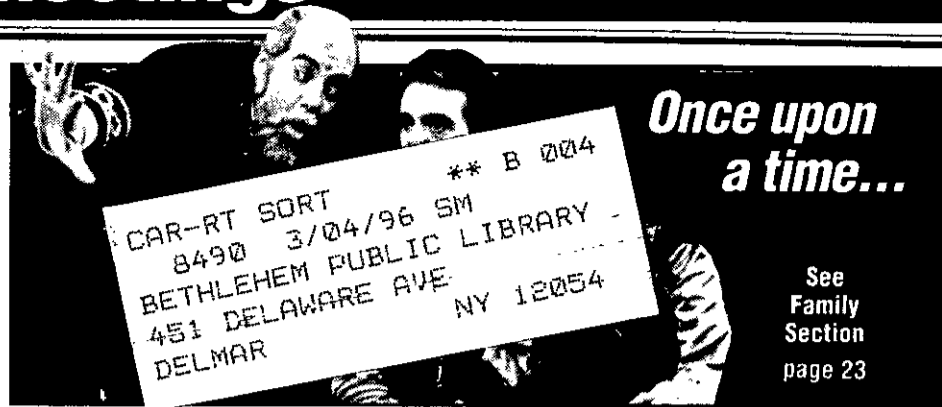


The Spotlight



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Black Friday perks up local retail sales

By Mel Hyman

Black Friday in Delmar and Elsmere was great — in Glenmont, not so hot.

"I had been anticipating a busy season, and Black Friday was busier than any Black Friday we've ever had before," said Stephanie Biscione, owner of the Village Shop in the Delaware Plaza in Elsmere.

"We had people lined up at the register all day long. The most important thing to us is that people seem to be enjoying themselves, even if they're just browsing.

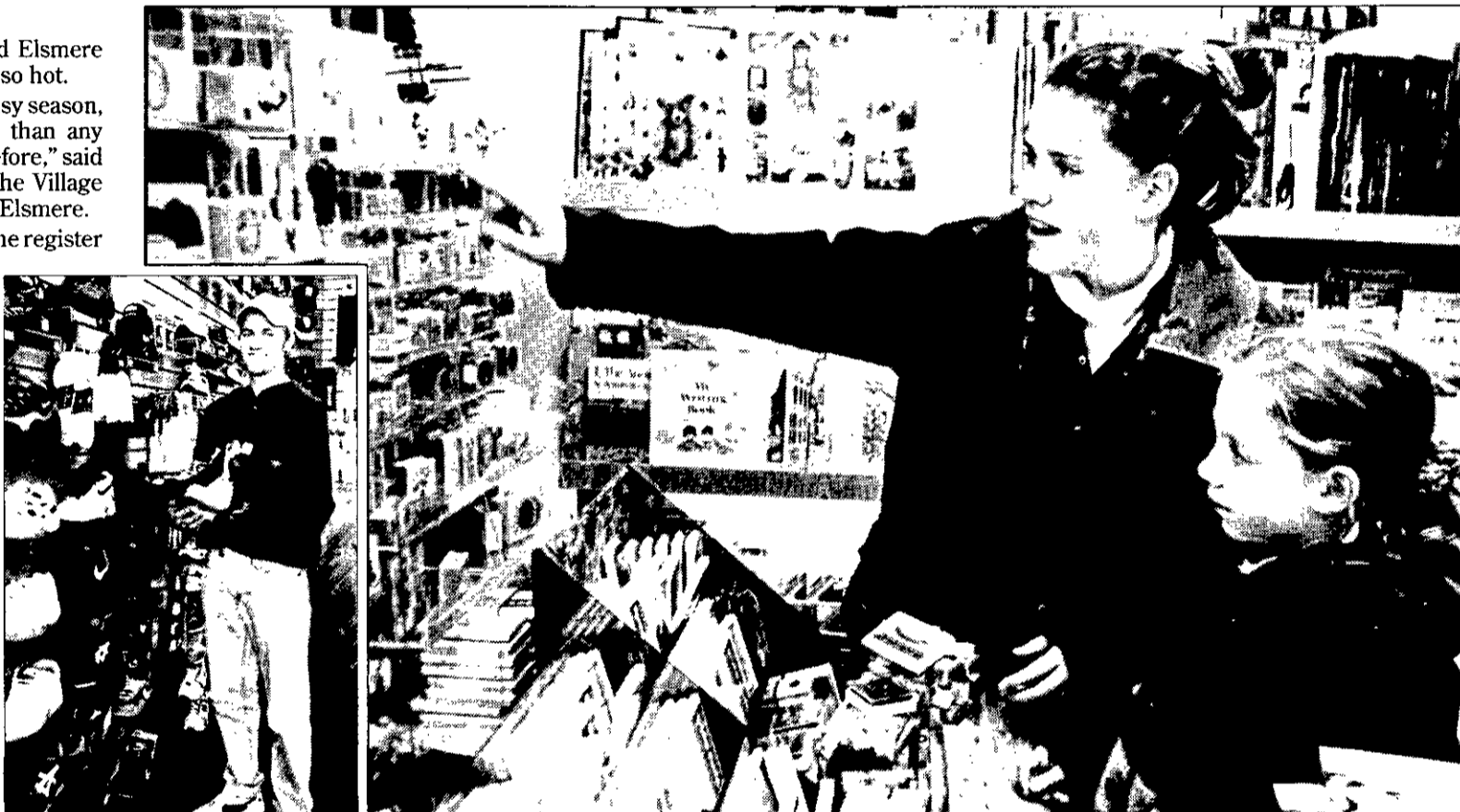
"That's an important factor in retail," she said. "If they're having a good time, whether they walk out with an item or not is not crucial, because you know they'll be back."

Surprisingly, Biscione said her customers have been "saying over and over again that they're stopping in Delmar first before going elsewhere.

"I'm not exactly sure what's behind it. But it's definitely a positive trend," she said.

Similarly, the Circles women's store in the Delaware Plaza had a good day on the first shopping day after Thanksgiving, and owner Sharon Fenno said everything points to a good holiday season.

"It was better than last year," she said, "both sales-wise and traffic-wise. We were full all day long.



Kale Walsh and her sister Emily check out a display at the holiday open house held at I Love Books on Saturday. Greg Sack, left, of Waddingham Footwear shows off a variety of sneakers available for Christmas. Doug Persons

"Maybe some of it was a backlash against the malls. The type of customer who comes in here is trying to avoid the malls," she said.

Fenno, who is president of the Delaware Plaza Merchants Association, said

shoppers seem pleased with the renovations made at the plaza this year. But she said "It's just a beginning. I would like to see additional improvements such as more benches and more plantings."

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NS wants trailer to move on down road

Couple claim there was no time for permit

By Dev Tobin

Jim and Ann Marie Charron say they had no choice, but New Scotland town officials say they have no permit, and cannot live in the mobile home they had moved to a Clipp Road property owned by Ann Marie.

The couple were forced to move their mobile home about two weeks ago after being evicted from a North Troy trailer park.

"We didn't have time to get permits," said Jim, who is unemployed due to physical disability. "We had to have some place to live."

As it sits now, the 30-year-old trailer has no electricity, running water or septic system and is heated by a kerosene heater. But the trailer is a stone's throw away from a structure that has electricity, septic and cold running water, at least.

Neighbors reacted immediately and negatively to the mobile home.



New Scotland officials say they'll enforce the law to have this illegal trailer removed.

John Dearstyn, who lives nearby, said he approached the Charrons when the trailer was being dropped off, and was ordered off the property.

"It's a really sad situation, but the mobile home is clearly in violation of the

zoning law," Dearstyn said. "I know other people (on Clipp Road) are very concerned, because it affects the values of our homes."

Dearstyn added, "Nobody on this road wants to see them put out on the street,

TRAILER/page 19

Teen DWI prompts action for 0-tolerance

By Mel Hyman

The arrest of a Delmar teen-ager for DWI on Halloween night has reignited a debate over whether a zero tolerance law should be passed in New York.



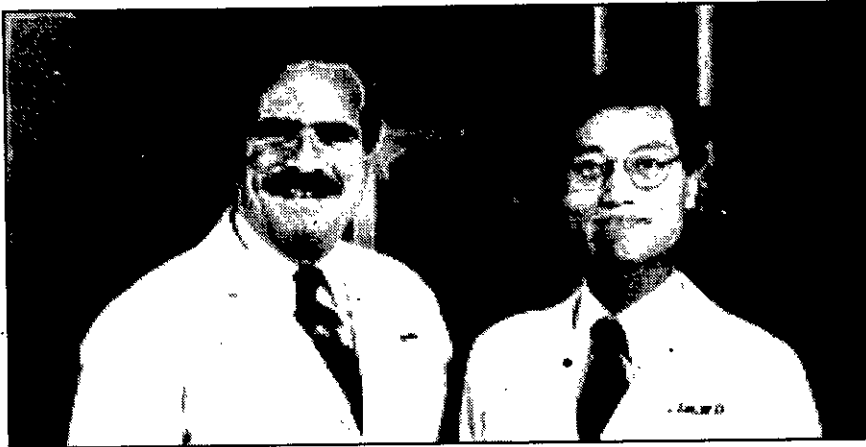
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Bethlehem Police Officer Chris Pauley was on patrol that night when he noticed a vehicle traveling west on Delaware Avenue near the Normanskill Bridge with a rear tail light out.

When Pauley turned around to pursue the vehicle, the driver, a 16-year-old allegedly accelerated, then took a sharp turn off Delaware, parked his car behind the Tastee Freez, and shut off the lights. There were three teen-age passengers in the car.

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Key Price Chopper vote scheduled for Dec. 13

By Mel Hyman

A crucial Bethlehem town board vote on rezoning for the proposed Slingerlands Price Chopper is tentatively slated for Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Price Chopper is proposing a 99,000-square-foot shopping center at the junction of New Scotland Road and Cherry Avenue Extension.

Many Slingerlands residents are adamantly opposed to the Price Chopper development, while residents in other parts of town have expressed strong support for a second supermarket chain in town that will improve the local tax base and the local economy.

The centerpiece of the shopping center would be a 63,000-square-foot Price Chopper. In addition to the supermarket, the plan includes another 25,000 square feet of retail space, along with 11,000 square feet for a bank and a professional building.

Supervisor Sheila Fuller said she continues to receive mail both pro and con on Price Chopper's request to rezone about 20 acres from residential to commercial to accommodate the project.

"It's run about 50-50," she said, and the letters are still pouring in. "We received seven letters in just two days last week," she said.

The impact on traffic in the area would probably be the main focus of the town board when it meets to discuss the project in two weeks, she added.

An Oct. 26 public hearing on the rezoning request drew an overflow crowd, with slightly more than half of the speakers supporting the project.

Price Chopper spokeswoman Joanne Gage said company officials were buoyed by the positive sentiment the project generated at the hearing.

"Even some people in Slingerlands supported it," she said.

Gage said Price Chopper plans to build a "very attractive retail center that complements the community. And we will maintain it at a very high standard."

While the familiar Price Chopper logo would certainly be prominent atop the new store, she said, the facade could be designed to fit in with the New England-style atmosphere that many communities prefer.

Price Chopper has already bowed to planning board concerns by reducing the size of their rezoning request from 30.6 to 21.4 acres. About 50 percent of the site will remain green space once the project is built.

Gage said the company is looking to open the shopping center by the end of 1996.

Despite concerns about traffic, the planning board unanimously recommended that the zoning change be adopted. The town board is lead agency for the project, however, and still has the final word on any site plan approval granted by the planning board.

Comptroller will formally review insurance charge against Reilly

By Dev Tobin

The question of whether New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly's relationship with the Ten Eyck insurance agency represents a conflict of interest will be decided by the state Comptroller's office.

Reilly said that he requested a formal legal opinion from the comptroller last week after learning that there was no written record of comptroller's auditors telling him that the relationship was not prohibited.

For the past 10 years, Reilly has brokered a small amount of insurance business he inherited from his father through the Ten Eyck agency. During the same period, and for many years previously, the agency was also the town's insurance agent.

Reilly said that he has orally disclosed the relationship to town

board members and received oral assurances from comptroller's auditors over the years that the relationship is not illegal, since he is not an employee or shareholder of the agency.

But Reilly's political opponents contended in this year's campaign that the relationship was an illegal conflict of interest, citing a 40-year-old comptroller's ruling that dealt with the somewhat similar situation of a supervisor-elect who was a full-time insurance agent at, though not an employee of, the same agency that had a town's business.

Reilly said that, in an exit interview in August with Joseph Notro of the Comptroller's office, Notro read from a memo that concluded Reilly's situation was not a conflict of interest.

Reilly requested that memo

under the state Freedom of Information Law, and was informed last week what Notro read was not a memo dealing exclusively with Reilly's case, but was instead a comptroller's opinion on a related matter dealing with an employee of an insurance agency who was also a town supervisor.

In that opinion (No. 82-12), the comptroller ruled that there is no prohibited conflict of interest as long as the supervisor has no direct involvement with the town's insurance contract at the agency, and her remuneration is not directly affected by the town's purchase of insurance through the agency.

The opinion also notes that even though no conflict of interest exists, the supervisor must disclose her interest in writing to the town board, which Reilly has not done.

BC sets bond info sessions

The Bethlehem Central School District will sponsor several information sessions on the proposed \$14.8 million bond issue to build and renovate classrooms, provide instructional technology and take care of essential maintenance projects.

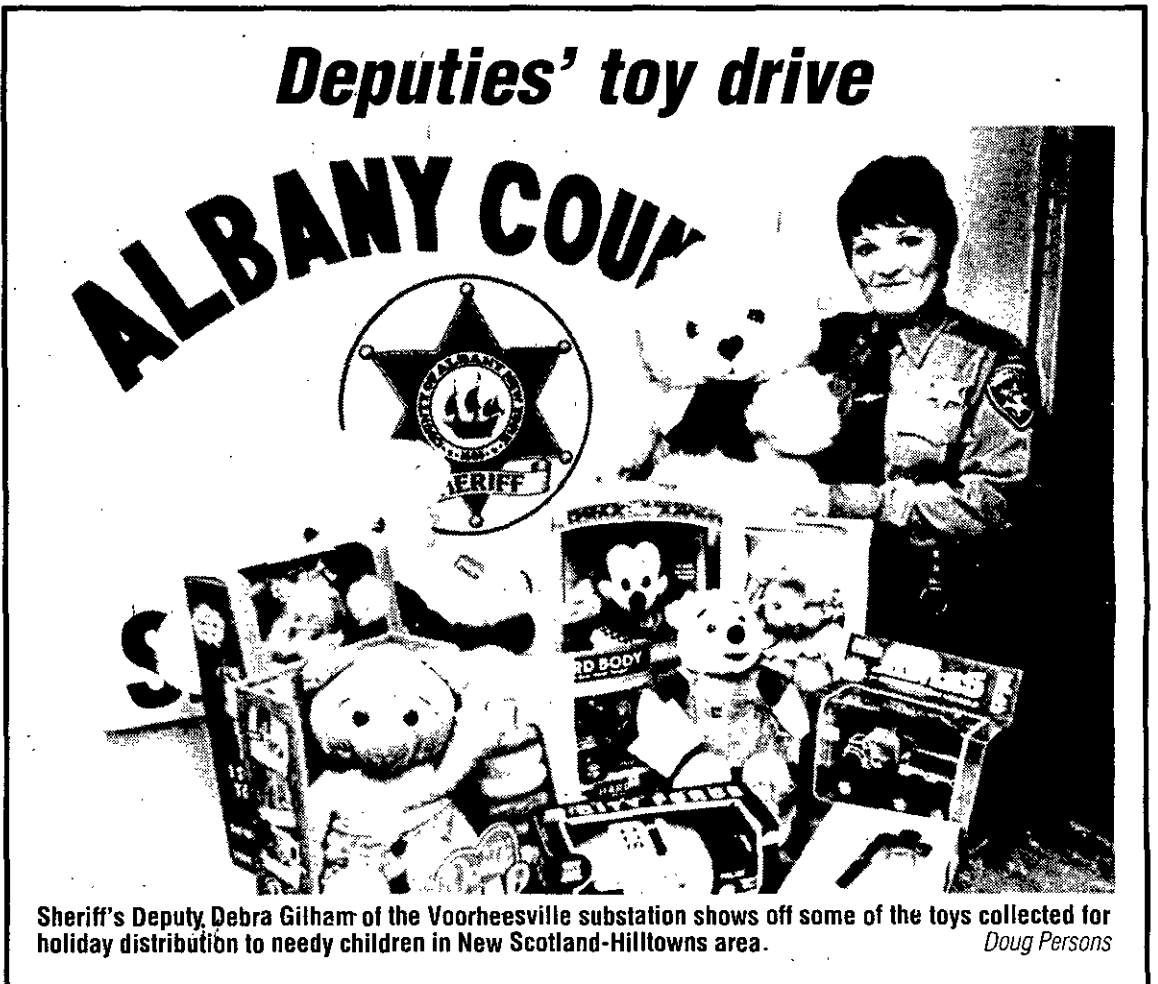
Sessions are scheduled for

Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m. at Hamagrael Elementary School, McGuffey Lane; Monday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the district office, 90 Adams Place; Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., and at Glenmont Elementary School, Route 9W; and Monday, Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave.

