Amongst defensive effort in the third quarter put the game away, as Burnt Hills could only manage eight points. The ensuing shootout in the fourth quarter ensured victory for the Eagles, who closed out by scoring 43 points in the second half.

Junior Sean Berry continued to carry the offense on his six-foot, four-inch frame, pouring in 17 points from all angles of the floor.

Chris Wenger continued to open eyes with his hustle, which led to 12 points and seven rebounds, and senior Erik Gill broke out of a slump by scoring 10 points on 5-for-6 shooting.

Forward Pete Dorgan said the keys to the BC victory were "really moving the ball around well, and making four or five good passes to find the open man."

"When we do that, as well as make our foul shots, play tough defense, and hustle for loose balls, we're going to win games."

Bethlehem can climb into third place in the Gold Division with a victory at Niskayuna on Friday.



BC guard Matt Winterhoff tosses one up during recent Suburban Council action. *Bryan Berry*

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Super Sunday in the BBC

The Bethlehem Basketball Club kicked off "Super Sunday" with a host of exciting games at the middle school gyms.

In the initial NBA game, the Nuggets displayed their team oriented offense in a 37-32 victory over the Hornets. Leading the way for the victors was Toby Cushing. Calvin Brown excelled for the losers with 22 points.

The hard-driving Bulls showed why they are among the title contenders in a 60-51 win over the Suns. Pat Hughes and Steve Rucinski led the Bulls with a combined 48 points and Jon Burroughs and Matt Elfeldt teamed up for 41 for the Suns.

The Knicks edged a game but outgunned Warriors squad, 35-34. Joe Gerstanzang's four were critical for the Knicks, and Matt Bratrud had eight in defeat.

Finally, the powerhouse Sonics continued their unbeaten ways as Evan McQuide and Brendan Bannagan combined for 19 in a 44-35 win over the Spurs. Jon Caplan had 10 for the Spurs.

In ACC activity, North Carolina topped Duke 37-34. Mitch Lane and Kevin Carroll tallied 24 for the Tarheels, while Brendan Dalton's

19 led the Blue Devils.

Wake Forest beat Clemson 42-23. Chris Sherin netted 10 for the winners and Russell Pryba five for the losers. Maryland's tenacious, full-court pressure helped defeat Georgia Tech 42-34. Elena Olen-dorf tallied six for the winners and Matt Thibdeau 12 for the losers.

Liam Gallagher's nine points were not enough as Virginia toppled Florida State 45-22. The Cavaliers' Bobby Pasquini dished off a host of assists.

In Big East action, Villanova thrashed Syracuse 47-21. Tom Ford and Ben Barrowman combined for 19 to lead the winners and Andy Bratrud scored seven for the Orangemen.

Georgetown blasted St. John's 37-22. The balanced Hoyas had nine players hit the scoring column with Evan Camissa-Frost leading the way with six. Clark Doody had 10 for St. John's.

Miami handed Boston College its first loss of the season 35-20. Dan Kohler's clutch two-pointers proved to be the victors.

In final action, Pitt, with Eli Leveston's 15 leading the way, garnered its first win, easing past Providence, 40-34.



Greg Teresi, above, is one of many standouts on this year's Bethlehem boys swim team. The Eagles are closing in on another championship season. *Doug Persons*

BCHS: The 49ers of Section II swimming continue to roll

By Jessica Romano

The undefeated Bethlehem boys swim team recently added two more wins last week to run its season record to 12-0.

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, the team had a big win over Albany Academy. Greg Teresi took first place in the 200 individual medley and second in the 500 freestyle.

Cory Whiting, Nick Turner and Mike Cohen made a clean sweep in the 100 butterfly, while Zach Medwin won the diving competition.

"All of our divers are graduat-

ing this year," said coach Ken Neff. "We are desperately looking for divers."

On Friday, Jan. 20, BC edged Saratoga 67-53. Andy Masino finished first in the 200 freestyle. Reid Putnam captured first in the 200 individual medley.

Brad Pryba and Milt Orietas also earned valuable points for the Eagles. Sean Barclay and Teresi placed for BC in the 100 freestyle.

Ben Samelson-Jones was a first-place finisher in the 100 breaststroke, plus he was on the winning 200 medley relay team

along with Putnam, Barclay and Mike Reiss.

Many members of the BC squad have qualified for sectionals, although each team is only allowed to enter four swimmers per event, so some swimmers will not attend.

"We have a good strong, deep team," Neff said, "but in the upcoming meets, we need to step forward and make these good swimmers better."

Neff added that Albany Academy would be a team to watch in the next few years.

V'ville boys struggling

By Kelly Griffin

After losing their last two games, both on the road, the Voorheesville boys (9-4, 11-4) slipped to third place in the Colonial Council behind Schalmont and Ravana.

Schalmont travels to Voorheesville this Friday night and Ravana does the same on Friday, Feb. 9.

"Those two games will be very good games, both to play and watch," said coach Skip Carrk. "It will be a couple of great matchups."

"We hope that we can learn from our experience and turn things around," Carrk said. "Right now, we're out of contention for the league title, but these games are still going to be very important. Mainly because of pride, but also to see how we've improved since the last time we played them."

Last week the 'Birds fell to Lansingburgh and Watervliet and

two distinct problems plagued them.

Voorheesville let its opponent jump out to a significant lead before it even got on the scoreboard. At Lansingburgh, the Knights were up 8-0 before the Blackbirds scored.

The second problem was poor free throw shooting. Voorheesville only cashed in on four of their 13 free throw attempts against Watervliet.

"These problems are frustrating and disappointing for both myself and the team because they are things that are in our control," said Carrk. "It's been more and more difficult for us to play solid games lately."

"We haven't played 32 good minutes in the last several games. I think that being on the road so much for this half of the season has had something to do with it."

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Forfeits aid wrestlers Schalmont game looms large for Voorheesville girls team

By Joshua White

The Voorheesville wrestling team earned another league victory last Thursday over Waterford, 54-15.

"It wasn't a real competitive match," said head coach Dick Leach. "Waterford had to give up a lot of forfeits."

The Blackbirds used seven forfeits to jump out to a comfortable lead. Grapplers involved in the winning forfeits were eighth grader Ryan Spanswick, ninth grader Marc Nadrotowski, sophomore Todd Dombrowski, juniors Griffin King and Jesse Clement and seniors Matt Cootware and Fabio Loula.

Other bright spots in the win over the Fordians were sophomore Jim Shear's (126) pin and junior Bryce Fortran's (138) technical fall over Josh Anderson.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, the Blackbirds participated in the South High Tournament in Glens Falls. Voorheesville placed eighth out of 11 teams.

"We are a good individual tournament team and have had some of our wrestlers reach the semifinals and finals in the past few weeks," said Leach. "I think the competition in the tournaments is helping us."

Fifth-seeded Shear (126) was the big story for the Blackbirds at South High. He won the 126-pound weight class title by earning a decision in the championship match over Steve Buell of South High.

"Jim (Shear) wrestled tremendously," said Leach. "He has been determined and worked hard to enter his weight class."

Matt Cootware (145) and Jim Cook (132) also demonstrated standout performances. Cootware earned second place in his weight class after losing a 5-1 decision against Brett Bernard of Whitesboro.

On Thursday, Jan. 19, the Blackbirds traveled to Lansingburgh. Once again, five Knight forfeits made the difference as Voorheesville rolled 45-24.

Cootware won the match of the night with a 5-2 decision over previously unbeaten Brian Philarecki in the 145-pound match. The match was tied at 2-2 with 30 seconds left when Cootware scored one point on an escape. He followed it up with a takedown. The victory improved Cootware's record to 15-2.