Also, district representatives are available to visit local organizations to discuss the bond issue. Call Superintendent Leslie Loomis at 439-7098 for an appointment.

Loomis, Judith Wooster, assistant superintendent for instruction (439-3102); and Franz Zwicklbauer, assistant superintendent for business (439-7481) are also available, their schedules permitting, to answer questions over the phone.

The bond issue will also be discussed at the Wednesday, Dec. 6, school board meeting at 8 p.m. at the district office. Voting on the bond issue will be Dec. 13 at the middle school.



New drugstore planned for V'ville

By Dev Tobin

For more than 10 years, Robert Wiggand of Vagand Enterprises worked to bring another supermarket into Voorheesville Plaza to replace Grand Union.

With SuperValu opening earlier this year, Wiggand now plans to expand the plaza into a "real, rounded-out strip mall" with the addition of a large new chain pharmacy.

The 10,000-square-foot addition to the west of the SuperValu building has won approvals from the village planning and zoning boards, and will be built in the 1996 construction season if negotiations with the new tenant are successful, Wiggand said.

The new pharmacy would take up 8,450 square feet of the addition, and two smaller retail spaces of about 1,000 and 500 square feet will be available for tenants, as will

the 2,700-square-foot space currently occupied by Voorheesville Pharmacy, Wiggand said.

"This is something we've been waiting to do since 1971," when the strip mall was built, Wiggand said.

He would not identify the prospective pharmacy tenant he is negotiating with, other than to say that it is a major chain.

The SuperValu is "generating enough traffic" to support a much larger pharmacy, Wiggand said. "People really love that store."

Bill Candido, owner of Voorheesville Pharmacy, said that he was looking to sell to a chain that will maintain a retail pharmacy in Voorheesville.

Candido said that his store's size limits the amount of merchandise he can carry to offset diminishing profits in the prescription part of his business.

Candido said that prescription profits for independent pharmacies have been squeezed by competition from mail-order firms and increasingly stingy insurance reimbursements.

Larger chain stores can offer more merchandise on the "front end" of the store to sustain profitability, he noted.

"More than 2,000 small pharmacies like mine have fallen away in the past year," said Candido, adding that he would like to sell to a chain that will stay in Voorheesville in part so his employees "can continue on and not have their lives interrupted."

Voorheesville Mayor Edward Clark said that the village welcomes a new chain pharmacy because of the convenience and job opportunities for residents, and for the increased tax base "which the school district desperately needs help with."

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Cops nab 3 for DWI

Bethlehem Police arrested three people on charges of driving while intoxicated last week.

Edward J. Schillingel, 33, of Route 158, Altamont, was stopped at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, for failing to dim his headlights on Route 9W, police said.

He was released pending a future appearance in town court. The arresting officer was Brian Hughes.

John M. Bryant, 32, of 3608 Mechanic St., Valatie, was stopped at about 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, for driving without a seatbelt on Delaware Avenue, police said.

He was charged with driving while under the influence of drugs and possession of marijuana, a violation. He was released pending a future appearance in town court. The arresting officer was Jeffrey Vunck.

Edward M. Wroblewski, 48, of 29 Elm Ave., Delmar, was apprehended at 12:47 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23, after Officer Chris Pauley observed his vehicle with a blown-out windshield, steam coming from the engine and the car hood on the ground. The vehicle was parked in a vacant lot at the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues.

He was charged with DWI and released pending a future appearance in town court.

Troop 81 conducts food drive

On two Saturdays this month, Boy Scouts of Troop 81 in Selkirk participated in the annual "Scouting for Food Drive."

The boys covered some of the less densely populated areas around Selkirk and South Bethlehem assisted by Cub Scouts from Pack 81, who covered villages and developments.

More than 1,100 bags of food was collected for local food pantries.

Participating Scouts included: Dustin Deering, Derrick Parisi,

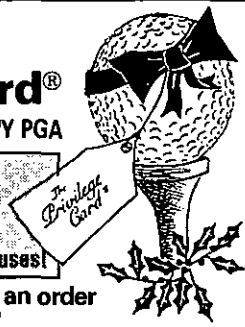
Geoff Chateaufneuf, Dan Berke, Steve Euler Harold Babcock-Ellis, Robert Babcock-Ellis, Ian McClumpha, Justin Hausman, Austin Martin, Mike Lennon, Brennan Robinson, Kyle Zraggen, and Jacob Hafensteiner. Parents and community members who helped out were: David Austin, Mike Ellis, Herb Parisi, Paul Parisi, Bob Euler, Dave McClumpha and Marc Hafensteiner.

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Take a bough



Allan DeFazio, left, and Robert Wisniewski sell Christmas trees for Onesquethaw Reformed Church. The Douglas firs were donated by Leon and Jean Goodfellow.

Doug Persons

Bethlehem chamber to meet this month

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce has slated its monthly general membership meeting on Thursday, Nov. 30, at noon at Howard Johnson's on Route 9W in Albany.

A program on the "information superhighway" will be presented at the meeting.

Reservations are required. Lunch costs \$12. For information or reservations, call the chamber at 439-0512.

QUILT group to meet

Quilters United In Learning Together (QUILT) will meet Friday, Dec. 8, at 9:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

A holiday celebration with block exchange is planned.

Holiday craft fair slated

The holiday craft fair at the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church is set for Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Handmade items from more than 30 crafters will be on display.

Items in all price ranges include something for everyone. Choose from stuffed animals, paper twist angels, birdhouses and baskets, cats, carved eagles and country tote bags.

Or continue browsing through the wooden toys, candy wreaths, Christmas ornaments and miniature Christmas trees.

It's an ideal time to either finish up shopping or get a head start. For those who are way ahead of the calendar and have gifts bought and wrapped, sample some homemade baked goods at the church members' bake sale.

Or stop in for the light lunch fare, also available for sale at the show.

The church is located on 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, a half mile north of the Toll Gate and Mangia restaurants and a half mile south of the Slingerlands Post Office. Admission is free.

For information, contact Dolores Johnson at the church office at 439-1766.

New Salem church slates pancake meal

The New Salem Reformed Church at the corner of Route 85 and New Scotland Avenue in New Salem will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 2.

The breakfast costs \$4 per person. Meals are free for children under 5.

Faso thinks Authority will leave Bethlehem

By Mel Hyman

There's no official comment from the Dormitory Authority, but Assemblyman John Faso says it's fairly certain that the state agency will be moving lock, stock and barrel out of the town of Bethlehem next year.

The Kinderhook Republican has been trying to find another site in the town that might be suitable for the agency, which is currently located at 161 Delaware Ave. across from the Delaware Plaza. The agency is comprised of 280

It's apparent to me that they will not stay in Bethlehem.

John Faso

employees who work, shop and dine in the town.

The Dormitory Authority is actively seeking out other sites because it will soon be absorbing two other state agencies (the Medical Care Facilities Finance Agency and the Facilities Development Corp).

John Buono, executive director of the Dormitory Authority, wants to consolidate all operations under one roof, which will require about 80,000 square feet, or double the amount of office space available in Elsmere.

Faso, who has been in touch with Dormitory Authority officials since the announcement was made in September that the agency was looking for new quarters, said "It's apparent to me" that they will not stay in Bethlehem, "either at the present location or a different site."

One site that the agency seriously considered — the Town Squire Plaza in Glenmont — was "simply not suitable," Faso said.

The Dormitory Authority has been located in Elsmere since the 1960s. The building, which contains about 38,000 square feet of office space, has been owned by the agency since 1986 and is fairly up-to-date. It formerly housed offices for the Hartford Insurance Co.

"They renovated it several years ago, and it's a fairly modern facility," Faso said. "That could be significant in our efforts to try and market it."

Faso said he was less concerned with where the Dormitory Authority might end up and more concerned with finding someone else to take over the space.

"I think we need as little disruption as possible in the Delaware Plaza corridor," he said. "It doesn't really matter to me where they relocate to as long as someone else, even from the private sector, takes it over."

Buono, who recently met with Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce president Marty DeLaney, was unavailable for comment.

The agency is hoping to reach a decision on its new home by the "first of the year," according to spokeswoman Claudia Hutton. There are four or five preferred sites, she said, that are currently being examined by engineers to determine their feasibility.

Besides the need for more space and more parking, the other criteria set forth for a new location is that the new location be within 15 minutes of the Amtrak station in Rensselaer.

Among those reportedly making a strong pitch for the agency are the city of Albany, which is proposing a downtown location in the State Street area, and the town of East Greenbush, which contains a large vacant office complex off Route 20, formerly inhabited by the Sterling Winthrop Company.

Fuller declined comment until official notice has been received about the Dormitory Authority's future, although she said she planned to contact Buono about vacant office space in the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Building on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

St. Matthew's plans holiday bazaar



Children of St. Matthew's Parish in Voorheesville show off some of the many items that will be raffled off at the annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church on Mountainview Road. Raffle tickets are \$1 and can be purchased at the bazaar or from a church member. Parking and admission are free.

St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Voorheesville will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the church on Mountainview Road.

The event will feature close to a dozen booths offering books, baked goods, needlecrafts, woodenwares, Christmas decorations, ornaments and a variety of other handmade items.

The ever-popular "under \$1" booth will feature both stocking stuffers and gifts for mom and dad at an affordable price.

The younger set will also have a chance to play games and participate in craft activities while the grownups shop.

A cafe will offer a variety of foods and beverages for all to enjoy.

The highlight of the day will be a raffle drawing featuring a number of items crafted by local artisans. Items in the raffle include a handmade sampler quilt, a large loveable bear family and handcrafted gold pin, as well as other prizes such as a basket of wine, a mountain bike, cultured pearls and a day air trip for two to Atlantic City.

A number of gift certificates to local businesses are also included.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased the day of the bazaar or from any church member.

Parking and admission are free. Everyone is invited to drop by for some early holiday shopping.

For more information, contact Lyn Stapf at 765-2451.

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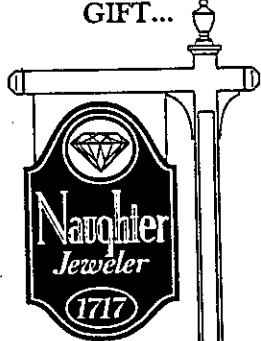
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Matters of Opinion

Another reminder

The vote on Bethlehem Central School District's proposed bond issue for \$15 million is set for Dec. 13, but relatively few people are attending public information sessions where the proposal is explained.

The vote involves funds, including a large share of state aid, for repairs to the school buildings, a kindergarten and installation of technical and computer equipment for students. All three components are intricately tied together because of the state aid factor.

Citizen input is vital for a better community understanding of this complex proposal. All are urged to attend any or all of the meetings: Monday, Dec. 4 at the Educational Services Center, Tuesday, Dec. 5 at the high school and at Glenmont; and Monday, Dec. 11 at the middle school. All meetings are at 7:30 p.m.

Airport takes off

With the approval last week of the Albany Airport lease by the mass transit committee of the county Legislature, the \$162 million terminal expansion moves forward at a less than jet-age pace.

The full county Legislature must approve the 40-year lease to the Albany County Airport Authority so bonding can be arranged prior to construction. The airport authority needs full control of the facility in order to begin work on the new terminal due to open Oct. 1, 1998.

Early this month, the airport authority approved the schematic drawings so contracts can be awarded in December, but not without a lease agreement.

This expansion project will place Albany among the country's leading airports. Designed as a "fast track" operation with design and construction overlapping, the project is still in a holding pattern.

The county Legislature hasn't locked into this "fast track" mode, particularly when a faction within the legislative body is reluctant to give up the county's authority over awards of bids and labor contracts.

A reason for establishing the airport authority was to take the construction out of politics, an existing factor that made the airlines using the facility wary of contributing \$67 million to the project.

County Executive Michael Breslin says the delay is due to determining payments for county-supplied services and indemnification in case of default. These issues have been resolved.

Still, almost two years after the formation of the Albany County Airport Authority, it doesn't have a lease. Without it, there can be no bonds issued, and no construction can begin. Without it, large companies will continue to bypass Albany as a base of operations because of its lack of jet age transportation facilities.

Everything remains grounded unless the county Legislature revs up its engines this coming week and approves the lease. It's takeoff time!

Gold Friday

Black Friday appeared to turn gold for Delmar merchants if first reports are reasonably accurate. Most merchants agree that people will shop locally rather than in large shopping malls if the prices are competitive, the service is cordial and efficient, and the parking accommodations are suitable.

What merchants at Delaware Plaza and nearby stores along Delaware Avenue also illustrate is that there must be a variety of available items.

Shoppers on the day after Thanksgiving told Delmar merchants that they're stopping in Delmar first before going elsewhere.

While Delmar was glowing, Glenmont shopping areas didn't fare as well although service is good and sufficient parking is available. Despite two large "anchor" stores, the lack of smaller retailers in sufficient and varied numbers seems to diminish shopping enthusiasm.

Editorials

School tax buck needs to stop here

By Robert G. Prentiss

The writer of this Point of View is serving his first term as a New York State Assemblyman from the 107th Assembly District and is a member of the Higher Education Committee. He began his legislative service working on the staff of the former Assembly speaker, Perry Duryea, in the 1970s, where he did research on education issues.



I believe that the smartest investment we can make with our tax dollars is in the education of our young people. Yet, like other parents and taxpayers, I also expect full value, getting our money's worth—and obviously, that's not happening in New York State public schools.

Although New York State spends more than \$9,600 per pupil a year, 52 percent above the national average. New York also claims the third highest adult illiteracy rate in the nation and ranks 45th in the number of students who receive high school diplomas.

Admittedly, these statewide statistics are skewed by the pitiful performance of school districts in New York City, but we taxpayers upstate still bear the costs.

This fall, I've been conducting a series of Legislative Listen-Ins on education reforms and school finances throughout the 107th Assembly District, including Colonie, Clifton Park, Malta and Stillwater. These Listen-Ins have been well-attended and are a great opportunity for people at the grass-roots level to express their views, make their voices heard and help formulate statewide policy on education.

So far, I've been getting an earful! Based on input, without question, the hottest issue is how to put a stop to skyrocketing school property taxes. Certainly, it will be on the front burner at our upcoming 1996 session.

That's why I'm a prime spon-

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sor of legislation to freeze the school tax portion of the real property tax levy at current levels while guaranteeing an increased annual state share of education costs through an "inflation supplement."

Called the "School Property Tax Limitation Act," our proposed legislation is co-sponsored by Assemblyman Tom Barraga of Suffolk County, ranking minority member of the Assembly Standing Committee on Education, considered an expert on funding elementary and secondary education, and Assemblymen Pat Manning of Hopewell Junction and Tom Kirwan of Newburgh.

If our plan is enacted to freeze school property taxes at 1995-96 levels, school districts no longer would be able to raise additional education dollars from local residents.

The only exception in increasing the tax levy would be on capital bond issues earmarked for construction of new buildings, building renovation and expansion, school bus purchase and computer technology. In those cases, the vote would be limited to one per year with no resubmission of a defeated bond issue within that year.

Although the school tax levy would be frozen, the assessment rolls would stay fluid. For example, if a residential or commercial developer comes into the district and builds, the additional assessment would have a positive effect on lowering the school property tax for everyone in the district. Property would be reassessed only for expansion of new growth of homes and businesses.

The other major component of our proposed School Property Tax Limitation Act is an innovative concept, a state-funded "inflation supplement." It would guarantee that the state would take over an increased annual share of education costs by providing an additional amount of

dollars up to the maximum of the Consumer Price Index, but no less than 3 percent of what the state would continue to distribute each year under existing school aid formulas. The "inflation supplement" would be distributed to school districts on a per-pupil basis predicated on average daily attendance.

What would be the fiscal impact on the state of New York? The \$14 billion currently raised for schools by the local property tax would remain in place. The state annually would increase aid to education taking into consideration the dollars needed to fund normal formula growth estimated at \$250 million.

The state also would provide an additional amount of education dollars up to the maximum percentage of the CPI. For example, if the CPI was three percent, then the state, on a current distribution of about \$10 million, would increase education aid by an additional \$300 million.

Formula aid (\$250 million) and CPI (\$300 million) would approximate an annual increase of \$550 million per year.

The source of the "inflation supplement" fund would come from returning to education a share of the state budget that originally went to education but was taken away in the 1980s. This money would be redirected toward education by reducing state spending on items such as community centers, soccer teams, stadiums and other "pork".

Also, the dollars saved in welfare spending are a source of money that could go toward increasing state aid to education. Our state is the welfare capital of the nation. If New York reduced its welfare or Medicaid spending to the level of the number two state in welfare-spending, Pennsylvania, \$5 billion could be saved.

Back in the Rockefeller days, the state and localities used to split about 50/50 in funding education. Now, local funding as a

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percentage of local educational expenditures is soaring with state aid covering less than 40 percent of the total.

Local property taxes as a percent of income have been increasing from a somewhat stable level of five percent during the 1980s to a current level of 5.6 percent.

In some school districts across the state, the school tax portion encompasses upwards of 60 to 70 percent of a homeowners overall tax bill.

Moreover, voters feel that they have little control over local spending with more than 85 percent of the school budget based on state-mandated expenditures.

It's apparent that our school property tax system is worn out. Our present school aid formulas are unfair and archaic. We must find more equitable funding for our public schools through a broader statewide tax-base.

But you can't do it overnight. The dilemma we're confronted with here in New York state is that aside from the local property tax, the other two principal streams of revenue are the personal income tax and the sales tax—and both already are sixth

highest among all the states in the nation.

Since the school tax portion of the local property tax is estimated across the state at about \$14 billion this past year; just where would you come up with the extra revenue to pick up those additional billions of dollars along with normal education formula growth, and especially at a time when the state budget already is \$5 billion in the hole?

The answer is: "You don't!" Any immediate, complete transfer of dollars from local to State is a dead issue.

What's a more realistic, common sense approach is our proposed School Property Tax Limitation Act. This unprecedented school tax freeze at the local level would provide homeowners with a greater financial opportunity to remain in their homes in the community, especially senior citizens trying to make ends meet on fixed incomes.

Many young couples have told me at our Legislative Listen-Ins that while they have saved enough money for a down payment, they can't afford to buy their first starter home because

of the outrageous, skyrocketing school property taxes. Now they could.

And in the big, statewide economic picture, because of the freeze on local school property taxes, the business climate in New York state would become more friendly, and would attract new companies and private sector jobs.

For the individual school district, the advantage is that it can continue to count on a local revenue base that is raised within the boundaries of the district and is retained and used exclusively by the district.

Among the key components, our proposed School Property

Tax Limitation Act:

- Continues the present school district tax exemptions such as for senior citizens, veterans and farmers.

- Eliminates the provisions of the Wicks Law for school district construction to save tens of millions of dollars annually.

- Removes the cap on school district surplus funds and continues voter approval of annual school budgets.

- Reforms the school budget process by including sports and other extracurricular activities as part of the contingency budget.

- Extends voter approval of

the annual budget to small city school districts.

If approved by the State Legislature, I believe our proposed School Property Tax Limitation Act would go a long way toward alleviating the onerous burden now borne by property taxpayers throughout New York state, yet continuing to provide our children with the quality educational opportunities they deserve.

Remember, this is a cap on the quantity of expenditures, not the quality of education.

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Matters of Opinion

'Cadillac' computer spending raises resident's concern

Editor, The Spotlight

The Dec. 13 vote on the school bond issue will decide if Bethlehem school taxes will rise to almost nine percent (starting in 1997-98), or stay "just" at the 6.6 percent increase already approved this past June. I recommend voting "no" on this additional 2.3 percent increase.

In the immediate sense, this bond issue contains unnecessary spending, showing a poor sense of priorities. In the broader sense, it is again time for the Bethlehem community to reconsider how to balance the desire for excellent schools against the apparent desire not to develop a commercial or industrial tax base.

This current bond issue is 47 percent for expansion, 22 percent for maintenance, and 31

percent for purchasing computers. Well over half of the funding (\$2.6 million) is for a computer "network," meaning an elegant way to wire the computers together.

I believe that a school system that is struggling to fix leaking roofs and find adequate classroom space for its children should not be going further into debt for computer networks. We may like being on the "cutting edge of technology" (as the brochures say) but these nice-to-dos are available only to school systems with strong commercial or industrial bases.

The actual computers being purchased are also a problem. We will presumably get more of the same package we purchased with a \$850,000 bond issue last May. These computers cost

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about \$4,100 each when peripherals, software and training are included. Since the average market price for the computers alone is about \$2,000, we are obviously purchasing a "Cadillac" package of software and peripherals costing as much as the computer itself.

The funding mechanism for the computers also bothers me. We will be floating a 20-year bond to purchase computer equipment that will be obsolete in less than five years. This will leave the taxpayers paying off the cost of equipment that has already been scrapped for 15 years. Much is also made of the fact that the state will fund more than half of the cost. As a state taxpayer as well as a school taxpayer, this seems to me to be merely a difference of which of my pockets the money comes from.

The broader issue, beyond just the poorly chosen expenditures on "Cadillac" computer equipment, is how the community will be able to maintain the long-term funding needed for excellent schools.

The current plan seems to be

to request ever higher taxes and bond issues. The school system is growing in excess of the new funding brought in by new residential development. The community continues to discourage the commercial and industrial development that is used in other school systems to maintain excellence and provide amenities such as computers. The political climate on the state level will obviously result in ever decreasing amounts of state aid. There will be a day of financial reckoning in the near future. The sooner we face realities and make some choices, the better.

I propose that we vote "no" on this current package and ask the board to unpack the three items: expansion, maintenance and computers, and let us vote on each of them separately. I would ask that details of each issue be made available sometime sooner than the month currently given to the taxpayers to evaluate the proposals. I would encourage a "no" vote on any non-essential items.

I would then ask the board to develop a program to match school programs to available funding with no additional tax

increases, with appropriate structural changes to make up shortfalls.

In the absence of additional commercial or industrial funding, some changes will be inevitable. We should identify and implement these changes gradually to avoid a crisis situation later. I would observe, for instance, that there is currently more non-teaching staff than there is teaching staff in our schools. We could reduce the overload of administration.

I would, finally, ask the board to initiate and participate in a broad partnership with the town government, to develop a plan to bring commercial and industrial development to the district.

Whatever any of us appreciates about the "special character" of the town, one of the most important parts of that character is the quality of the school system.

We are not going to maintain that particular character very long with the current school funding decisions or the political decisions being made by the community.

Tom Davidson

Slingerlands

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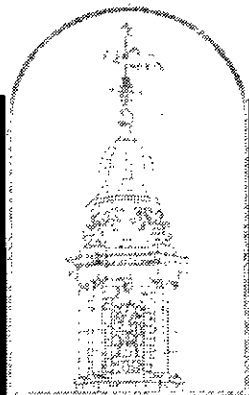


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Local town hall dubbed inadequate

Editor, The Spotlight:

The 1995 general elections in the town of New Scotland are completed, and shortly the residents of the town will be asked to return to their polling places and vote on a referendum to decide the outcome for a renovated, modernized and consolidated town hall.

There are some town bureaucrats and politicians who are against improving the current and future needs of the New Scotland town residents.

Any good fiscal planner or manager would look at what the current needs are and what any future detailed modernization requirement needs before making a decision to complete their objectives.

Instead, our elected and/or appointed town board members bicker and nickel and dime everything. Now the taxpayers are required to spend a few more thousand taxpayer dollars to hold a petty vote to get a resolution.

As published it would take tens of thousands of dollars to bring the building, which houses the town assessor's office and the building inspector's office, up to code.

A big item I see missing for this public building is that it does not meet the standards set forth in the 1992 Americans with Disabilities Act.

Did they forget there are physically challenged and wheelchair bound taxpayers living in the town of New Scotland who must be accommodated and should have access to these offices?

How many additional thousands of dollars will it take, to bring this building to code to meet the ADA standards based on the current structural design?

Once renovations are completed, are there any guarantees the town residents will not be required to sink additional money into a vast and potential black hole? This is just the little house on the hill.

Now we're down the hill to the town hall. Town hall, again does not come close to compliance with the 1992 standards for the Americans with Disabilities Act. The current accommodations for the physically challenged are a farce.

When going to a town board meeting, the size of the current meeting room is a joke. The foyer was not designed and can't accommodate the overflow crowds from some of the tense meetings of the town board.

With Freedom of Information Laws and documentation storage and retrieval mandates, where is the town clerk supposed to store this information safely and yet, at the same time have quick and easy access to

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these documents?

The town hall is outdated and behind the times. The horse and buggy days are over. Everyone must look at the current and future needs of the town of New Scotland. To fulfill the requirements for our town, everyone will be asked to make an informed and intelligent vote by going to the polls again and voting to renovate and modernize town hall.

Many residents want the town to prosper and increase our tax base. This will mean more services will be provided by the town, and what's wrong with one-stop service. Town government exists to serve the town residents and businesses, and let's not get stymied with bureaucratic red tape.

The town of New Scotland government must be ready for the 21st century. Lets have efficient and responsive government and services for the residents and general public in the town of New Scotland.

Efficiency. Responsive. What novel concepts. Yes to progress. No, means status quo.

Skip Jackson

Voorheesville

Booster club needs new video camera

Editor, The Spotlight:

Every year, the Wrestling Booster Club processes several cubic yards of Rice Krispies permeated with marshmallows and prepares enough ziti to fill the lower gymnasium at the high school in an effort to support the Bethlehem wrestling team.

The booster club also video tapes each of the wrestling matches, and they are used by the coaches to critique the wrestler. They have proven very valuable for improving the wrestlers' technique.

Two years ago the Booster Club's video camera was stolen from a locked closet in the high school. Since that time, parents

have been using their personal cameras to film the matches.

If anyone in our community has a video camera and/or tripod that they would be willing to donate to the booster club, it would be very much appreciated. The old style larger cameras with powerful telephoto lenses are ideal.

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Food pantry thanks all

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Saturday, Nov. 18, Cub Scouts within our community from Pack 272, Dens 1, 2, 3 and 5 held a food drive around the Bethlehem area and collected over 700 pounds of food for the Bethlehem Food Pantry.

The Bethlehem Food Pantry, located in the Bethlehem Senior Services Office at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, was started in 1982 to serve individuals, families and the elderly of the town.

It is run through Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. with the help of senior service volunteers and stocked with donations of non perishable food goods and

personal care products from individuals, businesses and civic groups. The pantry provides a temporary emergency source of food goods.

Information and referrals are provided to encourage the clients to avail themselves of services and programs to which they may be eligible. Currently, 53 families utilize the pantry on a regular basis.

On behalf of the Bethlehem Food Pantry, we would like to express our thanks for the generosity of the community and the hard work of the Cub Scouts.

The board, staff and volunteers
Bethlehem Senior Services

Sharon displays a lighter side

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am responding to the letter submitted by Tony Mistretta Nov. 22.

Lighten up Tony, your side won the election. There are not enough reasons and you are not astute enough to change the fact that residential housing does not pay for itself.

Now that the election is over, you, Tony, and your friends, seem to want to purge the town and the political parties of people who disagree with you. Now, Tony, you know and I know that is not going to happen.

Let's take a look at two very

good letters which appeared in the same issue of *The Spotlight* where your letter appeared.

The Rich Langford letter was neat and humorous. Just what a fractured community needs after such a hard fought political race.

The Judy VonRonne letter, which is worth re-reading, was exactly on target. So combining Rich's humor and Judy's honesty about how things really are, I again say to you: "Read the Loomis study."

And yes Tony there are people who disagree with you and your friends, and that's O.K.

In closing I would like to wish

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you Tony and your family and all the citizens in the town of New Scotland a very happy holiday season.

By the way, I do have a first name...it's Sharon.

Sharon Boehlke

Slingerlands

Editor's note: Actually, Sharon's first name was inadvertently knocked out in the initial reference to her in Tony's letter, so we plead guilty.

No cheers for two deserving athletes

Editor, The Spotlight:

Our family has just returned from our final Bethlehem football banquet. As usual it was a pleasant enough affair in which the student/athletes received well deserved recognition for all

their hard work and efforts of the past few months/years.

Cheerleaders and football players were each introduced individually and congratulated. This included young men and women who were unable or

chose not to attend this evening's celebration. The seniors in particular were singled out and applauded one last time.

However, as the seniors were announced it came to our attention the two deserving young men had been forgotten. This was pointed out to one of the coaches before the end of the awards. Unfortunately, they still did not get mentioned.

The purpose of this letter is to say thank you to these two well deserving athletes. Jason Seward and Josh Naylor both attended practices and played their hearts out whenever given the opportunity.

I am sure that each and every parent and student would agree with us that they deserve equal recognition for their efforts. Whatever their reasons for not attending tonight's affair they were both missed.

We do not know why the coaches decided not to mention them.

We thought that it might have been an oversight at first, but if so why wasn't it corrected after it was brought to the attention of one of the coaches?

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PARCS committee to meet

The Playground Association of Ravena Coeymans Selkirk Committee will meet on Tuesday, Dec 5, at 7 p.m. in the Becker School. Community members are welcome to attend the meeting.

RCS Sports Association

Help support the sports program at RCS! The sports Association will meet Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. in the senior high library.

the RCS Senior High School auditorium.

For many of these children, this marks their public "debut" as musicians. The public is invited to come and applaud their efforts.

On Wednesday, Dec., 6, the school chorus will perform at 7 p.m. in the senior high school auditorium.

Becker pupils show off new addition to community

Community members enjoyed

Construction may disrupt library hours

The Bethlehem Public Library has started converting its electric heating and cooling system to natural gas. Installation of the new system will take about two months, and some interruptions in library services are anticipated.

The community room and mezzanine area will have ceiling tiles removed and be equipped with temporary lighting through November.

The community room will be unavailable for meetings Monday through Friday, Dec. 4 through 8. Organizations meeting at those times will be asked to move, reschedule or cancel their meetings.

The adult quiet study area will be closed for the duration of the construction.

For information, contact Anna Jane Abaray at 439-9314.

Middle school music groups to perform

Several orchestral ensembles from the Bethlehem Middle School will present a holiday concert at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar on Thursday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m.

The groups, conducted by David Beck, will perform a medley of holiday music. Refreshments

will be served after the concert. For registration call the library children's department at 439-9314.