Sophomore Dave Vandeveld (119) won his match with a technical fall 15-0 and junior John McGinty (250) was victorious with a decision of 4-2.

Blackbirds receiving forfeits were Dombrowski, Shear, Cook, Clement and sophomore Jim Coffin (177).

Voorheesville has its biggest league showdown of the year against first-place Averill Park on Wednesday, Feb. 1. "It should be a good match," said Leach. "Averill Park has handled every team they have wrestled."

By Josh White

The Voorheesville girls basketball team will put its eight game winning streak on the line this Friday against second-place Schalmont (12-1, 13-1).

"We have a tough test ahead of us," said head coach Jack Adams. "Our goals will be to continue to play our game and take away their inside play and guard penetration."

"It is important to keep our momentum going," said Adams. "We need to play strong defense against their two best players, Kelly Paolino and Jamie Clough."

On Friday, Jan. 27, the Lady Birds hosted Watervliet. Voorheesville used a 21-6 third quarter run to charge ahead and defeat the Lady Cannoneers 58-36.

After jumping out to a 13-5 first quarter advantage, the Lady Birds were outscored 17-13 in the second quarter.

"We struggled offensively in the second quarter and missed our shots," said Adams. "At halftime, we talked about playing better defense and reversing the ball on offense."

The victory was costly to the Lady Birds as injuries were sustained by two of their key players — senior guard Kelly Griffin and junior center Jyll Klefbeck.

Griffin once again hyperextended her right knee from an injury last season. Klefbeck sprained her ankle. "Both players' conditions are uncertain," said Adams. "We will just have to observe them day by day."

Griffin keyed the victory over Watervliet with 15 points. Senior Jen Person and sophomore Kristin Person contributed 12 points each.

On Friday, Jan. 20, the Lady Birds played home against Lansingburgh. Voorheesville's defensive press and 46 percent shooting from the field were key elements in the 62-38 victory over the Lady Knights.

"We played our best game of the year," said Adams. "It was an important game to the girls because it showed we could beat a very good team."

Sisters Jen and Kristin Person led the Lady Birds with 15 points each. Klefbeck came off of the bench to add 12 points and grab 11 rebounds.



Sophomore Becky Dawson goes up for a shot during the Blackbirds' win over Watervliet. The 'Birds head into Schalmont on Friday for a showdown with the second-place Sabres.

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Septic

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the conventional septic system and leach field," Scharl explained.

"A neglected detail, a pipe that is not level or a bulldozer run over the soil on which they are to be constructed can cause a malfunction that is extremely costly and tricky to correct once a system is installed," she added.

During the moratorium, the village can study possible amendments to its zoning law and subdivision regulations to require larger lot sizes, site plan review and design and certification by a licensed engineer for any future raised-bed construction, Scharl said.

Concern about raised-bed systems was sparked by problems with a new system on Swift Road, according to Mayor Edward Clark.

"There is water on the ground that's not expected to be there, and appears to have come from the system," Clark said. "That unit raised some questions, and now we're taking a closer look" at raised-bed systems.

Scharl also requested that the village retain a professional planner to review and update its master plan, zoning law and subdivision regulations.

She said that the master plan, zoning law and subdivision regulations have been amended, but not reviewed and updated, since their adoption in 1970.

In other business, Public Works Superintendent William Hotaling reported that he had received several solicitations from vendors of portable speed bumps, which were proposed by some Salem Hills residents last summer as an antidote to speeding on Stonington Hill Road.

The hard rubber portable speed bumps, and permanent speed bumps in general, would slow cars down to 15 mph, well below the 30 mph speed limit, Hotaling noted.

"I don't want them in there," Hotaling said. "The extra liability

is there, and if we put them up in one area, there will be demands for them all over."

Clark said that he had originally thought the portable speed bumps were a good idea, but changed his mind because of the 15 mph limit that the bumps would impose.

In another matter, Trustee Susan Rockmore reported that the quarterly sales tax check of \$170,815 from the county was up more than \$8,500 from the same period last year.

The sales tax distribution from the county is the village's largest revenue source, and the January check, reflecting holiday shopping, is the "biggest check we get," Rockmore said.

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A guided walk is set for Friday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. at the Five Rivers Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

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Waste

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Nuclear Projects of the State of Nevada described the impact of thousands of cross country truck and rail shipments of irradiated nuclear fuel cores from the nation's commercial nuclear reactors.

The study was undertaken to try to alert localities throughout the country to the possibility of shipments through their communities, Mackay said, mainly because Nevada, as a small state, has little political clout in Washington.

Included in this analysis, MacKay said, is a routing study for waste to be transported through New York state. A total of 2,799 radioactive waste casks are expected to travel through New York by truck with an additional 720 casks scheduled to travel by rail over a projected 30-year period.

"If Yucca Mountain is approved for commercial nuclear waste storage, New Yorkers will face a continued hazard by regular shipments of highly radioactive waste going through their neighborhoods," said Ann Rabe, coordinator of the local Citizens Environmental Coalition.

Although no truck routes are expected through the Capital District, Mackay said, virtually the entire area will be impacted by the highly radioactive rail shipments, especially Bethlehem and downtown Schenectady.

"They're going to be very close to the hamlet of Feura Bush, which is one of the most densely populated areas of town," said New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly.

And it would pass through Voorheesville as well where the Scotch Pine and Salem Hills developments are "within a few yards of the track."

"I certainly wouldn't be happy with that," he said. "Twenty years ago there was a derailment (near Voorheesville) and there were freight cars all over the place. I will definitely follow up with our legislator in Washington and make an effort to oppose it."

There are several points along the Conrail line through New Scotland where the tracks are at grade level with traffic crossings, that make the possibility of an accident even greater, Reilly added.

Mackay said that there was concern two years ago over the proposed transport of parts of the former Shoreham nuclear power plant on Long Island through Selkirk and Bethlehem. But "opposition to the plan in southern New

York nixed that and they ended up being transported by ship down the East Coast."

Mackay urged local officials to pressure their Congressional representatives to oppose the Nevada siting plan because "unprecedented amounts of nuclear waste will be dragged through Selkirk on their way to Nevada, which could pose an increased cancer risk for people living in the vicinity." And heaven forbid if there was ever an accident, he said.

Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller said she planned to ask Congressman Michael McNulty, D-Green Island, to oppose the siting plan if it would mean the transport of radioactive waste materials through the town.

"I'd like to take a look at the entire plan," she said. "But it's a definite concern. I'd like to know what the truck routes would be as well."

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- The Bethlehem town board appointed one of its own, **Robert Hendrick**, as supervisor, replacing **Thomas Corrigan**, who resigned. Also appointed were **Sue Ann Ritchko** (to the town board), and **Carolyn Lyons** (as town clerk, replacing **Marion Camp**, who retired).
- The Bethlehem planning board heard a tentative plan to extend the Delmar Bypass through to Orchard Street, with developers of planned residential developments along the way paying for most of the new road.
- The Rev **Leon Atkins** announced he would be leaving his post as senior pastor at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar to become Albany district superintendent of the United Methodist Church Troy Conference.
- A 150-page feasibility study recommended that the Voorheesville Public Library consider moving into the then-vacant Grand Union on Maple Avenue.
- **Bridget Kelly**, an eighth-grade student at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School, was a cellist with the Empire State Youth Orchestra.
- Without stars **Kim Zornow** and **Peg Jeram**, the Bethlehem Central girls basketball team was beaten 49-19 by Linton, a team that the Lady Eagles had previously beaten.

Dean's List

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

- Buffalo State College — Wendy Wright of Delmar.
- Cedarville College — Deborah Woods of Delmar.
- Hamilton College — Matthew Thornton of Delmar.
- SUNY Fredonia — Robert Jordan of Delmar and Paul Roche of Glenmont.
- University of Massachusetts at Amherst — Jason Bailey of Glenmont.
- University of New Hampshire — Jill Ferraro of Delmar.
- University of Rochester — Stephen Bradt of Delmar and Chris Macaluso of Selkirk.

Girl Scout cookies to go on sale locally

Members of the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council will sell Girl Scout cookies at both the Elsmere and Glenmont Grand Unions on the following dates: Saturday, Feb. 4; Sunday, Feb. 5; Saturday, March 4; and Sunday, March 5.

For information, call the council at 439-4936.

New minister joins Mountainview church

Rev. Larry R. Girts will begin ministering duties at the Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, on Sunday, Feb. 5, at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

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Burke, McCauslin to marry

Tania Marie Burke, daughter of Alfred and Diane Burke of Delmar, and Steven John McCauslin Jr., son of Steven and Elizabeth McCauslin of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Hudson Valley Community College. She is employed as a

claims processor for Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Albany.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Schenectady County Community College. He is employed as a kitchen supervisor by Playfields in the Holiday Inn Turf in Colonie.

The couple plans a Sept. 30 wedding.

Altamont Fair board elects members

Walter Miller of Slingerlands and Roger Smith of Delmar have been elected to the 1995 Board of Directors of the Albany-Schenectady-Greene County Ag-

ricultural and Historical Societies, better known as the Altamont Fair.

The election was held on Dec. 10 at the Altamont Fairgrounds on Route 146.

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Martin, Canova marry

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The Rev. James Walsh performed the ceremony in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, with a reception following at Wolfert's Roost Country Club in Menands.

The matron of honor was Melinda Wadsworth, the bride's

sister, and the best man was Keith Canova, the groom's brother.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, the Fashion Institute of Technology and Siena College. She is employed as a sales representative by Olga Intimate Apparel.

The groom, a graduate of the University of South Carolina, is employed as a sales representative by Lilyette NCC Industries.

After a wedding trip to the Caribbean, the couple lives in Lexington, Mass.

Births

Albany Medical Center

Boy, Daniel Robert Thien, to Lisa and Theodore Thien, Selkirk, Dec. 6.

Boy, Alexander Darius Macri, to Kathryn and Ken Macri, Voorheesville, Dec. 13.

Girl, Rebecca Ann Gill, to Elizabeth and Brian Gill, Selkirk, Dec. 14.

Boy, Richard Michael Joralemon, to Tracy James and Richard Joralemon, Selkirk, Jan. 5.

Girl, Mary Katherine Raiti, to Ann and Michael Raiti, Glenmont, Jan. 7.

Boy, Eric William Mueller, to Donna and Edward Mueller, Glenmont, Jan. 8.

Girl, Madison Amanda Stoddard, to Deborah and Gregory Stoddard, Slingerlands, Jan. 12.

St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Garrett Theodore Barkman, to Debra and Gary Barkman, Delmar, Nov. 22.

Girl, Alyssa Ann Bailey, to Janis Rexford and Chris Bailey, Glenmont, Dec. 23.

Girl, Brittney Judith Aupperle, to Heidi Hauf-Aupperle and Kenneth Aupperle, Glenmont, Jan. 6.

Boy, Justin Michael Zielinski, to Dianne and Jim Zielinski, Voorheesville, Jan. 7.

Girl, Mikaela Ruth Gove, to Lisa and James Gove, Delmar, Jan. 12.

Girl, Sarah Anne Nicole Strohecker, to Jennifer and James Strohecker, Delmar, Jan. 16.

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Kerry Ryan and Daniel Brown

Ryan, Brown to marry

Kerry Ann Ryan, daughter of James and Dolores Ryan of Delmar, and Daniel Benjamin Brown, son of Donald and Helen Brown of Petersburg, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University at Albany. She is employed by the New York State Assembly in Albany.

The future groom, an Army veteran, currently attends Hudson Valley Community College and is employed by Dave Kaiser's Auto Body in Latham.

The couple plans a March 18 wedding.

To Jenny Moak:
Happy Birthday, happy birthday, we love you,
happy birthday, happy birthday, may your dreams come true.
when you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow ...
it's the love light in your eyes
where ere you go!

Mary + Dick
OX

To the tune of *The Merry Widow Waltz*

Mail weddings, engagements

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

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Vacation Bible School on tap

The Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Elm Avenue in Delmar will hold its vacation Bible School for children from age 4 through the fifth grade on Tuesday through Thursday, Feb. 21-23, from 1 to 3:15 p.m.

The cost is \$5 per child or \$10 maximum for families. All are welcome.

To receive a registration form, call the church office at 439-4328 between 9 a.m. and noon. The signup deadline is Thursday, Feb. 16.

Obituaries

Albert Hessberg II

Albert Hessberg II, 78, of Slingerlands died Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

A native of Albany, he retired as a senior partner from the law firm of Hiscock & Barclay, where he specialized in trusts and estates and was known for his work in civic and social causes.

He attended Albany Academy and held records in track and field before taking up football in his senior year.

Mr. Hessberg was a running back for Yale from 1935 to 1937 when former President Gerald Ford was the team's assistant coach. He was called the Albany Antelope by sportswriters and twice won honorable mention status at the university. He played in the backfield with two Heisman Trophy winners, Larry Kelley and Clint Frank. He graduated from Yale in 1941.

Mr. Hessberg was a lieutenant commander in the Navy in World War II, serving in the Pacific.

He was a fellow of the New York Bar Foundation and past president of the Albany County Bar Association. He was a member of the American Council of Probate Counsel and the Character and Grievance Committee of the Third Judicial District.

He was also a member of the Executive Committee of the Trusts and Estates Bar Section of the state Bar Association and the association's Surrogate's Court Committee. He was a former referee for the New York State Commission of Judicial Conduct.

He was a member of the board of governors of the Albany Medical Center Hospital, serving as chairman of the board from 1985 to 1988. He was a member of the board of trustees of The College of Saint Rose and a recipient of an honorary doctor of law degree from the college.

Mr. Hessberg was a trustee of the former Albany Home for the Incurables and former president of the Fort Orange Club. He was a member of the Historic Albany Foundation, the Albany Institute

of History & Art, the Oley Foundation, a former president of Albany Jewish Social Services and the Albany Travelers Aid Society, and a former director of the International Center of the Capital District, the Albany Community Chest, Albany Boys Club and the Albany Tricentennial Commission.

He was a member of the Albany Country Club, the Yale Club of New York City and was on the executive committee of the National Yale Alumni Board, a member of the Yale Alumni Association of Northeastern New York, a former president of the Albany Academy Alumni Association and the Albany Academy for Girls Fathers Association.

He was a member of the American Jewish Committee and Temple Beth Emeth.

He was husband of the late Elizabeth Fitzsimmons Goold Hessberg.

Survivors include a daughter, Elisabeth Smedvig of Boston; two sons, Albert Hessberg III of Delmar and Philip Goold Hessberg of Atlanta; and three grandchildren.

A memorial service will be today, Feb. 1, at the First Presbyterian Church in Albany.

Arrangements are by the Tebbutt Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to the Albert Hessberg II Memorial Oncology Nursing Fund at Albany Medical Center Foundation.

Leroy Vanderbilt

Leroy Vanderbilt, 100, of Vanderbilt Drive in Onesquethaw, died Tuesday, Jan. 24, at his home.

He was a dairy farmer.