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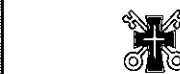
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St. Thomas School announces honor roll pupils

St. Thomas School in Delmar has published its honor roll for the first quarter. First honors go to pupils in grades five through eight who have all A's in effort and conduct.

Pupils in grade-five must maintain a 3.75 to 4.0 average with no grade below a B, and pupils in grades-six through eight must have maintained a 92 to a 100 average with no grade below an 83.

Honor roll pupils include:

Grade five: Jacquelyn Cary, Frances Ford, Sean Lichorowicz, Lindsay McCluskey, Jessica Murphy and Matthew Swiatowicz.
Grade six: Nicole Comi,

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Grade seven: Matthew Perazzelli, Andrea Schmit and Audrey Ting.

Grade eight: Kelly Cheeseman, Jessica Deflumer and Rebecca Hogue.

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Second honor roll pupils

Grade 5: Robert Barrowman,

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Jill Parsons, Carley St. Lucia, Jada Schaming and Brandy Van Alstyne.

Grade 8: Jaime Hoose, Brian Lichorowicz, Elizabeth Malinowski, Bridget Murray, Lauren Murray, Laura Salhoff and Emily Waniewski.

Toastmasters to meet at Delmar church

The second meeting of the Delmar Toastmasters Club is scheduled today, Nov. 29, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

For information, call Ray Bell at 439-0871.

Bethlehem artists plan display at Child's

The Bethlehem Art Association will sponsor its December winter holiday art show at the Canterbury Gallery at Child's Nursing Home on Hackett Boulevard in Albany.

Any member of the association may enter a piece of artwork into the juried show, which will run from Dec. 1 to 31. The entry fee is \$3 for one work, and \$5 for two works. All artwork should be framed and wired to be hung on a wall.

Pieces for the show will be collected on Dec. 1 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the gallery.

A reception is slated on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the gallery.

For information, call Colleen Skiff Kriss at 439-2955.

St. James youngsters to host book sale

Eighth-grade pupils at St. James School on Summit Avenue in Albany will host a book sale on Saturday, Dec. 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

They are currently seeking donations of used books for the sale. Proceeds from the event will be used for the purchase of instructional materials.

Donations can be left at the school office or a pick-up can be arranged by calling the school at 465-1973.

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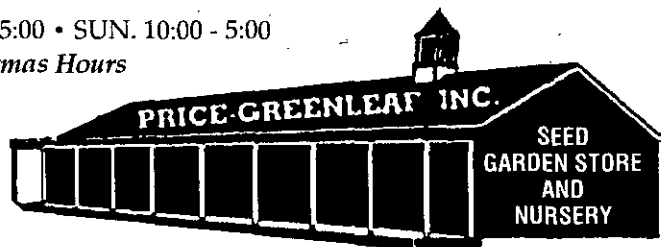
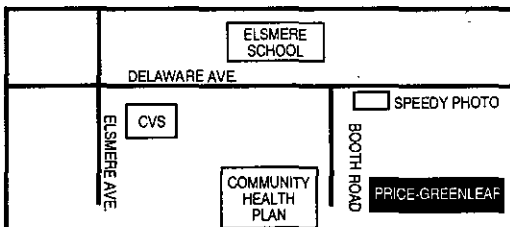


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St. Matthew's bazaar slated

St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville will hold its annual Christmas bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the church on Mountainview Road.

The event features a variety of handmade items, baked goods and books. Food will also be served. Children can have their picture taken with Santa, play games and make crafts.

This year's raffle drawing includes beautiful items crafted by local artisans. Everyone in the community is invited.

Rod & Gun Club planning craft fair

Also on Saturday, the Voorheesville Rod & Gun Club has planned a craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the club on Foundry Road.

A family-style chicken and biscuit dinner will be served at 5, 6 and 7 p.m.

Sit-down or takeout service will be available at a price of \$6.50 per person. Tickets will be sold at the door.

For information, call Pauline Warnken at 872-0757.

Guidance center to offer financial aid program

The high school Guidance and Counseling Center will offer a program on "College Financial Aid—How to Get Your Fair Share" on Thursday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. at the school.

Peter Lorenzo, a certified financial planner and president of College Aid Planning Associates, will be the featured speaker.

A special study skills and time management workshop will be held for students in grades 11 and 12 while their parents are attending the seminar.

The programs are free, but pre-registration is requested by calling the guidance office at 765-3314.

Author to present lecture Dec. 5

Award winning poet and author, Jay Rogoff, will read from his latest work, "The Cutoff," in a talk sponsored by the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem.

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The lecture, entitled "The Poetics of Baseball: Fictions of Local and Personal History" is open to the public free of charge. Refreshments will be served.

Park Association sets annual meeting date

The Salem Hills Park Association's annual meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Road.

The association's financial status and special projects for the coming year will be discussed.

Volunteers are needed to fill two seats on the board of directors.

All residents of the development are encouraged to take an active role in the association.

The group is sponsoring its second annual holiday decorating contest. The winning home will be granted a dues waiver for the coming year. The board will judge homes and decide the winner by Dec. 20.

Singers welcome to join festival choir

The sixth annual Voorheesville Community Christmas Festival is set for Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church on Maple Avenue.

Local singers are invited to join the Community Choir for this performance. Rehearsals start on Thursday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church.

For information, call Ken George at 765-4442.

Night tour planned at Five Rivers center

There will be a guided evening walk at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar on Friday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m.

Center naturalists will lead the group on a walking tour of the center after dark, listening for owls and other creatures of the night.

Participants should dress for the outdoors and bring a flashlight if possible.

For information regarding this free event, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

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Children's holiday program slated for Empire State Plaza

On Saturday, Dec. 9, WXXA-TV/Fox 23 and The River/99.5-FM will present a children's holiday program and tree-lighting festival at the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

center, where kids can enjoy rides, a petting zoo, balloons, clowns, juggling, magicians, and greetings from Santa Claus. There will also be traditional holiday sing-alongs.

In the concourse, a ballet performance of selected excerpts from "The Nutcracker" will be shown. Brass and choral groups from the community will also perform.

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Abaray named director of community library

Anna Jane Abaray, former public information specialist at the Bethlehem Public Library, has been named library director at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Community Library.



Abaray

Abaray, who also served as assistant director in Delmar, has also held librarian positions at Schenectady County Community College, SUNY Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill and at Phillips Academy in Massachusetts.

A native of Long Island, she holds graduate degrees from the school of Library and Information Science at Simmons College in Boston and the University at Albany.

Abaray is a resident of Clarksville.

Delmar resident joins McAuley Living board

Sister Martha Haase of Delmar was recently named to a three-year term on the board of trustees of McAuley Living Services, which oversees McAuley Residence in Albany, a 48-bed assisted living program for the elderly.

Check local holiday wish lists

Reference librarians Therese Broderick and Karen Levi-Lausa have created the library's bulletin board display "Community Giving: What Local Groups Need" for December.



Broderick and Levi-Lausa updated the list of relief organizations that accept "reusables," and added organizations that provide services for people with specific needs, including AIDS patients, battered women, the homeless and families of cancer patients.

Items on these group's wish list could include supplies for families who live in a home away from home at the Ronald McDonald House. Items on that list include: bedding, cookware, cleaning supplies, tools and baby needs.

Albany's Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless asks for food,

clothing, toiletries and a number of volunteer services.

In Bethlehem, the Festival Fund uses donations to provide temporary assistance ranging from food to fuel oil for families in need.

In conjunction with the display, Levi-Lausa and Broderick are preparing a take-home brochure listing 14 of the largest and oldest Capital District relief organizations, complete with addresses, telephone numbers, hours of operation and a profile of the people they serve. They are also compiling a more comprehensive list to be added to the permanent reference file sometime next year.

Anna Jane Abaray, who served as public information librarian for nearly 10 years, has been named director of the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Community Library.

Abaray was the library's first librarian to write this column for *The Spotlight*.

A 30-minute program of films for pre-schoolers will be shown on Friday, Dec. 1, at 10:30 a.m.

"The Princess in the Tower,"

"The Gingerbread Boy," "Rosie's Walk" and "King of the Cats" will be shown.

On Sunday, Dec. 3, at 2 p.m., Barbara Bennett, an educator with the Schenectady Museum, will give a workshop for children age 3 and up on creating a winter garden centerpiece.

Both programs will be in the community room and are free and open to the public.

Call the children's department at 439-9314 for information.

Since installation of the new heating and cooling systems is under way, call the library to check for postponements, cancellations or location changes in December.

Louise Grieco

Computer buffs slate session at library

The Capital District Computer Enthusiasts will present a computer information session today, Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The group will demonstrate its bulletin board system and answer questions on computer communications.

Meetings are open to the public. Membership dues are \$15 per year. For information, call Lynn Ellsworth at 482-0534.

Hamagrael to hold annual craft fair

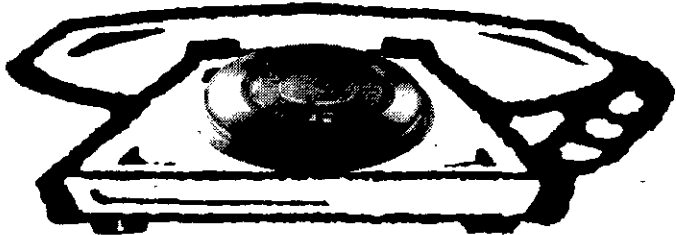
The Hamagrael Elementary School Parent Teacher Association has slated its annual craft fair on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school on McGuffey Lane in Delmar.

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Book-buying parents and grandparents should plan to arrive at 2 p.m. when the Friends of the Library will be selling her books, and Armstrong will be there to sign them. An autographed book is a wonderful book for that special young reader in the family.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, the library is hosting a special Holiday Open House from 2 to 4 p.m.

The fifth annual volunteer reception is also an opportunity for everyone to meet and visit with library trustees and staff.

If you are one of the Voorheesville residents who have not been to the "new" library since it opened in 1989, join us and see what a wonderful place it has become.

The Friends of the Library will be there to provide an opportunity for more members of the community to join their ranks.

Music will be provided by Randy Maugher, and refreshments will be served.

The contributions of our volunteers will be acknowledged, and the local winner of the Legacies short story contest will be announced.

Library lovers, regular patrons and newcomers are encouraged to stop in.

Barbara Vink

Community orchestra to play holiday tunes

The Delmar Community Orchestra will present its annual community Christmas concert on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 2 p.m.

The concert will be held in the auditorium at Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

The program will feature a mix of traditional and contemporary holiday music. Vocalist Marie Franke will sing several songs.

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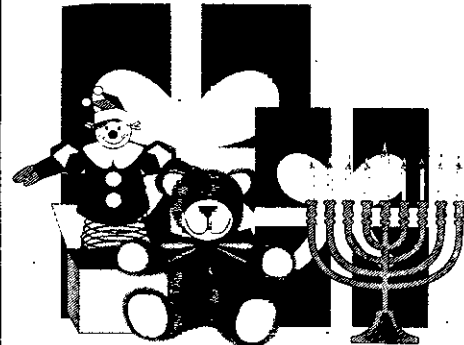
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Sports

Win Crusader Invitational Tournament in Troy

Bethlehem girls start off season with a bang

By Claire Del Vecchio

The Bethlehem Lady Eagles basketball team got its season off to a great start by winning the Crusader Invitational Tournament hosted by Catholic Central High School in Troy last weekend.

BC defeated non-league opponent Averill Park in the first round 59-39, which sent them to the finals against Catholic Central.

Led by sophomore guard Nicole Conway and her 20-point performance, the Lady Eagles defeated the Lady Crusaders 54-50 in a game that was close throughout.

Bethlehem received support

from senior co-captain Kiley Shortell and sophomore Megan Sellnow, who scored 15 and nine points respectively. Conway was selected as the tournament most valuable player, and Shortell was named to the all-tournament team.

Returning players from last year's squad include Conway, Shortell, Sellnow, co-captain Katie Sherwin, Laura Del Vecchio, Abby Smith and Krissy Westfall.

New to the team this season are senior Marcy Finkel, junior Jen Gould, sophomores Katie Smith and Karly Decker, and freshman Kim Comtois.

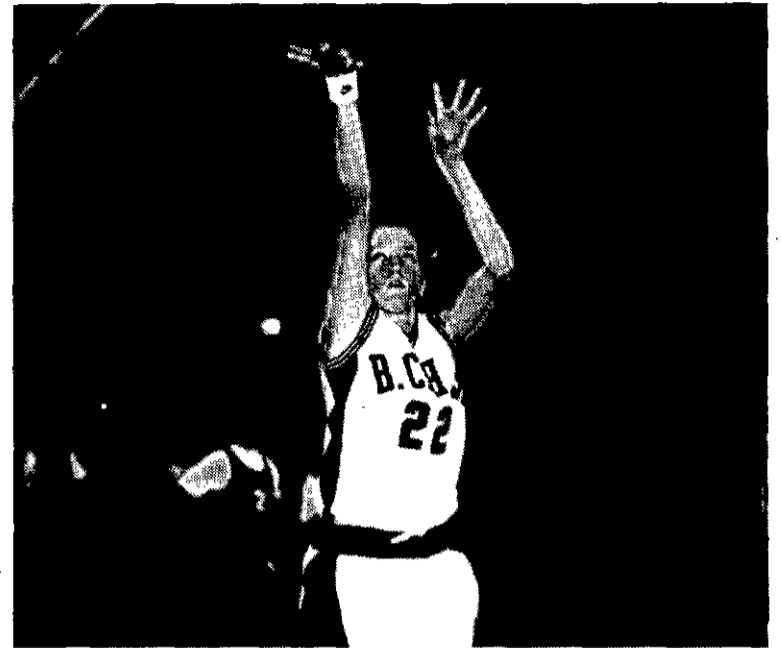
Height could be a problem for head coach Kim Zornow, who is in her third season at the helm of Bethlehem's varsity squad.

Standout center Karena Zornow, the younger sister of coach Zornow, will be sorely missed. She is attending the University of Vermont this year on an athletic scholarship.

The Lady Eagles, who were 14-1 in league play last season and advanced to the semifinals of the sectional tournament, will face some challenges early in the 1995-96 campaign.

They will be competing in a tournament at SUNY Albany next month and traveling to a tournament in Rhode Island on Dec. 9 and 10.

BC will face the Blue Devils of Columbia High in the first home game of the season on Friday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m.



BC's Nicole Conway was the tournament MVP.

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Adult-Junior Men: Steve Vnuk Sr. 252 and 599 triple; Lou Devoe Sr. 239 and 651 triple.

Adult-Junior Women: Sue Kondrat 184 and 523 triple.

Boys: Mike O'Brien 221 and 633 triple.

Girls: Jessica Brady 205 and 538 triple.

Junior Classic: Tom Neiles 264; Andrea Kachidurian 198; and Pete Bukowski 244.

Juniors: Joe Marro 211 and 558 triple; Kelly McNally 214 and 583 triple; Stephen Leno 205 and 500 triple; and Kristin Fournier 172 and 477 triple.

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The future is now for BC boys

By Scott Isaacs

If last season was any indication, Bethlehem basketball is ready for a breakthrough.

BC appears ready to rise to the upper echelon of the Suburban Council thanks to several returning stars from last year's 8-13 team, as well as the addition of members of the 1994 junior varsity squad, which was undefeated.

This year's varsity squad begins with the seniors **Sean Berry** and **Joe D'Angelo**, who were instrumental in last year's sectional run, which included an upset victory over Catholic Central. They will head up the frontcourt, and provide most of the offense. Both are anticipating solid seasons.

Berry was optimistic about this year's squad. "We have a lot of experience to go along with some great young players. We will be intense this year," he said.

Also contributing up front will be **Chris Wenger**, who recently demonstrated his prowess on the boards by snatching 15 rebounds in a scrimmage with LaSalle, and will be counted on for much of the rebounding load until **Peter Dorgan** returns from a torn ligament and adds additional muscle to the front line.