Mr. Vanderbilt was a member, former church elder and deacon of the Onesquethaw Reformed Church, past treasurer for the Onesquethaw Cemetery Association, and formerly on the board of directors of the Bethlehem-New Scotland Mutual Insurance Co. He was a member of the Albany County Farm Bureau.

Survivors include his wife, Waldine Wood Vanderbilt; a

daughter, Esther Tooley of Orlando, Fla.; a son, Elwood L. Vanderbilt of Onesquethaw; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were private under the direction of the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Burial was in Onesquethaw Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Onesquethaw Reformed Church Endowment Fund, 11 Grosbeck Road, Feura Bush 12067.

Fred A. Carroll

Fred A. Carroll, 71, of Delmar died Thursday, Jan. 19, while he was on vacation in South Carolina.

Born in Albany, he lived in California and Florida for five years. He moved back to the area in 1985.

Mr. Carroll was a switchman for the former New York Telephone Co. for 32 years. He retired in 1978. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

He was a volunteer for St. Peter's Hospital Lifeline and active with the Boy Scouts. He was a member of the Christian Brothers Academy Alumni Association.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret McClintock Carroll; a son, Fred A. Carroll III of East Lyme, Conn.; and two grandchildren.

Services were from St. James Church in Albany.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to the Northeastern Association of the Blind.

Valley Firemen. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

He was husband of the late Gwendolyn B. Grasser.

Survivors include a daughter, Diane A. Hoit of Elsmere, and a granddaughter.

Services were from the Frederick Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in Albany Rural Cemetery in Menands.

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

Herman H. Kiesel

Herman H. Kiesel, 85, of Donna Drive in Colonie, a Bethlehem native, died Thursday, Jan. 26, at his home.

Born in Bethlehem, he lived in Albany for many years before moving to Colonie 10 years ago.

Mr. Kiesel worked for the Barber & Bennett grain mill for many years before he retired in 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Smith Kiesel; a daughter, Carole Reale of Colonie; a son, Robert Kiesel of Delmar; two sisters, Jennie Vroman of Clarksville and Ella Van Valkenburg of Delmar; five grandchildren; and three great-grandsons.

Services were from the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Colonie.

Entombment was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Harvey J. Holman

Harvey J. Holman, 85, of Selkirk died Friday, Jan. 27, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Adams, Jefferson County, he was a longtime resident of Selkirk.

In 1958, Mr. Holman became owner of the Kenyon Blacktop Co. in Glenmont. From 1968 until his retirement in 1975, he was a highway department foreman for the town of Bethlehem.

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

He was a member of the Selkirk Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Delmar Rotary Club.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Albany.

An avid fisherman, Mr. Holman was a summer resident of Long Lake in Hamilton County.

He was husband of the late Rena Kenyon Holman.

Survivors include a son, Frederick "Duffy" Holman of Buffalo; a daughter, Trudy Horl of Berne; three sisters, Ola Ramsey of Barnes Corners, Lewis County, Sally Davis of Lacona, Oswego County, and Mabel Simmons of Bainbridge, Chenango County; and a granddaughter.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial will be in the spring.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospital Lifeline Program, 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

John E. Shea

John E. "Jack" Shea, 56, of Willow Drive in Delmar, died Thursday, Jan. 19, while a jury was deliberating his case in a 5-year legal battle with a bicycle helmet manufacturer.

Mr. Shea died before learning that a federal jury had awarded him \$215,000 in damages as a result of brain damage he suffered in a 1989 bicycle crash. Following the accident, Mr. Shea was unable to work as a lawyer. He had worked in the counsel's office for state Department of Health prosecuting physicians charged with misconduct prior to his accident.

Born in Troy, he was a graduate of Troy High School and the University at Albany. He earned a master's degree from Ohio State University and a law degree from Albany Law School.

He was a member of the New York State Bar Association, the Hancock Shaker Village Society and the Shaker Heritage Society.

Survivors include his wife, Rosalie Lipsky Shea; his mother, Helene Shea of Troy; and a daughter, Nina Barringer of Troy.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Sunnyview Rehabilitation Center, 1270 Belmont Ave., Schenectady 12308.

Slide show captures birds of India on film

The Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club will sponsor a program called "The Birds and Sights of Northern India" on Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the Five Rivers Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

Dale and Lillian Samuelson will show slides of their recent birding tour of India.

For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Kids films on tap at Bethlehem library

Children 3- to 6-years old are invited to a showing of three preschool films at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 3.

The short films "The Snowy Day," "Sylvester and the Magic Pebble" and "Monty" will be presented.

- ANNETTE 'COOKIE' ECK -

The family of Cookie Eck would like to offer our heartfelt thanks for the acts of love and caring for her and the support given us by all concerned. The outpouring of cards, visits and tributes was overwhelming and truly appreciated.

It is with humble gratitude that we extend our love and respect to the Nursing Staff at AMCH floor 7E, the AMCH Dialysis Unit and their Drs. McGoldrick, Cerda, and Gary Bakst of the Endocrine Group. Also, the Slingerlands Fire Dept. and Ladies Auxiliary, as well as all of the other Depart-



Annette Eck

ments and Auxiliaries of the Volunteer Fire Service in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, and the State of New York.

We would also like to acknowledge in the same manner her many, many personal friends and co-workers at Empire Blue Cross-Blue Shield.

The Applebee Funeral Home and Rev. James Daley of St. Thomas Church greatly helped us through a very trying time.

To all of you we say thank you, Cookie would have been very proud.

The Eck Family

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'King Cantata' marks Black History Month

By Tom Murnane

Traditionally, a variety of activities are scheduled around the Capital District each February in observance of Black History Month. However, this year, Russell Sage College in Troy alone has enough events for the whole family to enjoy.

Area seventh- and eighth-graders in particular, as well as the general public, are invited to attend the fifth annual "King Cantata" to be held Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 15 and 16, in the Schacht Fine Arts Center on the college's downtown Troy campus.

Named to honor the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the performance will feature a collection of the famed civil rights leader's favorite musical selections, including gospel and civil rights songs connected by a narrative about King's life, according to project coordinator Julie Herlands.

Among the selections that will be performed by the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church of Albany, led by director Dennis Lee Edney, will be "Amazing Grace" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing," which is considered to be the black national anthem, Herlands said.

The cantata, which Herlands said is "really an incredible thing to hear," was designed by a Marine to celebrate the U.S. Constitution's Bicentennial.

The musical form "cantata," which derives from the Italian word for "sing," was developed in Italy in 1620, Herlands said. Similar to an oratorio, the cantata gradually grew into narration and arias, separated by instrumental passages, reaching its peak by the 18th century.

Herlands also described the performance as a "valuable part" of the college's evolving "Dream 2000" program. Once upon a time, the college's Council for Citizenship Education would hold an annual, daylong seminar for seventh- and eighth-graders about how to deal with intolerance. After a while, the council's director, Sage College political science professor Dr. Stephen Schechter, broke the conference up into shorter programs held throughout the year, which he felt would be more effective than a large annual conference.

The cantata will be performed at 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 15, but after that show was sold out, a second show was scheduled for the next day, with the time to be announced in early February.

Other Black History Month events scheduled at Sage College this month include:

- "A Gospel Extravaganza," sponsored by the Sage College Black and Latin Student Alliance, Saturday, Feb. 18, 6 p.m., Schacht Fine Arts Center.

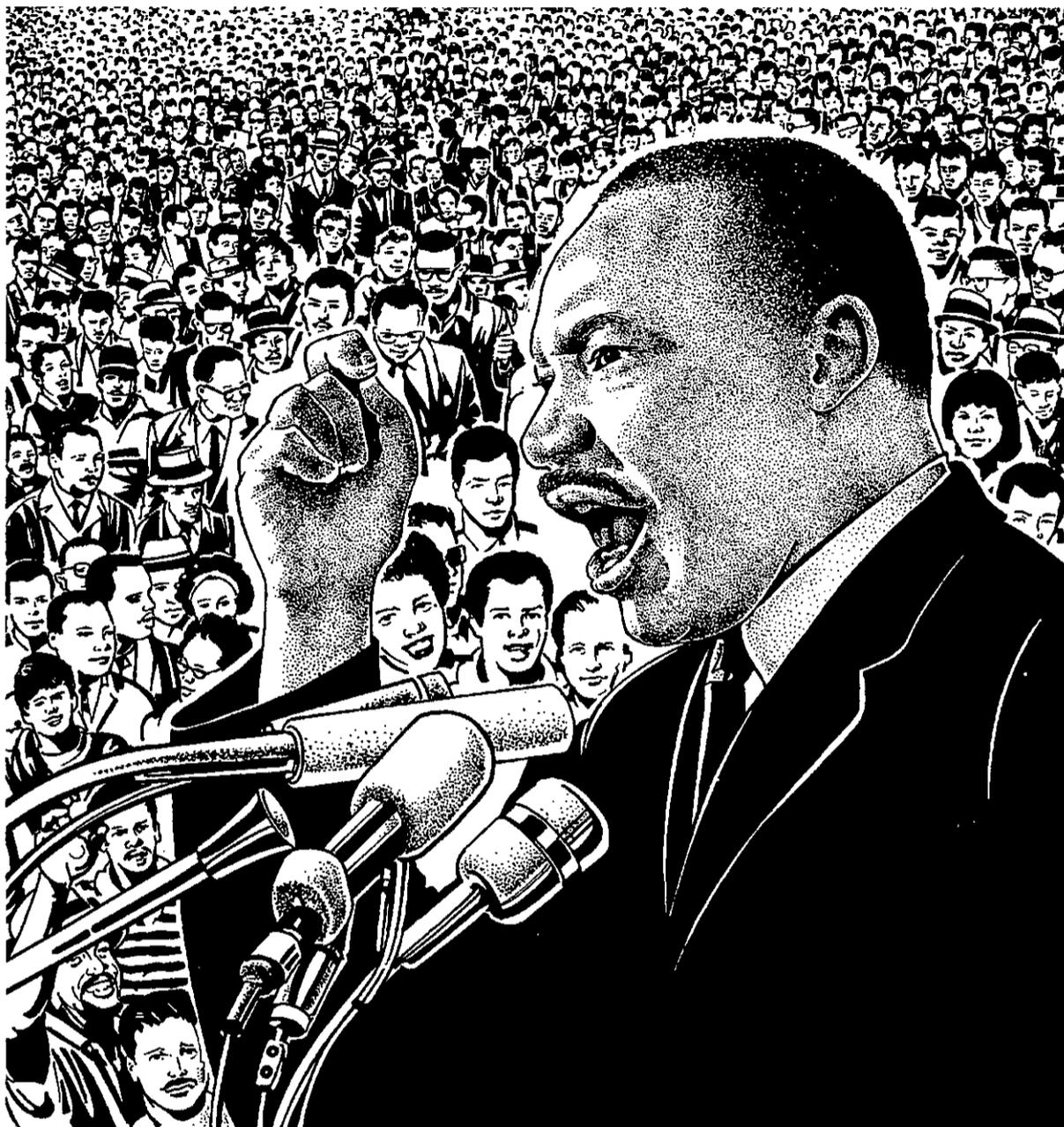
- Feminist and former Black Power activist Angela Davis will speak as part of the ongoing lecture series, "Women and Their Allies: Leadership in the Twenty First Century," Friday, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.

- "African-American Heritage Month Facts" highlighting contributions made by African-Americans, will be posted around the Troy campus from Feb. 1 through 20.

For information on any of the above programs, call 270-2246.

The following excerpt is from the song considered to be the African-American national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing" by Weldon Johnson and J. Rosamond Johnson:

*Lift every voice and sing
Til earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies
Let it resound
loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of faith that the dark past
has taught us
Sing a song full of hope that the present has
brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on 'til victory is won.*



'Ribbiting' entertainment



The Steamer No. 10 Theatre at 500 Western Ave. will present "The Frog Prints" and "Punch & Judy," a pair of new takes on old classics by puppeteer Steve Hansen, on Feb. 4 and 5 at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Hansen has worked as a puppet maker and operator for The Muppets and as a consultant for Walt Disney's EPCOT Center in Florida. Tickets are \$6 for kids and seniors and \$8 for adults. For information, call 438-5503.

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

Arthur Miller gets another airing with production of *All My Sons*

Prior to his major success with *Death of a Salesman*, Arthur Miller had caused a stir with his drama, *All My Sons*.

This earlier play had some of the same elements, a family in crisis and a man living a lie. In the case of *All My Sons*, the father who manufactured parts for American planes in World War II, hides the fact that an error in manufacturing was the cause of the deaths of American airmen.

This play is now being aired to-night (Wed., Feb. 1) through Sunday afternoon by the Schenectady Civic Players in their Church Street theater.

As the secret is revealed in *All My Sons*, the family is torn apart and the outcome is tragic. Miller strives for classical drama but falls short, attaining well-written melodrama.

All My Sons had a special impact on the audiences of the late 1940s because memories of the war were so fresh. As the play was performed on Broadway, revelations were being made in Washington of men who became rich during the war by cheating the government with inferior military products. Time has dampened the impact of the specifics but there are still analogies in present day government scandals.

While *All My Sons* was specific, Miller became more universal with his depiction of a salesman reaching out for a materialistic dream that seems to elude him in *Death of a Salesman*.

In both cases, Miller's tragic "heroes" delude themselves and, for a time, those around them.

The writing is better in *Death of a Salesman* even though Miller had a better potential tragic figure in the manufacturer of *All My Sons*. The salesman is not the figure whose downfall causes us to "pity and fear" as we should when a great man falls. He's the guy next door down on his luck for a variety of reasons.

With the manufacturer, we look up to men who lead large companies as entrepreneurs to be admired. When they fall, it does cause us to pause and wonder about our own fate. However, Miller's writing here is too didactic and he tends to be too melodramatic.

This is the difficulty that the Schenectady Civic Players deal with in this production tonight through Sunday and director Barry Corlew appears to recognize the need to lighten up the drama by giving the family more normalcy.

The manufacturer's downfall becomes more a chance decision by a man forced to ship defective parts under wartime pressure. His decision does not become an indictment of all men in his position in this production.

Reservations may be obtained at 382-2081.

Meanwhile, the production of *Death of a Salesman* continues at Russell Sage College's Schacht Hall in Troy as a presentation of the New York State Theatre Institute through February 11. Info/reservations at 274-3256.

Jelly's Last Jam booked

February 8 and 9 at Proctor's Theater

Maurice Hines has taken over his brother Gregory's starring role as Jelly Roll Morton in the award-winning musical, *Jelly's Last Jam*, on tour and will be seen at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady for two nights, February 8 and 9.

Maurice is a Broadway star in his own right, having won a Tony Award nomination for *Uptown ... It's Hot* and appearing in *Eubie!* and *Sophisticated Ladies*.

For years, he travelled with Gregory and their father when the two brothers were children. Now both have made their own careers on stage and in films.

Hines plays Morton, a brilliant musician and performer from New Orleans who denied his black roots.