The backcourt is manned by veterans **Chris Bannigan**, **Eric Wimer** and **Tim Wenger**, all

Basketball

known for their tenacious defense and marksmanship from the outside.

"We've got a lot of confidence right now that we will really be one of the top teams in the league," said Wimer. "We just have to come together and help bring out the best in our talents."

The 20-0 JV team of 1994 has supplied the Eagles with additional talent, most notably in the forms of burly center **Tim Staniels** and athletic forward **Scott DeFeo**. Both have shown flashes of brilliance and should be major contributors this season.

Also, **Cory Czajka** will join **Chris Wenger** underneath doing much of Bethlehem's dirty work such as grabbing loose balls, pulling down rebounds and playing exceptional defense.

Also expected to contribute are guards **Seamus Gallagher** and **Jamie Paine**, both exceptional ballhandlers and passers at the point guard position.

"We may have lost five players to graduation, but this current crop is as good as we've had here in a while," said assistant coach **Ken Lyons**. "These kids really work hard and are unbelievably tenacious on defense. I expect a very

positive season."

Head coach **Chuck Abba** agreed. "We have a number of good players this year. Hopefully all this talent will mesh, and we will come together as a team, doing the little things that lead to success."

The Eagles open their 1995-1996 campaign on Friday, Dec. 1, in the Colonie Tip-Off Tournament at Colonie High School.

Bethlehem plays Gloversville in the opening round. The opening tip is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Babe Ruth signups set

The Bethlehem Babe Ruth League will hold registration on Tuesday, Nov. 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall at 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

There is a \$75 registration fee. Birth certificates are required of new players. For information, call **Pete Bulger** at 439-1219.

Recruitment talk set

A presentation on recruitment of the student athlete is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville.

The Voorheesville Boosters Club and the high school guidance department are co-sponsors of the talk by retired SUNY tennis coach **Bob Lewis**.

Burch-less Blackbirds prepare for new season

By Adam Cole

A new era in Voorheesville basketball begins Friday night with the team's season and home opener against Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk.

First-year head coach **Bill Logan** will have to deal with the loss of many key players from last year's 17-7 varsity team.

The loss of first team Colonial Council center **Dave Burch** swings the Blackbirds offensive strategy toward the outside.

Leading the way will be seniors **Mike Beadnell**, **Joe Robichaud**, **Jason Patterson**, **Brandon Emerick** and **Andy Bayus**. Senior **Ryan Foster** and sophomore **Karl Meier** will be trying to fill Burch's shoes in the post.

Logan cited junior **John Christianson** as a key player for the Blackbirds this season. "John can play with anybody inside," he said.

"He jumps a lot higher than people anticipate."

Christianson averaged 15 points per game on the junior varsity level last year before his season ended due to an injury.

Besides his team's overall lack of experience, Logan has to be worried about the talent in the Colonial Council this year.

"Schalmont, Ravena and Mechanicville are returning most of their players and will be tough to beat," Logan said.

Rounding out this year's squad are juniors **Mike Robichaud**, **Bryan Cline** and **Matt McKenna**.

V'ville grad excels

Erin Sullivan, a 1992 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, was goalie on the Williams College soccer team this year, which played in the Division III championship game.

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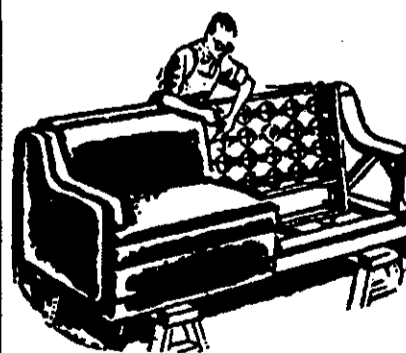
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Teen

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After failing a sobriety test, the driver was charged with DWI, falsifying official records for altering the birth date on his driver's license and possession of alcohol by a person under the age of 21, police said.

Vanderbilt said a minikeg of beer with a tap was found in the rear of the vehicle.

It's fortunate nothing worse came of the incident, Vanderbilt said. "Here's an inexperienced driver, under the influence, with a carload of kids, attempting to elude the police."

The incident also makes a good case for passage of a zero tolerance bill in state Legislature, Vanderbilt said. Under such a law, now expected to come up for a

vote when the legislature returns in January, the allowable amount of blood alcohol in a driver under 21 would be lowered from the current .10 to .02, which would allow teen-agers to drive with no more than one beer — if that — under their belt.

A conviction could result in a six-month suspension of a person's driver license plus a \$125 fine.

The chief proponent of such legislation, Doris Aiken, the founder and president of RID (Remove Intoxicated Drivers) said she expects a zero tolerance bill will be enacted in 1996 after a furious battle to pass it in 1995 failed.

"We've been working on it all year long," she said. "The Senate passed it in June with only 12 negative votes."

But the "bill never came up for a vote in the Assembly" because the leader in that house was beholden to the alcohol lobby, she said.

In particular, Aiken said Assembly Majority Leader Michael Bragman, D-Syracuse, who is largely responsible for which bills come up for a vote, "took the bill off the agenda."

Aiken said she later discovered that earlier this year Bragman had accepted \$27,000 in campaign contributions from representatives of the alcohol industry — prior to action being taken on a zero tolerance bill.

"I think any reasonable person can make some kind of deduction there," she said. "We held a press conference and a four-day vigil"

after the legislation was put on hold. President Clinton even sent a letter endorsing the legislation.

Bragman has since decided "to do the right thing," and promised passage of the bill when the legislature returns in January, she said.

Rather than undermining the legislation, Bragman has tried to forge an agreement implementing it, according to a spokesman in the assemblyman's office.

Since June "We've had 16 teen-agers die in alcohol-related accidents" from accidents involving teen-age drivers, Aiken said. Teen-age binge drinking "is a terrible problem. They're drinking beer and following it up with vodka."

A recent study sponsored by the Albany County STOP-DWI program confirms that teen-age

drinking and drug use is indeed on the rise.

Concurrent with a zero tolerance law, Aiken said a keg ID bill should be enacted as well.

Aiken was unaware of the recent incident in Bethlehem, but said it was a perfect example of a situation that could have easily spun out of control.

If a keg ID law was in effect in New York, then the keg in the back of an intoxicated driver's vehicle could be traced to determine who sold it to an under-age person.

Many other states have a keg ID bill on the books, and it's time for New York to catch up, she said.

Assemblyman Jack McEneny, D-Albany, said it was important to differentiate between 16 and 17-year-olds, who should not be permitted to drive with alcohol in their system, and 18, 19 and 20-year-olds, who are old enough to vote and serve in the armed forces.

McEneny said he could not support the zero tolerance as written because it would be unfair and offensive to 18, 19 and 20-year-olds.

"Suppose you have a 20-year-old Marine Corps sergeant who has just come home from Bosnia. You're going to tell this guy he can't have a drink at his sister's wedding? I think that's a bit much."

McEneny said he still opposes the 21-year-old drinking law in New York because it flies in the face of common sense.

Rather than reducing teen drinking, he said, raising the legal drinking age to 21 has caused teens to drink on the sly and in unsupervised settings.

"It has contributed to more teen-age binge drinking," he said, as well as to an increase in date rape among teens.

The zero tolerance law is strongly supported by STOP-DWI agencies across the state, according to Albany County STOP-DWI coordinator Denis Foley.

Zero tolerance for teenagers makes sense, Foley said, because "by your second drink you're clearly impaired." In addition, teens are already at a disadvantage given that "they're learning a new motor skill."

Foley said he strongly supported a keg ID law "There was a death in Colonie a few years ago where a teen-ager was killed when someone threw a keg in a bonfire and it exploded."

"I know the Colonie Police strongly support (a keg ID law)."

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Perks

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At the Four Corners in Delmar, Melissa Steen, owner of I Love Books, was similarly upbeat about what the next month will bring.

"People don't seem to be holding back," she said. "Black Friday does not affect small stores like us the way it does the malls. It's a busy day for us normally, but not zooley."

To help create some of the excitement that goes along with Black Friday at the suburban malls, Steen said she holds a holiday open house on the Saturday night after Thanksgiving, which is when "It really becomes zooley, or controlled zooley," at her Delaware Avenue store.

In Glenmont, however, the Glenmont Plaza and the Town Squire were not swarming with shoppers like the Crossgates Mall in Guilderland was. All 7,400 parking spaces at Crossgates were reportedly full for nearly the entire time on Black Friday.

"Yesterday was a pretty good day," said Michelle Waddingham, sister of the owner of Waddingham Footwear in Glenmont Plaza. Although "I thought it was busier on Wednesday (the day before Thanksgiving),"

"I think everyone goes to Crossgates," she said. "I went there last night, and it took me 45 minutes to find a parking space."

Still and all, business does seem to be perking up from what it was a few years ago at the Glenmont Plaza, she said, when the center's entrance from Route 9W was closed off.

Customer loyalty is what keeps the store going, Waddingham said. "Everyone that stops here says that even if they can't find what they need, they prefer stopping here first and doing their business locally. I hear that from maybe 70 percent of those who come in."

For Aleta Lyons, owner of the Windflower florist shop in the Town Squire Plaza in Glenmont, Black Friday was "a terrible day. Absolutely dead. We had three deliveries and maybe three or customers all day long."

But that's OK, she added, because the store had an official open house scheduled for Sunday afternoon, the store's official kick-off for the holiday season.

Lyons said a loyal customer base is what keeps her going. I daresay if it wasn't for the wonderful people who keep coming back, I would be out of business."

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Trailer

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Little has changed at the Town Squire over the past few years, she said. "Our shopping center here is definitely painful. When we first moved out here there was Grand Union and CVS. If we can get another grocery store, then this would be a great mall again."

Personalized service is the key to keeping local residents from driving out to Colonie or Guilderland, according to Pam Morris, owner of Helderhaus Pet Supplies in the Glenmont Plaza.

Business has been good all year long, she said. But since she has only been open since Dec. 12 1994, Morris said she has nothing to compare this year's Black Friday to.

The only thing darkening the business climate for Glenmont, she said, is the spectre of the proposed Southgate Commons shopping center, earmarked for a 75-acre parcel about a mile north off Route 9W.

but we expect the law to be enforced. I hope Social Services can provide some assistance so they can get into the residence there and be happy."

Despite the Charrons' evident hardship, there is no question of the illegality of their trailer from the town's point of view.

"There is no provision in our zoning law for mobile homes like that," said Supervisor Herb Reilly. "It cannot be a dwelling."

Building Inspector Paul Cantlin said that the town zoning law allows mobile homes only in mobile home parks or as temporary dwellings during construction of a home.

"They would need a use variance, and would need to show that the property cannot be used for anything else," Cantlin said. "They would probably never legally get a

variance."

The town has already sent the Charrons a violation letter, and the next step would be an appearance ticket for violating the zoning law, Cantlin said.

A possible solution would be for the Charrons to move into the house on the property, Cantlin said, but Ann Marie, who is also out of work because of a disability, said that the house, which has not been inhabited for more than six years, is "not liveable."

There are only two rooms in the house, Ann Marie said, and part of the ceiling is falling down in one of those rooms.

"There's no way we can live there," she said.

Jim said that he plans to build a "permanent A-frame structure" around the trailer, although he

admitted that the couple did not have the resources to build at the present time.

"It would be completely enclosed — you wouldn't be able to see the mobile home," Ann Marie said.

Cantlin said that such a structure would need a building permit, and the Charrons would have to clearly identify how the structure could no longer be considered a mobile home.

The town has the power to assess fines that can run into the tens of thousands of dollars in cases of persistent zoning violations, and has used that power in the past.

But Cantlin said, "Usually the quiet path works. Eventually it (the trailer) will have to go, but how long it will take is a good guess."

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The Spotlight remembers

This week in 1985, these stories were making headlines in *The Spotlight*.

- To deal with crowding at Glenmont Elementary School, the Bethlehem Central school board considered an elementary re-districting plan that would move 100 pupils out of the Hamagrael attendance area.

- The Bethlehem zoning board of appeals approved a parking variance for a proposed 12,000-square-foot addition to 161 Delaware Ave., paving the way for the state Dormitory Authority to consolidate its offices in Elsmere.

- The Bethlehem Central High School varsity soccer team (11-5 in the regular season) upset Burnt Hills in overtime in the opening round of sectional play, before bowing to Guilderland 2-0 in the sectional semifinals. Top players were **Toby Dunmore, Paul Stracke, Paul Doyle, Eric Oberheim, Todd Smith, Jeremy Manning, Rick Ramsby** and **Aaron Halsdorf**.

Delmar Progress Club organizing card party

The Delmar Progress Club has slated a card party for members and guests today, Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall at 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

For information or reservations, call May Blackmore at 439-9152 or Anne Young at 439-5160.

AIDS council needs gift-wrapping helpers

Volunteers are currently needed to wrap books in book stores during the holiday season.

Donations will benefit the AIDS Council of Northeastern New York.

For information, contact the AIDS council at 434-4686.



Douglas Pratt and Darlene Ellis

Ellis, Pratt to marry

Darlene Lynnae Ellis, daughter of Diane Ellis of Raleigh, N.C., and Douglas R. Pratt, son of Douglas and Elizabeth Pratt of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, where she is employed as a human resources

adviser.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. He is employed as a physical education teacher at Topsail Senior High School in Topsail, N.C.

The couple plans an April 20 wedding.



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Guidelines for parents

The National Institute of Mental Health asked the following question of 50 parents whose children have become well-adjusted productive adults.

Based on your personal experience, what is the best advice you can give new parents about raising children?


- Love abundantly -- The most important task is to really care about your child.
- Discipline constructively -- Give clear direction and enforce limits on your child's behavior.
- Spend time with your children -- Play with them and teach them to develop a family spirit.
- Give the needs of your mate priority -- A husband and wife are able to be successful parents when they put their marriage first.
- Be realistic -- Expect to make mistakes.
- Really listen -- Give your children your undivided attention, putting aside your beliefs to try to understand your children's.
- Foster independence -- Gradually allow children more freedom and control over their own lives.
- Develop mutual respect -- Children who are treated with respect will know how to treat you and others respectfully.
- Teach your children right from wrong -- They need to be taught basic values and manners so they will be able to get along well in society. Set personal examples of more courage and integrity.
- Offer guidance -- Be brief, don't give speeches.

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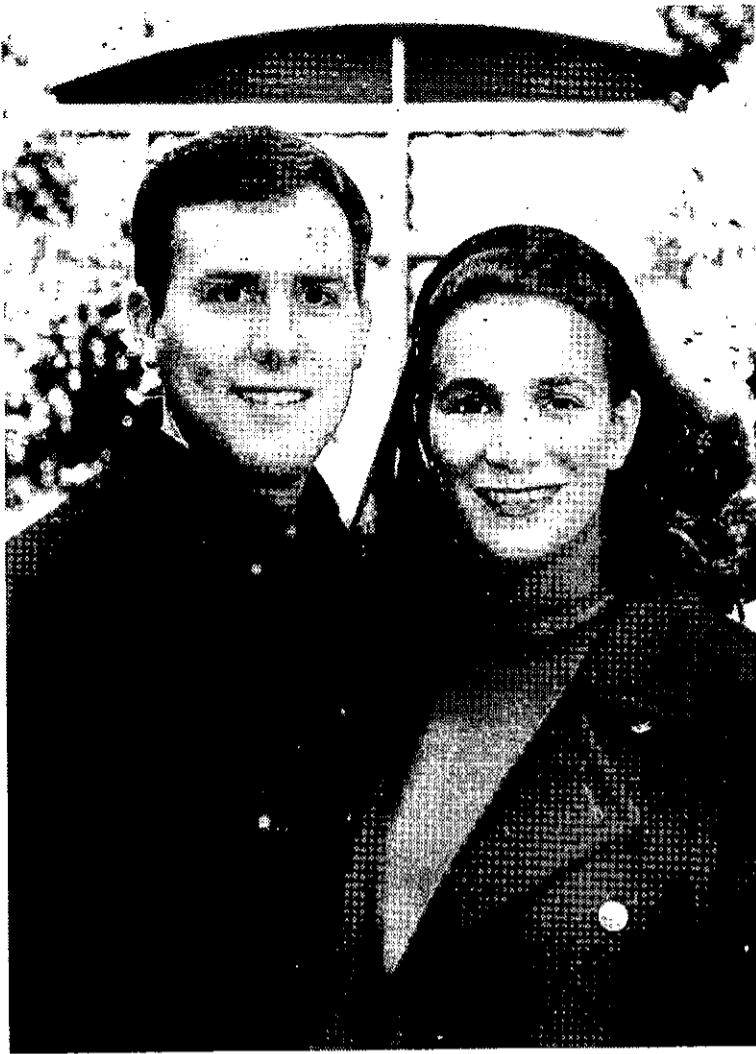
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Ryan Asmus and Janine Kardas

Kardas, Asmus to marry

Janine Michelle Kardas, daughter of Barbara Kardas of Chicago and the late Julian Kardas, and Ryan W. Asmus, son of Dr. Don and Linda Asmus of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate for Eastern Illinois University, where she earned bachelor's and master's degrees. She is employed as an English teacher at West

Leyden High School in Northlake, Ill.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, the University at Albany and the University of Akron Law School. He is employed as attorney by the Chicago firm of Adler, Murphy & McQuillen.