For audiences who love tap-dancing, this show features a whole variety of numbers, including the work by Hines. He will be paired with the dancer Savion Glover, who will reprise the role of the younger Morton.

Glover created a Broadway sensation when as 12-year old he received a Tony Award nomination for his leading role as the *Tap Dance Kid*.

Tickets and info for *Jelly's Last Jam* are at 346-6204.

Around Theaters!

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, a ballet spoof by an all-male company, at Proctor's Feb. 4 (346-6204).



Martin P. Kelly

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

"DEATH OF A SALESMAN"
NYS Theatre Institute production starring John Romeo and Eileen Schuyler, Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, morning matinees at 10 a.m. on Feb. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9, Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. on Feb. 5, evening performances at 8 p.m. on Feb. 4, 10 and 11, \$15, \$13 seniors/students, \$8 children under 13. Information, 274-3256.

"CHICAGO"
Broadway hit by Bob Fosse, Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, Friday, Feb. 3, 8 p.m., \$25, \$20 children. Information, 473-1845.

"CATCH ME IF YOU CAN"
mystery/comedy presented by the Roustabouts; Roustabout Playhouse, First United Presbyterian Church, 1915 Fifth Ave., Troy, Feb. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25, \$17 play and dinner, \$10 play only. Information, 274-1707.

MUSIC

ALLAN ALEXANDER
lute and guitar player, Allegro Cafe, 33 Second St., Troy, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25, 7 and 11 p.m. Information, 271-1942.

THE DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
with Big Head Todd and the Monsters, Palace Theater, Albany, Wednesday, Feb. 8, 8 p.m.; \$23 day of show, \$20 in advance. Information, 465-4663.

JENNIFER CHENEY
to give vocal recital, Brady-Danzig Performance Hall, The College of Saint Rose, Albany, Saturday, Feb. 4, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5178.

KRONOS QUARTET
string quartet, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State & Second streets, Saturday, Feb. 4, \$22. Information, 273-0038.

THERESA BROADWELL TRIO
Londonderry Cafe, Stuyvesant Plaza, Western Avenue, Guilderland, Saturday, Feb. 4, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., \$7 and \$5. Information, 489-4288.

WHOOPEE JAZZ
Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, Saturday, Feb. 4, 8 p.m. Information, 583-0022.

JACQUELINE STILGER STRAND
organ recital, The Cathedral of All Saints, Swan and Eagle streets, Sunday, Feb. 5, 4:30 p.m. Information, 436-0543.

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FROM THE AMERICAS
featuring pianist Max Lifchitz, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany, Sunday, Feb. 5, 3 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

MOOD INDIGO
jazz band featuring keyboardist Adam Waite and Bill Leary on sax, Suburban Council Arts Festival, 990 Broadway, Albany, Friday, Feb. 3, 5 to 7 p.m. Information, 439-8594.

CITY LIGHTS
Haggerty's, 155 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CATHY WINTER AND LUI COLLINS
The Eighth Step Upstairs, 14 Willett St., Albany, Friday, Feb. 3, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 434-1703.

BUCKY PIZZARELLI
jazz guitarist, The Eighth Step, 14 Willett St., Albany, Saturday, Feb. 4, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 434-1703.

DANCE

"BLACKHOLES"
Arts-in-Education program performed by eba Dance Theatre, Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, Wednesday, Feb. 1, 10 a.m., \$5, \$4 for groups of 20 or more. Information, 473-1845.

LES BALLETS TROCKADERO DE MONTE CARLO
all-male comedy ballet troupe, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Saturday, Feb. 4, 8 p.m., \$18.50 to \$26.50, \$9.50 to \$13.50 children. Information, 346-6204.

CARLOTA SANTANA SPANISH DANCE COMPANY
Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, Sunday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m., \$20, \$12 children. Information, 473-1845.

"DANCERS AND MUSICIANS PART 1"
"Noting the Differences," evening of dance and music, Meader Little Theatre, Russell Sage College, Troy, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 and 4, 8 p.m., \$5, \$3 students, children, and senior citizens. Information, 271-4503.

OLD SONGS COUNTRY DANCE
Guilderland Elementary School, Route 20, Saturday, Feb. 4, 8 to 11 p.m., \$6, \$2 children. Information, 765-2815.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUDITIONS
for Masque Theater production of John Polidori's *The Vampyre*, Stapleton Theater, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-4961.

CAREER ADVANCEMENT OF VISUAL ARTISTS

grant of free studio space, housing, and \$1000 monthly cash stipends in Miami Beach, Fla., Feb. 1, deadline for application. Information, 377-1140.

GRANTS FOR ARTISTS
special opportunity stipends offered by RCCA: The Arts Center, Feb. 3 application deadline. Information, 273-0552.

MUSICIANS NEEDED
Colonie Town Band, rehearsals every Monday, Colonie Town Hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

CLASSES

ADULT THEATER WORKSHOPS
New York State Theatre Institute, Russell Sage College, Troy, through May 6. Information, 274-3295.

TROMBONE CLASSES
with Gerald Zaffuts, Room 227, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Feb. 4 and 11, 10 a.m. to noon. Information, 382-7581.

DANCE MASTER CLASSES
to be taught by members of Taylor 2 Dance Troupe, Arts Building, Union College, Schenectady, Wednesday, Feb. 1, 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. (beginner level), and 6 to 7:30 p.m. (intermediate level), \$7. Information, 388-6201.

READINGS

EAVAN BOLAND
Irish poet to read from her work, Room 224, Sage Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Tuesday, Feb. 7, 11:30 a.m. Information, 445-1799.

FILM

"THE NATURAL"
starring Robert Redford, Roger Bacon Hall, Siena College, Loudonville, Wednesday, Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m. Information, 783-2325.

"ONE MAN'S STORY"
documentary on the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany, Thursday, Feb. 2, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-0035.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

"FROG PRINTS"
show by puppeteer Steve Hansen, Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4 and 5, \$8, \$6 children. Information, 438-5503.

MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION
featuring dance, storytelling, music, and poetry, Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Sunday, Feb. 5, 2 p.m. Information, 462-1297.

ERNIE WILLIAMS
acoustic blues for children of all ages, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Saturday, Feb. 4, 2 p.m.; Information, 482-5800.

BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL
featuring folk art, films, food, and family programs celebrating museum's 204th birthday, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Sunday, Feb. 5, noon to 5 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

TOYS AND GAMES PROGRAM
with artifacts from the permanent collection, Rensselaer County Historical Society, 59 Second St., Troy, Thursday, Feb. 2, 12:10 and 5:30 p.m. Information, 272-7232.

VISUAL ARTS

"PALETTES FOR PALATES - WINTER SHOW"
featuring works by modern masters, realists, impressionists including Picasso, Kent, Katz and Mowry, The Underhill Inn, Route 22, Hillsdale, through March 31; information, 325-5660.

Weekly Crossword

"Double Trouble"

By Gerry Frey

- ACROSS**
- 1 Double _____
 - 5 New York state tree
 - 10 Give a hand
 - 14 Cupid
 - 15 North of Virginia
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 - 22 Chops
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 - 25 Plead
 - 27 Dear Parisienne
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- 40 Racer Bobby or Al
- 41 Playwright Edward
- 42 Double _____
- 44 Scarves
- 45 Craving
- 46 Dish
- 47 Courtyards
- 50 Abstain from food
- 51 Doll, for one
- 54 Look again
- 57 Flat mountain top
- 58 Prefix for potent
- 59 French stop
- 60 Double _____
- 61 Puts
- 62 Layers
- 63 Andy's pal

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 - 11 Mr. Dickerson
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- 43 Excuses
- 44 Partially frozen raindrops
- 46 Stingy person
- 47 Fusses
- 48 One in a volume
- 49 Smallest pig
- 50 Double _____
- 52 Old Christiana
- 53 Chatters
- 55 Have a meal
- 56 Prefix meaning three
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AROUND THE AREA

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1

ALBANY COUNTY
WINTER FARMERS' MARKET
 Grand Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m. Information.