The couple plans a June 1 wedding in Chicago.

Kids learn to create holiday table decorations

Children ages 3 and older will have a chance to create a holiday table decoration at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Barbara Bennett, an educator at the Schenectady Museum, will

present the program. Older children will create decorations from scratch using paper folding techniques. Younger children will work with a variety of ready-to-go items.

For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Mail weddings, engagements

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

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

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

Births

Albany Medical Center

Twin girls, Ashley Courtney Yalaju and Sarah Anne Yalaju, to Mary Gillespie-Yalaju and Alfred Yalaju, Slingerlands, Sept. 27.

Girl, Sarah Aisling Ryan, to Victoria and Paul Ryan, Delmar, Oct. 10.

Girl, Sierra Elaine Pease, to Robin and Scott Pease, Voorheesville, Oct. 10.

Girl, Meghan Katherine Mills, to Janet and Kevin Mills, Delmar, Oct. 13.

Girl, Madeline Rose Hilliard, to Susan and Eric Hilliard, Feura Bush, Oct. 24.

Boy, Joseph Wallace Kapczynski, to Karen and Alexander Kapczynski, Clarksville, Oct. 30.

Boy, Vincent Dane Busone, to Joy and Vincent Busone, Clarksville, Oct. 30.

Boy, Kyle Edward Stark Jr., to Kristen Senkers and Kyle Stark, Glenmont, Nov. 5.

Boy, Brian John Johnson, to Alison and Oren Johnson, Glenmont, Nov. 5.

Girl, Bryn Ann Davies, to Alison and Robert Davies, Delmar, Nov. 6.

Bellevue Hospital

Girl, Amanda Jane Clark, to Cathleen and Jeffrey Clark, Glenmont, Oct. 17.

Girl, Isabella Brooke Armina, to Kathleen Pecora and Benjamin Armina, Selkirk, Oct. 21.

Delmar student joins college honor society

Jill Ferraro of Delmar was recently elected to membership in the Golden Key National Honor Society at the University of New Hampshire.

The society recognizes juniors and seniors in the top 15 percent of their class.

Ferraro, a junior majoring in psychology, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Ferraro of Delmar.

Bethlehem TV-31 to air seasonal tales

Bethlehem public access television station TV-31 will air "Stories of the Season" during the month of December.

These winter tales will be shown on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 4:30 p.m. and on Friday, Dec. 15, at 11 a.m.



Leah and John Wojewoda

Collins, Wojewoda marry

Leah Collins, daughter of Carol Collins of Voorheesville, and John Kevin Wojewoda Jr., son of John and Catherine Wojewoda of Voorheesville, were married Oct. 21.

The Rev. Alvin Somerville performed the ceremony in Our Lady of Angels Church in Albany, with the reception following at Oceans Eleven restaurant in Guilderland.

The matron of honor was Christine Fichtner, and the bridesmaid was Anne Wojewoda, the groom's sister.

The best man was Christopher

Lawler, and the usher was Charles Collins, the bride's brother.

The bride is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, Hudson Valley Community College and the University at Albany.

The groom is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, Hudson Valley Community College and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He is employed as an electrical engineer by Belcore in Red Bank, N.J.

After a wedding cruise the couple lives in Ocean, N.J.

Community Corner



Postal carriers to collect food

The week of Dec. 4-9 is Postal Carriers' Week for the Hungry. Food items such as tuna fish, tomato sauce, peanut butter, canned fruits and non-sugared cereals can be left in mailboxes, at local post offices in Bethlehem and New Scotland or at participating Key Banks.

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Obituaries

Edwin B. Darling

Edwin "Ned" Darling Jr., of Bartlett Lane in Elsmere, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital in Albany.

Born in Troy, he was a lifelong Capital District resident.

Mr. Darling had operated Ned's Mill Work in Watervliet for many years. He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the European theater.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Watervliet, the Nathaniel A. Blanchard American Legion Post in Delmar and the Jewish Community Center in Albany. He was also a volunteer at the veterans hospital for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Mary E. Bell Darling, and a daughter, Susan E. Bollen.

Mr. Darling donated his remains to the Anatomical Gift Program at Albany Medical College.

Services were scheduled at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 111 Elm Ave., today, Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m.

Arrangements are by the Hans Funeral Home, Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Dr. Stewart Factor Parkinson's Research Fund, Albany Medical College, 43 New Scotland Ave., Code A-151, Albany 12208, or to the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany 12208.

Albert Mossin

Albert C. Mossin, 88, of Altamont Retirement Home in Alabama, a former resident of Salisbury Road in Delmar, died Friday, Nov. 24, at the home.

Born in Englewood, N.J., he had also lived in Albany for many years. Mr. Mossin was a former professor and dean at the University at Albany, retiring in 1973.

He was husband of the late Rachel Anfanger Mossin.

He is survived by a nephew.

Services were from Beth Emeth Cemetery in Loudonville.

Arrangements were by the Levine Memorial Chapel in Albany.

Contributions may be made to

Temple Beth Emeth, 100 Academy Road, Albany 12208.

Christine Perkins

Christine Herhahn Perkins, 96, of Delmar died Thursday, Nov. 23, at her home.

Born in Shelby, Neb., she had lived in Phoenix, Ariz., for many years before moving to Delmar in 1985.

Mrs. Perkins was director of personnel for Perkins Products of Chicago before she retired.

She was the widow of Ivan G. Perkins.

Survivors include a son, Donald D. Perkins of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; a sister, Helen Joplin of Scottsbluff, Neb.; a brother, Leo Herhahn of Glendale, Ariz.; five grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Marie A. Koster

Marie A. Koster, 93, of Villa Mary Immaculate Nursing Home in Albany, a former Selkirk resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at the nursing home.

Born in the Bronx, she had formerly lived on Clapper Road in Selkirk.

She was a homemaker.

She was the companion of Catherine Schaffer of Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Albany 12205.

Harry Harrigan

Harry P. Harrigan, 87, of Nathaniel Boulevard in Delmar, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Our Lady of Mercy Care Life Center in Guilderland.

Born in Albany, he was a longtime resident of Delmar.

He worked for Capital City Container Corp. in Albany for many years as a salesman and production manager. He retired as the plant manager in 1973.

Mr. Harrigan was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas

the Apostle in Delmar and a knight of St. Ignatius in the Jesuit Retreat League.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Heller Harrigan; a daughter, Julia A. Maxon of Loudonville; four sons, Arthur H. Harrigan, John E. Harrigan and Paul M. Harrigan, all of Delmar, and Joseph W. Harrigan of Guilderland; a sister, Anna Hart of Albany; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Burial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the St. Thomas Memorial Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054, or to Our Lady of Mercy Life Care Center, 2240 Western Ave., Guilderland 12084.

Kenneth E. Bryce

Kenneth E. Bryce, 66, of Miller Road in Slingerlands, died Sunday, Nov. 19, at Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital in Albany.

Born in Center, Texas, he attended LaSalle University in Philadelphia and the University of Maryland. He had lived in the Capital District since 1982.

He was an Air Force veteran of the Korean War.

He was a credit manager for Suburban Propane in Maryland for 15 years.

Mr. Bryce was a youth bowling coach in Maryland and a former director of the Albany Bowling Association. He was a member of the Monday Night Mixed Bowling League at the Albany Bowling Center and the Sunset Lanes Senior Mens League. Mr. Bryce was also a member of American Legion Post 1493.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellsworth Bryce; a son, David Bryce of Maryland; two stepdaughters, Tammy Morgan and Donna Ross, both of Slingerlands; a sister, Mary Patterson of Odessa, Texas; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Frederick Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in New Scotland Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the ALS Center at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, or to Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albany.

Kathleen Hulihan

Kathleen Gannon Hulihan, 80, of Delmar died Tuesday, Nov. 21, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, she had lived in Delmar for more than 40 years.

She was an executive secretary for the state Thruway Authority for 20 years before she retired.

Mrs. Hulihan was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

She was the widow of James E. Hulihan.

Survivors include two sons, James E. Hulihan Jr. of Hong Kong, and Terrance J. Hulihan of Great Falls, Va.; and five grandchildren.

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

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Edith Ogden

Edith Bolan Ogden, 84, of Delmar died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Child's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Winterport, Maine, she earned bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Maine.

Mrs. Ogden taught biology at Caribou High School in Maine and science in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Delmar, Sigma Xi, the Dana Natural History Society, the Nature Conservancy and the Mayflower Society.

Survivors include her husband, Eugene C. Ogden; a daughter, Linda O. Watts of Globe, Ariz.; a son, Everett B. Ogden of Delmar; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Services were at the Pilgrim's Home Cemetery in Monroe, Maine.

Ruth Berkun

Ruth Berkun, of Rockefeller Road in Elsmere, died Friday, Nov. 24, at her home.

Born and raised in Schenectady, she was a longtime Albany resident, before moving to Elsmere.

Mrs. Berkun was a homemaker.

She was a founding member of Temple Israel in Albany and the Hebrew Academy.

She was a member of the Tephareth Israel Synagogue and a life member of Hadassah and the Brandeis Women's League. Mrs. Berkun was also active in the Israel Bonds Organization and the United Jewish Federation for many years. She had also worked with children at the Hebrew Academy and Temple Israel.

She was a longtime member of Shaker Ridge Country Club.

She was the widow of Benjamin Berkun.

Survivors include two sons, Eugene H. Berkun of Loudonville and Richard Berkun of Delmar; a brother, Perry Huppert of Lake Worth, Fla.; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were from the Ginsburg Memorial Chapel in Colonie.

Burial was in Temple Israel Cemetery in Guilderland.

The period of mourning continues through Thursday, Nov. 30,

from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Berkun residence on 4 DeLucia Terrace in Loudonville.

Contributions may be made to Temple Israel, 600 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208, or to the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District, 54 Sand Creek Road, Latham 12110.

Amelia Dalton

Amelia Platte Dalton, 98, of Pheasant Run Apartments in Voorheesville, died Saturday, Nov. 25, at the Eddy Cohoes Rehabilitation Center.

Born in Rockaway Beach, Queens, she was a longtime resident of Holbrook, Suffolk County. She moved to Voorheesville five years ago.

Mrs. Dalton was a homemaker.

She was the widow of Harold Dalton.

Survivors include a daughter, Lorraine Holland of Voorheesville; four grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services were from St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to the St. Matthew's Church Building Fund.

Joseph F. Vakens

Joseph F. Vakens, 82, of River Road in Selkirk, died Saturday, Nov. 25, at his home.

Born in Albany, he was a lifelong resident of the Capital District.

Mr. Vakens was a self-employed farmer.

He was a communicant of the Church of St. Casimir in Albany.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Marion Kotarski Vakens; two brothers, the Rev. Michael W. Vakens of Schenectady and William Vakens; and a sister, Mary Rainka of Albany.

Services were from the Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home in Albany and the Church of St. Casimir.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to St. Casimir's Restoration Fund, 324 Sheridan Ave., Albany 12206.

Lab school planning trip to New York City

The Bethlehem Lab School Parents Association is planning a bus trip to New York City on Saturday, Dec. 9.

The bus will leave the front parking lot of Bethlehem Central High School at 700 Delaware Ave. in Delmar at 7 a.m. It will drop passengers off at Rockefeller Center, and return to Delmar at about 10 p.m.

The trip is open to the community. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. The trip costs \$26 per seat. Checks should be made payable to the Bethlehem Lab School.

For information, call Nancy Hallock at 439-0780 or Darlene Dowse at 439-0268.

Death Notices

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

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.

Cinderella replay heralds multimedia blitz

By Dev Tobin

S*A Tale of Cinderella* at the New York State Theatre Institute is more than a critically acclaimed musical retelling of the classic fairy tale. It is also the first internationally distributed cast recording of an original musical by a regional theater company, and will soon be even more.

The performances on Dec. 16 and 17 will be videotaped by the institute's partner in developing new family musi-

story, this time set in 18th-century Venice.

Veteran composer/lyricist George David Weiss and composer Will Severin were brought in by Warner to come up with the show's 20 songs, and the play was first produced, to rave reviews, last December.

While *A Tale of Cinderella* has its magical moments, the play "is steeped in the contemporary reality of how difficult it is to achieve success when your home life is not so happy," Snyder said.

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cals, Warner Music Group, with an eye toward a national broadcast and distribution of the video in 1996, according to Patricia Di Benedetto Snyder, the institute's producing artistic director.

Warner has committed \$400,000 to help the institute develop five new family musicals over five years. The second musical in the series, *The Silver Skates*, will be produced next spring.

"It's very expensive to develop an original musical, and we'd never be able to do it" without the support from Warner, Snyder said.

The tale of how *A Tale of Cinderella* came to be a multimedia happening begins with Snyder, who wanted to do a musical about Cinderella, but "didn't think there was a real Cinderella out there."

And, aside from the too-fairy-taleish quality of the Rodgers and Hammerstein version, there was the question of cost — \$18,000 in royalties — that is always relevant for the not-for-profit, state-supported institute.

W.A. Frankonis of Delmar, recently retired as associate director of the institute, came to the rescue with an original version of the Grimm Brothers

Unlike in the Rodgers and Hammerstein or Disney versions of the story, the heroine of *A Tale of Cinderella* is "a strong lady, not a marshmallow," said Weiss.

Although the institute's raison d'être is to provide theater that can be incorporated into primary and secondary school curricula, the score of *A Tale of Cinderella* is "not written down to children, but one that adults and children can enjoy," Weiss added.

The multimedia success of *A Tale of Cinderella* for the institute suggested the obvious metaphor to Severin.

"To have a CD happen, and a video and a possible road show, for us it's a Cinderella story," said Severin.

A Tale of Cinderella will preview Friday, Dec. 1, at 10 a.m., and open Sunday, Dec. 3, at 2 p.m. Performances in the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy will be at 10 a.m. on Dec. 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13 and 14; at 8 p.m. on Dec. 8, 9 and 16; and at 2 p.m. on Dec. 10 and 17.

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



In *A Tale of Cinderella*, John Romeo, above left, the prince's godfather, explains his magical powers to the prince, played by Sean Frank Sullivan. Below, the cast, including Romeo and Eileen Schuyler of Delmar at left, serenade shoppers with "Bongiorno" at Borders Books & Music in Colonie during a promotional appearance Friday.



Former dancer with international tour of *Chorus Line* stages Sch'dy production

When Debra Ann Draper returned to her native Schenectady to teach with her parents at the Orlando School of Dance, she had a resume that included dancing in numerous Broadway shows and touring internationally.

One of her shows was *Chorus Line* when she toured the United States and Europe. This weekend, she's connected again with the longest-running Broadway show, but as director/choreographer of the Schenectady Light Opera Company's production.

Draper who was one of hundreds of performers to appear in the gala anniversary performance of *Chorus Line* on Broadway, has assembled 22 local dancers who also sing and act to play the dancing hopefuls for a Broadway show.

Chorus Line, which evolved from workshops in New York where professional dancers related their experiences, is the best-developed tribute to these performers in musical comedy.

Assembling a cast of performers for the Schenectady production who could also sing and act as well as dance was no small order. Draper, the daughter of Orlando and Eleanor Figliavento who run the Schenectady dance school, had access to the best possibilities as a result of her work as dance teacher and her experience with the Schenectady Light Opera Company while a student herself.

Even in rehearsal, it was necessary to replace some performers, one of whom got a job on a cruise ship that required leaving the very next day. Building an ensemble of



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dancers has tested all of Draper's teaching experience, which includes lecturing and choreographing at Michigan State University.

In any event, her efforts will be on display this Friday, Dec. 1, and Saturday and Sunday as well as Thursday through Sunday, Dec. 7-10. Evening performances are at 8 p.m. with Sunday performances at 2 p.m.

Reservations and information are available at 377-5101.

A Christmas Carol in Branson after successful Albany run

The production of *A Christmas Carol* which opened a four-week schedule last week at the Palace Theater in Albany, appears to have hit its stride.

Audiences through Sunday night approached the 8,000 mark for six performances, a respectable attendance that got the travelling show off to a flying start.

After three years of trying to establish the tradition, the Minneapolis producers have hit the formula, particularly with John Astin in the leading role of Scrooge. He displays a remarkable range, combining the inherent meanness of the character without resorting to caricature and yet finding the underlying humor of Charles Dickens' text.

Working with wonderful ensemble effect with a combined cast of local and New York actors, Astin's performance is seamless. The dream sequences when Christmases Past,

Present and Future haunt him are given an expansive quality as Astin roams the stage seeing his life unfold and bringing him to a change of heart and soul.

This year the producers also sharpened up some of the scenic effects and added cast members who, together with some of the veteran players, give the production a stronger balance. Again, Don Perkins matches Astin's work in the dual role of Marley and Fezzwig, two disparate characters.

So, John Allen finds a comfortable niche in the role of Bob Cratchit, and Joe Quandt exhibits a strong personality in several roles.

Chris Holder, a recruit from the Minneapolis area, is a fine actor, giving the role of Scrooge's nephew verve and polish.

Currently, the company, local actors included, is in Branson, Miss., playing at the Glen Campbell Theater, before moving on to Detroit and Baltimore. The producers had to turn down bids for an extra week in Baltimore due to unexpected response. The actors' contracts only carry them through four weeks.

Around Theaters!

A Christmas Tuna, farce two-man show with 24 characters at the Capital Repertory Theater through Dec. 17 (462-4531) ... *A Tale of Cinderella*, reprise of last spring's new version of the Cinderella story, at the New York State Theatre Institute in Troy through Dec. 17 (274-3256) ... *Children of a Lesser God*, drama at The Egg, Dec. 3 and 4 (473-1845) ... *The Foreigner*, comedy about Englishman in backwoods Georgia, at the Schenectady Civic Theater through Dec. 10 (382-2081) ... *The Nutcracker* by the Northeast Ballet at Proctor's Theater, Dec., 3 and 4 (346-6204) ... *The Nutcracker* by the Capital Ballet at the Palace Theater Albany Dec. 1-3 (465-3333).

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"MACHINAL"
directed by Phil Soltanoff, Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, through Dec. 3, \$7. Information, 584-5000.

"ATTIC FRAGMENTS"
written and performed by Bertrand Fay, Old Chapel, Union College Campus, Schenectady, Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1:30 p.m., \$5. Information, 388-6172.

"A TALE OF CINDERELLA"
Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, through Dec. 17, \$15. Information, 274-3256.

"A CHORUS LINE"
Opera House, 826 State Street, Schenectady, Dec. 1 through 10, 2 and 8 p.m., \$15. Information, 377-5101.

"CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD"
Empire Center at the Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Dec. 3, 7 p.m., \$23. Information, 473-1845.

"CHARLOTTE'S WEB"
presented by the Academy of the Holy Names Lower and Middle School, Campus Arts Center, 1069 New Scotland Road, Albany, Dec. 1 through 3, 2 p.m., \$5. Information, 438-6553.

"THE NUTCRACKER"
presented by the Northeastern Ballet Company, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State Street, Schenectady, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 and 3, 2 and 7 p.m., \$18.50. Information, 382-3884.

"THE DUCHESS OF MALFI"
staged by Langdon Brown, Lab Theatre of the University Performing Arts Center, Albany, Dec. 1, 2, 3, 6 and 9, \$9. Information, 442-3997.

MUSIC

ALLAN ALEXANDER
guitar and lute player, Cafe Allegro, 33 Second St., Troy, Dec. 2, 9 and 16, 7 to 11 p.m. Information, 271-1942.

EMERSON STRING QUARTET
Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 29 and 30, \$20. Information, 372-3651.

CHERIE DEVAL
senior voice major, College of Saint Rose Music Center, 11 Madison Ave., Albany, Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m. Information, 454-5178.

CD BLUES
with Teresa Burns Band, The Calumet Grill, 54 Philip Street, Albany, 7 to 10 p.m.

ST. ROSE MASTERWORKS CHORALE
directed by Bob Sheehan, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Corner of State and Second Sts., Sunday, Dec. 3, 1 p.m. Information, 273-0038.

OUT OF CONTROL
rhythm and blues band, The Metro, Maple Street, Saratoga Springs, Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

POETRY CONTEST
\$500 grand prize, deadline Jan. 31, 20 lines or less, any style, Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum, Inc., Dept. N, 203 Diamond St., Sistrerville, W.Va. 26175. Information, 304-652-149.

DANCE

COUNTRY DANCING
live music by Bill Soence and Fennig's All Stars, Masonic Temple, 138 Maple Ave., Altamont, Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m., \$6. Information, 765-2815.

CAPITAL SWING DANCE SERIES
live music by Doc Sclaran's Rhythm Boys, First Lutheran Church, 181 Western Ave., Albany, Friday, Dec. 1, 8:30 p.m., \$8. Information, 463-1622.

DANCEFEST 5
annual choreographer's showcase, Art Center Theater, Columbia-Greene Community College, Route 23, Hudson, Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 3, 3 p.m. Information, 828-4181.

CLASSES

DANCE CLASSES
ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and modern, New School of Ballet, 1098 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, Monday to Thursday and Saturday. Information, 346-1096.

ART CLASSES
watercolor and oil, beginner and advanced, 44 Hoffman Drive, Latham, Information, 783-1828.

MUSEUM ART CLASSES
on going, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, \$25. Information, 463-4478.

READINGS

NORMAN MILLER
signs his novel "Ice Spy," Borders Books and Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Wednesday, Nov. 29, 7:30 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL
Hudson Valley Community College Campus, Physical Education Complex, Troy, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 and 3. Information, 786-1529.

FURRYTALES AND TOUCHABLES
picture book story reading, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Saturdays, Dec. 2 and 16, 11 a.m. Information, 474-5877.

VISUAL ARTS

"THE LATHROPS"
works by Ida, Gertrude and Dorothy Lathrop, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., through Dec. 31. Information, 463-4478.

"THE NEW AMERICAN GHETTO"
photographs by Camilo Vergara, State Museum, Albany, through Dec. 8. Information, 474-5877.

BOB BLACKBURN'S PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP
featuring works by black artists, East and West Galleries, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., through Dec. 31. Information, 463-4478.

"PEOPLE AND PLACE"
"People and Place: Changing Land Use and Landscape in Rensselaer County," chronological look at land use in the county, Rensselaer County Historical Society, 59 Second St., Troy, through June. Information, 272-7232.

"SHARKS! FACT AND FANTASY"
New York State Museum, Albany, through Dec. 31. Information, 474-5877.

"THE TOM GOLDEN COLLECTION"
"Twenty-One Golden Years with Christo and Jeanne-Claude: The Tom Golden Collection," traveling exhibition, College of Saint Rose Art Gallery, Picotte Hall, 324 State St., Albany, through Dec. 3. Information, 454-5102.

CANTERBURY GALLERY
Landscape Competition, Canterbury Gallery, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, through Nov. 30. Information, 439-2955.

"THE CULTURED TOURIST"
exhibition curated by Leslie Tonkonow, Center for Photography at Woodstock, 59 Tinker Street, Woodstock, through Dec. 3. Information, 914-679-9957.

HOLIDAY EXHIBIT
small scale paintings and sculptures, Greene County Council On the Arts, 398 Main St., Catskill, through Jan. 8. Information, 943-3400.

SUE REES
exhibition of sculptures, Albany Center Galleries, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Dec. 29. Information, 462-4775.

AIDS EXHIBITION
photography exhibit, Lulu's Cafe, 288 Lark St., Albany, Dec. 1 through 15. Information, 434-4586.

JAMES CONZO
photography exhibit, Spencertown Academy Art Gallery, Spencertown, through Dec. 30. Information, 392-3693.

To list an item of community interest in the *The Spotlight*, send all pertinent information to

The Spotlight Calendar

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Weekly Crossword

"It's a Dog Eat Dog World"

By Gerry Frey

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- 1 Dog appellation
- 5 Hold at fault
- 10 Vapor
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- 15 Ranted's cousin
- 16 On the briny
- 17 Follows teen
- 18 Accumulate
- 19 Sly look
- 20 Iditarod
- 22 Bird dogs
- 24 French island
- 25 Brawl
- 26 Boxes
- 29 Pea snuggery
- 30 Sacred song
- 34 Resembling a wing
- 35 Storage container
- 36 Cooperstown's Reese
- 37 The sun
- 38 Darn
- 40 Egg
- 41 Type of computer
- 43 Communist
- 44 Hemorrhaged
- 45 Car type
- 46 Corp. big wig
- 47 Underlying concepts
- 48 Bike need
- 50 Yellowish-white fluid
- 51 Cowboys
- 54 Long time
- 58 Bread spread
- 59 One of the Musketeers
- 61 Actress Arden & others
- 62 Pealed
- 63 Reagan A. G.
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- 65 Chemical suffixes
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- 7 Ms. Gardner
- 8 Disarranged
- 9 Ford's folly
- 10 Small dog
- 11 Understanding words
- 12 Prophet
- 13 Sailors
- 21 Smith and Jolson
- 23 Cone-shaped tent
- 25 Unpure bred dog
- 26 Spanish houses
- 27 Solo
- 28 Antipasto
- 29 Precedes iron and latin

- 44 Some hounds
- 46 Furniture wheel
- 47 Hidden microphone
- 49 Broadway play
- 50 Model positions
- 51 Jewish dance
- 52 Enthusiastic vigor
- 53 Actress Russo
- 54 Medicine amount
- 55 Pkwy's cousins
- 56 Man
- 57 Superlative suffixes
- 60 Goddess of death

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AROUND THE AREA

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 29**

ALBANY COUNTY

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

"STRINGING UP THE LIGHTS-NOT YOUR TEMPER"

educational program on managing stress during the holiday season, Women's Health Center of Albany Medical Center, 58-60 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 5:30 p.m. information, 262-5486.

"ROOTS AND BRANCHES: RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY TREE"

program designed to acquaint visitors with the process of researching their family tree, Albany County Hall of Records, 250 South Pearl St., Albany, 10 a.m. to noon. Information, 447-4500.

FARMERS' MARKET

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

RENSELAER COUNTY

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 30**

ALBANY COUNTY

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

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING
four-session program on fertility awareness, St. Peter's Hospital, 315 South Manning Blvd., Albany, 7 to 9 p.m. Cost, \$75. Information, 454-1388.

"SUFFERING, COMPASSION, AND CHANGE"

two-part workshop exploring suffering and compassion as agents of positive change, Consultation Center, 790 Lancaster St., Albany, Nov. 30 and Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. Cost, \$40. Information, 489-4431.

FARMERS' MARKET

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

SENIOR CHORALE

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

FOR MOTHERS ONLY
support group for new mothers, Bellevue Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Information, 346-9400.

RENSELAER COUNTY

RALPH MARTIN BOOKSIGNING
reception and book signing of Ralph Martin's "Did I Say That?" The Eddy's Margaret Krause Center, 2212 Burdett Avenue, Troy, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Information, 266-9660.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 1**

ALBANY COUNTY

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

SENIORS LUNCHE

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

ROOFERS RECRUIT APPRENTICES

applications accepted by those at least age 18, Roofers Joint Apprenticeship Committee of the Capital District, Local 241, 890 Third St., Albany, 8 a.m. to noon. Information, 457-5519.

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 2**

ALBANY COUNTY

KWANZAA AND CHRISTMAS GIFT AND CRAFT SHOW

African-American ethnic crafts, Santa Claus, Sage Junior College, Academy Road, Albany, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost, \$3. Information, 465-2146.

FURRYTALES AND TOUCHABLES
storytelling and the examining of animal skins and plants, New York State Museum, Madison Avenue, Albany, 11 a.m. Information, 474-5877.

RED CROSS CHILD CARE COURSE
for students at least 11 years old interested in babysitting, pre-registration required, American Red Cross Albany Chapter, 2 Clara Barton Dr., Albany, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost, \$28. Information, 828-6715.

BAZAAR
sponsored by the U.S.-China People's Friendship Association, various items from the People's Republic of China, Friend's Meeting House, 727 Madison Ave., Albany, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 462-0891.

ADVENT QUIET DAY
Reverend Ted Gulick will lead a day of meditations and silence, a simple lunch will be served, St. Paul's Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Information, 463-2257.

"THE NEW AMERICAN GHETTO" BOOKSIGNING
slide talk and book signing with Camilo Jose Vergara, New York State Museum, Madison Avenue, Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

SIBLING CLASSES

program designed to assist parents in preparing young children for the arrival of a newborn, pre-registration required, Bellevue Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 10:15, 11:30 a.m. Cost, \$5 per child. Information, 346-9545.

RENSELAER COUNTY

CRAFT FESTIVAL

Dec. 2 and 3, over 75 crafters, gourmet specialty foods, raffle, Hudson Valley Community College Campus, Physical Education Complex, Troy, Information, 786-1529.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3**

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.

RED CROSS "RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES" COURSE
three-session course designed for athletic trainers who wish to learn how to respond to emergencies on Dec. 3, 10, and 17, American Red Cross, Hackett Boulevard at Clara Barton Drive, Albany, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost, \$72. Information, 433-0151.

TRIPLE HANDICAP SIX MILE RUN
before the race all entrants will receive handicap based on age, sex, and weight, showers and refreshments available, registration in the Physical Education Building, SUNY Campus, Albany, 10:30 a.m. Cost, \$1. Information, 765-4772.

THE SHARKS
presentation on the relationship between sharks and humans, New York State Museum, Madison Avenue, Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

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

RENSELAER COUNTY

TROY VICTORIAN STROLL

holiday festival with dancers, musicians, carolers, rides, refreshments, craft fair, downtown Troy. Information, 274-7020.

**MONDAY
DECEMBER 4**

ALBANY COUNTY

SENIORS LUNCHE

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

SCOTTISH DANCING

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

ALL ABOUT INFANTS

parenting classes, pre-registration required, Bellevue Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 7 to 9 p.m. Cost, \$30. Information, 346-9545.

**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 5**

ALBANY COUNTY

"REDUCING YOUR TAX BURDEN"

seminar on tax-saving strategies as well as information on proposed tax reform, refreshments, Guilderland Town Library, 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland, 2 p.m. Information, 452-5745.

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.

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.

COMMUNITY HARVEST DINNER

feast of locally grown food, reservations recommended, First Presbyterian Church of Albany, State and Willett Streets, Albany, information, 426-9331.

SAMARITANS SUPPORT GROUP

for suicide survivors, 160 Central Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-2323.