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

APPLE COMPUTERS USERS CLUB
 Farnsworth Middle School, State Farm Road, Guilderland, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2609.

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
WRITING WORKSHOP
 for advanced fiction writers, room 210, Proctor's Arcade, Schenectady, 7 p.m. Information, 381-8927.

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.

INFANT DEVELOPMENTAL ASSESSMENT CLINIC
 Bellevue...The Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. information, 346-9400.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2

ALBANY COUNTY
SAFE PLACE
 support group for family and friends of people who have committed suicide, 33 Fuller Road, Albany, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

FILM SHOWING AND DISCUSSION
 of "One Man's Story," a Ron Kay documentary about the Holocaust, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany Uptown Campus, Washington Avenue, Albany, 7:30 p.m. information, 785-0035.

PRINTING HOUSE CRAFTSMEN
 monthly meeting of the Capital District chapter, Crossgates Restaurant and Banquet House, Washington Avenue Extension and Rapp Road, Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 884-2762.

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

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

SENIORS LUNCHESES
 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.

MEN'S RETIREMENT GROUP
 Jewish Family Services of Albany, 930 Madison Ave., Albany. Information, 482-8856.

RENSSELAER COUNTY
MUSEUM TOYS PROGRAM
 family program focusing on toys and games in the permanent collection of the Rensselaer County Historical Society, 59 Second St., Troy, 12:10 and 5:30 p.m. information, 272-7232.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
ASIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
 sponsored by the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany, Glen Sanders Mansion, Scotia, 6 to 9:30 p.m., \$40. Information, 463-1211.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3

ALBANY COUNTY
AMERICAN WINE FESTIVAL
 through Sunday, Feb. 5, ninth annual, featuring 130 American vineyards, The Desmond, Albany-Shaker Road, Albany, noon to 3 p.m. Feb. 3, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 4, 1 to 4 p.m. Feb. 5. Information, 464-WINE.

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

ALBANY AMERICAN WINE FESTIVAL
 The Desmond, 660 Albany-Shaker Road, Albany, through Feb. 5. Information, 452-0707.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
OPENING RECEPTION
 for Sandra Coffman's art exhibit "From Abstract Design to Reality," after Shabbat evening services at Temple Gates of Heaven, Eastern Parkway and Ashmore Avenue, Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 374-8173.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 4

ALBANY COUNTY
RECITAL
 Jennifer Cheney recital, College of Saint Rose Music Center, behind the Administration Center, 1000 Madison Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 454-5178.

PET ADOPTION CLINIC
 conducted by the Capital District Humane Society, Hagen's Hilltop Kennels, West Glensville, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 581-2171.

DDC-PROFESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVER COURSE
 six-hour course, Safe and Health Council offices, 845 Central Ave., Albany, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$45. Information, 438-2365.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
SIBLING CLASS
 designed to assist parents in preparing children for new baby's arrival, Bellevue...The Woman's Hospital, Troy-Schenectady Road, Niskayuna, 10:15 to 11:30 a.m., \$5. Information, 346-9461.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5

ALBANY COUNTY
DANCE PROGRAM
 "Polka Guys and Dolls," for children 3 and older, Cohoes Polish National Alliance, Cohoes, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-8595.

SCOTTISH DANCING
 Unitarian Church, Washington Ave., Albany, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.
COIN, JEWELRY, AND STAMP SHOW
 sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association, Polish Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 346-2584.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 6

ALBANY COUNTY
SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP
 focusing on starting a business, sponsored by Cohoes Saving Bank, Cornell Cooperative Extension and the U.S. Small Business Administration, Ramada Inn, Western Avenue, Albany, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

PRAYER IN LIFE CLASS
 weekly class through April 3, Abba House of Prayer, 647 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Cost, \$40. Information, 438-8320.

SENIORS LUNCHESES
 Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany, 4:45 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

SUPPORT GROUP
 for caregivers of people with HIV/AIDS, Jewish Family Services of Northeastern New York, 930 Madison Ave., Albany, 5:30 p.m. information, 482-8856.

RENSSELAER COUNTY
DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE
 continued Feb. 13, Troy High School, 1950 Burdett Ave., Troy, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost, \$40. Information, 271-5392.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
SCOTTISH DANCING
 Salvation Army, Smith Street, Schenectady, 8 to 10 p.m. Information, 783-6477.

ALL ABOUT INFANTS CLASS
 and Feb. 13, Bellevue...The Woman's Hospital, Troy-Schenectady Road, Niskayuna, 7 to 9 p.m., \$30. Information, 346-9461.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 7

ALBANY COUNTY
TRUE FRIENDS
 female incest survivors support group, Pineview Community Church, 251 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 452-7800.

SINGLE PARENTS MEETING
 sponsored by Parents Without Partners Chapter 380, Colonie Community Center, Central Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 869-0870.

BINGO
 Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

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

SAMARITANS SUPPORT GROUP
 for suicide survivors, 160 Central Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. information, 463-2323.

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

SAFE PLACE
 support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide, St. John's Lutheran Church, 160 Central Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-2323.

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The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 1**

BETHLEHEM

BC SCHOOL BOARD
long-range planning work session, 6:30 p.m., regular meeting, 8:30 p.m., district office, 90 Adams Place. Information, 439-7098.

OPEN HOUSE
for Hamagrael Preschool, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., noon to 1 p.m. Information, 439-8515.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave. 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.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB
Days Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233
Route 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

ONESQUETHAU CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2191.

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB
Thacher's, 272 Delaware Ave., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 439-2216.

DFI MAR PROGRESS CLUB
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

VOORHEESVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
village hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS
Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, call for time. Information, 765-2109.

TAX HELP FOR SENIORS
by appointment, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

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, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

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

**THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 2**

BETHLEHEM

TRAVEL GROUP
of the Delmar Progress Club, Bethlehem Public Library community room, 451 Delaware Ave., 2 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

"ONCE UPON A MATTRESS"
Bethlehem Central Middle School musical, 7 p.m., \$3, free for seniors. Information, 439-7460.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH
women's Bible study, 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. or 7:30 to 9:15 p.m., child care available for morning session, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

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

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

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

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

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.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM
Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

**FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 3**

BETHLEHEM

FIRE AND ICE
an evening of ice skating and music for Bethlehem Central Middle School students, Elm Avenue Park. Information, 439-2995.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please take notice that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland on the 13th day of February, 1995 at 8:00 P.M. at New Scotland Town Hall, 2019 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York regarding the adoption of a Local Law of the Town of New Scotland for the year 1995 which would amend the Town of New Scotland Zoning Law. The new Zoning Law would:

1. Incorporate the Low Density Residential Zone into the Residential-Agricultural Zone.
2. Reclassify the Rural Commercial Zone as Commercial.
3. Modify the boundaries of the New Salem Hamlet Zone to conform more closely to the actual hamlet configuration.
4. Incorporate the lands generally between Picard & Altamont Roads and the Helderberg Escarpment into the Residential Forestry Zone.
5. Clarify zone boundaries by, wherever possible, running them along roadways, natural boundaries such as streams, and property lines.
6. Provide for one acre lot sizes in the Residential-Agricultural, Commercial, and Light Industrial Zones. Density of buildup in those zones would be controlled by a "sliding scale" that allows a parcel to be subdivided on time for every two acres (up to 20 acres), with an additional division allowed for every 3 acres over 20. After all allowed divisions have been taken, the parcel may not be further subdivided.
7. Provide that the Planning Board on any subdivision application may require clustering of houses, so as to preserve open space.
8. Adopt a New Zoning Law in its entirety.

Any resident of the Town of New Scotland and any other interested person is entitled to be heard at such public hearing. Copies of said proposed Local Law are available for review at the Town Clerk's Office. An informational meeting will be conducted by the Town Board on Monday, February 6, 1995 at 8:00 P.M. at Town Hall. By order of the New Scotland Town Board dated January 9, 1995. New Scotland Town Clerk (February 1, 1995)

"ONCE UPON A MATTRESS"
Bethlehem Central Middle School musical, 7 p.m., \$3. Information, 439-7460.

PRESCHOOL FILMS
short films "The Snowy Day," "Sylvester and the Magic Pebble" and "Monty" to be shown, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 4**

BETHLEHEM

"ONCE UPON A MATTRESS"
Bethlehem Central Middle School musical, 7 p.m., \$3. Information, 439-7460.

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., 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
1. The name of the foreign limited liability company is Integrated Site Development Company, LLC.
2. The application for authority to do business in New York was filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on January 10, 1995.
3. The jurisdiction of its organization is the District of Columbia. The date of its organization is November 8, 1994.
4. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the foreign limited liability company is located is Albany.
5. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against him or her is: c/o Phillip Chiarella, Attorney's Process and Research Service, 1 Columbia Place, Albany, New York 12207.
6. The name and street address within this state of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company can be served is: Phillip Chiarella, Attorney's Process and Research Service, 1 Columbia Place, Albany, New York 12207.
7. The address of the office required to be maintained in the jurisdiction of the limited liability company's formation by the laws of that jurisdiction is 1130 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 325, Washington, D.C. 20036.
8. The company's authorized officer in the District of Columbia is Andrew D. Roscoe and his address is 1130 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 325, Washington, D.C. 20036.
9. The character of the business to be transacted by the foreign limited liability company is site acquisition and development of telecommunication sites and to pursue all things legal, necessary or convenient to accomplish its purpose and operate such a business. The operation of the Company shall also be governed by a separate operating agreement executed by the members of the company. (February 1, 1995)

NEW SCOTLAND

LIFESTORIES MEMORY WRITING
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 5**

BETHLEHEM

PARENTS FOR EXCELLENCE
with Assemblyman John Faso, Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., 1:30 to 3 p.m. Information, 439-7815.

OPEN HOUSE
Slingerlands Cooperative Nursery School, 1499 New Scotland Road, 1 to 4 p.m. Information, 439-7035.

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., Sunday school, 10:50 a.m., nursery care provided, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

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, 439-9252.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF RICHARD AND ELIZABETH SONNEBORN FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
FORMED PURSUANT TO THE REVISED UNIFORM LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
The character of the business is buying, selling and investing securities and/or other assets. The location of the principal place of business is 56 Mohawk Terrace, Slingerlands, New York, County of Albany, State of New York.
The New York State Secretary of State is an agent of the Limited Partnership upon whom process against said Limited Partnership may be served. Any process served upon said Secretary of State as agent of the Limited Partnership shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to Richard and Elizabeth Sonneborn, 56 Mohawk Terrace, Slingerlands, New York.
Richard and Elizabeth Sonneborn, 56 Mohawk Terrace, Slingerlands, New York, shall be the registered agents of the Limited Partnership upon whom process against it may be served.
The name and place of residence of each General Partner is available from the Secretary of State.
The term for which the partnership is to exist is from the 31st day of December, 1994 until December 31, 2025.
The Certificate referred to above has been acknowledged by the general and limited partners. Dated: December 27, 1994
s/Richard Sonneborn, General Partner
s/Elizabeth Sonneborn, General Partner (February 1, 1995)

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.

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 FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Sunday services, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., 292 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-4407.

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.

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Musical

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"There's so much they can learn up there."

One of the students who will be moving on is Susanna Gordon Messer, assistant director for *Once Upon a Mattress*. "She's wonderful," said Leavitt. "She's organized everything that needs to be."

Leavitt also has high praise for the students who are working on the production crew. "The kids built everything you'll see up there. ... It's an example of what this age group can do when you give them an opportunity to do it," he said.

As far as singing and acting talent is concerned, Leavitt said it was very difficult to cast the play. "It took literally five hours to cast ... there was such talent, we had a terrible time. It was very hard to make a decision."

Leavitt has modified the Broadway version of *Once Upon a Mattress*, which originally was written and produced as weekend entertainment for a summer camp in the Pocomos in 1958. Much of the music was written by Mary Rodgers, Richard Rodgers' daughter, for the production that debuted on

Friendly's handing out cones for charity

Friendly's restaurants are participating in a Valentine's Day fundraising program to benefit Easter Seals.

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Water

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While Bethlehem residents on the average use only about 3 million gallons per day, that can soar to 5 million gallons during the summer when people are out filling swimming pools and watering lawns.

The Clearwater for Bethlehem group, which collected more than 2,000 petition signatures last summer in opposition to the new plant, is not seeking to have the new system scuttled, but rather to restrict its use to the industrial sector in the southern portion of town, according to spokeswoman Linda Burtis.

In a pitch to the town board last week following the regular business agenda, Burtis said, "We're not talking about giving up the new plant. We're talking about compromise. If you're talking to Albany, then what you said was impossible is now possible. It looks as though there is light at the end of the tunnel."

Fuller insists that she is not caving in to pressure from Clearwater, but only doing what she feels is best for the town. She acknowledged that she has had discussions with Jennings, but said the substance of the talks would remain confidential.

"The mayor and I had an agreement long ago that we would not negotiate in the public arena," Fuller told Burtis. "When I have some news, I will release it to the entire community. No one will be happier than I am."

While Fuller engaged Clearwater members in dialogue and tried to address their concerns, some plant opponents were not in the mood to be appeased.

"When we moved here about a year ago, we did not know about the new water plant," said Joanne Walsh of Selkirk. "We thought we had made a good choice based on the reputation of the school system, but now we're sorry we moved to the town."

"I am an educated person. My husband is an educated person. And we will not drink Hudson River water. We do not want our grandchildren to be born without parts of their bodies" because the new system draws water from an aquifer underneath the Hudson River. "We will fight until we win, or we won't live here."

Fran Royo of Delmar accused the town board of arrogance for not revealing the content of the talks with Albany and said the board members "don't deserve to sit in those seats."

The shrill tone of the criticism was clearly disturbing to members of the town board, especially councilmen Ted Putney and George Lenhardt, who grimaced at many of the comments.

The board has been solidly behind the project, which was initiated during the administration of former town supervisor Ken Ringler. They cite test results that have shown the new water supply to be safe and free from contami-

nants, and the fact that the system will be paid for through increased rates charged to industrial customers saving the town \$20 million over the next 15 years, according to cost estimates prepared by J.K. Fraser Engineering, P.C. of Rensselaer.

Speaking after the meeting, Putney said he was willing to consider restricting the new water supply to the industrial sector, but only if Fuller could negotiate an agreement with Albany for a small amount (about 500,000 gallons) that could be used as a backup supply.

"I think that if the supervisor is able to negotiate a deal at a decent price, we should look at it. There seems to be a lot of people in town who do not want to drink from the new supply."

"I'm absolutely convinced that we have done the right thing as far as building this new plant," Putney said, "because without it we could be subject to economic blackmail by the city."

"The water from this system is indispensable to the Selkirk Cogen plant, which means jobs and taxes to the town."

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