SENIORS LUNCHE

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

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Albany Senior Squadron, Albany Airport, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4406.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

MS SELF-HELP GROUP

Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Group of Schenectady County, Sunnyview Hospital, Belmont Avenue, Schenectady, 9:30 a.m. Information, 427-0421.

RECOVERY, INC.

self-help group for former mental and nervous patients, Unitarian House, 1248 Wendall Ave., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

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The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 29**

BETHLEHEM

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.
WELCOME WAGON
newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Monday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 785-9640.
TESTIMONY MEETING
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.
SOLID ROCK CHURCH
1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

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

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

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

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 30**

BETHLEHEM

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

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.

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

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.

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 1**

BETHLEHEM

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

STORY HOUR
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1:30 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

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

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 2**

BETHLEHEM

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

NEW SCOTLAND

AUTHOR JENNIFER ARMSTRONG
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3**

BETHLEHEM

GUIDED WALK
program on the white-tailed deer, dress for the outdoors, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, 2 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS TEA
Cedar Hill Schoolhouse, Route 144, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

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
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., nursery provided, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 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 JHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Bible lecture, 9:30 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:25 a.m., 359 Elm Ave. Information, 439-0358.

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 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.

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
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., child care provided, youth group, 6:30 p.m., Route 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child care available, 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 available, coffee/fellowship following services, youth groups, 6:30 p.m., 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 and 10:30 a.m., Mountainview Street, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH
worship service, 9:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH
adult Bible study, 9 a.m., junior choir or chime choir practice, 9 a.m., worship service, 10 a.m., recorder group practice, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6179.

ONESQUETHAW REFORMED CHURCH
worship service, 9:30 a.m., Sunday school, 10:45 a.m., Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush. Information, 768-2133.

UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship, Delaware Turnpike. Information, 439-5001.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND
worship service, 10 a.m., church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6454.

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VOORHEESVILLE
worship services, 9:30 p.m., church school and nursery care, 10 a.m., children's choir, 11:15 a.m., youth group, 4 p.m., 68 Maple Ave. Information, 765-2895.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
Bible hour, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., evening service, 6:30 p.m., nursery care provided, Route 155. Information, 765-3390.

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided. Information, 768-2916.

**MONDAY
DECEMBER 4**

BETHLEHEM

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING
Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057.

MOTHERS' TIME OUT
Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

BLANCHARD AMERICAN LEGION POST MEETING
16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

DELMAR KIWANIS
Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-5560.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA
rehearsal, town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4628.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM
Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

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

AL-ANON GROUP
support for relatives of alcoholics, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

NEW SCOTLAND

QUARTET REHEARSAL
STORY HOUR
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:30 a.m. 765-2791.
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7:15 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 5**

BETHLEHEM

PLANNING BOARD
town hall, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING
Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057.

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP
First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

BINGO
at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Route 144, 7:30 p.m.

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

ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

DELMAR ROTARY
Days Inn, Route 9W. Information, 439-0018.

A.W. BECKER PTA
Becker Elementary School, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2511.

SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

NEW SCOTLAND

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

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

**WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 6**

BETHLEHEM

BC SCHOOL BOARD
district office, 90 Adams Place, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

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.

WELCOME WAGON
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.

ONESQUETHAW CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB
Swiss Fondue restaurant, 1903 New Scotland Road, 6 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

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

ADVENT SERVICE
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

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.

DRUM CIRCLE
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. 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
DECEMBER 7**

BETHLEHEM

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

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB
Marian Davis and Lynn Mather will talk about England, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 1:30 p.m.

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

Holiday Craft Fair

**Saturday
December 2
10 - 4**

Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church
1499 New Scotland Road
439-1766

Free Admission

ALBANY BERKSHIRE BALLET
Madeline Cantarella Culp, Artistic Director presents

The Nutcracker

PALACE THEATRE
Albany, NY

December 22, 1995 - 7:00 p.m.
December 23, 1995 - 1:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$23.50 \$19.50 \$16.50

Discounts: Seniors (60+) \$2.00 off
Children (12 & under) \$5.00 off

Tickets available at
Palace Theatre Box Office (518) 465-4663
TicketMaster (518) 476-1000
Albany Berkshire Ballet (518) 426-0660

For group discounts call the Albany Berkshire Ballet at (413) 445-5382

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 749 LOUDON ASSOCIATES, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is 749 Loudon Associates, LLC.

SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany.

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: October 10, 2025.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail of copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: PO Box 1098, Latham, NY 12110.

FIFTH: The future effective date of the Articles of Organization, if not effective upon filing is: October 10, 2025.

SIXTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.

IT WITNESSES THEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed on 10/10/95 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

BY: David S. Shamlian - Member 749 Rt. 9 - PO BOX 1098 Latham, NY 12110 (November 29, 1995)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF PARACCESS, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is:

PARACCESS, LLC
SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany.

THIRD: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Paracess, LLC, P.O. Box 727, 50 Century Hill Drive, Latham, New York 12110.

FOURTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 17th day of October, 1995, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

(s) Martin J. Ricciardi, Organizer
Whiteman Osterman & Hanna
P.O. Box 22016
Albany, New York 12201
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Renaissance Floral Design, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on November 3, 1995. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o 467 Albany-Shaker Road, Loudonville, New York 12211. Purpose: flower and gift preparation and sales.
(November 29, 1995)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF PUBLISHER STUDIO, L.L.C. Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Publisher Studio, L.L.C.

SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is located is: Albany County.

THIRD: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: 4 Airline Drive, Albany, New York 12205.

FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization is the

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date of filing.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more members.

SIXTH: The business purpose for which the Limited Liability Company is formed will be to engage in all phases of editorial development and project management of book or other media production.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 31st day of October, 1995, by the undersigned who affirm that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

(s) Bruce Sherwin, Member
(s) Lee Ann Chearney, Member
(s) Linda Ayres-DeMasi, Member
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF GARRY & GARRY PLLC

GARRY & GARRY PLLC has been formed as a professional limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on October 26, 1995 with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary or State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 600 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. The purpose of the business of Garry & Garry PLLC is to engage in the practice of law and any other business activity permissible by Section 1203 of the Limited Liability Company Law and not prohibited by any other law of New York State or any rule adopted by the appropriate Appellate Division or the Court of Appeals.
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF 698 SHAKER ROAD LLC

698 SHAKER ROAD LLC has been formed as a limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on October 26, 1995, with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 600 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. The purpose of the business of 698 Shaker Road LLC is to engage in all lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 1203 of the Limited Liability Company Law.
(November 28, 1995)

NOTICE OF ALBANY REALTY MANAGEMENT & SALES LLC

ALBANY REALTY MANAGEMENT & SALES LLC has been formed as a limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on June 12, 1995, with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 600 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. The purpose of the business of Albany Realty Management & Sales LLC is to engage in all lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 1203 of the Limited Liability Company Law.
(November 28, 1995)

NOTICE AMPERSAND ENTERPRISES L.L.C.

Articles of Organization of Ampersand Enterprises L.L.C. were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (herein SSNY) on Oct. 14, 1995. The office is located in Albany County. The SSNY is designated as Agent upon whom process may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her to P.O. Box 422, Guilderland, N.Y. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful business for which a LLC can be formed pursuant to Section 201 of the LLC law.
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF BARCOMB FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Barcomb Family Limited Partnership has been formed as a limited partnership. The certificate was filed on 11/3/95 with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him/her to RD1, Box 85,

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Delanson, NY 12053.
The names and addresses of each general partner is available from the Secretary of State. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is 10/31/2020. The purpose of the business of such partnership is to engage in all lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 121-107 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act.
(November 29, 1995)

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY JTC ASSOCIATES, LLC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above named Limited Liability Company has been formed for the transaction of business in the State of New York and elsewhere.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is JTC Associates, LLC.

2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on October 23, 1995.

3. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located in Albany.

4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is designated as the agent for the Limited Liability Company upon whom process in any action or proceeding against it may be served and the address within the State to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of the process in any action or proceeding against the Limited Liability Company which may be served upon him is c/o Gerald F. Stack, Esq., Hancock & Estabrook, LLP, 1500 Mony Tower I, P.O. Box 4976, Syracuse, New York 13221. The Limited Liability Company does not have a registered agent within the State of New York.

5. The character of the business to be transacted by the Limited Liability Company is the ownership and management of investment assets.
(November 29, 1995)

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NOTICE is hereby given that on October 30, 1995, Capitaland Funding Group, LLC, filed its Articles of Organization with the New York State Secretary of State. The principal office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against Capitaland Funding Group, LLC, may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process to: Capitaland Funding Group, LLC 469 Albany-Shaker Road Loudonville, New York 12211. The purpose of Capitaland Funding Group, LLC, is to engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law.
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Materials for 1996, for the use of said Town, as and when required.

Bids will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on the 13th day of December, 1995 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mrs. Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: November 21, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Chemicals for 1996, for the use of said

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Town, as and when required.
Bids will be received up to 2:20 p.m. on the 13th day of December, 1995 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mrs. Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and one copy of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: November 21, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on December 13, 1995 at 7:45 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law No. 11 of 1995, Amending Article XVI, Section 128-67, Front Yards; Article XVII, Section 128-76, Side Yards; and Article XVIII, Section 128-82, Rear Yards. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk
TOWN CLERK
Dated: November 8, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on December 13, 1995 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY in regard to renewal of cable television franchise agreement with Mid-Hudson Cablevision, Inc. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk
TOWN CLERK
Dated: November 8, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on December 13, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law No. 10 of 1995, amending Chapter 111, Taxation, Article I, Section 111.1 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem permitting a partial real property tax exemption to persons who turn age 65 between March 1 and December 31 of a calendar year. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk
TOWN CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE

Dated: November 8, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 5, 1995, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on the application of Mr. & Mrs. Marek Gurin, 718 Myrtle Ave., Albany, NY, for approval by said Planning Board of a two (2) lot subdivision of a 1.45 acre parcel located on The Concourse, N. Bethlehem, as shown on map entitled, "WESTLAND PARK SECTION No. 5, SUBDIVISION PLAT, LANDS OF MARK & MARIA GURIN, Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, State of New York" and prepared by Cynthia K. Elliott, PLS, AND Buckman & Whitbeck, PE & PLS, with latest date of 10/31/95.

Douglas Hasbrouck
Chairman, Planning Board
NOTE: Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate in the public hearing should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advance notice is requested.
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will Re-open a public hearing on Wednesday, December 6, 1995, at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of 500 Kenwood Avenue Associates, 500 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-12 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for modification to a previously granted Variance for construction of additional office space at premises 500 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman Board of Appeals
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 6, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Mr. and Mrs. Ajay Sanghi, 50 Dover Drive, Delmar, New York 12054 for Modification to a previously granted Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-50 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for an extension of time to construct a sun room addition at premises 50 Dover Drive, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman Board of Appeals
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 6, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Mr. and Mrs. Ajay Sanghi, 50 Dover Drive, Delmar, New York 12054 for Modification to a previously granted Variance under Article XII, Percentage of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-50 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for an extension of time to construct a sun room addition at premises 50 Dover Drive, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman Board of Appeals
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, an election for qualified voters of the Selkirk Fire District, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, will be held on December 12, 1995 between the hours of 6:00

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p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at fire House No. 3, Route 396, South Bethlehem, New York for the purpose of electing a Fire Commissioner for a term of five (5) years commencing January 1, 1996

Dated: November 10, 1995
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK
s/ Frank A. With
Secretary
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Slingerlands Fire District of the (Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, New York) hereby invites a sealed bid for the following:

1. Conversion of twenty (20) Scott 2.2 to 4.5 per NFPA standards
2. (20) twenty AV - 2000 masks, assorted sizes
3. (40) Kevlar 4.5 cylinders
4. (35) thirty-five AV 2000 masks assorted sizes
5. (5) five Kevlar 4.5 cylinders for the use of said Slingerlands Fire District.

(Items 1 thru 3 to be bid as a package - Items 4 and 5 are to be bid as separate items).

Bids will be received up to 8:00 p.m. on the 12th day of December, 1995 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Fire Station 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, NY. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. John Flanigan, Chairman, Fire Commissioners, Slingerlands Fire Department, 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each shall be submitted.

The Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT
JOHN H. FLANIGAN, CHAIRMAN
Dated: November 14, 1995
(November 29, 1995)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Selkirk Fire District requests sealed bids for a new Rescue Apparatus and new equipment for use thereon to be opened at Selkirk Firehouse No. 3, Route 396, South Bethlehem, New York, on December 12, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. Specifications may be obtained from Chairman Joseph Keller (518) 465-3193 or District Chief Harlen Metz (518) 436-0534.

All bids are to be delivered to Frank A. With, Secretary, 614 Bridge Street, Selkirk, New York 12158, phone (518) 757-3373.

The Board of Fire Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK
s/ Frank A. With
Secretary
(November 29, 1995)

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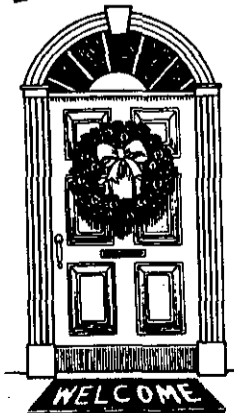
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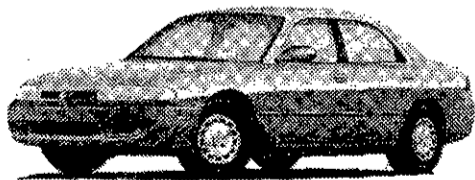
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Candidates must be unmarried at the time of appointment, have no legal obligations, and be between the ages of 17 and 22 by July 1, 1996.

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St. Thomas choir to sing for Advent

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Selkirk native joins Tigers

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Smith, who just turned 22, is a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. In 1990, he was a member of the Bethlehem Mickey Mantle Team which played in the Mickey Mantle World Series in Waterbury, Conn.

He then went on to pitch for Ithaca College from 1991-1993. Smith was drafted out of Ithaca after his junior year by the Tigers. He was chosen in the third round, as the 80th overall pick.

Cameron, a six foot, three inch,

205-pound right hander has progressed steadily in the Tigers' minor league chain.

Smith had an outstanding season in 1995, leading the Tigers' organization with 13 wins and 166 strikeouts. Prior to the season, he was named by Baseball America as one of the top 10 prospects in the Detroit minor league system. His fastball has been clocked at 96 miles per hour.

During the spring, Smith figures to be reassigned and promoted, possibly to AAA Toledo. However, it may not be too long before Smith will be on the mound in Tiger Stadium.

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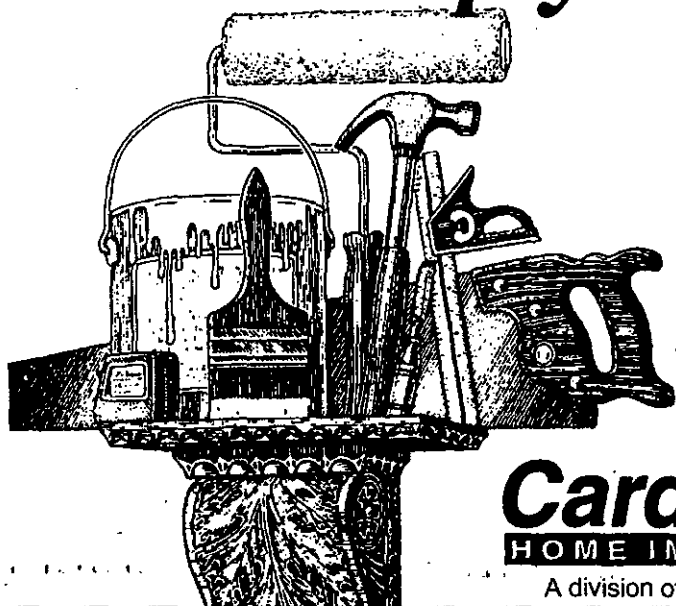
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